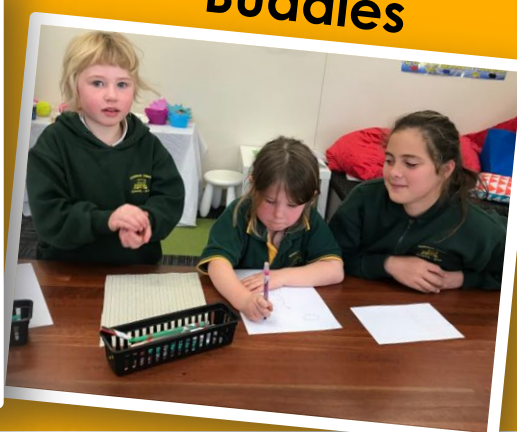


Preps and



Buddies



KPS: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

Koondrook Primary School

August 7th, 2018

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Principal's Report

Curriculum Day

On Friday 10th August there will be **no** school for students. All staff members will be attending professional learning in Swan Hill. Teachers and staff from the whole of the Southern Mallee Network will be in Swan Hill on this day.

Cluster Athletic Sports

Travel Arrangements

We organise a bus to take the children to and from Cohuna for the Cluster Athletic Sports. We need to know how many children will use the bus so that we can confirm our needs with the bus company. We don't have information on all students travel arrangements yet. Even if your children aren't going on the bus we need to know how they will be travelling there. **Please return the orange forms from last week's newsletter ASAP so we can organise numbers.**

Parent Helpers Needed

It takes many people to run an event like the Athletics Carnival so some parent help will be required. We will need parents to help out on some events and with the supervision of students, either taking a group around or at our school area. If we get enough helpers then we all only have to do it for a short time rather than all day. Please fill in the form attached if you can help.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday 15th August from 2:00pm until 6:00pm. **The school day for students will conclude at 1:35pm.** There will be limited playground supervision until 2:20pm for **students attending the early interview times.** If you have any questions regarding this please see Amanda.

MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE

DATE:

August 31st ---

October 5th ---

November 9th ---

FAMILIES:

Murray/McNeil/
Walle/K & B Hall
Snowdon/Fulton/
Dean

McInerney/Hobson/
Whelan/Bettinelli

Dates to Remember

Term Dates 2018

Term 3 ~ July 16th – September 21st

Term 4 ~ October 8th – December 21st

Public Holidays

Melbourne Cup Day – November 6th

School Dates To Remember

- * August 10th – Curriculum Day
- * August 15th – Parent Teacher Interviews
- * August 17th – Bush Day + Assembly
- * September 5th – School Photos
- * September 10th ~ 11th – Year 3/4 Camp

Assembly

August 3rd – Years 5/6 Hosting
August 17th – Years 1/2 Hosting
August 31st – Prep Hosting
September 14th – Years 3/4 Hosting

School Council Meeting

The next School Council Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22nd August.** Please note the change of day.

Bush Day

On Friday 17th August, we are having a Bush Day in the bush out the back of school. It will be a day where the children will be rewarded with activities out in the bush including cubby building, damper over the camp fire and cooking marshmallows. We will be having baked potatoes in the fire for lunch. Children need to bring fruit, morning tea and anything else that they would like for lunch. Children are able to wear suitable casual clothes, preferably old 'farm clothes', as they will most likely get dirty.

School Wide Positive Behaviours

This year we are introducing 'School Wide Positive Behaviours' to Koondrook Primary.

Last term we established our school values through input from students, parents, staff and School Council. Since then we have established a matrix of expected behaviours developed with the students and teachers.

Each week we will be looking at an aspect of the Matrix. We will be speaking about the expectations, what we expect to see and hear. Students will be rewarded with tokens when teachers see students displaying the values. Our focus for this week is 'Responsibility in the school yard'.

Children will be able to use their tokens to purchase rewards from our SWPB shop. A display has been set up in the front foyer.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY REMINDER

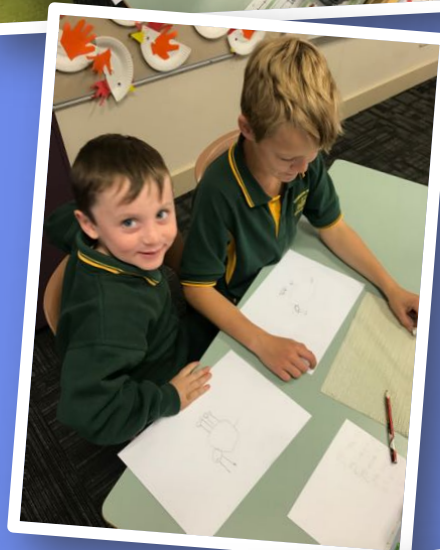
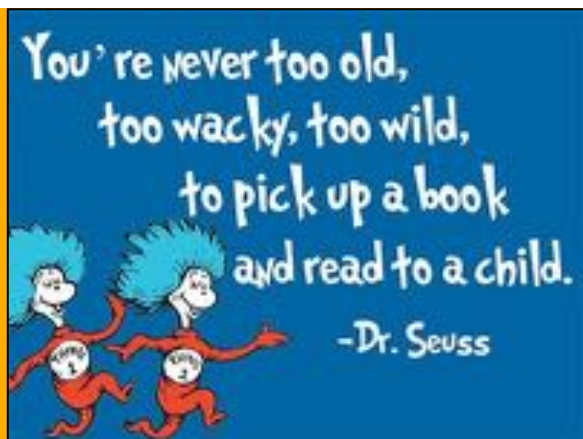
We value your opinion and want to receive as many responses as possible. If you have received a **Parent Opinion Survey** letter in the mail could you please make sure that you complete it. This can be done by referring to the letter with the site and passwords contained and should not take too long.

2019 Enrolments

Enrolments for the 2019 school year are now being taken. Enrolment forms are available from the office.

Hockey

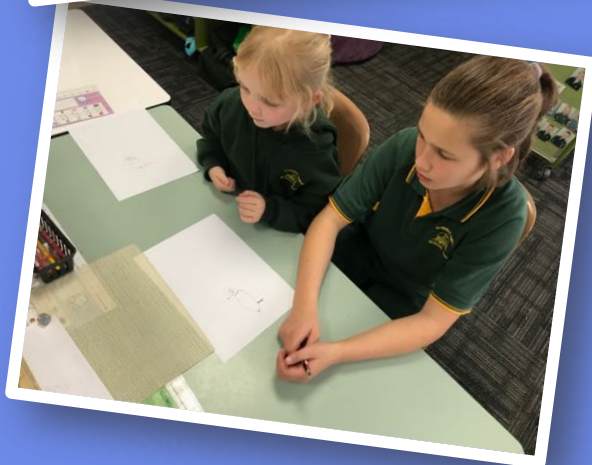
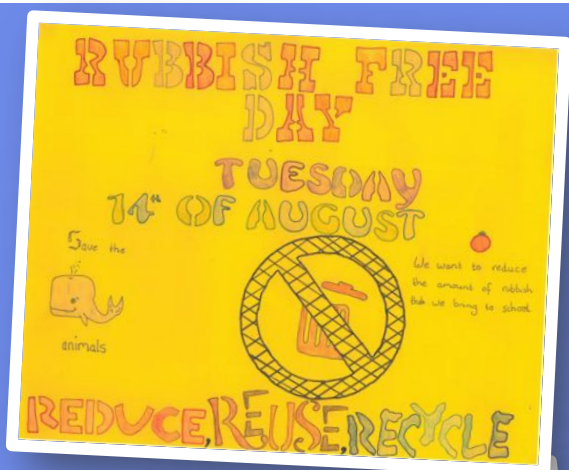
Today Zara played hockey at the Hockey tournament in Swan Hill. Playing with the Murrabit Group School team and representing KPS.



Rubbish Free Day 14th Of August

On the 14th of August there is going to be a rubbish free day. Instead of having all of your food in plastic bags or in wrappers you can put your food in containers. At lunch time when the bell goes we will line up in our houses, the teachers will look through your lunch boxes and count how many pieces of rubbish is in your house. There will be a prize for the winning house.

From the Leadership Team



Kerang and District Schools Book Competition

The student's books were shortlisted last Thursday after school at Kerang South by staff from all schools.

Congratulations to all students who entered a book; it was obvious everyone worked hard to produce the best book they could. The books that were eventually shortlisted are:

Best Front Cover	Jurassic World	Thomas Bull
Best Illustrated	The Black Quill	Bella Jordan
Best Class Book	Incredible Animals	Grade 1/2
	It Began with a Storm	Grade 5/6
Best Recount	My Amazing Christmas	Emma Cruse
Best Fiction/Novel	Jurassic Island	Max Snowdon
	Gnome	Emily Wright
	The Black Quill	Bella Jordan
Best Picture Story	Who Said Boo	Elektra Woolhouse
	I Am Tiger	Maddie Brennan
Best Informative Text	The Murray River	Harrison Parsons
	The Long Paddock Food Store	Ella Whelan
	Cheetah Facts	Cheyenne Stow
	Pompeii	Hunter Whelan

Amanda Bradford



Prep News

Firstly, a big 'THANK YOU' to Mrs Lake and Ms Flood for taking charge whilst Miss Donehue was away.

WOW! We are loving Term 3. It is so great to see all the wonderful learning happening with our Preps and their independence and confidence growing.

Tomorrow we celebrate our 100 days of school. It is a few days late due to students and teachers being away. We look forward to celebrating the milestone!

In Reading & Writing we have been recognising rhyming and writing sentences with rhyming words. We now start looking at Information Reports. A new feature in our classroom is the 'Bump It Up Wall' which we are using for Writing. This gives us a clear direction for our writing and ways in which we can improve it.

In Maths we have been completing a 'Question of the Day', learning the skills of tallying and interpreting data. We are now looking at Ordinal Number, just in time for our Athletics.

Don't forget to return Semester 1 Reports and Art bags to the classroom. We look forward to catching up with families next week at our Parent-Teacher Interviews.

Thanks,
Kate & Sophie



ORAL HEALTH BASICS

FOUR SIMPLE TIPS

- 
1 Brush twice daily, with fluoride toothpaste
- 
2 Use floss at least once a day
- 
3 Eat healthy. Reduce sugary drinks and food
- 
4 Visit the dentist for regular check-ups

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SPECIAL EVENT



PHASMID
Saving the Lord Howe Island Stick Insect
Rohan Cleave and Coral Tulloch

Rohan Cleave is a zookeeper at Melbourne Zoo, where he has been involved in the Lord Howe Island Stick Insect recovery breeding program since 2003.

Rohan has collaborated twice with award winning illustrator, Coral Tulloch and CSIRO Publishing to produce two children's books: 'Phasmid' and 'Bouncing Back'.

Award winning author, zoologist and conservationist
Rohan Cleave
will be visiting Cohuna as part of our **2018 Book Week Celebrations**



BOUNCING BACK
AN EASTERN BARRED BANDICOOT STORY
Rohan Cleave and Coral Tulloch

Tuesday 21 August
Cohuna Library
7.00pm
This event is **FREE** but bookings are essential.
All welcome!

Come along and find out how a 'local boy' became a published author and the processes involved!

Copies of Rohan's books will be available for purchase on the night.



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