



*Koondrook Primary School respectfully acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land. We pay respect to their ongoing living culture.*

# Koondrook Primary School

**KPS: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience**

November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018

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## Principal's Report

### 2019 PARENT PAYMENT CHARGES

#### Essential Education Charges

At the last School Council Meeting, School Fees for 2019 were set. School Fees will remain at \$160.00 per student. These fees are **not voluntary** and everyone is expected to pay. They cover MARC and MACC Fees, student supplies and a computer levy.

Fees can be paid using one of the following options listed below: Essential Education Charges (School Fees) are \$160 per student.

#### Payment Options

Option A: Full amount at the beginning of Term 1 - Due 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Option B: Half yearly payment at beginning of Term 1 - (Due 20<sup>th</sup> February) & Term 3 (Due 16<sup>th</sup> July).

Option C: Other payment arrangements - Must be approved by Amanda or Judi

**\*\*\*\*\* Please note CSEF monies cannot be used to pay Essential Education Charges.**

We accept cash, cheque & direct deposit. NO EFTPOS  
FACILITIES AVAILABLE.

Direct Deposit Details: see Judi to set up this arrangement.

### Koondrook Mates Royal Hotel Raffle

On Friday November 9<sup>th</sup> the McInerney/Hobson/Whelan and Bettinelli families are on Koondrook Mates Hotel raffle duty from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. We thank Shane and Susan for the continued support they give the Koondrook Primary School.

### \*MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE\*

#### DATE:

November 9<sup>th</sup> ---

December 14<sup>th</sup> ---

#### FAMILIES:

McInerney/Hobson/  
Whelan/Bettinelli

Woolhouse/Carter/  
M & C Hall

### Dates to Remember

#### Term Dates 2018

Term 4 ~ October 8<sup>th</sup> – December 21<sup>st</sup>

#### School Dates To Remember

- \* November 13<sup>th</sup> – Personal Development 5/6
- \* November 19<sup>th</sup> - Personal Development 5/6
- \* November 30<sup>th</sup> – Curriculum Day
- \* December 6<sup>th</sup> - ERP EXPO, 3/4/5/6
- \* December 11<sup>th</sup> – Step-Up Day
- \* December 17<sup>th</sup> – Yr. 6 Graduation
- \* December 20<sup>th</sup> – Picnic on the Green

#### Swimming

December 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>

#### Assembly

9<sup>th</sup> November – 3/4 Hosting

### Assembly

Assembly will be held this Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> November. Year 3/4 will be hosting.

### Prep 2019 Transition

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November the Prep 2019 students will attend their second Transition Morning from 9:00am - 11:30am. They will need to bring their hat, water bottle, fruit and morning tea snack.

### Swimming Program

At the end of term, we will run our Swimming Program. This is an intensive program concentrating on swim and survive and water safety skills. **We need parent helpers in order to run the program.** If you can help out please see Amanda. We have a sporting Schools grant which we hope will cover the cost of the bus. The cost per swimming session will be \$2.50 for those students without a pool pass. Attached to last week's newsletter was a membership form for the Koondrook Pool for those families who wish to join. Please send a signed green school envelope with payment or season ticket details.

### Curriculum Day

Each year schools are allocated 4 curriculum days. As we have only used 3 we have declared Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November as our last Curriculum Day for 2018; there will be no school for students. This day will be used by staff to plan programs for the 2019 school year.

### Camps 2019

Here is a rundown of the camps for next year.

Year 5 and 6 - 15 Mile Creek Outdoor Ed Camp, May 28<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> with our Cluster Schools - Gunbower, Leitchville and Murrabit. Approximate cost \$200.

Year 3 and 4 - Barham Lakes Caravan Park Cluster Camp. Approximate cost \$70.

Prep/1/2 Stay and Play. Approximate cost \$10.

### School Uniform Orders For 2019

Anyone wishing to purchase new uniform for 2019 is encouraged to place their orders promptly so that the items can be back before the end of the year and handed out.

*Amanda Bradford*





## T/20 Cricket

On Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November the Year 5/6 class went to T20 cricket in Kerang where we joined up with our cluster schools, Gunbower, Leitchville and Murrabit, to represent our school. The Year 6 Girls versed Cohuna, St Josephs, Kerang and the Year 5 Girls. We beat the Year 5 girls and the rest of the games we lost. The year 5 girls lost their games but they all enjoyed playing. The Year 5 boys won 2 games. It was a hot windy day. We got to have fun and be active. We met new people from our cluster. We all had great sportsmanship and there was great encouraging between team mates.

By Ayla and Emily



## 5/6 Class News

Can you believe we are almost half the way through our final term?

In the year 5/6 class this means we will be preparing for 2019, which includes leadership for the year 5 students and transition and graduation activities for our departing year 6 students.

This time of the year is a busy period for student assessment. In our class we still have Writing, Maths Number and Maths Measurement and Geometry as a whole class and then there is an individual Numeracy Interview (NFI) to be conducted. Hopefully all assessments will be completed by week 7. I hope the illnesses going around won't impact on student attendance too much so we can get them done.

In amongst the assessment schedule we have been participating in some rich learning activities. I am very excited, as are the students, about our Colonial History subject. The students have chosen amazing areas for research and I look forward to the EXPO when they will share their findings. Some of the areas they are investigating include: - gold, mapping, colonial food, the impact of introduced species, forestry, explorers, moving and packing in colonial times, spying/espionage/exploring, art, significant colonial people and the Monarchy and Colonisation. Linked to this, I am reading a Garry Hurlle book, Trubb's Gift, which has the theme of convicts and free settlers. If anyone out there has Colonial History artefacts, expertise or knowledge to share with our class please do.

We enjoyed our participation in the 5/6 cricket carnival on Friday. Whilst we didn't win outright, we came away richer for the experience. The students were fabulous and I thank the teachers from Gunbower and Leitchville who looked after our year 5 teams and the year 6 girls who helped me with the scoring and umpiring, which initially was very daunting, but with their help I had a good understanding by the end of the day.

Yesterday Miss Bradford and the group did another Korean cross via polycom. The students enjoy these sessions.

Finally, I leave you with this quote –

**“READING is to the MIND what exercise is to the BODY.”**

*Jennie Callow*

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