

Playground



Craze



Performance



Koondrook Primary School respectfully acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land. We pay respects to the Barapa Barapa Elders past, present and future.

Koondrook Primary School

KPS: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

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Principal's Report

NAPLAN

Due to the Cross Country being held on Friday the final online NAPLAN test will be held on Monday morning, 20th May. This will be the Numeracy Test.

Education Week: 'Celebrating Careers' Dress-Up Day

Monday 20th - Friday 24th of May is Education Week. The theme this year is 'Celebrating Careers'. We have planned an activity to promote Education Week. We will be having a dress-up day on Friday 24th May. We would like students to dress up as what they would like to be when they grow up.

MARC MACC Catch Up Day

On Wednesday 22nd May we will have a MARC/MACC catch up day. Due to Public Holidays we have missed three Art and Library lessons this semester, so across the Cluster we try to even this up by having a catch-up day.

National Simultaneous Storytime

Every year, the Australian Library and Information Association picks one Australian picture book to be read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, homes, and bookshops – basically anywhere you can *think* of! The goal this year is to get one million kids reading the same book!

Wednesday 22nd May at 10:55am is the National Simultaneous Storytime. The story chosen for this year is 'Alpacas with Maracas' by Matt Cosgrove. It is the second book from the Macca the Alpaca series which tells the story of Macca the kind alpaca and his friend Al, who join in a talent quest. What will their act be? We will read this story together as a whole school in the Project Space for this activity.

MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE

DATE:

FAMILIES:

June 21st ---

Verhey/Faul/Whelan/
Bettinelli/Wood

August 2nd ---

Cameron-Shepard/Trewin/
Chapman/Boucher/Russell

Dates to remember

Term Dates 2019

Term 2 ~ April 23rd – June 28th

Term 3 ~ July 15th – September 20th

Term 4 ~ October 7th – December 20th

Public Holidays

June 10th – Queen's Birthday

November 5th – Melbourne Cup

School Dates to Remember

May 14th~17th – NAPLAN Testing

May 17th – Fun Run

May 21st – Mallee Zone Cross Country @ Swan Hill

May 24th – Careers Dress-Up Day

May 28th ~ 31st – Yr. 5/6 Cluster Camp

Assemblies

May 24th – Grade P/1 Hosting

June 7th – Grade 5/6 Hosting

June 21st – Grade 3/4 Hosting

Assembly

The Prep/1 Assembly will now be held on Friday 24th May.

School Nurse Visit

Kerrie McCosh, primary school nurse, will be visiting our school in June this year. The purpose of this visit is to undertake health assessments and discuss health concerns that parents and/or teachers may have with their children/students.

Prep Grade Health Assessments: All parents of prep grade children will be asked to complete a Health Questionnaire and return the form to the school before May 29th 2019. If you do not wish your child to be seen by the school nurse, please sign the non-consent section and return the form to the school.

Referrals (All Grades): Parents and/or teachers may refer children from any grade for assessments of vision, hearing, basic speech, physical abilities, medical conditions, behavioural and parenting issues. Please collect a referral form from the school office.

Completed forms are to be handed into the school office prior to May 29th 2019. Should parents wish to have an interview with the School Nurse, please indicate your request on the form. Please note: You can talk to the school nurse at any time throughout the year. The school has her mobile phone number.

Fun Run - Cross Country

The 2019 Barham Public School, Wakool/Burraboi Public School and Koondrook Primary School Cross Country will be held at Riverside Park, Barham, on Friday the 17th of May. All students will walk down to the park at 9:00am to walk the course at 9:30am.

The course will begin at the grassed area in front of the board walk. The students will run down in front of the boardwalk and across the pedestrian bridge into Koondrook. From there, the students will follow the river walking track to their designated turnaround point. Staff and High School students will be situated along the track at the various wooden statue carvings. Students will finish their race from where they started from.

The order of events is as follows:

(Please note that these times are approximate)

- Prep (500m) – 10:15am
- Year One Boys and Girls (1000m) – 10:30am
- Year 2 Boys and Girls (1000m) – 10:45am
- 8/9 Boys and Girls (2000m) – 11:15am
- 10 Years Boys and Girls (2000m) – 11:45am
- 11 Years Boys and Girls (3000m) – 12:15a,
- 12/13 Years Boys and Girls (3000m) - 12:45am

Prep/1/2 students will be walking down to Riverside Park with the rest of the school. They will participate in their races and will watch the Year 2 race. They will be able to have the barbeque lunch before walking back to school and participating in other learning activities.

Students are to wear their school **uniform** on the day, and to ensure they are wearing the appropriate footwear for running, and a school hat.

All students need to take a full water bottle.

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School Council

School Council will meet at 7:30pm in the Staff Room on Monday 20th May.



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The Barham and Koondrook schools will combine to run a BBQ lunch, which will be made available at the kiosk set up on the boardwalk from **11:00am onward**. Students may take a packed lunch if they prefer.

Students will be assembled and racing in a public community area, and so will be expected to show our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience at all times. They will need to be quiet and considerate of the community people nearby and of others using the public space.

We are organising for students to bring items such as pencils, paper or playing cards for example, to keep themselves occupied while waiting patiently for their race (electronic/digital devices are not permitted, nor are footballs, frisbees etc. as we are in a public space that will be quite crowded).

We hope parents will come along to support the students. Students may go home with parents after the presentations, but you must see class teachers to sign the students out.

Thank you to the people who offered to help with the BBQ.

KPS BBQ Helpers

11:00 - 12:30 - Russell family

12:00 - 12:30 - Tuck family

12:30 - 1:00 - D'Silva family

12:30 - 2:00 - Azzopardi family

Thank you to the parents who have offered to walk back with the Prep/1/2 students. We will be walking back after the children have had their sausage sizzle.

Woolworths 'EARN AND LEARN' Program

We are excited to be taking part in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths you will receive a sticker. Your children can then place them on a special sticker sheet. Once completed, bring the sheet to school or drop them into the collection box at Swan Hill or Kerang Woolworths to earn points. The promotion started last week and runs until Tuesday 25th June. A sticker sheet was sent home to each family with a previous Newsletter. Otherwise, just pop your stickers in the collection box in the foyer. The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more! We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.

Mates Royal Hotel Raffle

Thank you to the families who sold raffle tickets for the school at Mates Hotel on Friday.

Amanda Bradford



Swan Hill Cross Country

Congratulations to the 14 runners who have qualified to participate in the Mallee Division Cross Country in Swan Hill on Tuesday 21st May. We had 9 girls and 5 boys qualify, they are as follows:

12-Year-Old Girls - Elektra Woolhouse, Zara Verhey

12-Year-Old Boys - James Bell

11-Year-Old Boys - Ethan Woolhouse, Harri Parsons

11-Year-Old Girls - Ella Whelan, Maddie Walle

10-Year-Old Boys - Hayden Faul

10-Year-Old Girls - Charli Sims, Alethea D'Silva

9-Year-Old Girls - Eve Snowdon, Lucy Mathers, Emily Pringle

9-Year-Old Boys - Dustin Bohn

***Parents will need to arrange transportation for the children. The event is at Riverside Park in Swan Hill - this is the park at the river opposite the swimming pool.

Children must be at the event at least 30 minutes before the scheduled starting time. No exception or waiting will be permitted. We must keep to the time schedules.

- If a child runs in the wrong age group they will be disqualified.
- If a child arrives after their scheduled race has started they will not be allowed to run in a later race.

Timetable:

- Marshalling for first event -: 10.40am
- 11.00am - 9-year-old girls
- 11.15am - 9-year-old boys
- 11.30am - 10-year-old girls
- 11.45am - 10-year-old boys
- 12.10pm - 11-year-old girls
- 12.30pm - 11-year-old boys
- 12.50pm - 12/13-year-old girls
- 1.10pm - 12/13-year-old boys

Notes will be sent home with students with more information at a later date.





NDCH

Northern District Community Health

Supporting healthy rural communities



Winter Woollies Drive for the Community

Each year Northern District Community Health (NDCH) supports over 200 individuals and families across the region are at risk of, or are currently experiencing homelessness. For these 200 individuals and families, there are over 500 dependent children.

With winter just around the corner and the cold weather starting to appear, NDCH will again be running its Winter Woollies Drive from 13th to 24th May 2019.

We are asking you to donate winter clothes and blankets for vulnerable people in our community. All goods are given to the local St Vinnies to be distributed to those in need over the colder months.

Goods can be dropped at NDCH offices or check with your school to see if they are a participating drop off point this year.

For more information go to NDCH website www.ndch.org.au or call on 03) 54 510 200.

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FRIDAY 24TH MAY

Theme: Black & White

Prep to Grade 2

5PM TO 6PM

GRADE 3 TO 6

6.15 TO 7.45

Face Painting, Glow Sticks, Nail Polish
Popcorn & Lollies

\$1 and \$2 each

BYO Named Water Drinker

***FREE WATER STILL AVAILABLE**

The Playground Craze

At the Playground Craze we got told to think of 3 positive 'I am' words. My 3 words were, I am smart, I am friendly and I am helpful. The people that were performing were Heather and Jordan. Jordan and Heather sang some songs like Bounce Back, O to Hero, Be the Best You, The School Bell Song and Confidence. Thomas B and Mason got to go around the room and collect the emoji faces. After they collected the emoji faces Heather and Jordan put the faces in order from angry to happy. Adeline, Charli, Emily, Eve, Jakson and Zara got to go up on stage and get down low then jump up and celebrate then they danced they laughed and they pretended like nothing happened.

Amber Pringle

Playground Craze!

I am fun

I am kind

I am smart

Jordan and Heather are Playground Craze!

They came and sang about kindness and happiness.

I don't remember the names of the songs but they were spectacular. They also talked, danced and had fun! They said don't listen to mean things that people say, you just ignore it. Some people got to be volunteers like Thomas, Jakson and Charli. Some volunteers got to dance and find emotions around the room. They got everyone in the room involved (the whole school). I think everyone enjoyed the Playground Craze.

Riley D'Silva

Playground Craze.

I am funny

I am cute

I am smart.

Heather and Jordan came to our school and sang songs, they danced and they talked. They sang The Best You. I also got up and danced. I had lots of fun. I loved it. It was absolutely the best day. Everyone in the project space got up and danced. I had a lovey time.

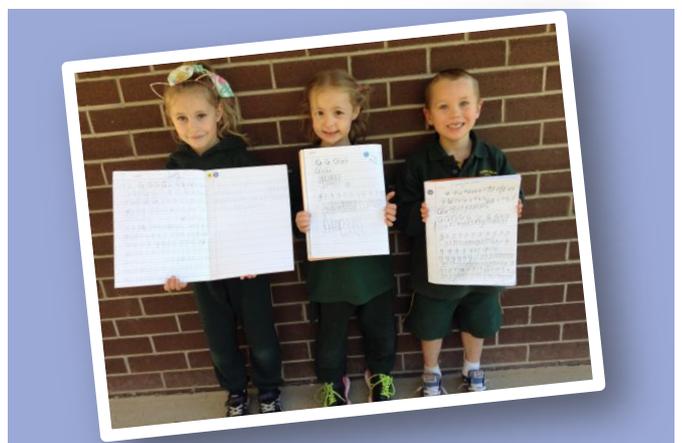
Alice Marsh

P/1 Class News

We have had a great start to term two in our room with everyone excited to be back into their learning after the break. In maths we have been looking at measuring things and working out long things and short things. We have also started working on time and practising the days of the week. Please encourage your children to keep practising these and helping them to recognise the words Monday - Thursday. We have started looking at more alphabet letters and blends in our phonics lessons and seeing some amazing efforts in our handwriting. Here are a few people who were proud of their work in handwriting on Monday when learning a new letter Gg.

Please keep encouraging your children with their reader at home as we are seeing some great improvements. We are hoping to see lots of our students moving up in levels this week which is great. Continue to encourage initial sounds, using pictures to help with problem solving unfamiliar words and talking about the story to assist students to comprehend what they are reading.

Mrs Chalmers and the Grade Prep/1's



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