



Koondrook Primary School respectfully acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand. 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

Swimming Program

Next week we will commence our intensive swimming program. Please make sure you have returned a green permission envelope and payment of \$20 if you haven't got a Koondrook Pool Season Ticket. All children need to make sure they bring their bathers each swimming day, **WE** will make the call at school if the weather is unsuitable for swimming. All students are encouraged to wear sun screen and have a rashie. The Year P/1 and 5/6 students will head to the pool at 11:40am ready for their lesson at 12:00pm. The Year 1/2 and 3/4 students will leave school at 12:10pm ready for their lesson at 12:30pm.

Thank you to all the parents who have offered to help with swimming.

Date	Parent Helpers
Tuesday 26 th November	Joan Walle, Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid, Romy Ralston, Leah Ryan, Cindy Puddick, Jessica Saunders
Wednesday 27 th November	Joan Walle, Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid, Abby Jennings
Thursday 28 th November	Joan Walle, Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid, Cindy Puddick
Tuesday 3 rd December	Joan Walle, Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid, Romy Ralston, Leah Ryan, Jessica Saunders
Wednesday 4 th December	Joan Walle, Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid, Abby Jennings
Thursday 5 th December	Joan Walle, Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid,
Wednesday 11 th December	Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid, Cindy Puddick, Abby Jennings, Jessica Saunders
Thursday 12 th December	Chris D'Silva, Debbie Tuck, Karen Reid,

MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE

DATE:

December 6th ---

FAMILIES:

Snowdon/Fulton/Dean/
McInerney/Millard

*Thank you to the families who have helped sell raffle tickets this year and also to Mates Hotel for their continued support of our school.

Dates to remember

Term Dates 2019

Term 4 ~ October 7th – December 20th

School Dates to Remember

- November 20th – Prep 2020 Transition
- November 25th – Golf at Kerang (Selected Students)
- November 26th – Swimming 12-1pm
- November 27th – Swimming 12-1pm
- November 28th – Swimming 12-1pm
- November 29th – Curriculum Day
- December 3rd – Swimming 12-1pm
- December 4th – Swimming 12-1pm
- December 4th – Prep 2020 Transition
- December 5th – Swimming 12-1pm
- December 9th ~ 10th – BHS Transition, Yr. 6
- December 10th – KTHS Transition, Yr. 6
- December 10th – Step Up Day
- December 11th – Swimming 12-1pm
- December 12th – Swimming 12-1pm

Assemblies

November 22nd - Yr. 1/2 Hosting

Assembly

The Year 1/2 class will be hosting assembly this Friday at 3:00pm.

Cricket

Last Friday the Year 5/6 participated in the T20 Cricket Competition held in Kerang. Both the Girls team and Boys team won their finals and now they are eligible to compete in the next level which will be held in Swan Hill on Thursday 21st November.

Prep 2020 Transition

On Wednesday Prep 2020 students will be joining us at school from 9:00am until 2:00pm. Children will need to bring their fruit snack, morning tea and lunch as well as their drink bottle and hat.

Curriculum Day

Friday 29th November is our final Curriculum Day for the year. There will be **no** school for the students. Teachers will be planning for next year and developing our Annual Implementation Plan.

NDCH Reverse Christmas Tree

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Reverse Christmas Tree. There is still time to donate. They will be out to collect the items on 22nd November.

Report Folders

Teachers are now starting to write End of Year Reports. If you haven't returned your Semester 1 Green Report Folder, could you please send it back to school as soon as possible?

Hot Weather

This week the weather is finally going to start warming up and many children are coming to school without a drink bottle. It is important that children are able to grab a drink during class time without having to leave the classroom and as we know, it is important that we are hydrated to do our best learning. **Please make sure your children have a water bottle each day.**

Book Club

Book Club orders have been sent home. This will be the **LAST** order for the year. If you would like to purchase books as presents, please write a note on the order and we will give you a call and keep them at school until you can pick them up. Or if you would like to purchase online through LOOP (scholastic.com.au/LOOP), there is a gift section you can tick. Orders are due back *before* Thursday 28th November.

Grade 6 Graduation

Each year the Grade 6 students have a dinner to celebrate the end of their Primary Schooling. This year the dinner will be held on Monday 16th December at Tudor Tavern. Students formally invite their families and staff to attend.

Sink or Swim Incursion

Last week a representative from Life Saving Victoria came and spoke to the children about water safety and sun safety. The students learnt about "Slip, Slop, Slap, Slide and Seek" and what to do if someone is in trouble in the water; how they can do something to help, and not to swim alone.



25 NOV to 10 DEC

GANNAWARRA GOES ORANGE

RESPECT WOMEN

CALL IT OUT IN GANNAWARRA

Wear orange, raise awareness and 'Say No' to family violence!

An initiative of the Gannawarra Local Agency Meeting (GLAM)





NDCH

Northern District Community Health

NDCH-your first port of call in the pursuit of good health!

16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence 25 November-10 December

The 16 days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence is a yearly campaign that runs from November 25th-December 10th. It is a global strategy by individuals and organisations to call for the prevention of and to stop violence against women.



This year's theme from Respect Victoria is "Respect Women: 'Call it Out'". Bystanders are encouraged to 'call out' comments or actions that may make a women uncomfortable and be a driver of family violence such as:

- Making a sexist joke
- Putting down a family member
- Controlling how their family member or partner spends their money
- Controlling their partner's movements
- Trying to stop their partner seeing friends or family

Visit <https://www.respectvictoria.vic.gov.au/campaigns/respect-women-call-it-out> to see examples of how you may 'call it out'.

Wear orange, raise awareness and 'say no' to family violence!

1800 RESPECT is the 24/7 national family violence counselling service
Orange Door Mallee 24/7 Support Line 1800 290 943
For more information visit: www.respectvictoria.com.au



www.ndch.org.au



Attendance: Cumulative Effect of Missing School

Daily attendance at school is important so students don't fall behind socially and developmentally. School helps:

- maximize life opportunities for students by building education and support networks;
- develop important skills, knowledge and values for further learning and participation in the community; and
- students make the most of life opportunities.

Children and young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12, or an equivalent qualification have:

- better health and employment out-comes and
- higher incomes across their lives.

If your child is regularly missing school please come in and talk to us so that together we can support your child with their learning. The table below shows just how much missing school can affect your child's education over time.

If a student misses -	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

Amanda Bradford

T20 Cricket

On Friday the 15th of November the Grade 5/6 children went to Kerang to play T20 Blast Cricket. There were 5 teams called: Murray Plains 1 - Boys/Girls, Murray Plains 2 - Boys/Girls, Murray Plains 3 – Boys, Murrabit and St Joseph's. All of the children really enjoyed the day. They played well with good sportsmanship. The Murray Plains 1 - Girls team beat St Joseph's Kerang in the final by 43 runs and Murray Plains 2 - Boys won the final against St Joseph's by 7 runs. Two of the Koondrook teams made it to Swan Hill on the 21st of November, this Thursday.

By Logan Faul



5/6 Class News

In the Grade 5/6 classroom we have been very busy with preparing for Graduation. All Graduation dinner replies need to be returned immediately for catering purposes. The dinner will be held on Monday 16th December.

We are practising for T20 cricket on Thursday in Swan Hill. Most of the 5/6 students will head off to compete so we say good luck and all the best to them.

We finally finished our All Aussie Adventure; a major research assignment about Australian history and geography. The overall winners are 1st Laura, 2nd Ella and 3rd Elektra. The year 6 winners are 1st Laura, 2nd Elektra and 3rd Zara, while the year 5 winners are 1st Ella, 2nd Max and 3rd Emersyn.

The Grade 5's are preparing their school captain speeches for next year. Good luck to them for their next step in becoming leaders for 2020.

Picnic on the Green is on 19th December. The 5/6 class will be performing a play called Cinderella Rides Again!

Don't forget swimming starts Tuesday.

Some thoughts from the 5/6 students

Ella - I am excited about doing my Grade 6 speech and had lots of fun at T20 cricket.

Maddie W - I can't wait for Graduation but I am really sad to be leaving.

Logan - On Friday we went to Kerang to play T 20 cricket it was fun everyone had a great day.

Max - Friday was really fun I really enjoyed playing against the other schools.

Sarah - Cricket was fun and I am very excited about Graduation.

By Zara



Bar-rook Swimming Club Incorporated
Swimming Training

Starts on the

25th & 26th of November

Koondrook Swimming Pool

Free Come & Try Period of Two Weeks

Junior Group

Junior groups at 5:00 -5:55 pm Monday or Tuesday weekly
Learn-to-swim/Junior Groups are capped at 10 swimmers per session
(All swimmers must be able to swim 33 meters without touching the side or bottom of the pool)

Intermediate Group

6:00 – 7:00pm on Monday & Tuesday weekly

Advanced Group

6:00 – 7:00pm on Monday & Tuesday weekly

Membership Fee \$80

All membership fees must be paid within 14 day of swimmers commencement

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