

Fishing with Shane



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

Things continue to move quickly with COVID-19. We will continue to follow health measures recommended by the Victorian Chief Health Officer.

- These include: All unwell staff and students must stay home. If your child develops symptoms of a fever, chills or sweats, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss of smell or taste they should get tested at a coronavirus testing facility and stay home. This is for the benefit of everyone.
- Visitors to school grounds should be limited to those delivering or supporting essential school services and operations (e.g. student health and wellbeing services, specialist curriculum programs, maintenance workers). Parents are not permitted to drive into the school.
- The children washing their hands and sanitising regularly.
- The school being cleaned more thoroughly, high touch points are cleaned during the day.
- Social distancing between adults.
- Facemasks are not a requirement in regional schools but may be worn if so desired.
- The border issue continues to be an issue for members of our school and community. Please remember that all children travelling to Koondrook from NSW need to make sure they carry a valid permit at all times.

Wood Raffle Tickets

Thank you to everyone who has sold and returned the wood raffle tickets. Could you please make sure **all** tickets are returned by this **Friday** as we are planning to draw the tickets on **Monday** morning.

Dates to Remember

Term Dates 2020

Term 3 ~ July 13th – September 18th

Term 4 ~ October 5th – December 18th

Public Holidays

November 5th – Melbourne Cup

School Dates to Remember

August 7th – Crazy Hair Day

September 3rd – School Photos

September 4th – Athletics Carnival

October 21st – Prep 2021 Transition

9am – 11:30am

You are
Somebody's
reason to
SMILE

Year 6 Transition

Today the Year 6 students travelled to Kerang Tech High School for their first transition day. Next week they were expecting to attend a transition day at Barham High School. Unfortunately, this has been cancelled. We are hoping that the normal transition program can go ahead in Term 4.

Crazy Hair Casual Dress Day

On Friday 7th August we would like all the children to get creative and come to school with a crazy hair do. The children may also wear casual clothes. We ask everyone to give a gold coin donation which will go to Cystic Fibrosis. We have a student at school who has this condition, Gypsy.

Fishing with Shane

Thank you, Shane for taking a group of students fishing last Friday. By the look of the photos the children had a great time. These children used their SWPBS tokens to buy the fishing session with Shane.

Professional Learning

Due to the restrictions placed on us with Covid-19 the opportunity for teachers to attend Professional Learning out of school has been limited.

We have been trying to continue to implement our Annual Implementation Plan to the best of our ability. Last week teachers had the opportunity to observe classroom lessons and then have time with our Literacy Coach Janine Barnes reflecting on practice. Janine will be visiting Koondrook Primary again next Monday to continue her work with the teachers.

Last week we also used regional staff to run a behavioural management session with staff via WebEx.

This week the staff have been conducting writing moderation. We have planned a Maths Curriculum Day on Friday 28th August. We may need to postpone this day as the presenter is coming from Melbourne. We will let you know next week if this curriculum day will go ahead in some form or if we postpone until a later date.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Usually during Term 3 we hold parent teacher interviews. Due to the restrictions which are in place we are unable to hold these on the school site. Teachers are available to speak to you on the phone. If you would like a 10-minute interview with a teacher could you please let your child's teacher know and we will arrange a time.

School Council

I am sorry that I had to cancel the School Council Meeting – the meeting has been rescheduled for Monday 3rd August at 7:30pm.

School Banking

A reminder that school banking has resumed on Thursdays.

Amanda Bradford



Assembly

Last Friday morning we held an Assembly. We didn't do it on WebEx as it hasn't worked too well in the past, being unstable, freezing and such.

The school captains hosted the Assembly and student of the week awards were handed out. Photos of the award winners and the work on display are included in this newsletter.

Award Winners



CRAZY HAIR DAY

Friday August 7th

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KOONDROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL



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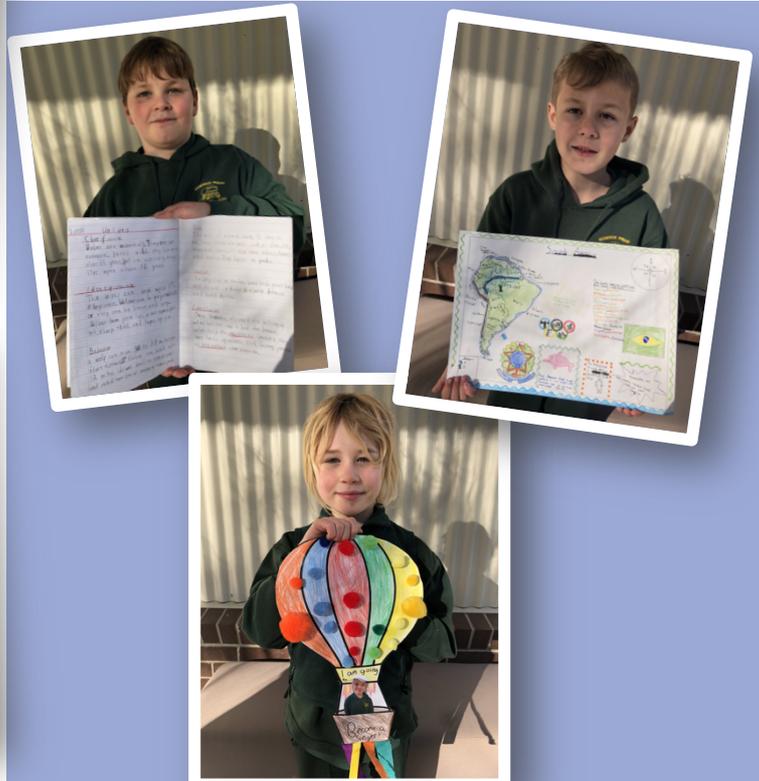
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Homelessness Week 3 – 8 August

Anyone can be Homeless

Sudden unemployment, domestic violence, lack of affordable housing, mental illness can all contribute to homelessness. Natural disasters, such as bushfires, can also leave people without a home. But being homeless does not always mean living on the streets. Often, they are living between family and friends houses or emergency accommodation.



Our Community

Homelessness often goes unnoticed in our community. However, every year NDCH supports over 200 community members who are homeless or at risk. More than 500 children are a part of these families.

Talk to kids about Homelessness

It is important to talk to your kids about homelessness. Don't be afraid to talk about it. Build compassion and empathy, not fear in your children. More often than not, homelessness is not due to alcohol or drugs. Let your children know that there are lots of reasons that someone might be homeless.

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