

Walk Safely to School Breakfast



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

Firewood Fundraiser

On Sunday School Council has arranged a fundraiser event to help with the cost of the Year 3 and Year 4 camp to Billabong Ranch in October. We need parents to come along and help with cutting and loading the trailers from 9:00am It would be great if you could come along to lend a hand as many hands make light work. If you have a chainsaw, please bring it along.

Thank You to All Our Amazing Support Staff!

This Thursday we celebrate Education Support Day and I would like to take a moment to express our heartfelt appreciation for the incredible care and support our ES staff provide to the students and staff of Koondrook Primary.

Danielle, Karen, Di, Mandy, Sarah and Rianna's dedication to classroom support goes far beyond the curriculum. Their genuine care and compassion create a warm and welcoming environment where students feel valued and supported. Their willingness to listen, offer encouragement, and lend a helping hand make a significant difference in the lives of our students and teachers each and every day.

Judi and Donna's commitment to office and administrative support ensures that our students receive the care and attention they deserve. Whether it's organizing resources, completing administrative tasks or providing a friendly face in the office, their caring attitude and attention to detail make a positive impact on the entire school community.

Collectively, your unwavering dedication to the well-being and success of our students is truly commendable. Your caring nature and willingness to go above and beyond for each child exemplify the spirit of Koondrook Primary. Happy Education Support Day to each of you! We are privileged to have you as part of our team.

Dates to Remember

Term Dates 2024

Term 2 ~ April 15th – June 28th

Term 3 ~ July 15th – September 20th

Term 4 ~ October 7th – December 20th

Public Holidays

June 10th – King's Birthday

November 5th – Melbourne Cup

School Dates to Remember

May 17th – Open Day

May 19th – Firewood Collection Day (*Some parent helpers from Grades 3/4 needed*)

May 20th – Rocket Science Incursion, Yrs. 4/5/6

May 27th – Prep 2025 Information Evening @ 6pm

May 28th – Regional Cross Country @ St Arnaud

June 14th – Winter Sports @ Kerang, Yrs. 4/5/6

Assemblies

May 24th – Grade 4/5 to do item

Swan Hill Cross Country

What an incredible accomplishment for Koondrook Primary! With 13 students participating in the Zone Cross Country event at Swan Hill, it was clear that they all demonstrated exceptional effort, resilience, and determination. Congratulations to each of them for their hard work and dedication.

A special congratulations goes out to Gus, Taj, Flynn, and Archie for earning the opportunity to represent Koondrook Primary in St. Arnaud on Tuesday May 28th. Best of luck to them as they continue to showcase their skills and represent their school with pride!

Open Day - Friday 17th May

Join us for a special Open Day at Koondrook Primary School! Explore the vibrant happenings in our classrooms from 12:00pm to 1:35pm. Experience our students' innovative projects, engaging activities, and remarkable achievements, and have the opportunity to meet our dedicated teachers and staff.

Following the classroom visits, we invite you to bring your own picnic lunch and join us for an enjoyable outdoor gathering at 1:35pm. Relax and unwind amidst the beautiful surroundings of our school grounds as you have lunch with your children.

Come and immerse yourself in the warmth and spirit of Koondrook Primary School on this special day! We eagerly anticipate your presence and the opportunity to share the vibrant atmosphere of our school community with you.

Prep 2025 Information Night

The process for enrolling Foundation/Prep students in Victorian Schools has changed slightly this year. The timelines have been brought forward a little, which means that from the start of Term 2 Koondrook Primary will be accepting enrolments for next year. If you have a child due to start school in 2025 please don't hesitate to contact us. There will be an information session for parents and carers of children wishing to start Prep/Foundation in 2025, on Monday 27th May at 6pm. You will get an insight into the programs and opportunities available at KPS.

There will be information on:

- The Pre-school to School Transition Program
- Enrolment process
- The opportunity to meet staff and ask questions
- Buddies Program
- What we offer at KPS

We look forward to meeting new and old families and welcoming you to the KPS community. Please call the school if you are unable to attend if this time does not suit.

School Council

The School Council will next meet on Monday 20th May at 6:30pm.

Assembly

Our next Assembly will be on Friday 24th May at 3:00pm on the BV. Year 4/5 will be performing the item.





Colder Weather

The days are beginning to get colder, especially the mornings. Students need to wear a jumper to school. If they get hot, they can always take it off, but if they're feeling cold it's uncomfortable. Please ensure your children are wearing the appropriate clothing for the weather and that it is named for when they do take them off. When the clothes are all the same it is very hard to determine who owns what!

Soccer

This week we will be starting a soccer skills program. The program has been made possible through Sporting Schools. Chris from Swan Hill will be coming and teaching the students soccer skills for the next 4 weeks.

Year 6 Transition

Last week the Year 6 students participated in two days of transition to secondary school.

On Tuesday the 7th they spent the day at Barham High School and on Wednesday 8th they took the bus to Kerang Technical High School.

These transition days are invaluable for the students to get an insight on what both secondary schools have to offer. There will be more transition days throughout the year to help families make their final decision about where their children will continue their education. The photos show some of the fun activities the students got to engage in at Kerang Technical High School.

Amanda Bradford

KPS Cross Country Run

Last Friday, the Koondrook Primary School did their cross country on the oval and the walking track.

The 11 and 12-year-olds ran 3 km, the 10 and nine-year-olds ran 2 km, the eight-year-olds ran 800m, the seven-year-olds ran 800m and the preps run 500m.

I spoke to a couple of runners. Abigail said "It was alright. I come second and it was a lot of fun." Tilly said "I didn't like it at first because I was tired, but I ended up having a lot of fun."

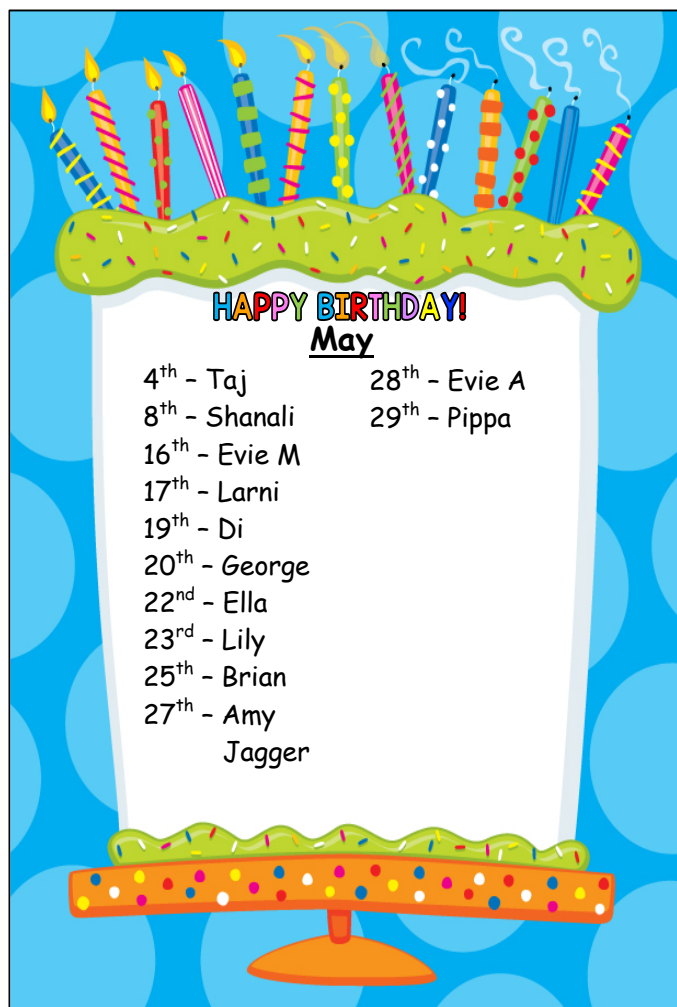
All the Millard girls and all the Fulton boys came first. Larni is in prep, Mahli grade 3, Indi grade 6, Charlie in grade 2, Flynn came first in grade 4, Jimmy Puddick in grade 5 and Taj in grade 6.

Guttrum, the Blue team, came first by a lot.

Overall, the weather was amazing and everyone had an amazing time.

Evie P 10/5/2024





HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
May

4 th - Taj	28 th - Evie A
8 th - Shanali	29 th - Pippa
16 th - Evie M	
17 th - Larni	
19 th - Di	
20 th - George	
22 nd - Ella	
23 rd - Lily	
25 th - Brian	
27 th - Amy Jagger	



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PREP 2025
Information
NIGHT

Monday
27th May
6pm

Murray Parade,
Koondrook,
Victoria

Learn what we can offer Your Child

- ✓ The Preschool to School Transition Program
- ✓ Comprehensive Curriculum
- ✓ Specialist Programs - MARC Library & MACC Art
- ✓ Meet Staff and ask questions

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KPS Cross Country



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