



Book Parade Fun!



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

Respect – Responsibility – Resilience

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'Where the Pursuit of Excellence is Encouraged'

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Principal's Report

Lions Club Public Speaking

Congratulations Adeline, winner of the Regional Years 5/6 Lions Club Public Speaking Competition held in Tocumwal on Sunday. We are so proud of Addie's achievements as she has progressed from the Year 5/6 school competition, local competition, district final to regional final. Adeline has displayed enormous confidence speaking in front of other students, their families and members from the Lion's Clubs from over the region. Well done, Addie. A great achievement and a terrific experience. Addie will now go on to the State Final in Wangaratta on Sunday 22nd September.

Leave

I will be taking leave from Thursday 12th September. I am having a knee replacement operation. Sophie Lake will be Acting Principal until the end of term. The Department have put out an Expression of Interest for Term 4. We are still waiting to see who will be Acting Principal for Term 4.

Unpaid School Contributions

Just a reminder to everyone who, as yet, have not paid their school fees. These fees cover **ALL** student consumables (pens, pencils, books etc) – other schools send home a booklist that must be purchased prior to school starting and any other requirements must be purchased throughout the year. Koondrook Primary provide everything at a VERY low-cost including access to iPads and MacBook Computers. MARC/MACC fees are charged to cover the cost of all the craft supplies that go into the art projects that children bring home. Koondrook Primary School have to pay this amount to the Cluster to cover this. Please help our school by paying your fees, so that we can continue to provide the great resources that we do. *If you would like to arrange a payment plan or a copy of the amount owing, please see Judi in the office on a Tuesday or Thursday.

Dates to Remember

Term Dates 2024

Term 3 ~ July 15th – September 20th
Term 4 ~ October 7th – December 20th

Public Holidays

November 5th – Melbourne Cup

School Dates to Remember

August 30th – Author Cathy Hope Visit
September 3rd – Dagogo Dance
September 5th – Cluster Day @ Murrabit GS
September 6th – Zone Athletics Trials, Kerang
September 16th – Zone Athletics, Swan Hill
September 19th – Wellbeing Day
September 20th – Last Day Term 3 – Wear Footy Colours – Early Dismissal @ 1:35pm
October 7th – First Day Term 4
October 17th – P/1/2 Bendigo Trip

Assemblies

August 30th – Grade 4/5 doing the item

Dance

Next Tuesday we have an artist, Dagogo, visiting Koondrook. Dagogo will be teaching each class a dance. Over the next week Dagogo will be working with each school in the Cluster in preparation for our Cluster Day at Murrabit.

Cluster Day

On Thursday 5th we will be going to Murrabit for our Cluster Day. The bus will be leaving school at 9:00am. Students will need to bring their fruit, morning tea and water bottle. If you **didn't order lunch** children will need to bring their lunch. The bus will return to school by the end of the school day. Part of the day the children will be working with Dagogo presenting their dances.

Author Visit

On Friday 30th August we will be having a visit from Author Cathy Hope. Cathy wrote the book 'Murray Girl' which is set in this area. Cathy will be working with the students in Years 3/4/5/6. All the students have read the book in class over the last couple of months.

Wellbeing Day

We have organised a special Wellbeing Day on Thursday 19th September. Some of the activities on this day include Red Cross First Aid classes for the students, Vic Pol- Cyber Safety, Head Space, Northern District Community Health mobile games and Cindy will be running Yoga Classes. We will have a BBQ sausage sizzle for the students. We are hoping that some parents can help to cook the BBQ. Please see Amanda, Sophie or Rianna if you can give a helping hand.

Remember Hats

Spring is just around the corner, and it is time for the children to start wearing their hats at recess and lunch time. If your child needs a new hat they can be purchased at the office.

Year 3/4 Billabong Ranch Camp

Permission notes and medical forms have been sent home with the students. Final payment for the camp is due on the 19th September.

End of Term

The final day of Term 3 is Friday 20th September. School will finish at 1:35pm. Students may wear their footy colours on this day.

Prep/1/2 Excursion to Bendigo

On Thursday October 17th the Prep/1/2 students will be going to Bendigo to visit the Central Deborah Gold Mine. They will have a tour before going for a ride on the Talking Tram. They will then have lunch and a play on the Adventure Playground in Eaglehawk before returning home. Permission notes have been sent home.

Song Writer

Next term Josh Arnold, singer, song writer and Golden Guitarist, will be working with the children to write a song and produce a video about our school. A separate note has been sent home with all the students. There is a permission note attached that will need to be returned to school.





Book Parade

Last Friday the students walked to Riverside Park in Barham. We met up with the students from Koondrook Preschool, Barham Public School, Barham High School and Barham Preschool for the Book Parade. Awards for the book writing competition were announced during the parade. The winning Narrative and Non-fiction books can be viewed at the Barham Library. All of our short-listed books are on display in our foyer. Thank you to Miss Flood and Mrs Callow for judging the books this year. The winners in each category were:

Name/Grade	Category	Title
Adeline Martin (6)	Best Narrative	Why Would You Lie to Me? Part 1
Zander Martin (5)	Best Narrative	The Mist
Stella Dean (4)	Best Narrative	Blank Space
Mahli Millard (3)	Best Narrative	The Magical Forest
Jaida Webb (3)	Best Narrative	The Magic Sea Turtle
Charlie Fulton (2)	Best Narrative	Ben and the Fox
Cedar Hallal (2)	Best Narrative	A Trip to Space
Chikarly Marsh (1)	Best Narrative	Goldilocks and the Three Bears
Joey McKinley (1)	Best Narrative	The Fox and the Rooster
Lily Marsh (P)	Best Narrative	Goldilocks and the Three Bears
Adeline Martin (6)	Best Non-Fiction	Hedgehogs
Hunter Trewin (5)	Best Non-Fiction	Camping Report
Flynn Fulton (4)	Best Non-Fiction	Countries of the World

Athletics

It was very disappointing that we had to cancel both our Athletic Sports and the Cluster Sports. Thank you, Bernie and the teachers, for running the events over the last week so that the students were able to complete each of the events. Thanks Bernie, for coordinating the afternoon last Thursday so we could have all the school compete in the 100m and then participate in a couple of relays. Congratulations Campbell (Red House) who took out the Athletics shield this year.

Zone Athletics Trials

Zone Athletics Trials will be held on Friday 6th September at the Kerang Tech High School oval. Students who have qualified will receive a permission note to fill out and return to school. Students will travel to Kerang by bus. The cost of the bus will be \$6 per student. They will leave school at 9:00am and return to school at the completion of events. Students need to take their morning tea, lunch and water bottle. The students who qualified are: Shanali, Mahli, Charli, Imogen, Evelyn, Willow, Brylee, Amy, Stella, Jobe, Braxton M, Tommy R, Nate, Freddie, Marlow, Flynn, Lucas, Pippa, Indigo M, Jimmy, Zander, Archie, Kane, Brax W, Tilly T, Mila, Adeline, Bella L, Abigail, Evie M, Juliet, Gus R, Taj, Zavier, Eddie, Ted, Harry.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

August

30th - Sienna
 31st - Bella L
 - Paige

September

3rd - Gus T
 6th - Skyla
 9th - Cedar
 13th - Adeline
 - Kane
 19th - Chloe

Zone Athletics Swan Hill

On Monday 16th September the Zone Athletics in Swan Hill will be held at the Ken Harrison Reserve. After the Kerang Zone Trials, permission notes will be sent out and will need to be signed and returned. Parents are responsible for transport to and from Swan Hill.

A timetable of the events is listed below:

Timetable for Parent Information Order of Events

- 9.15am - 1500 metres time trials
- 9.45am - 200 metres heats & finals
 - 9/10yr shot put
 - 11yr long jump
 - 12/13yr discus
- 10.15am - 12/13yr high jump
 - 11yr shot put
 - 10yr long jump
- 10.45am - 9/10yr & 11yr hurdles and finals
 - 11yr high jump
 - 10yr discus
 - 12/13yr shot put
- 11.00am - 100m heats and finals
- 11.15am - 10yr high jump
 - 11yr discus
 - 12/13yr long jump
- 11.45am - 10yr triple jump
- 12.15pm - 12/13yr hurdles and finals
 - 11yr triple jump
- 12.45pm - 12/13yr triple jump
- 1.00pm - relay finals
- 1.45pm - 800metres

*These are approximate times. Some events may start earlier than times shown.

**Track runners will be held after their heats until the finals, so schools and competitors must tell the organisers of the field events that they are at a track event.

Amanda Bradford

YOU'RE INVITED

AFL Victoria & Central Rivers invites you to participate in Junior Footy - Under 12's Program!
 Eligible ages - 7-12 - Turning in 2025
 Splitting up Age Groups (7-9) & (10-12)

a FREE 2-week competition playing mini matches and enjoying football in a fun & safe environment.

let's party!

2024 Central Rivers Junior Football Under 12 Program

Monday 9th September
 Swan Hill Rec | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Monday 16th September
 Swan Hill Rec | 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

REGISTER NOW

Further Enquires contact : madeline.pieper@aff.com.au