District Cross Country

Well done to the 10 students who competed in the District Cross Country on Wednesdays 1st June. All the students ran the course very well and they should be proud of their achievements.

Mrs Vilinskis attended and the students behavior was excellent, and they offered great support to their school mates before and after their races.

A big congratulations to Jessica Vilinskis who finished 7th and will go through to the next level, Regional Cross Country on the 15th June.

All the best Jess for a great run!
**Happy Birthday**

Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating their birthday in the coming week. We hope you have a lovely day.

**June**

- 9th Ethan 45B
- 10th Tahlia FJ
- Eden FS
- 14th Matthew 4/5B
- Chelsea 4J

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**Calendar**

**June**

- **Thursday, 9th June**
  - Wallan Dental Visit
  - Deposit due 3/4 Camp

- **Monday, 13th June**
  - Queens Birthday Public Holiday

- **Thursday, 16th June**
  - Deposit due 5/6 camp

- **Friday, 17th June**
  - Three way Conferences Bookings close

- **Wednesday, 22nd June**
  - Three Way Conferences 12.30pm—6.30pm (pupil free day)

- **Friday, 24th June**
  - Last day term 2 school concludes at 2.30pm

**AUGUST**

- **Thursday, 4th August**
  - Young Leaders Program 10.00am-2.00pm
  - Broadford PS

  - 3/4 Camp final payment due today

  - **Monday, 15th August - Wednesday, 17th August**
    - Grade 3/4 Camp

  - **Thursday, 18th August**
    - 5/6 final payment due today

  - **Wednesday, 31st August - Friday, 2nd September**
    - Grade 5/6 Camp Ballarat

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**SICK BAY LINEN ROSTER TERM 2**

- 10th June Darleen Brooks
- 17th June Jo Clark
- 24th June Jen Huffer

**THANK YOU**

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**Manners matter**

**This weeks focus**

**I apologise when I do something wrong**

**Kind, Proud and Safe at all times**

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**A ‘DIS’ moment!**

A Foundation student woke up one morning last week, gave his mum a cuddle and said

“do you know what I am grateful for mum?”

“What?” she asked

He replied “That I have cousins and the best mum in the world.”

*In his mother's words “My heart melted”.*

Isn’t it great to hear about the affects the Resilience project is continuing to have on our students being happy by showing gratitude!

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**Second Hand Uniform Shop**

Open on Tuesday 21st June, from 2.45—3.30 pm

In Room 22.
The leadership team and myself have been very busy this week reading reports for all students. It is great to be reading about the wonderful progress many of our children are making. Please make sure that you book a three way conference meeting time for Wednesday June 22nd. This is an important time to find out more about your child's progress and how you and the school can work together to support future growth.

Tomorrow the Foundation teachers, Jennene Cooney and myself are visiting a school in Epping to do some observations. This will be the third school that Jennene has visited in her capacity as Literacy Leader as she investigates best practice in literacy learning and teaching. This is a great professional develop opportunity for the team as we continue to challenge and grow our capacity in teaching literacy. We will be implementing some changes to the literacy block for our Foundation students based on the research and observations that we have been involved in this year and are excited about this. We will be calling for more classroom helpers as they are crucial to the success of what we want to do. Training sessions will be held at 9am on each day of the first week of next term so please come along if you think you can help.

On Monday Carolyn Crowther, Emma White and myself completed day four of our Leading Numeracy Bastow Course. We are at a very exciting stage of the course now as we are mapping out how we can add to and improve the numeracy program at KPS. Next term three other school’s from the course will visit our school for one day. They will visit classrooms, look at our programs and provide feedback on what they see is happening here. We will be able to use this feedback to help us continue to design the best numeracy learning program possible for KPS. Very exciting stuff!!

On Friday of last week I received an email from a parent which I greatly appreciated. The parent had taken the time to let me know how happy they were with some of the things that are happening at KPS. Our staff work incredibly hard for all of our students and it is wonderful when we get such positive feedback. I would like to share parts of the email with you.

“I just wanted to send some positive feedback to the teachers at KPS.

I’m very impressed that my child is doing linear algebra. She’s loving it and wanted me to write out some equations to solve rather than have reading time! I’ve taught at secondary schools where they don’t want to do it even at Year 7. It’s not that hard, and opens up a much more interesting realm of mathematics, so it’s good to see it being offered to interested primary school students.

Also we have been super impressed to hear about the Skype sessions with scientists - I think it was at Melbourne Uni, in Canada, and others. Great stuff!

And the meditation sessions - wow! great that you have the courage to push on anyway - it should have so many benefits.

Have a great long weekend.

Kim Laffan
Principal
Kilmore Primary School
Leading Mathematics Update
On Monday, Mrs Laffan, Ms White and Miss Crowther attended Day 3 of their Leading Mathematics course in Melbourne. The day focused on the characteristics of great maths learners according to students and teachers.

In July, other teachers who are doing the same course will visit Kilmore PS.

Family Fraction Fun
How many fractions and decimals can you find in your everyday activities? Make a list! Compare and order them!

What are our students saying about Maths @ KPS?
I like it when we make things like clocks and the fraction wall
I like the different groups
My teacher explains tasks really well
I like measuring because you get to find out things that are big and small
I like it because I am pushed to my limits!
I like that I learn new things every day.
I like Mathletics.

What are our teachers saying about Maths @ KPS?
I love the moments when students understand something new. I call them the ‘Ah ha!’ moments.
I like it when students realise maths can be enjoyable.
I love that my students love maths.

Time for a Joke!
Q: How do cows add up?
A: They use a cow-ulator!
Hi there!

I can hardly believe I’ve been at school for a whole week. I think I’m getting the hang of it! It seems pretty straightforward. I get chauffeured to school, say hello to everyone in the office (I know where Kylie’s secret stash of dog treats is), receive lots of cuddles and compliments, head outside for a bit to greet everyone, check that there is no left over food in the yard looking for a home in my tummy, nip off to my special toilet area when the music starts and then head off to class when the bell goes. I supervise some learning, check that nothing needs eating, do a spot of yard duty and head back inside again. I’ve got this school business sorted!

I would like to thank everyone for making me feel so welcome. I was very spoilt on Tuesday because I received two new toys and a special water bowl. Thanks for my welcome gifts!

I’ve noticed some people picking up rubbish in the yard to help keep my tummy healthy. Thank you! Sometimes (well, let’s face it, all times!) I can’t control myself and try to eat anything. I discovered some spilled yoghurt last week and found a sneaky bit of carrot whilst I was doing yard duty.

I’ve been to lots of maths classes this week. So many, I’ve lost count - perhaps I need to go to more?! I’ve heard a lot of people talking about fractions and decimals, which got me thinking about how I use them in my life. I made a short list:
- I start my day at $\frac{1}{4}$ past 5 each morning.
- I have $1 \frac{3}{4}$ cups of biscuits with each of my two meals. I’d really like more – biscuits and meals!
- It takes me $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour to drive to school. Well, I don’t do the actual driving, so I guess you could say it takes me $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour to ‘passenger’ to school.
- I weigh 30.8 kg.

Just a quick reminder to please remember not to touch me if I’m sleeping. After all, a boy needs his beauty sleep!

Hope your week has been as pawfect as mine. See what I did there???

Asha

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**Q & A with Asha**

Asha has received more questions this week. His answers are below. If you have a question for Asha, please put it in his blue box at the office.

Q: What breed are you?  
A: I am a golden Labrador retriever.

Q: Who named you?  
A: When I was a very small Asha, my friends at SEDA named me, my brothers and sisters. There were six of us in my litter and all our names start with the letter ‘A’.

Q: When is your birthday?  
A: My birthday is 14th March. I’ve only had one birthday so far.

Q: What do you do when you’re not at school?  
A: I live at Miss Crowther’s house. But, if she’s at school, I visit my grandparents so I’m not lonely. I play with my new doggy friends, go for walks, pinch socks, play with my toys and sleep.
I checked out the play equipment this week but couldn't reach the monkey bars.

I took my new rope toy to 4/5B. I had to be careful not to make everyone jealous – I bet everyone wants a rope toy like mine! I remembered my manners though and shared it.

I visited Foundation E in the library and was just in time to listen to a story.

Wide awake, I was! Promise I hadn't just woken up from a snooze. I was a great help learning how to place fractions on a number line with students from 4J.

You'll often see me in the yard first thing in the morning.
Dear Parents/Guardians

You can now book Three Way Interviews at times that suit your family best. Go to https://sentral.kilmoreps.vic.edu.au/portal/login to login to your account and then book your Three Way Interviews.

BOOKINGS OPEN Wednesday, 25th May at 11.00am

BOOKINGS CLOSE Friday, 17th June at 9.00am

If you have not registered for the portal yet, or you have not entered your Unique Family Code, please see the letter that was sent home this Term and the email sent earlier this week, to finalise this process.

For parents/guardians that don’t have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend’s house or on their phones, they can contact the office school on 5782 1268 and a Three Way Interview time will be made on your behalf.

Three Way Interviews are strictly 10mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the Sentral portal. Parents wishing to change their times after the closing date should contact the school directly on 5782 1268.

For instructions on how to book your Three Way Interviews, please see the attached help sheet.
Log into Sentral, via: https://sentral.kilmoresps.vic.edu.au/portal/login

Click on the link to Parent Teacher Interviews:

Scroll down and then click on ‘Select Timeslot’. Then select one of the available blue times. Then click ‘Confirm Appointments’

You will then see a confirmation of the time you have booked.