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*Kind Proud Safe*

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MITCHELL SHIRE COUNCIL



### Congratulations to our Grade 6 student Kalarni Poorter.

Kalarni has been selected to the Mitchell Shire Youth Council. The Mitchell Youth Council is an advisory committee of Mitchell Shire Council and a youth development program. It helps Mitchell Shire Council find out about important issues for young people in the local area, provides advice to Council about how these issues can be addressed and develops local initiatives and projects for young people. We wish Kalarni all the best in her role representing the youth of the Mitchell Shire.



### Interschool Soccer Team



Well done to Grade 5/6 Interschool Soccer Team who won the Interschool competition in Term 2! They made it through to the next level of competition, where they played at the Division Semi-Finals against Thomastown Meadows on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of July at RMIT University. The team did an outstanding job in making it to this level and played fantastic on the day. A huge thankyou to Chris Anderson who helped with practice prior to the event. Another huge thanks to Jo Clark, Lisa Stewart and Chris Anderson, who attended both days of competition and helped with transport to the Semi-Final in Bundoora.

Well done!

**Brendan Thompson**  
Kilmore Primary School

## Happy Birthday

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

### July

<b>20th</b>	April	45B
	Jess	5D
<b>21st</b>	Degan	2C
	Jada	23H
	Tayah	3M
<b>24th</b>	Alexis	1T
	Zehra	6B
<b>26th</b>	Aidan	3T



## Manners matter This weeks focus

**I help others to  
stay calm**

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

## 2016 Parent Opinion Survey

The 2016 Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted during Term 3 from 25 July to 5 August 2016.

The survey is an important part of every school's parent engagement strategies and assists with future planning and improvement.

Parents from our community are randomly selected to participate in the annual survey, which is confidential and anonymous.

If you are contacted to complete the survey, please ensure that you return your completed survey to the school by 5 August. For any queries, please contact the school on 57 82 1268.

## Calendar



### August

#### **Thursday, 4th August**

Young Leaders Program  
10.00am-2.00pm  
Broadford PS

A Sway of Tales incursion payment due

#### **Friday, 5th August**

Pupil Free Curriculum Day

3/4 Camp final payment due today

#### **Friday, 12th August**

'A Swag of Tales' incursion

#### **Friday, 29th August**

Assembly 2.30pm

#### **Monday, 15th August - Wednesday, 17th August**

Grade 3/4 Camp

#### **Thursday, 18th August**

5/6 final payment due today

#### **Monday, 22nd August**

Be Well Read (dress in red, buddy reading)

#### **Thursday, 25th August**

Dress up Day (Australian Character theme)

#### **Wednesday, 31st August -**

#### **Friday, 2nd September**

Grade 5/6 Camp Ballarat

### September

#### **Friday, 16th September**

Last day term 3 School concludes at 2.30pm

## **SICK BAY LINEN ROSTER TERM 3**

22nd July	Jennifer Peggie
29th July	Sam Paton
5th August	Anna McGivney
12th August	Shanelle Scarlett
19th August	Kristy Brooks
26th August	Jo Clark
2nd September	Natalie Campbell
9th September	Jessica Martin
16th September	Liza Whitfield

**THANK YOU**



## ***From the Principal's Desk...***

### **Welcome to Week 2– Term 3**

The term has gotten off to a flying start with preparations for the many special events that are coming up well underway. We do understand that the special activities do entail financial contributions from families and we do our best to try and spread the load. Payment plans are always available if the payments cause financial hardship so please call the office to make an appointment if you would like to talk about this support.

#### **Progress report on our Annual Implementation Plan**

Currently our leadership team are looking at the school's progress towards meeting the targets that we set out in Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) at the start of the year. We are pleased to be able to report that we are well on track for a very productive year.

Some of the things we have already achieved include:

- Established non-negotiable expectations for teachers in terms of planning, curriculum delivery and learning environment
- Delivered a professional development schedule that addresses the key initiatives of our AIP
- Conducted learning walks in every grade and provided feedback and goal setting as a result
- Introduced a numeracy and Literacy intervention program
- Introduced joint planning time for all teachers at each grade level and supported these with the participation of the literacy and numeracy co-ordinators
- Developed a school wide literacy and numeracy assessment schedule
- Introduced the BYO Ipad program
- Conducted the whole school Resilience Program
- Sourced additional funding for numeracy intervention

The remainder of the year will see the culmination of work around the remaining aspects of the AIP. This is very important work and we hope that we are rewarded by improved student outcomes when the end of year student data is collected.

Please be advised that **August 5<sup>th</sup> is a pupil free day**. On this day staff will attend school for a curriculum day. The focus of this day will be looking at each of the elements of our instructional model, investigating best practice in these areas and unpacking the most appropriate teaching strategies to ensure we get the best results from every session of every day. This is fundamental to our whole school improvement plan.

#### **Making every minute count Initiative – How you can help?**

Currently we have been investigating strategies that all teachers can use to make sure that every minute of every day is used to progress students. We have developed a list of strategies that will be added to our Kilmore Way document for staff to refer to and implement. We do need your help and support. One of the initiatives will see all grades using the music time in the morning to come into class, put bags away and be sitting ready to start the day when the bell goes. We are asking parents to encourage students to be independent in this part of the day and say goodbye to students outside of the room. This allows the child to be responsible for unpacking their bag, sorting out their table and getting themselves ready to start the day. If you need to talk to the teacher can you make arrangements with them to meet after school or before school, but prior to the start of the music. This way teachers can begin their lesson promptly and model organised routines. One of the most effective ways to communicate with teachers is via email. If you want to have a face-to-face meeting an email is a great way to set up a mutually appropriate time.

I had a chat to Tina Considine and Tracey Crane yesterday afternoon. They continue to astound me with the ideas for our school grounds. You can contact the school to be part of their grounds beautification team or support them through programs like the school orchard.

*Kim Laffan*

Principal  
Kilmore Primary School



**When:** Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August (All day)

**Where:** Oval, Basketball Court, Astroturf and Stadium

**Sports:** (There will be more information about this closer to the day)

Classes will be grouped into 6 continents:

There will be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> continent on the day. There will also be a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> country on the sports day.

**North America** – FS (USA), 2C (Canada), 4W (Jamaica)

**South America** – FE (Brazil), 2J (Colombia), 4/5B (Argentina)

**Asia** – FJ (China), 2/3H (South Korea), 5D (Japan)

**Europe** – 1T (Great Britain), 3T (Germany), 5G (Spain)

**Africa** – 1G (South Africa), 3M (Ethiopia), 6B (Kenya)

**Oceania** – 1V (Australia), 4J (New Zealand), 6W (Papua New Guinea/Fiji)

### **Opening Ceremony and Dress Up Day**

On Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of August, there will be an Opening Ceremony for the Kilmore Olympic Games (Session to be advised).

The 2 SRCs of each Grade will have a special role on the day as Leaders of that Country (Presidents/Prime Ministers/Kings/Queens)

Each Grade will also have 2 sports captain for their class. The 2 students will be the flag bearers for their Grade/Country at the Opening Ceremony.

Opening Ceremony - Students will assemble on the Astroturf. Students can wear clothes that resemble their given country to school that day (colours of the flag or dress-ups). SRCs can dress as the leader of the country. There will be a prize for the best dressed student from each continent.

Students will move around the Astroturf with their Grade, the 2 SRC's introducing their Grade and the flag bearers leading the class around. A song from each country will be played as students move around.





## **BILLY G'S GOURMET COOKIE DOUGH IS NOW AVAILABLE. FUNDRAISING HAS NEVER TASTED SO GOOD.**

We are excited to announce that today we commence our very own Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough Fundraiser.

Each family has been provided with a Billy G's Fundraiser order form that will assist in collecting orders from family, friends & neighbours. You can only purchase their moorish cookie dough through this fundraiser and is not sold in stores, so stock up!

Billy G's is an Australian family owned and operated business that provides quality ingredients for that homestyle taste. There are ten (10) delicious flavours to choose from including a new Gingerbread and Shortbread Biscuit dough. They also make available a cheese flavoured Doggie Dough that your favourite furry animals will go bonkers over and a Gluten Free Chocolate Chunk.

For each tub of Gingerbread Dough purchased you will receive a free gingerbread man cookie cutter. The kids will love baking and decorating their very own cookies.

We have a fantastic incentive prize program available for each child who buys or sells one or more tubs of cookie dough. There are over 50 prizes to choose from which can be viewed in your Billy G's order form.

- The cookie dough is packed in a reusable 1kg tub which makes 40 x 25g cookies. **33c-38c per cookie.**
- You can **RE-FREEZE** the cookie dough and thaw it out as you require for baking.
- You can keep the thawed cookie dough in your refrigerator for up to 4 weeks.



**PLACE YOUR ORDER ONLINE**  
**CLICK HERE. IT'S A SIMPLE AS CLICK, SEARCH & ORDER!**

**Billy G's Golden Lid Competition:** will you be the lucky winner? Find a Billy G's Golden Sticker under the lid of a tub of cookie dough for your chance to win instant prizes.

**Gold Coast Family Holiday Promotion:** simply by purchasing or selling a tub of cookie dough you will have the chance to win a five (5) night holiday to the Gold Coast staying at Sea World Resort & Water Park, entry to the major theme parks and either \$1,000 spending money or a \$1,000 Virgin Australian Gift Voucher. To enter, please go to [www.australianfundraising.com.au/win](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au/win).

**Please return your brochure & monies by Wednesday, August 3rd**

**Current scheduled day for pick up is Thursday, 18th August**

We thank you for making our Billy G's Fundraiser a huge success!



# Child Safety at Kilmore Primary School

Schools have an important responsibility for keeping children safe. The Victorian Parliamentary inquiry into child abuse presented fifteen recommendations in the Betrayal of Trust Report. The fifteen recommendations aim to protect children from all forms of abuse and neglect through civil law, criminal law reform and the establishment of Child Safety Standards.

The seven Child Safety standards are:  
strategies to embed an organisational culture of child safety

- \* a child safety policy
- \* a child safety code of conduct
- \* human resource practices that reduce the risk of child abuse
- \* procedures for responding and responding to allegations
- \* child safety risk management strategies
- \* participation and empowering children

All schools in Victoria must be compliant with the new legislation by 1 August 2016. To align with the new legislation we have developed a Child Safety Policy and reviewed the KPS Mandatory Reporting Policy. These policies will be presented at the August school council meeting for ratification. The leadership team and school staff will review other relevant policies and procedures to reflect the changes to the legislation to ensure our school has an embedded organisational culture of child safety, critical to protecting the basic rights of children to feel safe and be safe at all times.

Julie McCarthy  
Assistant Principal, Student Wellbeing  
Kilmore Primary School



## IMPORTANT REMINDER

Have you changed any of your contact details? If you have changed your phone number, address, email address or emergency contacts for your child then it is vital that you let us know as soon as possible so that our database can be updated.

At times we are unable to contact parents and caregivers due to old information. It is vital that we have current and accurate information to ensure the safety and wellbeing of your child.

Please phone the office on 5782 1268 to update your information  
or email to [kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)



# Asha's Adventures



Hi there!

I am so excited to be back at school – and not just because it means I can have breakfast early!

Thank you to everyone who has said hello, given me a pat and asked after my sore paw. I've had lots of questions about the shaved patches on my leg and foot. I had a close shave at the vets with some clippers, but managed to fend them off before I was completely bald. I'm busy regrowing my hair and will be back to my normal hairy self soon. Just as well as otherwise I'd need to invest in some long socks and slippers to keep me warm. Where are the slippers from 2/3H when I need them?!

Before school each morning I have a play in the ICT Lab and library. I'm allowed to zoom around with my soft squeaky toy. I've been showing some Grade 6 boys how fast I can run and how good I am at making my toy squeak. I think they're impressed. I'm not very good at running around corners yet. I've heard that if you keep practising you get better at things, so that's what I will do.



On Tuesday I was minding my own business (I may have been doing this with my eyes shut) and didn't hear 5D arrive in the library. I was so happy when I woke up and saw I had visitors. Like all good hosts, I went around and greeted everyone whilst they worked....and then I had a photo.



The Grade 4s are learning about measurement. They tried to measure me! They also measured some of my things. I lent them my lead and shared my favourite nylon bone with them. Luckily, no one tried to chew it. In case you're wondering, my lead is 75cm long and my bone is 19cm of deliciousness.

Next week I'm hoping I'll get to help show teachers from four other schools some maths classes at KPS. There will be approximately 12 teachers visiting on Tuesday. Perhaps I should tell them how long my lead is? It's all part of the Bastow 'Leading Mathematics' course KPS is completing this year.

I've been listening very carefully out in the yard this week and overheard some comments which made me very happy to know that I'm helping my two legged friends.

"Asha makes everyone happy!" (Grade 1 student)

"When I pat Asha I don't feel so stressed." (Grade 4 student)



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## PUBLIC MEETING: FAMILY DRUG SUPPORT *Wallan*



### Families need support too. Just like their loved ones who abuse alcohol and drugs.

Nexus will be hosting a public meeting to gauge interest for establishing a Family Drug Support group within the Mitchell Shire and beyond.

Special guest speaker from



When: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Time: 6.30pm to 7.30pm

Where: Nexus GP SuperClinic, 7-11 High Street, Wallan



Information

For more information about this session contact Nexus on 1300 77 33 52.

Advice for ICE users families and health professionals call 1800 423 238.

DirectLine 24 Hours & 7 Days call 1800 888.



# K.P.S. Orchard & Edible Garden

We would like to develop a miniature orchard and edible garden, but we need the support of our families and friends please. The food produced will be utilised by classes and surplus may even be sold.

All we ask is that families contribute \$50 towards the purchase cost of the trees and set up of the garden. Name plaques of appreciation will be displayed around the bases of the trees. Families will be invited to come and assist in setting up the orchard/ garden and of course with the planting (though this is not a requirement). If you attend you can make a clay plaque in the art room for display in the garden.

If you are able, please fill in below and return to the office with your \$50 contribution (or more if you would like). Please return as soon as possible so we can make arrangements. We aim to plant our orchard early in term 3.

Thank you.

Name: (Child/ children) .....

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Last name: .....

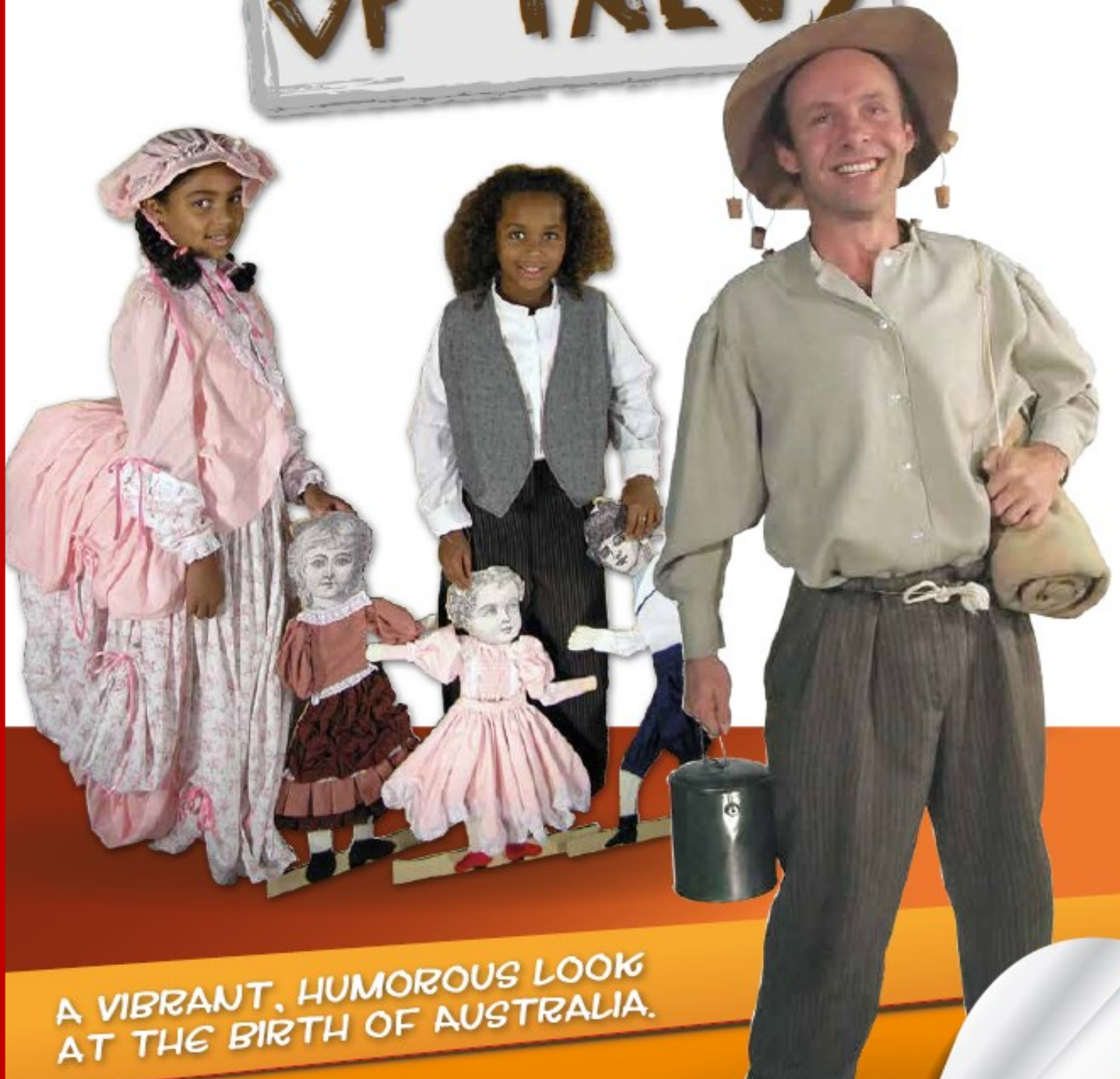
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We would love to support this project,  
included is our \$50 (or ..... ) contribution.



# A SWAG OF TALES



A VIBRANT, HUMOROUS LOOK  
AT THE BIRTH OF AUSTRALIA.

The theme for this year's Book Week is 'Australia'. To tie into the theme Kilmore Primary is hosting an incursion presented by School Performance Tours. A Swag of Tales, which leads children through a zany yet informative history lesson that starts in England with a convict court case and covers the voyage to Australia, Early Settlement, the Gold Rush, Bushrangers, Squatters and the Ages of the Swagman. Using toys, period consumes, stories and music, students get an idea of what life was like during those first one hundred and fifty years of European settlement in Australia.

Cost for the incursion is \$4.40

Permission notes and forms **due back by the 4th of August.**



[formancetours.com.au](http://formancetours.com.au)

School Performance Tours



# Numeracy News



	This Week at School	Things to Try at Home
<b>Foundation</b>	Counting with a focus on comparing and ordering numbers.	Practise using the words 'more than' and 'less than' and 'same as' to describe collections.
<b>Grade 1</b>	Recognising, describing and ordering coins.	Practise naming coins and compare their value. Can you order them from the coin worth the least to the coin worth the most?
<b>Grade 2</b>	Addition & subtraction word problems.	Practise solving addition and subtraction word problems. Can you make up and solve word problems using addition and subtraction?
<b>Grade 3</b>	Addition & subtraction with a focus on fact families, strategies to add/subtract 9 and 11 and breaking numbers apart to add/subtract them more easily.	Look for numbers to add and subtract. For example, on letter boxes and number plates. Can you add/subtract 9, 19 or 29 to/from a number?
<b>Grade 4</b>	Measurement including area and perimeter.	Can you work out the perimeter of your bed? Its area?
<b>Grades 5 &amp; 6</b>	Measurement including area, perimeter, volume and capacity.	Practise converting units of measurement. Eg. centimetres to millimetres, litres to millilitres. Can you work out how many litres of water you drink each day?

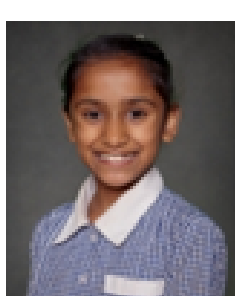
## What are our students saying about Maths @ KPS?



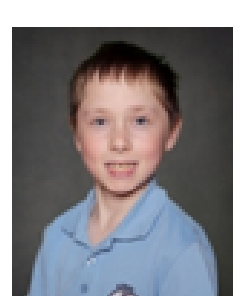
I used fact families to solve problems. I used addition to find the answer to a subtraction problem.



I've learnt about using trundle wheels to measure. The whole of the green part on the astroturf is about 150 metres.



When you find the area of a rectangle, instead of counting by 1s you can count by the number in each row.



I learnt how to measure things with centimetres and millimetres.



I learnt how to count backwards! I started at 20.