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## **Numeracy News**



We are very excited to announce that 18 marvellous maths trolleys arrived at Kilmore PS last week! Every classroom will have a trolley full of maths resources to help support teaching and learning. A massive thank you to everyone who supports our fundraisers as you bought these trolleys!





#### **Happy Birthday**

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

#### **August**

24th	Ella Willow	45B 4J	
25th	Michael	2C	
26th	Aaron Tierra	45B 4W	
30th	Sebastian Thomas Tara	4J 5D 5G	

## Manners Matter This weeks focus

I accept consequences

Kind, Proud and Safe at all times

#### **Payment Reminders**

Just a reminder that the 5/6 Ballarat camp and the Foundation to year 2 Swimming program payments are now overdue. If you have outstanding payments could you please finalise these as soon as possible.

Thank You

#### Calendar

#### <u>August</u>



Friday, 26th August
Dress up Day
(Australian Character theme)

Assembly 2.30pm

Monday, 29th August Book Club orders due

**Tuesday, 30th August** Father's Day Stall grades 5-6

Mitchell South District Athletics

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

#### <u>September</u>

**Thursday, 1st September** Foundation 2017 Discover Day 9.15-10.15

Friday, 2nd September
Father's Day Stall Foundation—Grade 4

Friday, 9th September Grade 2 Sleepover

Friday, 16th September
Last day term 3 School concludes at 2.30pm

#### SICK BAY LINEN - ROSTER TERM 3

26th August Jo Clark
2nd September Natalie Campbell
9th September Jessica Martin
16th September Liza Whitfield

Thank you



#### MITCHELL SOUTH DISTRICT ATHLETICS 2016 MEADOWGLEN INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS TRACK TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

The MSSSA District Athletics competition will be held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2016. We have a number of students attending in track and field events. Just a reminder that students will be required to wear school uniform and bring their lunch, snack and a drink. Please bring appropriate clothing for your event and weather. The bus will be leaving the school at 9am.

## From the Principal's Desk... Welcome to Week 7 – Term 3

It was a great start to the week as children and staff set the theme for Book Week of "Being Well Read!" by dressing in red. There were red dresses, pants, hair and accessories everywhere you looked. The week will conclude with a dress-up day on Friday and the theme is a book character from an Australian story. All students who dress up will have the opportunity to be a part of our book character parade at assembly in the last session of the day. Parents are welcome to join!

#### **NAPLAN**

Our Naplan results are in and children will be receiving their reports today. Our leadership team will be analysing these results on Thursday and as a whole staff we will look at them next Monday. Examining the data and using this information to inform future work is a critical part of the improvement process. Although the rigorous analysis of the data is yet to come, I can say that it appears that across all elements of reading, writing, spelling, punctuation and grammar and numeracy the data has gone up from last year!!!! This is a very positive outcome and reinforces that our Improvement Plan is having a positive impact.

When you read your child's report please remember that it is one part of the puzzle. It shows us what your child could do on that day, at that point in time, with that particular testing format. NAPLAN information is valuable but must be considered in the context of all other assessment data collected within the school. If you have any concerns about the results of the test please make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher.

#### Grade 3/4 Camp

I would like to give a huge thank you to all our staff and parent volunteers who organized and attended the grade 3/4 camp. The preparation and thorough attention to detail that went into the camp was evident during my visit on the Tuesday and fundamental to making the camp so successful. Thank you for the care and commitment you gave each and every child. It was a great camp site and the activities and experiences provided for our children were exceptional. A special thanks to Emma White and Fiona Johnson as well as our pre-service teacher Sharna Hemsley who put in hours of additional work in planning the camp.

#### Fundraising thank you!!!

On behalf of all the children at Kilmore Primary School I would like to thank the fundraising committee and every one of you who support the activities they organise. The money raised makes an incredible difference. This week we took delivery of 18 mobile math trolley units. These will be filled with our maths resources and each grade will receive one. The trolleys will ensure that all children have access to the necessary maths equipment at all times. Lots of money goes into the purchase of concrete aides for our maths program and ensuring that the equipment is accounted for and accessible is very important. Once again thankyou!!!!

Have a great week

Xim Laffan
Principal
Kilmore Primary School



# FORGET!

#### **BOOK CLUB**

All Book Club order forms and payments must be placed in the teachers letterboxes by **Monday 29th August 2016**. Late orders cannot be accepted.

#### **Enrolment Reminder for 2017**

Parents if you have a Student starting with us in 2017, it is now time for you please fill out those enrolment forms and make your enrolment interview. We have already begun to discuss class's for next year.

Alternately if you know someone who is intending for their child to come to Kilmore Primary School please let them know our Enrolment Forms are available on the website or from the office.

#### Thank you



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#### **Shaping Lives with Stories**



#### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2015 Recess time in the library



## THE GREAT BOOK SWAP CHALLENGE Indigenous Literacy Foundation

The Great Book Swap Challenge is a fundraising event in which students swap books for a gold coin donation. Over the next few weeks students are invited to bring along one or two books they've read and enjoyed and donate them to the Great Book swap Challenge.

From the 5<sup>th</sup> September – 9<sup>th</sup> September all these pre-loved books will be displayed in the library at recess and available to purchase for a gold coin donation.

All gold coin donations will be collected and donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation to help indigenous students improve their Literacy skills

KPS students are invited to bring in pre-loved books to school and place them in the GREAT BOOK SWAP CHALLENGE box at reception.

## Father's Day Sausage Sizzle and Cake Sale September 3<sup>rd</sup> at Mitre 10

Can you help, we need a little of your time, or some of your tasty treats?

This year we will be trying our hand at raising money from a cake bake sale and sausage sale at Mitre 10. We are seeking donations of baked goods or homemade products to be handed in at school on September the 2<sup>nd</sup>, or at Mitre 10 on the morning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September. Ideas are cakes, biscuits, bread, jams, preserves, we will need a full list of ingredients and items must not have cream or require refrigeration.

If you can help with your time or some treats it would be very much appreciated. Student:..... Grade ..... Mobile Phone Number: ..... Yes I/ we (Adults) can help at the sausage sizzle 9-10, 10-11, 11-12, 12-1.30. Yes I / We can with the donation of home made goods, help Bread Other..... Cake **Biscuits** Jam Sauce Food must be on disposable plates, bowls, tin, jars, or bags. Please return form to the office by the 25<sup>th</sup> of August. Alternatively you can text your details to 0412502005. Thank you.

#### Kilmore camp to Phillip Island

At the 3/4 camp we went on a beach walk and on the beach we had a sand building competition. At the comp I built a grand witch village. Some boys mad a sandcastle that looked like a jungle. Some girls made a huge rock hill and added rocks and they called it the Rocky Rock Hill. In the witch village we made some witch houses with rocks for the doors and had a tunnel where they made all their spells At the end we found some black sand and sprinkled that all over the village. **Ella 4J** 

#### **KPS Camp**

Hi I'm Lachlan from 4J KPS. On Monday the 15th to 17th 3/4s went to camp. The camp was in Phillip Island. My favourite part was the giant swing, it was 15 meters high. It was super fun and scary. A group pulls, you go as high as you feel comfortable, then you pull the green chord to drop. It was super fast. You should have a go.

Lachlan 4J



#### 3 / 4 Camp Philip Island

#### By Emma and Markus – 4W

Day 1. We left at 9:00am. There were 3 buses going. There were 2 big buses and 1 mini bus. We had 2 stops. It took us about 3 hours to get there. When we got to CYC The Island camp, we had a quick meeting to go over the camp rules. We had 8 activities. At 5:00pm we got to the penguin parade and saw the penguins. Then 2 hours later, we came back to camp and had dessert. For dessert we had apple crumble and ice-cream. After dessert we went to our cabins and got ready for bed.

Day 2. We had to get up at 7:00am. Breakfast duty group had to meet at 7:45am. At 8:00am, we had to have breakfast. For breakfast we had toast and cereal. Later that day we had 4 activities. There was something called the giant swing which goes up 15m high, and is an amazing experience. The trampolines were also really cool. They're really bouncy! The mechanical wall was scary! It's like a rock climbing wall that moves.

Emma – My favourite thing was the giant swing because it was really high and it was cool.

Markus – My favourite things was the mechanical wall because it was a rock wall that moved!









### Too much time online

To many parents it seems as though children and young people are constantly online.

Often they seem to be engaged in more than one task at a time; for example, downloading and listening to music while studying and chatting with friends or sending messages on their mobile phones.

The number of hours that children and young people spend online can vary significantly. There is no guideline for the 'right' amount of time for children to spend online, however, if their online activity appears to impact negatively on their behaviour or wellbeing, or that of the family, it may be time to discuss expectations and establish time limits.

It's important to remember that some of the time your children spend online may be related to their education.





#### What can I do?

- + The longer you wait to address the issue, the more difficult it can be to overcome. So if you see an emerging problem arising from excessive use, act on it right away.
- + Talk to your child about the concerns you have and monitor what games, apps and devices are bought or used by your child.
- + You may like to install a program on the device your child is using which can be adjusted to limit the amount of time an internet connection will be available on that device.
- Consider implementing family agreements about the amount of time your children can spend online. A similar approach can be used to limit access to devices.
- ++ If your child seems particularly anxious or irritable, or you notice them seeming isolated from friends or other activities, there may be an underlying mental health issue. Talk to your child's school or your GP if your concerns extend beyond screen time.

## Social networking

Chat and social networking are great ways to stay in touch and find new friends.

Social networking describes a variety of services like Facebook, YouTube, Snapchat, Instagram, World of Warcraft, Moshi Monsters, Twitter, Skype, Minecraft and many others.

All of these services enable direct interaction between individuals. Users can post information about themselves, display photos, tell people what they've been up to, chat and play games. Social networking forms a part of the social identity of many young people.

There are some risks though, including sharing with people they do not know or trust, not being able to control where a photo or video has been shared, or meeting people in real life who they only otherwise know online.



#### What can I do?

As a parent, you can help your child have positive experiences on social networking sites.

- + Stay involved in your child's use of technology. Set up your own account and learn about privacy settings so you can understand how you can best protect your child. It can be fun for you too!
- + Read the 'terms of use' on social media services and make sure your child understands what is expected. Some sites, like Club Penguin, are created especially for children. Many, such as Facebook and Instagram, require users to be at least 13 years of age (often to comply with US laws about the collection of children's personal data). It's also helpful to check the age ratings set by app stores too before downloading an app-bearing in mind that these age ratings can sometimes differ from those for websites of the same service.
- + Advise children to set their accounts to private so that the only people who can view their information are those they trust.
- + Encourage children to think before they put anything online and to be respectful of others. Information posted online can be difficult or

- impossible to remove. An inappropriate image posted today may have a long term impact on their digital reputation.
- + Show your child how to manage location services on their phone so they are not inadvertently broadcasting their location. Help them to set up alerts to let them know if they have been 'tagged' in photos that have been posted by others.
- + Remind children to be careful when making new friends online; people may not be who they say they are. They should never arrange arrange to meet an online friend unless a trusted adult is with them.
- ++ Report any cyberbullying or inappropriate content to the social networking site and show children how to do this too. If the social media service fails to remove the material, you can make a complaint to the Office of the Children's eSafety Commissioner.

## KPS Book Week 2016

This week is Book Week and following the 2016 theme of 'Australia! Story Country' students are studying Australian authors and texts in their literacy classes. The library has a display of Australian books and the 2016 book awards.

To celebrate Book Week we began on Monday with students and teachers wearing RED and being 'Well Read'. Buddy grades met together to read an Australian story and completed a reading activity.





## Kilmore Primary School 2016 Swimming and Water Familiarisation Program

Remember that your final payment was due on the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2016. Could you please make the payments before Monday if you have not so already, thanks.

The Swimming and Water Familiarisation Program starts next week for students in Foundation, Grade 1 and Grade 2. Students will have two lessons each week for the next three weeks. A bus will transport students to and from the Kilmore Leisure Centre.

#### Lesson times are scheduled as follows:

#### Monday and Tuesday

#### Tuesday and Wednesday

Grade	Lesson Time
1G + 1T	11.15-12.00
1V + 1T	12.00- 12.45
2C + 2H	12.45-1.30

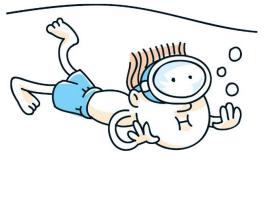
Grade	Lesson Time
2J + 2H	11.15-12.00
FE + FS	12.00- 12.45
FJ + FS	12.45-1.30

#### Swimming Essentials:

All swimmers will need to bring a named swimming bag with towel, goggles, swim cap (optional) spare underwear and a plastic bag (for their wet items) for each day of our swimming program. Students can wear their bathers to the pool to enable a prompt lesson start.

During the three weeks students involved in the swimming program will be **unable** to have lunch orders as they will be away from the school at lunch order delivery time. Could you please make sure that your child has a cut lunch and drink. Don't forget to send extra food on our swimming days as the children get hungry after swimming.

Anna Sloane
Junior PE Coordinator





#### Asha's Adventures





#### Hi there!

I love school and all the friendly faces that greet me throughout the day. My week has been jam packed – not the strawberry jam packed in a sandwich type – the busy type.

I knew I was going to be away for two days as my chauffeur had maths meetings in the city, so I made every minute at school count. I worked with a group in Miss Boyack's maths class who were learning how to write directions using specific language and scales on maps. I also tried to help organise the new maths trolleys (see 'Numeracy News'). My help was immeasurable – literally, as I 'borrowed' the tape measure.

I went along to last week's Leadership Meeting on Friday. Mrs Laffan, Mrs Cooney, Mrs McCarthy, Mr Thompson and Miss Crowther were there too. I listened carefully, chewed my toy for a bit, stretched, yawned and fell asleep. It must have been a really good sleep because I did some snoring too. Between dreams I heard more discussions about the Victorian Curriculum. Mrs Cooney, Mr Thompson, Miss Dennis and Mrs Sperling went to a meeting at Wandong to work on parts of it with other local schools last Thursday. My ears perked up when I saw 'NAPLAN' on the agenda. I have a nap plan every day. It usually involves being asleep by 9:30am. The NAPLAN at the meeting was a little different. Anyway, I heard lots of happy voices as the five year trend for **KPS** results shows improvement. meetings are planned to look at the results in detail, celebrate strengths, identify areas to focus on and work out what it means for the future. Pawrents will be getting the results soon.

On Monday I swapped my blue collar for a red one and joined in the fun of 'Be Well Read' Day. My tail wagged as I listened to tale after tale. We have excellent readers at KPS. I also helped 4J and 4W learn about location by 'borrowing' their class mascots and leaving clues so they could be found again. Scruffy and Patches are back in their classrooms now. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone's costumes on Friday for Book Week dress up day. It took me a while to decide on my costume. You might not recognise me....



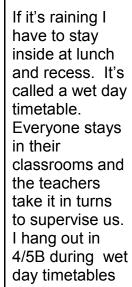






#### Asha's Adventures





I've learnt that there are two days when I don't come to school. As part of my training I go to different places at the weekend. Last weekend I went to the dog park, the local market and collected my new bed from the shop. Much to my delight I discovered some gourmet dog treats at the market. And guess what, the lady gave me some for free because I sat down when she asked. I highly recommend following instructions! I spent some of my pawket money on my favourite treats so I could enjoy a little afternoon snack. It's good to share so I bought enough to share with my doggy friends at home. I'll have to tell Mr Thompson there were even doggy doughnuts at the stall (see photo). I wasn't allowed one though. One day I'll get a doughnut! I followed more instructions when I collected my bed and got even more free treats! I can't help it if people just want to feed me. It would be rude to say no...



Decisions, decisions! One of each, please! I couldn't help but lick my lips in anticipation.

I'm a good listener and I heard some more comments which made me very happy to know that I'm helping my two legged friends at KPS. Here are some I've remembered:

- "Asha's really helped me want to come to school." (Grade 4 student)
- "Asha is everyone's friend!" (Grade 6 student) and "I want to take him home with me!" (Grade 1 student)



## Kilmore Primary School 2017 Foundation Transition Program Discovery Days





To help you find out more about our school we invite you to join us for our Transition Discovery Days

Let our students, teachers and parents share with you the values and friendly feeling that sums up Kilmore Primary School as a community school that has been a vital part of the local area since 1874.

Your child will have the opportunity to participate in a number of activities over the 2 weeks and experience our quality programs. We look forward to greeting you on:

#### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 9.15am - 10.15am

Weekly tours every Wednesday at 10:00am or by arrangement at a convenient time will continue throughout term 3.

To book a place for your child or to arrange a tour of the school please call us on 5782 1268.

Our formal orientation program for children enrolled to start school in 2017 will take place in November/December.

Please enrol for 2017 by Friday, 16th September 2016



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