From the Assistant Principal’s Desk…

Welcome to Week 10 Term 3

Walkathon
Last Thursday, students, parents and teachers put their best foot forward and participated in the KPS Walkathon. Once again, this school community fundraising event was a great success with many students racing around the track while others chose to take things a little slower, but all achieving many, many laps. Congratulations to all the students and parents who joined in the walkathon and a big thank you to our parent helpers.

Kilmore’s Got Talent
Last Thursday also saw the final of the 2015 Kilmore’s Got Talent competition. The finalists performed a lunchtime concert to an enthusiastic and vocal crowd and the performer’s efforts reflected their hard work, confidence and talents. Congratulations to Mya 2T, Kiera Lee 3/4T and Joshua 5/6C on achieving first place, Jake 1J, William 3/4H and Alastair 5/6B on achieving second place and Elizabeth & Milla 2B, Coen 3/4F and Aimee 5/6B on achieving third place. Well done to all the students who took part in Kilmore’s Got Talent this year and a special thank you to Miss Claire Bourke for coordinating this special annual event.

Term 3 - It’s a Wrap!
It has been a busy term at KPS with students involved in many activities covering a diverse range of interests. Tree Planting Day, junior and senior lunchtime disco, Grade 5/6 City Camp, school walkathon, swimming program, Kilmore’s Got Talent, Father’s Day breakfast and Father’s Day stall, Grade 6 visit to Broadford SC, chicken hatching in the Grade 2 unit, KPS athletics and basketball teams and many lunchtime activities run by our senior students have been just some of the events run throughout the term.

Excursion Payments Due
Please note any payment received after the due date will not be accepted.

Calendar

SEPTEMBER
Friday 18th September
CSEF applications close
Hot Dog Day
No other lunch orders available on this day
Last Day of Term 3
2.30pm dismissal

OCTOBER
Monday 5th October
First Day of Term 4

Student Enrolments 2016

We are currently looking at our total enrolments for 2016. Staffing and Budgets are dependent on accurate student numbers. If you know of a child who will be attending Kilmore PS next year (in any year level), who has not submitted their enrolment form, please encourage them to do so as soon as possible. Also if your child (other than grade 6 students) will not be returning to KPS in 2016 and you have not notified the school, please do so prior to the end of this term.

Notices Handed Out This Week
- Bring Your Own iPad program 2016 Expressions of Interest
- Grade 2 Sleepover
End of Term
As Term 3 concludes this Friday, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our wonderful KPS community members for their support throughout the term. I would particularly like to thank the School Council and Parent Club members who have worked so hard to support our school programs and raise funds for our school. Whether it is cooking bacon and eggs, wrapping Father’s Day presents, helping out in the garden or hearing students read, your continued involvement and support is greatly appreciated. Thank you also to our teachers who are always striving to provide the best learning opportunities for each and every child.

On behalf of the KPS community I would especially like to thank Mrs. Jennene Cooney for leading our school as Acting Principal over the last two terms. Mrs. Cooney has worked tirelessly to ensure that as educators we are continually reflecting on our instructional practice and implementing new strategies to support students to achieve their goals. Jennene will continue in her role as Assistant Principal in Term 4.

Manners Matter
This week’s focus is *I use a friendly tone and volume of voice.* Please remember to be *Kind, Proud and Safe* at all times.

Wishing you and your family a safe and happy holiday.

Have a great week.

Ms Julie McCarthy  
Assistant Principal

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**Happy Birthday**

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

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**Head Lice**

We have had cases of head lice reported. This is just a friendly reminder for parents/guardians to continue to check their child’s hair on a regular basis.

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**SICK BAY LINEN ROSTER**

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Thank You
A huge thank you to John Vilinskis for building an amazing Chicken Coop to house the chickens hatched during the Grade 2 Life Cycle unit. John donated all materials and his time to produce a house complete with roosting poles and nesting boxes. The Grade 2 Students were very excited to see it and the chickens had an exciting time exploring their new home.
Walkathon 2015

Thank you everyone for your support of the major fundraiser for Kilmore PS this year. All the students had a great day and it was great to see all the parents come out and support the kids as they walked/ran around the school. A very special thank you also must go out to Kate McPhail, Jamie Devine, Jenny Peggie and Kristy Brooks for helping with the course set up, take down and lunch orders for the day.

The Walkathon is our major fundraiser for the school. Since we began this fundraiser in 2012, we have raised over $20,000 to support the school and major building programs of shade sails over the 3-6 playground (to be completed September school holidays – weather permitting) and new playground furniture on the oval. Without the support of our school community we would not be able to raise the funds for these programs.

It is hoped that the money from this years walk-a-thon will go towards a major project the School Council is currently working on – more to come in this area next term.

Again all the School Council would like to thank everyone involved with fundraising programs – without your support we would not be able to complete these projects.

David Mac Bean
School Council President

iPad Fundraising

Thank you to parents and the community for your support in assisting to raise funds during Term 2 for the Kilmore Primary School ICT program. The funds were used to purchase 16 iPad minis. We have some very excited students who are looking forward to using them in their learning! I would also like to thank School Council and the parent community for all of their time and effort they have spent in raising money.
Congratulations to all our KPS Award Winners at Assembly on Monday

Literacy & Numeracy Awards

100 & 200 Club Awards

KPS Spelling Bee Awards

KPS Athletics Team
CAFÉ Fluency Strategy: Voracious Reading

Fluency is the ability to read, speak, or write smoothly and with expression. The best way to become a fluent reader is through reading. The amount a child reads has a huge impact on their success in becoming a fluent reader. The strategy of voracious reading is one used with students to increase vocabulary and fluency. Students are taught that voracious means to do a lot of something and still want more of it. They know that by reading, reading, and more reading, they will become smooth readers that are enjoyable to listen to. This will lead to increased comprehension and broadened vocabularies.

How can you help your child with this strategy at home?

1. Encourage your child to read more at home. Start by adding a few minutes to their regular reading time and go from there.

2. Model this strategy for your child by taking out a book of your own and reading.

3. Have your child to show you what he/she is reading. Ask the following questions:
   - Does this book interest you?
   - Are you able to read most of the words?
   - Do you understand what you are reading?

Your child should be able to say “yes” to all three questions if he/she is reading a good book to improve fluency and become a voracious reader.

4. Find a genre or style of book your child is interested in. Visit the library or bookstore to provide more books or stories in this area of interest. Tapping into a reader’s interests creates voracious readers.

Thank you for your continued support at home!

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ANZAC CARE PACKAGES

We have recently been contacted by a number of soldiers who received one of our KPS Care Packages which our school put together as part of our ANZAC 100 years commemoration. Below are two thank you letters we have received in the past few weeks.

Good evening staff and students at Kilmore Primary,
Just a note to say many thanks for the care packages that you sent to deployed troops in the Middle East - treats are always gratefully accepted here and we have had many people coming and going of late. Your letter was also very kind - it is so comforting to know that people at home are thinking about us. I especially loved some of the quotes from the students - very thoughtful.

I have been here about four months now and am starting to count down until home time. Still a few weeks to go though. I saw the heat of summer and the weather here has started to cool down now - a welcome change. By the time I leave they are anticipating snow on the mountains so it will be nice to come home to an Australian summer. I'm based in Sydney so am looking forward to spending some time back at the beach! Again, thank you for all your love and support to deployed troops. I cannot explain the joy that people get when they receive little things from home. It really is appreciated by each and every one of us.

Best wishes,
Emily

Dear Kilmore Primary School and grade 5/6,
I was very happy to receive your care package that you all kindly donated to, it did brighten up my day. All the boys enjoyed snacking on the gifts that you sent. We also loved Jazmin's card that she wrote for us. We are happy to keep you safe so that you can enjoy your lovely primary school and get the education that all children across the world should receive. We take great pride in our job and serving for Australia. It can be hard to be away from family and friends, but we understand the job we have to do and we find comfort in each other and hearing from everyone back home. It is a very special year for us, and we are humbled to follow in the ANZAC's footsteps. It is great to hear how wonderfully you are honouring them and all current serving members of the defence force. Your school values are great ones to live by and are ones we share. We loved the quotes and my answers to those are - we hide when we need to, we're always as safe as we can be, always on the look-out for bad guys, army games are always fun to play, thank you ,you kids rock too, we are great, how are you?, we don't have to march very much over here and very funny jokes, got a lot of laughs.
Once again thank you very much for the care package. I hope the rest of the school year goes well. Thank you for supporting us.

Kind Regards,
Pte Jesse J Wood
32E FPE-4 Kabul Afghanistan 8/9 RAR Brisbane
Kilmore Primary School invites families & their pre-schoolers to
Rhyme Time at Kilmore Primary School

Rhyme time is a session full of stories, rhymes and songs suitable for 1-5 year old children and their parents/carers.

*Rhyme time helps develop:
* A love of books and reading
* Pre-reading skills and a desire to learn to read
* Listening and language skills
* Cooperative behaviour as part of a group
* Understanding of simple concepts
* Imagination and creativity

**WHEN:** Friday afternoons - 2:30pm throughout term 4, commencing Friday 9th October 2015

**WHERE:** Stadium foyer Kilmore Primary School

*All welcome*

For further information contact Julie McCarthy at Kilmore Primary School, 57821268 or email kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au or just turn up!

*Please note, you do not have to have a student currently attending Kilmore Primary School*
Net Set Go

Net Set Go Program is an 8 week games based program to learn the skills of netball.

The program will be run at the Wandong Memorial Stadium on a Thursday beginning on the 15th October and concluding on the 3rd December.

Open to all children aged from 5—10 years.

Cost: $50 per participant.

Contact person: Robyn Mumberson
0419 011064 or email mumbohj@bigpond.com for a Registration form

Mates 4 Mutzy Fundraiser

Mates 4 Mutzy Fundraiser Sunday 27th Sept
12.00pm—4.00pm
Epping RSL
195 Harvest Home Rd
Epping

$10.00 per head
$20.00 per family

Food provided
Drinks at discount prices

Master of Ceremonies:- John Barnes
Guest AFL Speakers and Players
Kids Activities and prizes to be won!

All monies raised go to the Mutz family.

For more information contact:-
Steven Power 0412 140 438
Neil Pearson 0421 630 124
Trinity Woods 0433 338 891