From the Principal's Desk…

Welcome to Week 2 Term 4

Another busy start to the week. I have managed to get into a few more classrooms this week and have had individual conversations with a number of staff. The children have continued to be very welcoming and patient as I try to learn their names.

KPS Community School Improvement Night
October 26th, 2015
We need your help!

An enormous amount of work is happening at the moment behind the scenes so to speak. The results of the School Review that was conducted in the first part of the year have generated wonderful opportunities for our school to begin the task of setting a plan for future growth and improvement. Staff consultation has been rigorous and exciting and a framework for the future of our school is beginning to emerge. We need your help now.

I firmly believe in two things:
1. Family involvement is central to high quality education, and
2. The partnership between a school and the community has enormous impact on student learning.

With this in mind it is crucial that you are part of building the framework that will guide KPS as we move towards the future. On October 26th, at 7pm in the hall, we will be hosting a whole school community evening for all parents. The evening will be focussed on looking at the results of the school review, discussing some of the improvement plan strategies and gathering feedback from families as to what they perceive needs to be prioritise at KPS to ensure that our school develops into an enviable learning environment which offers our children the best educational experiences available. Please read the invitation which will be sent home later this week and register your attendance. This is your chance to help work together to fulfil the vision of excellence that we have for Kilmore Primary School.

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

Calendar

OCTOBER

Thursday 15th October
Grade 3/4 Adanac Camp

Friday 16th October
Grade 3/4 Adanac Camp
Rhyme Time 2.30pm
Icy Pole Day
Last day for Book Club Orders

Wednesday 21st October
School Sports Day

Friday 23rd October
Grade 2 Sleepover
Young Leaders Graduation
Rhyme Time 2.30pm
Icy Pole Day

Saturday 24th October
Working Bee 9.00am—12.00pm

Monday 26th October
School Assembly

Friday 30th October
Day For Daniel
Grade 3/4 Camp
I wish our grade 3/4 campers all the best for an amazing experience. The weather looks perfect and the level of enthusiasm among the unit is tremendous. I can’t wait to hear the stories when they return.

Manners Matter
This week’s focus is I use self control. Please remember to be Kind, Proud and Safe at all times.

Have a great week. And enjoy the sunshine!

Mrs Kim Laffan
Principal

SICK BAY
LINEN ROSTER

October
16  Tina Leslie
23  Rachael Edmonds
30  Anna McGivney

November
6   Helen Gormlie
13  Rosalie Anglog
20  Rose Glavas
27  Natalie Campbell

December
4   Suzanne Hurley
11  Dianne Jones
18  Jo Clark

Thank You

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

October
13  Jensen   FI
14  Jasper   34P
15  Abby   FB
16  Mikayla   56L
17  Megan   2B
18  Maddison   34F
20  Manu   34S
20  Maddison   34S

November
6   Helen Gormlie
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KILMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL
HOUSE SPORTS
Wednesday, 21st October
Come and join in the fun! - 9.40am start

Students are asked to come along dressed in their house colours, please note you may have your hair sprayed or face painted at home but no spray cans are to come to school.

We strongly advise that you send your child with sunscreen (as stated in our School Sunsmart Policy), a hat and water bottle, especially if it is a hot and sunny day.

Lunch orders will operate as normal on this day.

If you are able to help on the day, could you please contact Mrs James.

We look forward to seeing you on the day.
Congratulations to the students who are now in the 100 and 200 Club.

Literacy Awards

Foundation: Liam FB, Caden FI
Grade 1: Jessica 1A, Blake 1J
Grade 2: April 2V, Annabel 2B
Grade 3/4: Manu 34S, Abby 34S, Milla 34P
Grade 5/6: Brinley 56L, Paige 56B

Numeracy Awards

Foundation: Isla FI, Mia FA
Grade 1: Lacey 1L, Sam 1A
Grade 2: Alia 2V, Madelyn 2B
Grade 3/4: Emma 34T, Ethan 34P, Cameron 34F
Grade 5/6: Cole 56G, Nick 56C
Every Friday in Term 4 is Icy Pole Day!
Cost: $1.00 - Limit of one per student.
Please put your child’s name and grade on an envelope with money inside.

Orders are collected from each classroom.

**Koolstix**
Naturally Coloured and Flavoured Water Ice Confection Split
Supplied by Home Ice Cream

**Ingredients:**
Water, Cane Sugar, Maize Glucose, Citric Acid, Natural Vegetable Gums (412,410), Natural Flavours, Natural Colours [Pineapple (101, 120), Apple (120), Orange (Mixed Carotenes, 120)], Natural Plant Extract.

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**Book Clubs LOOP**
for Parents

**LOOP** is the Scholastic Book Clubs
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Clubs by credit card visit:
Congratulations
Foundation & Grade 1 Students

On creating a fantastic drink bottle that shows why we should drink water

Thank you to Brinley and Mikayla for being our judges

Foundation
Tiama
Holly
Zali

Grade 1
Eliza
Charlotte K
Blake S
Kilmore Primary School
Working Bee

Saturday 24th October 2015 9:00 – 12:00

Grab your broom and shovel for working bee time!

Please come and spend time with your kids on Saturday 24th October from 9:00am at school for a working bee. There will be lots of different activities, so even if you are not a handy person or gardener there is sure to be something you can do.

If you can, please bring a shovel, wheel barrow, broom, or rake to help with some jobs around the school.

Kids can invite a special grown up (or more) to come and help

To RSVP

Phone 57821268, email KPS - kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Bendigo and Melbourne Show Success

At the end of last term, Jayla competed at the Bendigo Show. She entered her ewes and rams in a range of events and picked up a number of places. Jayla also competed at the Royal Melbourne Show during the school holidays. Congratulations Jayla.
Walk to School Morning

Last Friday morning many students, parents and friends of KPS met at Hudson Park for our annual Walk to School morning. Fresh fruit, a show bag and warm up exercises with Ebony from the Leisure Centre got the day off to a great start. Thank you to all the participants. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Many thanks to the:

Mitchell Shire
Kilmore Leisure Centre
Mayor, Rodney Parker
Ryan’s Fruit Shop Kilmore
Tracey Crane & Jenni Peggie
On Friday 30th October KPS will be participating in the Day for Daniel initiative.

Students are invited to wear something red.

Ian McKenzie a Day for Daniel Ambassador will be visiting our school to conduct child safety activities designed to help keep kids safe.

- The Day for Daniel is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of child safety, protection and to promote a safer community for children.
- To educate children regarding their personal safety and empower them to Recognise, React and Report.
- To provide FREE safety and educational material.
- To honour the memory of Daniel Morcombe.

Wear Red and Educate is the theme of the Day for Daniel.

Conveyance Allowance
Do you live more than 4.8km from Kilmore Primary School?
Is Kilmore Primary School your child’s ‘nearest’ school?

If you answered yes to both of these questions then you may be eligible to claim this travel allowance. Please call at the office or call 5782 1268.

Conveyance Allowance Claims Close 26th November
If you have already received the Term 3 Conveyance Allowance then the school will submit your claim for Term 4 on your behalf.

Student Enrolments 2016
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 as soon as possible.

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.

Assumption College Bus Service
Monday 2nd November
There will be no buses.
Please make alternative arrangements for your children on this day.
BASKETBALL
Last term KPS Girls’ Basketball team travelled down to Mill Park Stadium to compete in the Whittlesea Division Basketball Competition after winning the Mitchell Shire District Tournament earlier in the year. The girls played a hard fought game but were unable to get through to the next level of competition. Congratulations to Abi, Kasey, Kannika, Malyn, Ally, Ashlyn and Kalarni for all your hard work on the day. A Special Thank you to Mel Ross for scoring and helping transport the girls to Mill Park.

ATHLETICS
CONGRATULATIONS to Jazmin, Paige, Lauren and Natasha who now move on to compete at Regional Athletics Competition to be held this Wednesday at Meadowglen Athletic Track. The girls will be competing in 12/13 Girls Relay with Jazmin also competing in the 200m. This is a Brilliant achievement girls and we are all extremely Proud of your achievements. On behalf of the Kilmore Primary School Community, Good Luck!
Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge 2015

Many congratulations to the 20 students who successfully completed the Premiers’ Reading Challenge. This is a great achievement for the Preps, Grade 1s and Grade 2s who had to read at least 30 books each and the Grade 3s, 4s, 5s and 6s who had to read 15 books each. In total, Kilmore Primary School students read 841 books! Reading every day has enormous benefits for children’s brain development, thinking skills and language, so it is wonderful to see children getting involved.

The Premiers’ Reading Challenge website will be publishing an online honour roll and congratulatory video this month [http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/prc) and certificates will be issued in December. Well done everyone!

Congratulations for completing the Premiers’ Reading Challenge 2015 go to:

**Foundation**
- Joel FA
- Cooper FB
- Lara FB
- Montana FI

**Grade 1**
- Courtney 1A
- Jordan 1A
- Isaac 1J
- Cameron 1L
- Lisa 1L

**Grade 2**
- Annabel 2B
- Ashley 2T
- Bronte 2T
- Chelsea 2T
- Zali 2T

**Grade 3/4**
- Sienna 3/4H

**Grade 5/6**
- Damian 5/6C
- Kalarni 5/6C
- Cooper 5/6G
- Alastair 5/6B
- Madison 5/6B
CAFÉ Strategy: Use Prior Knowledge and Context to Predict and Confirm Meaning

Occasionally readers come to words that are unfamiliar and therefore difficult to understand. When this happens, readers can use context clues to help gain understanding. Context clues are the words, phrases, and sentences surrounding an unfamiliar word that give clues or hints to its meaning. Although not all words can be figured out this way, it is important for readers to know this strategy as one way to gain meaning from a word. This strategy may take awhile for a reader to become comfortable using, but with practice it will help expand vocabulary and enhance understanding.

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

1. Encourage your child to look for clue words to help figure out the meaning of a word. These words include: but, however, unlike, means, in other words, also known as, etc. Remind your child that punctuation may also provide clues to the meaning of a word.

2. Your child was taught different context clues, what they mean, and how to use them with the steps below. Review these steps with your child and model them when reading with your child so they become familiar.
   - Check for a context clue that is in the sentence.
   - After finding a context clue, reread the sentence with the new term or clue in mind.
   - Think about what the sentence says using this context clue.
   - If you don’t find a clue or understand the main point the author is making, try a different strategy to figure out the word, such as asking someone the meaning or using a dictionary.

3. Remind your child to self-monitor as they are reading. Good readers should check themselves to see if what they are inferring looks right, sounds right, and makes sense.

4. Write a sentence, leaving one word out. Have your child read the sentence and use context clues to guess what word is missing. They enjoy trying to figure it out and it is a great way to practice using context clues.

**Thank you for your continued support at home!**

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Whittlesea Show
Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th November
9.00am—5.00pm

Whittlesea Showgrounds
Yea Road
Whittlesea

www.whittleseashow.org.au
Phone 9716 2835
info@whittleseashow.org.au

There are many ways that students and our school can be involved in the 2015 Kilmore Show:

- Farm, Flowers & Floral Art
- Household Provisions
- Knitting, Crochet & Needlework
- Crafts
- Art

Please go onto the Kilmore Show website for more details: www.kilmoreshow.org.au