From the Principal's Desk…

Welcome to Week 3 Term 4

It is hard to believe that this is week three of the term already. Currently I am working on the agenda for the community meeting next Monday night. I hope that this meeting is well attended and that all participants come with a vision to unite the community in how best we can work together to drive Kilmore Primary School towards a future that offers exceptional learning opportunities for all children in a safe and inspiring environment. If you didn’t get your invitation yesterday, the arrangements are Monday October 26th at 7pm in the School Hall. It would be helpful if you could return the slip attached to this newsletter letting us know how many people are attending so that we can assure seating is available. If you receive the newsletter by email, please respond that way.

I am having a special lunch meeting with our Student Leadership Team tomorrow and look forward to gaining an insight into their aspirations for our school. I have been incredibly impressed with this young group of leaders in my dealings with them so far and think that they will have great ideas to help our work here at KPS.

I have begun working with staff around our strategic response to the recommendations of the school review. On Monday night we revisited the importance of high expectations in determining student achievement and behaviour. We have begun developing a set of non-negotiables for student book work. I hope to be displaying some improved samples of student work on the walls leading to my office (Mrs Laffan’s Hall of Fame!) If your child gets their work put on this wall, please feel free to come and have a look.

We need your help!

When speaking of high expectations the issue of student behaviour must be addressed. It is quite possible that more children will be coming home with ‘complaints’ that they have been spoken to about their behaviour in class and made more accountable for their actions. I will be working with teachers to help them raise the expectation of student behaviour and this will put pressure on some of our students.

Excursion Payments Due

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

Calendar

OCTOBER

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

Saturday 24th October
Grade 2 Sleepover 5.30pm
Working Bee 9.00am—12.00pm

Monday 26th October
School Assembly
‘Looking Forward’ Community Meeting
7.00pm School Hall

Friday 30th October
Day For Daniel
Icy Pole Day
Rhyme Time 2.30pm

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 3rd November
Melbourne Cup Day

Thursday 5th November
Grade 6 Graduation Photo 9.00am

Notices Handed Out This Week
- ‘Looking Forward’ Community Meeting Invitation
- Grade 2 Sleepover Information
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
21  Ayden   56B
22  Koby   1L
24  Angus   56C
25  Riley   56G
26  Bethany   2B
       Tyler   34N
       Jamie   56B

Athletics Sports
The athletics sports got off to a great start. As I type this message I can hear the cheers and excitement emanating across the playground. I would like to thank Julie James for her work in coordinating today’s events and wish all houses the best of luck. By the time this goes to print we will have a winning house!

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

Have a great week.

Mrs Kim Laffan
Principal

SICK BAY
LINEN ROSTER

October
23  Rachael Edmonds
30  Anna McGivney

November
6   Helen Gormlie
13  Diane Jones
20  Rose Glavas
27  Natalie Campbell

December
4   Suzanne Hurley
11  Rosalie Anglog
18  Jo Clark

Thank You

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.

Assumption College Bus Service
Monday 2nd
November
There will be no buses.
Please make alternative arrangements for your children on this day.

Student Banking
School Banking Day is Tuesday. Bring your deposit books to the office.

I urge you to look beyond your child’s perception when they are complaining about teacher’s reaction to their behaviour. The way children see events can be very narrow in its vision. I encourage you to trust that there will be another perspective. Improving student behaviour across the school has to be a partnership between the school, the community and parents. If you want us to improve student work standards you need to help us improve classroom behaviour so that learning time is more effective.
Kilmore Primary School’s ‘Looking Forward’ Community Meeting
Monday 26th October at 7.00pm
School Hall

Come along to set the vision for Kilmore Primary School as together we move forward.

Please detach the slip below and return it to the office.

Kilmore Primary School’s Looking Forward Community Meeting
Monday 26th October  7.00pm

I./ We will be attending the Community meeting.

Family name: ___________________________ Number Attending _______

Thank you
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.
ADANAC 3/4 Camp Happy Snaps!
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
CAFÉ Strategy: Flip the Sound

Have you ever taught your child a rule from the English language to then have them point out an example where it doesn’t work? Many words in the English language don’t follow basic phonics rules. For example, children learn that ch makes the /ch/ sound we hear in *chip*. However, this rule does not apply when decoding the word *school*. Children need to be given tools to use when reading so they are not stumped when common rules don’t apply. **Flip the sound** is a strategy good readers use when they come to a word that doesn’t sound right or make sense. Knowing the multiple sounds a letter or letter combination can make and being able to flip the sounds around is an essential skill.

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

1. When your child reads a word incorrectly, wait until he/she gets to the end of the sentence. Then, stop your child and ask, “Did the word you just read sound right?” Put your hand palm-down and flip your hand over while saying, “Try flipping the sound.”

2. Remind your child that when good readers use the strategy of flip the sound, they listen for a word they recognize. They then check to make sure that word makes sense in the sentence.

3. When sounding out words, review the different sounds letters make. Ask your child, “What other sound could that letter make?” Encourage your child to use the strategy of flip the sound to try different words until he/she is successful.

4. If your child is still struggling with this strategy, give your child the kinesthetic prompt of flipping over your hand as a quiet reminder to try the strategy.

5. This strategy can be compared to the strategy of cross checking. Remind your child to look at the word and ask, “Does it look right, does it sound right, does it make sense?” If it doesn’t sound right, they will then know to flip the sound and try again.

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

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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

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PIANO / KEYBOARD LESSONS

Saturday mornings
Suit Beginners 7 yrs+
30 minute lessons $15

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Kilmore Speech Therapy

Offers help with your child’s language, reading, comprehension and articulation. For details check out:

www.kilmorespeechtherapy.com.au

or call Penny on 0467060552

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