From the Principal's Desk...

## Welcome to Week 4 Term 4

## Oh What a Night!

Our community meeting on Monday night, with the theme Kilmore - Looking Forward, was from my perspective, a huge success. It was great to see so many staff in attendance and over forty five parent participants. The conversations that occurred at each of the tables and during the whole group sessions were rigorous, thought provoking and constructive. What I gained from the evening was a real sense that we all want the same thing for our students; an environment where all children feel safe, develop a love of learning and achieve their best. Also very pleasing was the common thread that ran through the discussions that high expectations both academically and behaviourally must be prioritised. The stars and wishes box is full of wonderful ideas and the table butcher paper charts hold a wealth of ideas for helping us lay the pathway for KPS going into the future. I will begin to collate the feedback and work with staff and the leadership to construct our action plan for improvement and roll out some of the wishes. I sincerely thank everyone who attended for their positivity and willingness to work together for the good of our school and students. I would particularly like to thank Deb Barton and Paula Milo who did lots of the preparation of materials for the night and supervised the children who turned up.

## Congratulations to our student leadership team

Our students participated in the Mitchel Cluster Student Leader program this year and had their final whole day event last Friday. Our students were a credit to Kilmore PS in the way they behaved and contributed to the day. I also had a lovely lunch meeting with the group last Thursday. They had some wonderful ideas to contribute to the 'Kilmore Towards the Future' plans.


SHOW YOU REMEMBER ON THE 11TH OF NOVEMBER
We are selling Poppies and Wristbands on behalf of the RSL.

| Poppies | $\$ 2.00$ and $\$ 5.00$ each |
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| Wristbands | $\$ 3.00$ each |

POPPY APPEAL

I was very impressed when they raised the issue of uniforms being a problem. At first I thought they were going to argue that we don't need them or they should be jeans or hoodies or the like. To my delight their issue was that we have a great uniform and they want to see all children wearing it with pride. They had noticed that children were wearing parts of the uniform only and coloured jackets, hoodies, and different coloured pants were creeping into the mix. From this conversation, they took it upon themselves to talk to the school at assembly about our dress code and need to be proud of what it says about our school community. Well done leaders! I am asking that as a community we now give support to the children by ensuring that children do have the right uniform on. If there are extenuating circumstances resulting in your child not being able to wear their uniform on the occasional day please send a note.

## Grade 2 Sleepover

I would like to make some thank you messages. Our grade two students had a sleepover at the school on Friday. From all accounts the night was a great success. The children's behaviour was exceptional and they need to be congratulated. I would like to acknowledge the work of the grade two unit and the parents who volunteered to attend. We also had staff from outside of the unit attend which says a lot about the commitment of our staff to go above and beyond so that children at KPS can have these very special opportunities. Well done and thank you to everyone involved.

## Working Bee Thanks

On Saturday morning we had our working bee. In attendance was Julie McCarthy, Jaylah Zoch and her family (Jodie, John and Saige), Eli Mayo and her twins, Thomas \& Cristina who will be joining us in prep next year, Tracey, Kobe \& Fisher Crane, Tina Considine, our lovely gardener and myself and my daughter Erin. We managed to weed around the garden beds in the back corner of the grounds and put some student art work up as well as some sweeping and raking up of leaves. On behalf of the community I would like to thank this small but effective crew for the work they did. All work done at the working bees saves money that can be put to better use in other resources and helps to maintain our wonderful school facilities.

I would like to leave you with some food for thought...'The standard we walk past is the standard we accept!'
Have a great weekend
Mrs Kim Laffan
Principal

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## Manners Matter

This week's focus is I take turns in conversations. Please remember to be Kind, Proud and Safe at all times.

## Happy Birthday

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

## October

28 Sienna FB
30 Ruby 2V
31 Kash 34P
Charlotte 34S
November
2 Max 34N
Kester 34N
Cooper 56C


3 Joshua 2B
Corey 2B
Caillou 56B

## SICK BAY <br> LINEN ROSTER

## October

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


On Friday $30^{\text {th }}$ October KPS will be participating in the Day for Daniel initiative.

## Students are invited to wear something red.

lan McKenzie a Day for Daniel Ambassador will be visiting our school to conduct child sofety activities designed to help keep kids sofe.

- The Day for Daniel is a National Day of Action to raise awareness of ochild safety, protection and to promote a safer communityfor children.
- To educate children regarding their personal safeylynd 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.




## Grade 2 Sleepover

The Grade 2 Sleepover was a great success, the children loved every minute of the build up and the actual night. It was said to be "even better than I imagined." We are very lucky to have such dedicated staff and families to create such magical moments and memories for our kids.

Last Friday night the Grade 2 s had a sleepover. When we got there we set up our beds. After we set up our beds we played teacher salad. Then we went to the ICT lab and had our disco with Mr Thompson as our DJ. Then we went back to the stadium and had dinner, we had sausages in bread and a prima. Then we went back to the ICT lab and watched Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium. We paused the movie and had some popcorn and chocolate crackles. Then we went back to the stadium and got our torches and went outside for a night walk. We walked around the oval, went on the Basketball court, went through the gates past the toilets to our Classrooms. We went to see the chooks which were perched up on the roosting pole. We then walked back to the stadium, got ready for bed, had bedtime stories and went to sleep. In the morning we had breakfast - toast, cereal, fruit juice and apples. Then we waited to be picked up by our families to return home.
Jenna 2T

We were delighted with the enthusiasm, fantastic behaviour and willingness to participate by all students. It was a pleasurable experience for everyone concerned. We would like to thank the following parents for their wonderful help throughout the evening: Rebecca Moussa, Samantha Densworth, Sharyn Riolo and Linda Sanders. Thanks also to Miss Boreham from FB, Mr Thompson, Mrs Cooney and Ms McCarthy. Thank you also to Tina and Tracey for the plant sale, we raised about $\$ 100$ to replace the plants eaten by


## HOUSE SPORTS DAY

Congratulations to all students for taking part in the House Sports Day last Wednesday. Unfortunately the day had to be cancelled due to the weather. We were lucky enough to get through three events before the rain came. It was great to see everyone enjoying the activities being active and working together with the fellow house mates. Thank you to all the parents who helped out on the day and supported the students during their events.


## CAMP ADANAC

I went to Camp on the 14th of October and came back on the 16 th of October. When we arrived at camp, we had to take a bag to the front of the Boys' Cabin. After all the bags were unloaded, we went into a room. A man called Brett showed us the camp and told us all about the camp rules to keep us safe and able to have fun.
After we had a tour around the camp site, we were assembled at the meeting point and were told our cabins. I was with Phoebe, Sabrina, Manu, Zoe, Clare and Caitlin. We had four separate bunk beds and an ensuite.
After we had settled in, we were sent off to our groups. I was in group 6. Some of the activities aredice golf, canoeing and hut building. It was very fun until we had to go back to school.
After my lovely teacher, Mrs Renton, walked me to After School Care (OSHC) I played with my friends that I hadn't seen for three days. After a couple of hours I went home and that is the end of my trip to Camp Adanac.
PS My Dad went to the same camp at the same age and grade as me. I'm nine and in grade four. Plus my favourite was the canoeing.
By Neisha
34P

## The Big Hill

At Adanac, there was an enormous hill. We played football on top of the hill. You can guess what happened next. After retrieving the football from down the hill one time I said, "I think all the times I've climbed up that hill combined, it would reach nearly half the size of Mount Everest!" When we got back, I counted how many times I've climbed up that hill35 times! I guess I'm lucky I don't have two broken legs by now!!

## The Activities

All of the activities were fun. My favourite was Canoeing because I am good at it. I think Coen and I were easily the best team there. I also splashed Lucas and Raidyn's boat! Mrs Gannon was splashing us, which was annoying. I also really liked Archery and the Flying Fox. My least favourite was probably Camp Cooking because it was gross!

By Emmett
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## Award Winners

Congratulations to all the students who received awards at assembly this week. Keep up the great work!

## Literacy Awards

Foundation: Abbey FB, Jensen FI
Grade 1: Lara 1L, Tyla 1J
Grade 2: Aeysha 2V, Jenna 2T
Grade 3/4: Oscar 34H, Charlotte 34F
Grade 5/6: Alex 56L, Tianna 56C


## Numeracy Awards

Foundation: Shingen FA, Zali FA Grade 1: Kobe 1L, Brodie 1A Grade 2: Mitch 2V, Jordan 2B Grade 3/4: Ben 34S, Markus 34P Grade 5/6: Tara 56C, Jasmine 56B


Congratulations to the students who are now in the 100 Club.


## $\omega$ Preren Pipeline $<$

## CAFE Strategy: Tune In To Interesting Words

When children learn to tune in to interesting words, they build word awareness and the understanding of words. This leaves them with "thinking power" in their brain to comprehend and make meaning of what is read. Have you ever heard a new word, looked it up, and then repeated it often to remember it? Students who tune in to interesting words expand their vocabulary by focusing on these
new words and their meaning. By looking for words that are interesting and unique, children not only increase their vocabulary, but they also enhance their comprehension. A child must have multiple exposures to a word in order for it to become a part of his/her vocabulary.

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

1. Ask your child to tell you about his/her word collector at school. The word collector is a form that allows your child to keep track of interesting words found in books he/she is reading. Create a word collector at home to hang on the refrigerator or to keep in a special place.
2. When your child is reading or you are reading to your child, ask your child to find three interesting words. Have your child write these words down and talk about the meaning of these words. See if anyone in your family is able to use the words in a sentence. Add these words to your family word collector.
3. Encourage your child to find interesting words when watching TV or in daily conversation. When tuning in to an interesting word, help your child understand the word and then add it to the family word collector.
4. As always, modeling is a wonderful way to spark interest in children. When you are reading a magazine, newspaper, or book, tune into an interesting word and discuss it with your child. Explain that even adult readers tune into interesting words to better understand text.

## 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 $9^{\text {th }}$ October 2015

## WHERE: Stadium foyer Kilmore Primary School

## A/I welcome

> KILMORE \& DISTRICT HOSPITAL AUXILIARY COMMUNITY FAIR


FRIDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 10am - 5pm



Wallan Basketball Inc
November 6th to December 18th
5.30pm - 6.30pm
\$30
A fun introduction to Basketball. A chance to develop Basketball Skills. Free T Shirt and Ball for all participants! Register at www.wallanbasketball.com.au Further information wallanbasketball@gmail.com


[^0]:    - Ideas and strategies are taken from: The CAFE Book, written by Gail Boushey \& Joan Moser

