From the Principal’s Desk…

Welcome to Week 8 Term 4

Hi everyone!

Curriculum Day
I would like to start the newsletter with a huge thank you to all of our staff who attended the whole school curriculum day last Thursday. The day was very busy, rigorous and productive. All staff challenged themselves, current practices, and investigated possible improvement strategies. As a result of their commitment to improvement for KPS we are now well on the way to finalising ‘The Kilmore Way’ document which outlines the instructional models for all curriculum areas, as well as non-negotiables which will be embedded by all teachers across the curriculum, curriculum delivery and class environments. New staff for 2016 joined us and this made the day even more exciting and valuable. Our new lead teacher, Carolyn Crowther, presented work that she will be rolling out in her capacity as Inquiry and Numeracy Leader. Jennene conducted a block of work on the delivery of Literacy in 2016 and worked with staff to negotiate changes resulting from the extensive consultation process which was undertaken to ascertain the needs and perceptions of all stakeholders in this improvement process. This is an impressive and comprehensive piece of work which will underpin the next layer of work for KPS aimed at building teacher capacity to deliver ‘The Kilmore Way’ using recognised best practices.

2016 Grade Structures
At this time we anticipate sending 2016 grade structures and placements home on Monday December 7th and all students will spend the first four sessions of Tuesday December 8th in their new class groups. It is a good idea to be talking positively to your children about change in preparation for this process. The last day for parent requests for consideration regarding the grade placements for 2016 will be strictly this Friday November 27th.

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

Calendar

**NOVEMBER**

**Wednesday 25th November**
Funde Orders Due

**Thursday 26th November**
Last Day For End of Year Excursion Payments
Conveyance Allowance Claims Close

**Friday 27th November**
Rhyme Time 2.30pm
Icy Pole Day

**DECEMBER**

**Thursday 3rd December**
Foundation Orientation Morning 9.15am—10.15am

**Friday 4th December**
Rhyme Time 2.30pm
Icy Pole Day

**Monday 7th December**
School Assembly

**Tuesday 8th December**
Foundation Orientation Morning 9.15am—11.30am
Whole School Transition Morning 9.15am—11.30am
Year 6 Transition to High School All Day
School Council Meeting 6.30pm (off site)

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Notices Handed Out This Week

- Permission To Watch PG Movie Grade 1
- Netbook Program 2014/2015
**From the Principal’s Desk…**

**Manners Matter**
This week’s focus is I make good choices. Please remember to be Kind, Proud and Safe at all times.

Cheers and have a great weekend
Kim Laffan

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

**November**

25  Cody  1A  
    Kara  2T  
    Lucy  56B  
    Cole  56G  

26  Jake  1J  

28  Charli  FA  
    Lara  1L  
    Bronte  2T  
    Brodie  34T  

30  Hayley  56B  

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**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 phone 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.

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**Calendar continued**

**DECEMBER**

**Wednesday 9th December**
Foundation Excursion Bulla Railway

**Thursday 10th December**
Booklist and Fee Payments Due

**Friday 11th December**
Grade 1 Excursion TRAC
Rhyme Time 2.30pm
Icy Pole Day

**Monday 14th December**
Grade 6 Graduation 6.00pm

**Tuesday 15th December**
Grade 2 Excursion Cinema & Moth Park
Grade 5/6 Excursion Reading Cinema

**Thursday 17th December**
Grade 3/4 Excursion Oz Ten Pin Bowling
End of Year BBQ from 6.00pm

**Friday 18th December**
End of Term 4  1.30pm Dismissal

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**SICK BAY**
**LINEN ROSTER**

**November**

27  Natalie Campbell

**December**

4   Suzanne Hurley
11  Rosalie Anglog
18  Jo Clark

**Thank You**
SCARETACTICS

Congratulations to Mrs Dixon and the students involved in creating our KPS Scarecrow for the Kilmore Mechanics Institute Scaretactics competition. Our scarecrow won second prize. Many thanks to Mrs Dixon, Ayden, Brydon, Jayla and Tahlia.

Salvation Army Christmas Appeal

This year as a school community we will once again be supporting the Salvation Army Christmas appeal. We will be collecting donations of non-perishable food, gifts and toys (in new condition please) to give to the Salvation Army to distribute to families in need.

If you would like to make a donation during the month of November, please place your gifts in the boxes under the Christmas tree in the foyer.

Thank you for your kind support.
Kilmore Primary School
End of Year BBQ
THURSDAY, 17TH DECEMBER FROM 6.00PM

A Jumping Castle will be set up for the night for all students/children to use. The cost is $2 per ride.

There will also be entertainment including class carols and the school band performing Live.

BBQ
- Sausage in Bread - $2.50
- Hamburgers in Bread - $2.50
- (add onion to each) - $0.50

Drinks
- Soft Drinks - $1.50
- Prima's / Pop Tops - $1.00

Bring the whole family along to our End of Year BBQ and celebrate the end of another school year. Families can bring along their own picnic dinner (no alcohol). Remember to bring along some chairs. You can purchase some raffle tickets for your chance to win some great prizes.

Santa will be arriving at 7.30pm

End of Year BBQ - Thursday, 17th December 2015
For catering on the night please return this slip to the office before Friday, 4th December.

Family Name: ____________________________
Number Attending: ______________________
Award Winners

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

**Literacy Awards**

Foundation: Matilda FB,
Grade 1: Kate 1L, Jake 1J
Grade 2: Tobias 2V, Tarrant 2B, Mitch 2V
Grade 3/4: Emily 34P, Jenaya 34N, Oscar 34H
Grade 5/6: Rio 56G, Jess 56L, Kyle 56G, Tom 56G

**Numeracy Awards**

Foundation: Lara FB, Harleigh FA
Grade 1: Chloe 1J, Hunter 1A
Grade 2: Manat 2B, Mitchell 2T
Grade 3/4: Griffin 34T, Charlotte 34S, Sean, 34F Raidyn 34S
Grade 5/6: Kasey 56C, Hayley 56B

Congratulations to the students who are now in the 100 & 200 Club.
Indigenous Garden

Our Indigenous Garden at the front of the school is in need of some TLC. Recently some of our garden ornaments and native animal decorations have been damaged. Please take care when you are in the garden to respect school property and consider the hard work of the students and parents who created this feature of our school.

Please look after me

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: Library Kilmore Primary School

All welcome
2016 Kilmore Primary School Foundation
Student Orientation Days

Following our successful school tours, open mornings and Discovery Days throughout the year, our formal Foundation Orientation Program for the 2016 school year will begin in early December:

- **Classroom Session One:** ~
  **Thursday 3rd December  9:15 – 10:15am**
  This morning will include a Parent Information Session - "Helping your Child Make a Successful Transition to School". (Morning tea will be provided in the school hall for parents)

- **Classroom Session Two:** ~
  **Tuesday 8th December  9:15 – 11:30am** (parents are not required to stay for this session).
  *Students will need to bring snack for morning tea on this day.*

Please note: Our uniform shop will be open during all classroom orientation sessions. Please feel free to speak with any of our office staff or the staff from All Things Uniform about your child’s future uniform requirements.

On Tuesday 8th December new students to KPS entering in year levels other than Foundation will be invited to join us in a whole school transition program. This will be an opportunity for all students to visit their new grade level for 2016.
CAFÉ Strategy: Predict What Will Happen; Use Text to Confirm

As adult readers we make predictions often without even realizing it. We do it when we watch movies, read a book, or hear someone tell us a story. It is a way of focusing our attention and motivating us to want to hear or read more. Children benefit from predicting in the same way. Therefore, it is important that we guide them to not only predict what will happen, but to also confirm their predictions.

To predict, readers tell what they think will happen in the story. To confirm, readers find out if their predictions were true, partially true, or way off. Using this strategy gives readers the chance to make connections to the text, think ahead, and become more engaged.

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

1. When reading with your child, model this strategy aloud. Use your background knowledge, picture clues, and other details in the selection to make a prediction. Then, after reading, check to see if your prediction was correct. Tell your child what you are thinking so it is clear how you predict and confirm when reading.

2. Encourage your child to use the “secret to success” they learned in class. Our “secret” is to follow these three steps:
   - Look at the details in the selection.
   - Decide what you think will happen next, based on the details and background knowledge.
   - Look back and check to make sure the prediction was correct.

3. Use the following questions to promote this strategy. Ask your child:
   - What do you think will happen based on your information?
   - What clues are you using to make your prediction?
   - What kinds of clues did you use? (pictures, words, or background knowledge)

Thank you for your continued support at home!

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