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*Kind Proud Safe*

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## ***From the Principal's Desk...*** **Welcome to Week 7- Term 1**

I would like to congratulate all of our young student leaders who, on Monday morning, received their badges and acknowledgement of the important role that they play in leading our student body at KPS. The special assembly was a credit to them and to the school in general. Rob Mitchell MP was full of praise when reflecting on the special event commending all the children for their maturity, enthusiasm and interest in making KPS the best school it can be. I wish you all well in your roles.

While I was away on leave, seven of our students represented the school at the Division Swimming Carnival and it filled me with pride when I heard about their performances and sportsmanship at the event. I would like to congratulate Lucas, Milla, Isobel, Jemma, Scarlet, Jack and Erin on the wonderful achievement of making this level of the competition and representing our school so well. Good luck to Jack, Erin and Isobel in the next stage of the championships.

I would like to remind everyone that it is department policy that children wear **appropriate hats** while outside. Please be aware that even outside of summer months UV levels will be high on the occasional day, and as such please ensure your students keep hats handy at all times for these occasions ***continued page 2....***

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This policy has been implemented in the best interest of our student's long term health and wellbeing. Baseball caps do not meet the safety requirements. Unfortunately we have a number of students who are continually bringing inappropriate hats to school. Students who do not have the DEECD approved authorised school hat will be asked to play under the covered walkways.

I have visited several classrooms so far this week to say hello as I have returned from Long Service Leave and have been very encouraged by the level of engagement students are showing in their work, their general classroom behaviour and the quality of the work they are producing. I was delighted to see some excellent work from some grade four students who have asked me to consider it for my 'Hall of Fame' display. I am pleased to say that all of the pieces submitted are now on the wall. I also got to see some foundation writing samples this week and was extremely impressed with the quality of their writing. To those students who are making the most of every learning opportunity and helping the teachers to do the best job they can I congratulate you and look forward to sharing in your continued success.

I would like to thank Chris Anderson who volunteered his time to clean the walls of the alcove leading into the art room. Brendan Laffan has also volunteered to put the base coat on the walls and paint the ceiling which means that this area will be prepped and ready to go for the amazing mural that Fiona and Andrea have planned to complete with our students. This will be another very special feature of our school when completed and I look forward to watching the project unfold! Have a great long weekend everyone!

Kim Laffan  
Principal



## Calendar



### MARCH

#### **Monday, 14th March**

Labour Day Holiday

Students do not attend school on this day

#### **Tuesday, 15th March**

School Photo Day

School Council Meeting & Annual General Meeting  
7.00pm

#### **Thursday, 17th March**

Foundation Parents and Carers Forum  
Stadium Foyer, 8.50am

Young Leaders Program

12.30pm-2.15pm

Seymour College

#### **Friday, 18th March**

Bullying No Way Day

MSSSA District 5/6 Sport Carnival

#### **Monday, 21st March**

Whole School Assembly, 9.00am

#### **Thursday, 24th March**

Last Day Of Term 1

Dismissal 2.30pm

### MAY

#### **Thursday, 5th May**

Young Leaders Program

10.00am-2.00pm

Wandong PS

### AUGUST

#### **Thursday, 4th August**

Young Leaders Program

10.00am-2.00pm

Broadford PS

#### **Monday, 15th August - Wednesday, 17th August**

Grade 3/4 Camp

#### **Wednesday, 31st August- Friday, 2nd September**

Grade 5/6 Camp

## 2016 School Term Dates

Term 1: 27 January to 24 March

Term 2: 11 April to 24 June

Term 3: 11 July to 16 September

Term 4: 3 October to 20 December

## INTRODUCING SOME OF OUR YOUNG LEADERS

### What leadership means to me!

Hi my name is Jess Vilinskis and I'm a school captain. Being a school captain or school leader is a great experience.

We get to go on fun events such as National Young Leaders Day.

Being a leader means much more than running assemblies. We do so much more, like making fundraisers for good causes, hosting fun events and activities for our school and others and also getting cool badges!

On Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March we went to the Halogen National Young Leaders Day and listened to inspirational speakers who showed young leaders across Victoria that being a leader is an important thing!

I learnt that following your dreams and your passion can get you to your best stage in life and to never give up!

I love helping others; being a role model to others and making others smile.

This is what leadership means to me!

### What leadership means to me

Hi I'm Tom, here's what I have to say about Leadership, you cannot have leadership and success without the word no. People telling you no to your ideas can be very hard to surpass but it's a little word, 2 letters .2 letters that don't have to mean anything to you or stop you from following your dreams.

If someone says that's impossible you can never do that. That is their limits not yours. A long time ago people said man could never fly but someone was able to ignore those comments and they built an aircraft and flew. So you can still go to space, help animals, be a sailor or even invent a ship that can take you to an entire new universe, because you can be whatever you want, and achieve great things.

Thank you.

### Leadership speech

Well to introduce, my name is Joshua Hart and I am your school captain.

Leadership means a lot of things to a lot of people, I love being school captain because of the community helping me. You get to meet so many new people!

On Wednesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March the other leaders came with me to the young leaders convention, all of us talked about mastering the little. Mastering the little leads to something big, we had speakers come talk to us about their stories and how they achieved their goals.

What I learnt out of this is that you should always be yourself, being yourself is to do what you do best at your full potential, even if people put you down because of it, and that is what leadership means to me, trying your hardest and to believe in yourself.

### What leadership means to me?

Well I hope you all know my name by now, if you don't my name is Ella and I am your deputy school captain.

So, the question today is 'What leadership means to me?'

Well, leadership to me is about making your school a better working environment. Leadership isn't all about having fun, it's more than that. Helping others, listening to others, inspiring others. All of this is what I want to do, what we want to do...

A few days ago I went to an excursion in Melbourne with these guys called the young leaders day. There were lots of different types of speakers with all different jobs. The main focus on that day was 'MASTER THE LITTLE'

This may not make any sense to you. MASTER THE LITTLE means doing all the little things right to make something huge. There is no point starting at the top if you can't do even the littlest of things. For example, a butterfly starts off as a caterpillar and masters being a caterpillar. After feeding itself and preparing for its new life, being something beautiful. A beautiful butterfly.

Take this into perspective and MASTER THE LITTLE. Leadership is not always easy... Thank You





Thank You to the Essendon Football club for sending Alex Morgan and Orazio Fantasia to visit KPS they gave our year 6's some pointers on the game and were terrific sports. They even played a game of basketball with some of our younger students and signed many autographs



## Happy Birthday

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

### March

**11th** Georgia 4W  
**13th** Trae Muir



## SICK BAY LINEN ROSTER TERM 1

### March

**11th** Jen Huffer  
**18th** Shanelle Scarlett  
**24th** Natalie Campbell

*Thank You*

## Student Banking

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



## Be Sunsmart

A reminder to students to bring their hat every day during Term 1.



## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY IS COMING

SchoolPix will be coming to photograph  
Kilmore Primary School  
on **15/03/2016**

## IMPORTANT

### Student Information Forms:

Each students was given a white envelope to take home which contained Student Information Forms. Please read the accompanying letter, mark any changes, OR mark "no changes", sign and return to the office as soon as possible.

There was also a green form included which we require you to sign and return to the office as soon as possible. This pertains to SMS Communication. between our school and parents. This is the most effective tool to use in case of an emergency.

## EASTER PARADE

The SRC proudly presents the Easter Parade,  
24<sup>th</sup> of March 2016.

Wear your Easter hat or costume and take part in the parade or come in casual clothes.

Gold coin donation required

All proceeds to go to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal

More details about the Parade start time to come.



## Manners Matter

This weeks focus

**I Listen to Others**

*Kind, Proud and Safe at all times*





# Kilmore Primary School

and *Bakers Delight*

## HOT CROSS BUN FUNDRAISER

**\$7.50** for a **SIX PACK**

**Happy Easter Everyone, this year we will be selling yummy hot cross buns made from locally owned Bakers Delight.**

**\$7.50 FOR A SIX PACK!**

**Please ask your family, friends, neighbours, parent's colleagues and team mates to support our fundraising efforts and share in enjoying hot cross buns.**

**This year proceeds will go towards repainting the junior school complex and office corridor. The more we sell, the more we can paint! So hop to it little bunnies.**

**Orders and money must be paid to the office by Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2016**

**HOT CROSS BUNS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON Monday 23rd of March, 2016.**

### **Romsey Recreation Centre basketball and soccer update:**

We are extremely proud of all the basketball and soccer players throughout our spring/summer competitions. Players showed great sportsmanship and kindness to each other every week on and off the court. A huge congratulations to all teams and to those who made it to the finals.

Playing locally at our indoor sports centre in Romsey is a great way to keep your children actively participating in sport throughout the cooler Autumn/winter months.

Our autumn/winter season development programs and competitions will be **commencing 18 April**. Be sure to register/pay online [mrsc.vic.gov.au/rrc](http://mrsc.vic.gov.au/rrc)

We welcome your feedback via phone 5429 5637 or email [romsgym@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:romsgym@mrsc.vic.gov.au)



## KPS Easter Raffle 2016

We are excited to announce that we are holding an Easter Raffle this year.

We are asking that families please donate 1 item each, to help make up the prizes. There is a box located in the foyer of the office to place donated items.

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday, 23rd March.

Tickets will be available to purchase, for \$1 each, from the picnic tables on Tuesdays & Thursdays between 2.45pm - 3.30pm, from Thursday 10th March.

Grab a ticket or two for your chance to win some Easter goodies!

Thank you for your support,  
KPS Fundraising Committee.



# Sharks on



**As part of their unit of inquiry learning about animal adaptations, students in Grade 6 Skyped with a shark expert in America. It was 9am on March 1<sup>st</sup> in Australia and 4pm on 29<sup>th</sup> February in Colorado! After the Skype, students wrote about their new knowledge.**



## **Sharks by William & Benjamin (6W)**

Are you scared of sharks or think they are hurting people? Well we're hurting them more than they are hurting us. Did you know you are more likely to be killed by lightning than a shark attack? Sharks are endangered and if you want to help you're going to need learn about sharks.

Did you know the world is exactly 71% water and sharks are in every part of it? There are over 500 hundred species of sharks covering every ocean and sea. Here are just a few of these amazing species, hammerhead shark, great white shark, mako shark, velvet belly and whale sharks. These are all very different species and each has a different way of living.

Each shark has its own unique ability. The mako shark can swim up to 50 miles/80.4672 kilometres per hour. That's fast! The hammer head shark smells its prey and sways its head to whichever side the smell is stronger on. The whale shark has a unique ability as it filter feeds, filter feeding means it filters plankton into its mouth.

Camouflage is another needed ability for slow sharks or small sharks, like the velvet belly whose belly glows, so to predators below it looks like the moon light or sunlight. Another glowing fish is the mega mouth that has a big florescent strip just above its mouth which lures fish to a close distance so the mega mouth can catch them. Another camouflage is counter shading which the great white uses. Its back is blue and the belly is white which makes it look like sunlight from fish looking up and sea water from fish looking down. Carpet fish also use camouflage in a great way. The carpet fish looks like coral so when a fish swims by it just thinks its coral until it leaps up and eats it!

Some things are very important to most sharks like teeth. Sharks have adapted to having five rows or more of teeth. Did you know a shark loses 30 000 to 50 000 teeth through its lifetime? Another thing all sharks need is water going through their gills. To do this, they must continue to move so to sleep they only turn off half their brain so they keep moving. All sharks have a sixth sense which allows them to detect electricity coming off other animals, some sharks use it less than others as some live in murky water.



This is just some of the new information we learnt from Lauren through a Skype call. Now we hope you have learnt that sharks are amazing and not at all dangerous to humans. We think that humans should take better care of our marine life!

### Shark Report by Dean (6W)

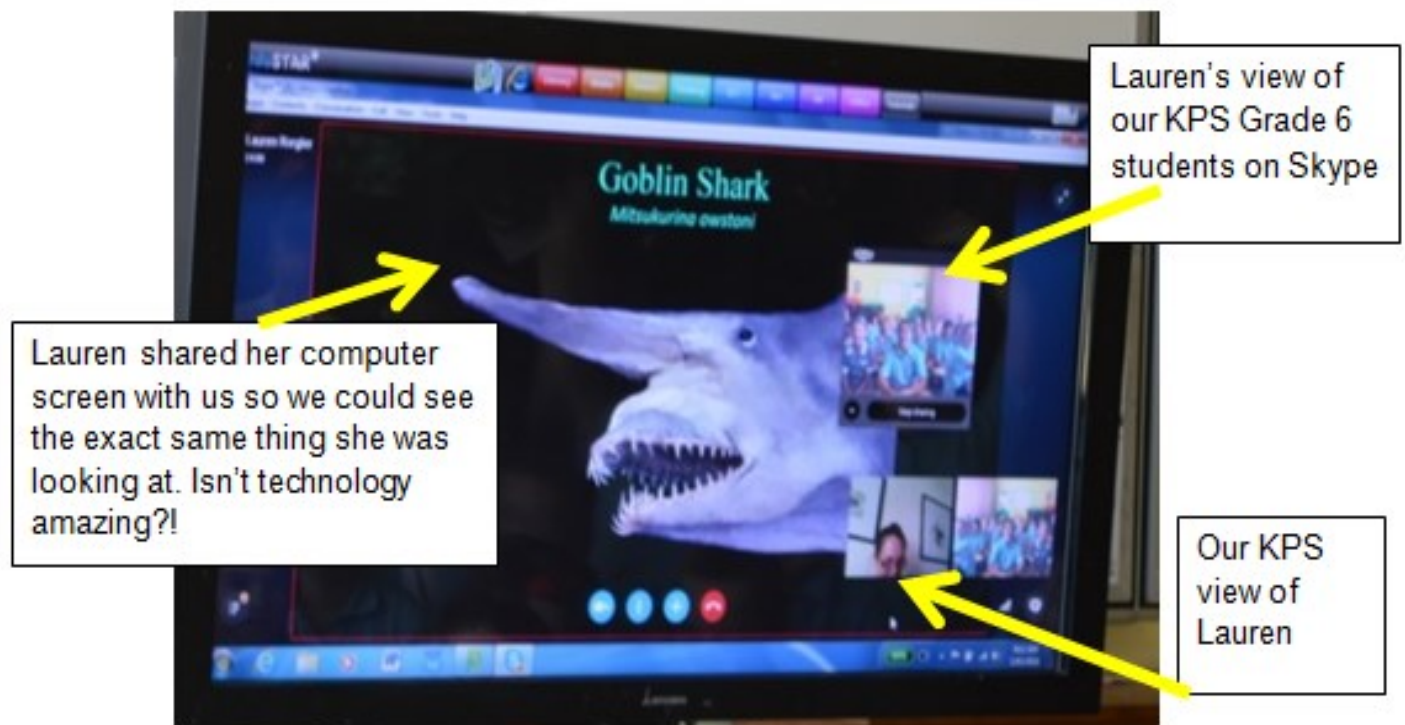
There are 500 species of shark and they come in all shapes and sizes.

On 1<sup>st</sup> March we had a Skype lesson with the marine biologist Lauren who told us about sharks. Great whites lunge at their pray with great speed and to protect their eyes they roll their eyes back into their eye sockets.

Goblin sharks are unusual. They have a very long nose. Impressed? No? Well, this next part is impressive...their jaws can expand as long as their noses to catch their pray. Now that's impressive!

Hammerhead sharks are the latest shark discovered in the ocean. Hammerhead sharks have nine different varieties of heads from boomerang to shovel to hammer.

Sharks are awesome and because of Lauren we were able to lean more about them.



## Foundation Parents & Carers Forum

Sharon Blackwell School Support Officer for schools in our local network will be visiting Kilmore Primary School on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 8:50am** to discuss any questions you may have and offer advice to parents and carers of Foundation students for 2016.

- \* Separation anxiety
- \* Friendships
- \* Morning routines
- \* Social interactions
- \* Discuss issues & concerns
- \* Share experiences



*This is a good opportunity to meet for a coffee and chat with other parents of your child's new contemporaries and friends and have some of your questions or concerns answered.*

*WHERE: Stadium foyer*

*WHEN: Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2016*

*TIME: 8:50am*

*All welcome!*



## School Photo Day Is Coming

**SCHOOLPIX** will be visiting us on

**Tuesday 15th of March**

**Manual Orders:** Complete your order form and return with payment on the photography day

**Online Orders:** To pre-order online, take your personal Order and ID Numbers found on your order form and go to [www.schoolpix.com.au](http://www.schoolpix.com.au)  
Orders can be placed online up to 2 working days after photography  
*You do not need to return the order form if you order online.*

**Sibling Orders:** For a special photo of you children together, collect a Sibling Order Form from the office or download it from the SchoolPix website and return it on photography day. Alternatively Order Online by 10am on photography day.

**Remember:** All orders placed online will receive a free 20cm x 25 cm black and white portrait print.



PO Box 5222, Hallam VIC 3803

Ph: 1300 766 055

Email: [info@schoolpix.com.au](mailto:info@schoolpix.com.au)

## HOMework CLUB

### Did you know Kilmore Primary has a Homework Club for students in Grades 3-6?

This year Homework Club will run every **Tuesday afternoon** from 3.10pm- 4.15pm in the school library.

This a great opportunity to:

- work with a teacher
  - work with other students
  - use the resources of the library
  - complete homework set by teachers
  - practice timetables, spelling or reading
- or get some extra help with a project or subject area



To join the homework club email [kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) and leave your name and parent contact number or complete the tear off slip below.

Mrs McCarthy



## KPS HOMEWORK CLUB

for students in Grades 3-6

**Tuesdays** from 3.10pm - 4.15pm in the school library

I give permission for my child/children to attend the KPS Homework Club.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_



## SICK BAY LINEN ROSTER - HELP NEEDED

Each year we ask if parents are able to assist in the washing and changing of the linen in our sick bay. In most cases this means 2 or 3 times a year. If you are able to help out please return this form to the office by 23rd March. A roster will be distributed shortly after that.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Class: \_\_\_\_\_