From the Principal’s Desk

Hi Everyone and Welcome to Week 8, Term 1.

Planning Week
This week is our Planning Week. The regular timetable is changed around during this week to allow Teaching Teams to work together and plan their programs for next term. Your children will attend their regular Specialist sessions on their Unit’s allocated planning day, and have one session with another teacher during this time. The other half of the day will be with their regular teacher. Planning days are: Wednesday – Grade 3/4; Thursday – Grade 5/6 and Foundation; Friday – Grade 1 and Grade 2.

Crazy Hair Day
Crazy Hair Day last week was really crazy! Students and staff got behind this fund raising event and came to school with the most amazing hairstyles and colours. We raised an incredible $366.00 on the day. The money raised will go towards helping people with blood cancers and help to fund the necessary research to find better treatments and cures. Well done everyone!

School Photos
I would like to thank our wonderful parent helpers who worked very hard yesterday to ensure that our School Photo Day ran smoothly. This is a huge event that requires a lot of organisation and patience, and these ladies had everything running like clockwork. Thanks again from all of us.

Vandalism To School Gardens
Over the past two weekends, there has been intentional damage caused to our school gardens – around the fence-line and inside the school grounds. This is very sad, because we have put so much work into improving our gardens recently. Unfortunately, we have not been able to identify the person or people who are doing this, and we need your help to keep an eye on things when we are not around. If you are passing by out of hours, and you happen to see anything suspicious, please call the police. We appreciate your assistance.
School Council
Last night we held our School Council Annual General Meeting (AGM). We welcomed our new School Councillors and took nominations for this year’s Office Bearers. I am delighted to announce that David MacBean has been re-elected as School Council President and Liza Whitfield has been re-elected as School Council Vice President. Congratulations David and Liza, and thank you for your continued commitment to our school. I would also like to thank Kyle Rogers who has once again accepted the position of Minutes Secretary, a job which she has done so well for many years.

Family Twilight BBQ – Thursday 26th March
School Council are organising a Family BBQ and get together night on Thursday 26th March, from 6.30 – 8.00pm, on the Astro Turf area of our playground. The aim of the night is to have a casual get together, meet new parents and families, and have some fun. There will be a sausage sizzle and drinks available on the night. Please put this date in your diaries now. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Have a great week, Hasta Luego!

Denise Barker
Principal

Spanish News – “Passport to Languages”
Last week foundation students received a special passport/style achievement booklet designed by the Department of Education. The objective of the “Passport to Languages” is to engage young children with the language they are learning, “Spanish/Español”, in order to boost their cultural understanding with activities on a range of age-appropriate themes including places, food, emotions, family and friends. Teachers use the passports as a transitions tool, stamping the pages as children complete activities and progress through their first years of school.

Saludos cordiales,
Señorita Nelly Molina
**Student News**

**Icy Pole Day**

Every Friday in Term 1

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.

**Manners Matter**

This week’s focus—

“Calling people by their name”

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.

March
18  Bella 2T
19  Hannah FB, Nate FB, Cohen 56G, Jess 56L
21  Eliza 1J, Tyla 1J
23  Joey 34P, Caitlin 34T,
24  Liam FB, Holly FI, Annabelle 1A, Rebecca 2B, Ashley 2T

**Manners Matter Student of The Week**

Bronte 2T
Always uses please, thank you or excuse me when she wants to speak with someone.
Crazy Hair Day
Raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation

We raised $366.00, Well done KPS!
A case of **Hand Foot and Mouth** has been reported to the office this week. Hand, foot and mouth disease is a viral illness common in children. Symptoms are usually mild, but can include high temperature and small blister-like lesions on the inside of the mouth, palms of hands, soles of feet, and the nappy area. The infection is spread by direct contact with fluid from skin blisters, nose and throat discharges, droplets, and faeces. Good hygiene is important in preventing spread of the disease.

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**Student Absences – Term 2**

Starting from Term 2, a new system will begin regarding notification of absences.

Every Monday, an email will be sent requesting explanation for unexplained absences from the previous week. If we do not have an email address, we will be sending you a text message on your phone. For those who do not have either of the above a letter will be posted.

*Please note: We are still encouraging phone calls or notes to the teacher when your child is going to be absent.*

When you receive an email, simply send a reply email, or for text message phone the school office

PH 5782 1268

Thanks for your help with making “Every Day Count”

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**Foundation Colour Days**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

During February and March, each available **Tuesday** has been designated as a particular colour day. This focus provides a wealth of discussion, which can then be linked to our literacy and numeracy programs.

Children are able to wear clothing of the particular colour if they wish – *this dressing-up is entirely optional* – we know that some children enjoy the opportunity, others are more reserved, and sometimes we simply forget.

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**Thursday 15th March** change is due to School Photos on Tuesday 17th March.

Regards,

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**Assumption College Bus Service**

Last day of Term 1 Friday 27th March There will not be services from Kilmore PS

Please note that buses will be operating on **reduced services on:**

Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th April 2015

Please make alternative arrangements for any changes to your normal schedule
KILMORE PRIMARY TWILIGHT FAMILY BBQ

THURSDAY 26TH MARCH 6:00-7:30PM

Kilmore Primary School Council is holding a family get together & Twilight BBQ evening. We’d love as many families as possible to join us to get to know new families, meet our new school councillors and meet up with old friends.

Bring along chairs or picnic rugs and make the most of daylight savings. Sausages and drinks will be available for a yummy, easy dinner.

Sausages are free of charge

Drinks $1:00

Join up for the parents & kids three legged race, egg and spoon race or newspaper footy longest kick! In order to cater for this event we ask families to complete the expression of interest form below by Tuesday 24th March.

Kilmore P.S. Twilight Family BBQ

Thursday 26th March

6:00– 7:30pm

Family Name______________________________

Number of adults attending__________________

Number of children attending__________________
Have you ever read a story and been able to connect on a personal level with a character or storyline? Do you notice that it is easier to read and comprehend something that you have background knowledge of? This is because readers bring information from what they already know or what they have previously read about a topic and connect it with what they are reading. This increases their understanding of the text and helps them remember what they have read. Using prior knowledge can help students connect their own experiences with the text to better understand and make sense of what they are reading.

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

1. When reading with your child, pause before and during the reading of the text to relate what is being read in the story to what is already known.

2. Model for your child how you activate prior knowledge before you begin reading. Use some of the following questions to get started:

   - What experiences have you had that might be similar to what this book cover is telling you?
   - What do you already know about this content, genre, or author?
   - While reading: Does this part of the story remind you of anything you have done before or read before that will help you understand this section of the story better?
   - Using what you already knew about the topic, did that information help you understand this selection?

3. Remind your child that a reader can connect text to many different experiences. They can make a “text to self” connection (connecting to personal experiences), a “text to world” connection (what they know about the world that will help them better understand the story), or a “text to text” connection (the current book reminds them of a previous book read). When your child makes a connection, see if he/she can identify what kind of connection was made.

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

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- Ideas and strategies are taken from: The CAFE Book, written by Gall Boushey & Joan Moser
ANZAC, 100 years

This year we are paying tribute to our ANZACS in several ways. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

The Kilmore Primary School poppy field will be on show in April, it will include real poppy and rosemary plants, poppy sculptures and paintings, crosses and soldier cut outs. Foundation to Grade 6 are taking part in creating poppies for this colourful display.

As part of the Grade 5/6 passion project we are seeking your assistance in the preparation of care packages to send to our troops currently deployed overseas.

We need donations of non-perishable items, such as tinned food, noodles, snacks and lollies, personal items such as travel size non aerosol deodorant, toothpaste, soap, tissues and wet wipes, magazines, novels, paper, pens and puzzle books. We will also need good condition shoe boxes and packaging tape please.

Letters, cards and drawings would also be appreciated.

Good condition small toys such as cars, figures or even McDonald’s toys are good for the troops to give out to the local kids.

Donations can be left in the boxes near the office. We are collecting now until the 20th of April. Care packages will be on display in the Library together with letters or drawings by the students.

As a thank you from Kilmore Primary School, the senior grades will be helping prepare the packages for our troops.

Lest we forget.

This is a photo of a care package a soldier received whilst he was on duty at an earlier war.
SICK BAY LINEN
ROSTER
TERM 1 & 2

March
20  Tina Leslie
27  Anna McGivney

April
17  Rachael Edmonds
24  Rose Glavas

May
1   Natalie Campbell

Thank You

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

Uniform Shop Open Times
The Uniform Shop is open every Friday at the school from 2:15pm - 3:15pm

You can also purchase directly from our uniform supplier at:

All Things Uniform
Shop 1 / 70 High Street
Broadford   Ph 5784 2276

Mitchell Leisure Services are running a School Holiday Program during the Easter School Holidays.

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All children under the age of 10 years must be supervised by a parent/guardian over 16 years. Conditions Apply.
## School Term Dates 2015

Term 1: 28 January to 27 March (Easter 3rd – 6th April)
Term 2: 13 April to 26 June
Term 3: 13 July to 18 September
Term 4: 5 October to 18 December

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