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Kilmore Primary School fosters a community of learners who are confident, creative and challenged to achieve their full potential within a safe, happy and supportive environment.

**Excursion Payments -
Please Note Any Payment
After The Due Date Will Not
Be Accepted.**

Thursday, 9th October
Grade 3/4 Camp Final Payment

Coming Events

Friday, 19th September
Footy Day & Hot Dog Lunch

Last Day of Term 3, 2.30 pm
Finish

Monday, 6th October
First Day of Term 4

Thursday, 23rd October
Walkathon

Friday 24th October
Mini School Fair

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop at school will be closed this Friday, 19th September.

Notices Handed Out This Week

- NAPLAN Results - Gr 3 & 5 students
- KPS Education News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Naplan Reports

Students in Years Three & Five will bring a sealed envelope home today containing their 2014 NAPLAN Report. A brochure that explains the reports is included. When reviewing these reports, parents should remember that NAPLAN tests are an indication of student performance on the day of the test and cover the Literacy and Numeracy components of the curriculum. As such, they do not provide the full assessment of student's performance that teachers provide through semester reports and through conversations with parents. If you would like to discuss the results with your child's teacher please call the office to make an appointment.

Website Update

Thank you for your patience while our website provider continued to work on problems at their end. We lost a great deal of data including videos and photos from our website when the provider recently transferred everything to a new server. This is why you are seeing old information and may not be able to access some areas. Mr Thompson has spent a lot of time updating and putting some of the lost information back onto the website over the past couple of weeks and it is now beginning to look even better than before. Thanks Mr Thompson!

Complaints and Concerns – Please contact us

We are aware that there is a *KPS Parents and Friends* Facebook page which is not authorised by the school or the Department of Education. Whilst we recognise the need in the community for people to be in contact with each other, it is important that any complaints or concerns be directed to the school in an appropriate manner so that we can deal with them as soon as possible. Our Complaints and Concerns Policy is on our Website for your reference.

Lost Property

We have an extraordinary amount of lost property in the Lost Property bin this Term. It is overflowing with jumpers, bomber jackets, drink bottles and swimming gear. We will endeavour to get any named items back to their owners before Friday, but unfortunately we cannot return unnamed items. Please come and have a look through the unnamed items if your child has lost any of their belongings.

Term 4 Curriculum Day – Monday, 3rd November.

This is an early advice to let you know that **Monday, 3rd November will be a Student Free Curriculum Day**. Please note this in your calendars. Teachers will be working on Literacy and Student Wellbeing at school on this day.

Parent Helpers and Volunteers

We would like to thank all of our wonderful parent helpers and volunteers who have given their time so generously this Term. We have achieved so much by working together and the students have benefited from your presence in the school and the many activities and programs that you have been involved in.

Thank you!

Have a wonderful holiday everyone! We are looking forward to seeing you again refreshed and rested in Term 4.

Hasta Luego!
Denise Barker



Wow – What A Term at KPS!!!!

As term 3 comes to a close it is great to reflect on all the amazing things that have happened at Kilmore Primary School this term in addition to our normal curriculum programs, we are very proud of our achievements.

Here are some of the many things we have to celebrate from term 3:

- Principals Passion Projects
- Construction and opening of the Bush tucker garden
- Grade 56 Camp to Ballarat
- Kilmore's Got Talent
- Participation in the Young Leaders Program
- Attendance by our school captains at the Junior School Council Congress Clubs
- Program Beehive Rewards
- Interschool Athletes
- Commencement of onsite after school music classes
- Prep Discovery Days
- The Ice Bucket Challenge
- Responsible Pet ownership program
- Monsters and Myths Incursion
- P-2 Swimming Program
- Working Bees
- Father's Day Stall
- Footy & Hot Dog Day
- Pre School Rhyme Time
- St John's First aid program



Thank you to all our wonderful students, parents, community members and staff for your hard work and effort this term to enable us to provide such a broad range of opportunities at Kilmore Primary School.

We would like to wish you a happy and safe holiday and look forward to another exciting term.

Bush Tucker Garden



Thank you to everyone for their hard work in making our beautiful Bush Tucker Garden.



KIND PROUD SAFE



Teaching and Learning



Literacy News

Working with your child's teachers

Research shows that when parents and teachers work together, children are much happier and settled in the education setting. You can improve and support your child's developing literacy skills by working in partnership with their teachers. Some suggestions include:

- Inform the teacher about your child's life at home and learn what is going on in your child's early childhood or school setting.
- Maintain an open dialogue about all aspects of your child's learning, including any concerns you may have about your child's progress.
- If possible, involve yourself in your child's early childhood and school life by offering to help out in areas where you feel comfortable.

Support your child as much as you can by attending their special occasions such as concerts, sports days, assemblies and presentations.

Things to remember

Your child is literate if they know how to use language with confidence.

- You are your child's most influential teacher and can encourage them in many ways to enjoy speaking, listening, reading and writing.

The first five years of schooling are the most important in laying the foundation of literacy.

Supporting Your Child

There are different ways you can help your child learn at home during their primary school years.

Helping with homework

Homework is an opportunity for you to be involved in your child's education. You can help encourage your child to form good homework patterns early on in primary school. Keep an eye out for the Parent Pipelines in the Newsletter and that may come home from time to time with your child to reinforce reading strategies being taught in class.

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is for all Victorian students in Prep to Year 10. The aim of the Challenge is to promote a love of reading. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

For more information, see: [Premiers' Reading Challenge](#) DEECD website

Online resources

Connect Primary Students is a Department website that links you to a range of suitable websites for primary school aged children that contain information, activities, projects and games. The website gives you and your child access to education resources relevant to your child's age and year level, see [Connect Primary Students](http://fuse.education.vic.gov.au). <http://fuse.education.vic.gov.au>



Teaching and Learning



State Junior School Council Congress

Last Friday our school captains Grace and Jesse Represented Kilmore Primary School at the State Junior School Council Congress. The theme for the day was *Volunteering is an Essential Part of Building Strong Communities*. An early start at Kilmore East Station ensured we arrived in plenty of time, in fact enough time for a hot chocolate! We travelled by tram to the top of Bourke Street and entered Parliament House. The day started

with Jesse and Grace and other students giving an opening speech to all of the participants seated in the Legislative Council - the Upper House of the Victorian Parliament. Throughout the day students participated in debating, writing motions to take to the assembled congress and voting as the politicians do when Parliament is sitting. This was a great experience for our school captains and was another step in building their Leadership skills and development of public speaking. Congratulations Grace and Jesse

Julie McCarthy



Colour Poem by Tianna 34C

Purple looks like a butterfly flying past you on a summer's day.

Purple smells like a beautiful purple flower.

Purple sounds like a mother bird putting the babies to sleep.

Purple tastes like a pie just made out of the oven.

Purple feels like the joy of holding a baby for the first time.

Colour Poem by Jade 34C

Green smells like grapes.

Green looks like paint.

Green tastes like apples.

Green sounds like leaves.

Green feels like grass.

KPS EDUCATION NEWS

“KPS Education News” is a new School Council initiative that aims to inform parents and carers about subjects related to Student Education and Wellbeing at Kilmore Primary School. KPS Education News will be distributed at least once per term and will provide the latest information on learning, policies and procedures and other items related to Education and Wellbeing. The eldest child in every family will be given a copy to take home this week.

Many thanks to school councillors Liza Whitfield and Dean Carmody for assisting with our very first edition.

*Happy reading!
Julie McCarthy*



KILMORE'S GOT TALENT GRAND FINAL RESULTS 2014

PLACES

P-2



- 1st place: Annabel**
- 2nd place: Caiden**
- 3rd place: Angel**
- 4th place: Blake**

3-6



- 1st place: The Party Girls**
- 2nd place: Joel**
- 3rd place: XOX**
- 4th place: Alastair**

Congratulations to everyone who participated in Kilmore's Got Talent!

Prizes and certificates will be presented at our first whole school assembly in Term 4.

KGT Team 2014

Student News



Happy Birthday



September

- 17 Kyle 1P
- 18 Shyanne PK, Kiara 2T & Kieesha 56P
- 20 Stephanie 34P
- 22 Rory 56C
- 23 Chloe 34C & Hayden 34P
- 26 Daniel 56B
- 27 James 1P, Jade 34C & Ally 34P
- 28 Cooper 2T
- 30 Mya 1P & Laura 56C

October

- 1 Angel PB, Tom 1P & Ellie 56C
- 2 Chloe 34V
- 3 Chloe 2B, Georgia 56L & Isabella 56C
- 5 Brodie PB
- 6 Chelsea PB & Charlotte 2H

Manners Matter

This weeks focus—

I recognise body language



*Guess who's coming
to KPS ?*

Watch for more details next term.



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



NEW TIME FOR TERM 4

WHEN: Friday afternoons, 2:30pm throughout term 4, commencing Friday 10th October

WHERE: Stadium foyer Kilmore Primary School

All welcome

For further information contact Julie McCarthy at Kilmore Primary School, 57821268 or email kilmore.pr@edumail.vic.gov.au or just turn up!

Please note you do not have to have a student currently attending Kilmore Primary School



The Kilmore Primary School WALKATHON – MAJOR FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE

We will be conducting a Walkathon as a major fundraiser next term so we do ask for your support.

The event will be held on Thursday 23rd October 2014. Family support is most appreciated.

Funds raised will provide additional resources for the students of Kilmore Primary School.

Students will receive a sponsorship form with a selection of over 70 prizes to choose from such as Nerf, Sony, Hot Wheels, Razor, iPods Shuffles and more.

Sponsorship forms, volunteer forms, cover letter and sausage sizzle order forms have been handed out to students.

We ask you to seek donations on a \$2 or \$4 or \$5 or \$10 per sponsor. Students who receive only \$10 or more in donations will be entitled to a prize of their choice.

WIN A FAMILY HOLIDAY TO THE GOLD COAST OR HAMILTON ISLAND OR FIJI

Each student/family has the chance to win a family holiday simply by raising \$10 or more. For more details on this promotion and how to enter, please view page three of the Sponsorship Form or go to www.myschoolathon.com.au

Once the fundraiser is complete, please cut out the 'how to claim your prize section' on the sponsorship form and return along with your monies to the office on or before the

FRIDAY, 31st OCTOBER 2014. Please be sure to fill out your prize request. The individual prizes will be delivered shortly after.

Happy fundraising, and we look forward to seeing you at our WALKATHON cheer on the students.

David MacBean
Kilmore Primary
School Council President





Parent Information



Dear Parents/Carers,

The Whittlesea Agricultural Show will be held on the 1st & 2nd November, 2014.

The Annual Show is a wonderful opportunity for students at Kilmore Primary School to showcase their creative writing talents.

KPS students have been encouraged by classroom teachers to submit entries and those students who took up this challenge have been working on their entries during the Literacy block at school. If your child has chosen to submit an entry, he/she needs to bring along 50 cents (entrants fee) to school.

Your child's teacher will have mentioned this to all students who have indicated that they would like to participate.

The school will label the exhibits and forward them by post to the Education Superintendent of the Show.

Special Prizes are awarded for specific exhibits and in the past a number of our students have received prizes.

Thank you for your support.
Kind regards,
Mrs Renton

Assumption College Bus Service



Please note that there will be **No Bus Service** for Kilmore Primary School students on the last day of Term 3.

Mattel Toy Club Tickets

Parent club have tickets for sale for entry to the Mattel Toy Club outlet. Tickets are available from the school office at a cost of \$5.00 each.



We only have 50 tickets so get in quick (tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis). The tickets are valid for entry on Friday 7th November at either 10.00am or 11.00 am. The outlet is located at 70 Park West Drive Derrimut, just off the Western Ring Road (less than an hour from Kilmore).

Only limited tickets left!

2015 Enrolments

Enrolment packs are available at the office for Prep 2015.

Just a reminder to families and friends who have a sibling starting prep next year, to please return completed enrolment form before the end of term,

Friday 19th September

Kilmore Tennis Club



Ladies Round Robin Tournament

Monday 13th October Kilmore Tennis Courts

9.15 am for 10.00 am Start

Entry \$20 per player

Entry includes lunch, tea & coffee + Door Prizes

Court Prizes are awarded on the day, all grades welcome.

Please register before Friday 10th October 2014 nominating what section you play (1 2 or 3)

To Jenny - PH 5782 1912 Email - jt41@bigpond.com.au



SAVE *the* DATE

MINI SCHOOL FAIR

FRIDAY, 24TH OCTOBER 2014

Yes it's on again! After the great success of our first mini school fair last year we are again planning to hold another successful school fair. Mark this date in your calendar for Term 4 and be sure to come along to KPS for fun, food and festivities for all.

Parent helpers: If you are able to assist on this day please complete the parent helper slip below, phone KPS 57821268 or email kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Thanks,
Julie McCarthy

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MINI SCHOOL FAIR
Friday, 24th October 2014

I am able to assist on the 24th October 2014 at the Mini School Fair.

Name:

Contact Phone number:

Education Maintenance Allowance

Information about changes to Education Maintenance Allowance as a result of the School Reform Agreement made between the Victorian Government and Commonwealth Government.

What is EMA?

The Education Maintenance Allowance currently provides financial assistance to low-income families to help meet costs associated with the education of their children.

How it is paid?

Parents can currently elect to have their EMA paid in one of the following ways:

- paid by direct deposit (Electronic Funds Transfer) into the parent's bank account; or
- paid directly to the school to be held as credit which the parent can use towards education expenses; or
- paid by cheque which will be posted to the school for collection.

In 2013 over 70 per cent of parents receiving the EMA chose to have their EMA paid directly to their school. Each school would then use the funds for a range of expenses for that child.

Who is eligible?

The EMA currently provides financial assistance to Victorian families on a low income to help with the cost of educational items such as textbooks, stationery, uniforms and excursions.

It is a means-tested payment - parents must hold a Centrelink or Veterans Affairs concession card to be eligible.

What is changing?

In the recent School Reform agreement signed with the Commonwealth, the Victorian Government has changed the way it helps low income families with education expenses.

From 2015, the Government will distribute the funds previously used for the EMA directly to schools. DEECD will develop the arrangements to be used to distribute these funds to schools – consultation will occur with stakeholders about this.

Why?

Under the recent School Funding Reform an additional \$12.2 billion will be allocated to Victorian schools.

Will my child be worse off?

No. Education funding for children will increase but will be delivered to your child in a new way through their school. The new agreement provides that schools with the most vulnerable students will receive the funding they need.

The students who will benefit the most from this funding agreement are those who are the most vulnerable.





Mitchell Shire.

School Holiday Activities
for September - October 2014



Week 1:	Monday 22 September	Tuesday 23 September	Wednesday 24 September	Thursday 25 September	Friday 26 September
Libraries		10am Kilmore Library and 2.30pm Seymour Library - Cha Cha Sam	2pm - 4pm at Broadford, Kilmore, Seymour and Wallan Libraries - Board Games	2pm - 4pm at Broadford, Kilmore, Seymour and Wallan Libraries - Board Games	2pm - 4pm at Broadford, Kilmore, Seymour and Wallan Libraries - Board Games
Leisure Centres		10am - 2.30pm Seymour Sports and Aquatic Centre		10am - 2.30pm Seymour Sports and Aquatic Centre	
Youth Services			11am - 5pm Broadford Youth Centre - Open Day	11am - 3pm Broadford Youth Centre - Netball Clinic	
Week 2:	Monday 29 September	Tuesday 30 September	Wednesday 1 October	Thursday 2 October	Friday 3 October
Libraries	2pm Kilmore Library - Create a dream catcher	2pm Seymour Library - Create a dream catcher	2pm Wallan Library - Create a dream catcher		
Leisure Centres		10am - 3pm Seymour Sports and Aquatic Centre		10am - 3pm Seymour Sports and Aquatic Centre 10am - 1pm Kilmore Leisure Centre	
Youth Services	11am - 5pm Broadford Youth Centre - Screen Printing			11am - 5pm Broadford Youth Centre - Open Day	



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Looking for something to do in the school holidays?

Why not practice your baking or paint a masterpiece ready to put in an entry for this years Kilmore Show in December.

The schedule will be available online soon at www.kilmoreshow.org.au or keep an eye out in some of your local shops.



Wallan Net Set Go

Registration is Oct 10th at 4pm

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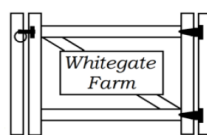
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