From the Assistant Principal’s Desk

Welcome to Children’s Week at Kilmore Primary School

Children’s Week Celebrations
This week we are celebrating Children’s Week, this is a national program recognising the talents, skills, achievements and rights of young people. It is based on the articles expressed in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, highlighting play, wellbeing and protection.

We started the week by celebrating and acknowledging the success of our students in Literacy and Numeracy in the recent University of NSW Competition and year level Literacy and Numeracy achievements at assembly. Our International Dress Up Day highlighted children from all around the world and helped us consider those less fortunate than us. Today we had a fantastic turn out for the annual KPS Walk to School day and we are looking forward to tomorrow’s Walkathon and our Mini Fair on Friday. Thank you to the support of our parent community in enabling us to run these special events to support our children.

Student Free Day
– Monday 3rd November
Monday 3rd November will be a student free day at Kilmore Primary School. On this day teachers will be at school participating in professional learning based on Literacy and Student Wellbeing. We have chosen this date as a student free day due to traditional low attendance across the school due to Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday and therefore is less disruptive to student learning and to families.

Parent Requests
It is that time of the year when we are beginning to look at grade structures for 2015. If you have a particular request for your child regarding their social or emotional needs, please put your request in writing addressed to Mrs. Barker. Requests need to be received by Friday 31st October. Requests for particular teachers will not be accepted.

Enrolments for 2015
If you have not yet enrolled your child/ren for 2015, or your child will not be returning to Kilmore Primary School in 2015 we would appreciate you informing the office as soon as possible, as we are now looking at our staffing for next year.
School Council

Last night we held our October School Council Meeting. This meeting began with a presentation by our school reviewer Martin Winfield who presented his findings from the review that took place last term. The Review document will be posted on our website as a public document once it has final approval.

Our Education sub-committee is currently reviewing our homework policy and will be holding a forum to gain parent feedback later in the term. We have received very positive feedback regarding the Education Newsletter that was published last term and the Education Sub Committee will be publishing another one in December.

The Fundraising subcommittee has been busy behind the scenes planning for tomorrow's Walkathon (our major fundraiser for the year), organising tea towel orders and icy pole Friday's. They have also begun planning ahead for next year.

Our Building and Grounds subcommittee have a number of projects on the go to beautify our school and provide students with an understanding of the environment and the opportunity to be hands on in developing new garden areas. There will be a Working Bee on Friday, 31st October after school and any helping hands would be appreciated.

Have a great week

Jennene Cooney
Assistant Principal

As part of Children’s Week, our annual School Walkathon will be taking place on Thursday, 23rd October.

We would like to invite you to come and join us.
We will be walking between 11.00 am – 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm – 2.00 pm.

Students are encouraged to come dressed in their house colours on the day.

Students will need to be prepared for the weather by bringing a hat and sunscreen.

At lunchtime, the students that have pre-ordered will have a sausage in a roll and a Prima.

Funds raised from the Walkathon will go towards outdoor projects at the school and shade for the 3-6 playground.

Sponsorship forms and money is due back at school by the Friday, 31st October.
International Dress Up Day
### Literacy/ Numeracy Awards - Term 4 - Week 3

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected for a Literacy or Numeracy Recognition & Encouragement Award.

**Literacy**

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<th>Prep</th>
<th>Mia W PP, Hunter H PK</th>
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<td>Grade 1</td>
<td>Madeline L 1J, Emily W 1N</td>
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<td>Emily B 2B, Cohwen O 2S</td>
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<td>Grade 3/4</td>
<td>Caillou M 3/4K, Raidyn K 3/4V</td>
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<td>Grade 5/6</td>
<td>Kannika P 5/6P, Sam P 5/6L</td>
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**Numeracy**

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<td>Grade 2</td>
<td>Michala H 2T, Kash 2H</td>
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<td>Grade 3/4</td>
<td>Ethan B 3/4T, Isobel P 3/4K</td>
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<td>Grade 5/6</td>
<td>Chloe S 5/6C, Declan G 5/6B</td>
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Well Done!

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### NSW English and Mathematics Competition

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the University of New South Wales English and Mathematics Competitions this year. The International Competitions and Assessments for schools (ICAS) aims to promote interest in different subject areas and foster positive attitudes towards Mathematics and English. A special congratulations to Emmett Clark. Emmett received Distinction certificates in both English and Mathematics.
The KPS School Council Education sub-committee is reviewing the KPS Homework Policy.

Parents and guardians are invited to attend a Parent Forum on Wednesday, 29th October 2.00pm to discuss the KPS homework policy. The Parent Forum is an opportunity and open invitation for all parents and guardians to meet and share their ideas. It is a genuine attempt to seek the views of parents and develop a stronger partnership with the KPS community. We look forward to seeing you at this meeting.

For those unable to attend the forum further opportunities will be provided through an electronic/paper survey to be advertised in future newsletters.

Julie McCarthy, on behalf of the KPS School Council Education sub-committee
CAFÉ Strategy: Chunk Letters and Sounds Together

When teaching children to read, we are always looking for ways to help them decode words efficiently, rapidly, and accurately. This allows them to focus their attention on understanding what they read rather than focusing on the fundamentals of each word. One way we accomplish this is through teaching children to watch for familiar word patterns called chunks. Chunks are groups of letters that when put together form a recognizable sound or word. Chunks can be found at the beginning, middle, or end of a word. Your child is working on the accuracy strategy of chunking letters and sounds together. Use the following suggestions to support your child’s learning at home.

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

1. When reading with your child, have your child look for well-known letter chunks in the words they are reading. These chunks could be prefixes, suffixes, endings, whole words, or base words. For example, your child may look for the chunk *end* in the word *send*, or *air* in *chair*.

2. When chunking a word, have your child first read each chunk separately. Then, have your child put the chunks together to make the word. This will train your child to quickly and easily spot chunks.

3. If your child is having difficulty finding chunks, guide him/her to look for familiar endings and familiar prefixes.

4. Encourage your child to use his/her fingers to frame the chunks found in words, decode those chunks first, and then move on to tackle the whole word.

5. To help train your child to look for chunks in words, play a game of “I Spy” when reading. For example, when looking at the word *blend*, you would say, “In this word I spy the word *end*”. Then, switch roles with your child and let your child “spy” chunks in words.

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

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- Ideas and strategies are taken from: The CAFE Book, written by Gail Boushey & Joan Moser
Whittlesea Show
Hi everyone, the Whittlesea Agricultural Society’s Annual Show will be held over the weekend of the 1st & 2nd November, 2014. Forty-two students from Kilmore Primary School have entered exhibits in the Stories and Poetry Section of the Primary School Literacy Section of the Competition. These students from across Grades 2-6 each received a Free Admission Voucher to the Show, which was provided to them at this week’s whole school assembly. We wish all entrants success and congratulate them for entering the competition. Best wishes, Mrs. Renton

SPANISH CORNER
¡Hola a todos! We have had some brave students take on ‘la fecha challenge’ during weeks 1 and 2. This means they said the whole date in Spanish all by themselves in front of the class! Every week, there will be another opportunity to take on the challenge! Congratulations to the following students:

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Prep song – Hola amigos

Vamos a cantar y hablar en español
¿Cómo estás? (x3)
Muy bien gracias

Group: Sing-A-Lingo

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KGSjxtb2ges

Grade 1 / 2 Songs – Feliz navidad

Feliz Navidad, feliz navidad
Feliz navidad, prospero año y felicidad
I wanna wish you a Merry Christmas (x 3)
From the bottom of my heart

Singer: José Feliciano

Kids video version with lyrics:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2PV8mxjZN0C4

KPS SPANISH BLOG

Our blog is always being updated with student work and our class topics/resources. Why not take a look?


¿Cómo estás? (How are you?)

- Estoy (I am)....
  - muy bien (great)
  - bien (good)
  - así así (ok)
  - mal (bad)
Parent Information

International Children’s Week at Kilmore Primary School
Monday 20th October – Friday 24th October 2014

Children’s Week is an international program recognising the talents, skills, achievements and rights of young people. It is based on the articles expressed in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, highlighting play, wellbeing and protection. This year, the theme for the week celebrates Article 12, focusing on every child’s right to speak and be heard. Kilmore Primary has a number of events planned for Children’s Week. In their classrooms students will be given the opportunity to express themselves through confident speech and creative play.

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<td>Wednesday 22nd October</td>
<td>Walk to School Day Hudson Park 8:00am</td>
<td>For fun, dress up your socks and shoes in this year’s theme of sea creatures.</td>
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Kilmore Primary School
Working Bee – Friday 31st October

Please come and spend time with us on Friday the 31st of October from 3.10pm onwards at our school working bee.

Come along and we can work together to show how much we care about our learning and play environment.

There will be lots of different activities, so even if you are not a handy person or gardener there is sure to be something you can do.

Projects we would like to work on include:

- General tidying and weeding
- Cleaning of the hall exterior (we would love to hear from anyone who could lend us a powerful pressure washer)
- Cutting of some logs (chainsaw required)
- Garden edging for bush tucker garden
- Construction of tree guards
- Mulching of prep garden (a trailer would be good to move the mulch to the required area)
- Work on rose garden
- Shift grape boxes

There will be a sausage sizzle for the hungry workers at about 6pm so please complete the form below for catering purposes.

Kilmore Primary School Working Bee – Friday 31st October

(please return by Monday 27th October)

Yes, we will be attending the working bee.

Name: ........................................................................................................

Grade: ........................................

Number of Children attending: ..............

Number of Adults attending: ..............
KILMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL
SCHOOL FAIR
Friday 24th October 2014

Kilmore Primary is holding a School Fair on Friday 24th October 1:00pm – 2:30pm on the astro turf followed by a performance by the school rock band at 2:30pm
All welcome.

There will be a great variety of stalls and activities including a fairy room, pancakes, popcorn, guess the lollies in the jar, colouring competitions and face painting.

All items will cost between 20c and $2.00. Students are encouraged to bring their money in a named/grade envelope and hand it to their classroom teacher on the big day.

We are again seeking your support. If you are able to help out at the fair please complete the slip below and return it to school, phone (57821268) or email Kilmore Primary kilmoreps@edumail.vic.gov.au
Regards,
Julie McCarthy

Kilmore Primary School Fair - Friday 24th October 2014
KPS is seeking your assistance to help with the School Fair from approx 12:30pm to help set up.

NAME: __________________________ Phone: __________________
**2015 – 2016 Netbook Parent Information Night**

At Kilmore Primary School we are looking to continue our commitment to developing an environment that is conducive to 21st Century Learning. As part of this commitment we will again be offering our Netbook lease program to all students in the 5/6 Unit in 2015.

To help you make an informed decision about whether this program will be suitable for your child’s learning we will be holding an Information night on **Thursday, 6th of November**.

The information night will be held in the ICT room beginning at 6.30pm and concluding at 7.30pm.

The night will include information about the following subjects:

- Classroom use of netbooks
- Netbooks at home
- Cybersafety
- Cyber bullying
- Transferring of content
- Caring for your netbook

If you have any other questions regarding the Parent Information Night or the Netbook leasing program please feel free to contact Mr. Brendan Thompson at any time.

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**The Mango Fundraiser**

Each box weighs approx. 10 kg which is about 23-25 mangoes in a box. Delivery will be approx. 2nd week of November depending on the ripening season.

If you would like to order a box of mangoes please complete the below order form and return to the office no later than Tuesday, 28th October.

$26.00 per tray

The Mango Fundraiser - $26.00 per tray. Order form and money due Tuesday, 28th October.

Parents Name: ............................................ Contact o: .................................

No. of boxes: ........................... Payment Enclosed: $.........................
Kilmore Primary School’s Family Math Night
Measurement Fun

Parents and friends of Kilmore Primary School are invited to attend our annual KPS Maths Night on -
Thursday 30th October 7.00pm – 8.00pm in the ICT room and library.
This year we will have lots of activities all about measurement.
Come along, bring a friend and join in the fun of the tape measure treasure hunt, make your own toothpaste, see who can blow up the biggest balloon in one breath or play stop the clock.

All welcome!

Please RSVP by completing the returns slip or phone or email KPS. kilmore.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

Julie McCarthy

RSVP: KPS Family Maths NIGHT
Thursday 30th October 2014 7.00pm-8.00pm

FAMILY NAME: _________________________________

NUMBERS ATTENDING: __________________
Manners Matter

This week’s focus—

*I am honest*

Happy Birthday

October
24 Angus 34K
26 Bethany 1J,
    Tyler 2B, Jamie 34V

Fete & Auction

**SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER**

from 9.00am ~ 1.00pm  
with Auction starting at 11.00am

In Church grounds ~ corner of  
Church Street & Union Street, Kilmore

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY - Spinning Wheel,  
Morning Teas, BBQ, Jumping Castle, Pony Rides,  
Show Bags, plus Stalls - Cake, Produce, Plant,  
Book and Mystery Bottle.

*Be there and have a great day out!*
REGENERATE 2014
Community Celebration in the Park

REECE MASTIN
Winner of the X Factor in 2011 and renowned for his #1 hit single ‘Good Night.’

TIM CAMPBELL
Star of Home and Away and House Husbands will perform classic songs from his ARIA top 30 album ‘High School Disco’.

CHOCOLATE STARFISH
One of Australia’s favourite ARIA winning bands continues to rock the hits!

EMERGENCY SERVICES DISPLAY, LOCAL FOOD AND WINE VENDORS, RIDES AND ACTIVITIES.

SUNDAY 26 OCTOBER
1-5pm, Hadfield Park, Wallan

FREE ENTRY, ALL AGES WELCOME
Additional parking available at Wallan Secondary College for a gold-coin donation
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