From the Assistant Principal’s Desk

Welcome to Week 10 at Kilmore Primary School. As we near the end of the school year it is both a busy and an exciting time at KPS.

Salvation Army Christmas Appeal
Yesterday I had the privilege of delivering our donations for the Christmas Appeal to the Salvation Army in Broadford. Thank you to all of the families who supported this worthwhile cause with donations of gifts and food. The Salvation Army were very appreciative of our donations, which will help to provide a brighter Christmas for families in need. Thank you to Jesse, Alastair, and Rachel Keep-Riley for helping with the deliveries.

Stationery Pack Collection
Next Monday 15th December and Tuesday 16th December between 2.30pm and 3.30pm families who have prepaid for their 2015 Stationery Pack will have an opportunity to collect these. A note has been sent home today outlining the details and a copy is also included in this week’s newsletter. Over the holidays you can name and cover the contents of the pack. The complete pack needs to be returned to school on the first day of the 2015 school year.

Reports
On Tuesday 16th December, students will receive their semester two reports. Included with the report will be a letter detailing your child’s teacher and class for 2015. On Wednesday 17th December, students will have an opportunity to meet their new teacher and grade.

Thank You Morning Tea
On Tuesday 16th December at 10.30am in the Stadium foyer, the staff at KPS will be hosting a ‘Thank You’ morning tea. This is just a small way that we can say thank you to all the wonderful people who have helped our school in 2014. So please come and join us.
Grade 6 Graduation
A highlight of every school year is our Grade 6 Graduation – a time to acknowledge and celebrate our students who have completed their Primary School Years. This year’s graduation will take place at 6pm on Tuesday evening.

End of Year School Picnic
You are invited to join us for our annual end of year Kilmore Primary School picnic on Thursday 18th December at 6pm. There will be sausages and drinks for sale, so come along and enjoy dinner with us on the astro turf. Entertainment will be provided by our students and there will be a special visit from Santa.

Have a great week and enjoy this special time of the year.

Jennene Cooney
Assistant Principal

Alastair, Jesse and Rachel delivering the KPS donations from the Christmas Appeal to the Salvation Army in Broadford.
9 December 2014

2015 Stationery Packs

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The 2015 Student Stationery Packs will be available for collection from the office (for prepaid orders only, paid by 4th December) on Monday, 15th December & Tuesday, 16th December from 2.30 pm – 3.30 pm.

It is recommended that parents & guardians collect their child’s/children’s Stationery Packs on the above dates, take them home to name individual items and cover them ready for the 2015 school year.

Individual students who have signed the parental permission slip below and returned it to school may also collect their own stationery packs after 3.10 pm on the above dates.

Please note:- The Stationery Packs are quite heavy. Younger students may require assistance to carry these packs.

ONLY STUDENTS WHO HAVE RETURNED THE PERMISSION SLIP BELOW WILL BE ALLOWED TO COLLECT A STATIONERY PACK

All Stationery Packs collected by parents/guardians/or students must be returned to Kilmore Primary School at the beginning of the 2015 school year. The packs will be stored in the student’s classroom and used as necessary throughout the year.

2015 Stationery Pack Parent Permission Form

I give permission for my child/children to collect their 2015 stationery pack on Monday, 15th December & Tuesday, 16th December from 2.30 pm – 3.30 pm from the office.

Name: ____________________________ Grade: __________

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Name: ____________________________ Grade: __________

Parent Name: ........................................ Contact Number:............................

Parent/Guardian Signature: .................................................................
Kilmore Primary School
End of Year School Picnic
Thursday, 18\textsuperscript{th} December 2014

We will be holding our Annual End Of Year Picnic on Thursday, 18\textsuperscript{th} December commencing at 6.00 pm. All family and friends are warmly invited to attend.

There will be sausages and drinks available for sale so come along and enjoy dinner with us on the astro turf.

Entertainment will be provided by our students and there will be a special visit from Santa.

\textbf{Christmas Raffle}

We will also be drawing the Christmas Raffle at the Picnic. Tickets, at a cost of $1.00 each can be purchased from the picnic tables outside the administration area from 2.45 pm on the next two Friday afternoons or at the picnic.
Kids Matter 2014

I wanted to take a moment and thank Mrs. McCarthy for the wonderful job she is doing coordinating the Kids Matter Framework at our school. This year we have taken part in the Thank You CFA Day, Vic Health Walk to School Day, Manners Matters, Friendship Stop, Homework Club, Science Night, Principal for a Day, Children’s Week activities, World Teacher’s Day, Indigenous Book Swap Day, Gardening projects and Maths Night just to name a few! Congratulations to everyone who has supported and taken part in the wonderful activities at KPS this year.

Next year will see lots of our favourites return and of course some new activities and initiatives to support the wellbeing of our students, families and staff.

Tracey Crane & the Kids Matter Team
Congratulations Alastair!

This weekend his writing piece placed first in the Kilmore Show!

25th of April 1915, Dawn

The first group of the seventh battalion jumps into the raft, and the captain tells us what we, as an entire army, are expected to reach. Lone Pine, about one-kilometre away by morning. After he tells us our expectations, guns start firing and our rifles shoot back. This was a big mistake. We were going to take the secret ambush, and yet all of Turkey now knows about it. Shells are launched, and everything is going wrong. They hit our boat, and it explodes, with people sinking to the bottom of the ocean. We have to swim to the shore, while watching other boats overturn and explode, while begging for the shore to come closer. When I got ashore, the cliff that we had to climb up was too steep, and was bombarded by shells. The guns and the shells are firing above the cliff, and if I poke my head above it, it will get shot at. The blood is spilling, and another shell lands. Everything is loud, and shouting deafens. I pull myself up, and glance over the sea of red. A ‘Ping’ echoes around, and the ANZACs look up, and dart away from the blast, which is very loud. I dart forward, shooting random bullets, but more men fall, and not many shouts from the Johnnies side. In fact, the Johnnies are completely silent. That’s when we realised- We were tricked. They were about fifty metres away from them, and we were only firing at bare ground. One person jumps over the hill, and gets hit by hundreds of bullets, and a few where hitting the people that were behind him. We were told to retreat by the last post, and we ran back towards the shore. The commanders are already digging the trenches by the beach.
It is a great pride and pleasure to walk around the school and see the hard work the students have achieved this year. The Preps bulb garden was a showy flowery display, which the kids all enjoyed. The area also saw the arrival of the hungry caterpillar filled, with ornamental herbs. This term the Preps also included some culinary herbs to their garden and had the arrival of some garden gnomes. The whole school did an outstanding job on the bush tucker garden and gathering area. Their efforts saw the school receive over $1500 worth of grants and goods for the garden and we were also recognised with a Regional award with a prize of $350. We had great pleasure spending the voucher on wheelbarrows, hoses, garden tools, gloves, plants, seeds and fertiliser for use by all our keen gardeners. The grade two garden has come a long way. The kids love playing in their special area and their plantings are thriving. The lettuce will soon be ready to harvest and be enjoyed, the cucumbers are flowering and the herbs are fragrant and healthy.

Grade 5/6 boys have been working this term with the Kilmore Men’s Shed, building and designing to make a magic gateway and bamboo tunnel garden. It will be a real treat for the junior kids. A miniature village with statues and houses will also be going in. Thank you to the Kilmore Men’s Shed. The succulents garden near the stadium is taking off, thanks to the hard work and dedication of four very special Grade 6 girls. The roses were outstanding this year, thanks to the help from some enthusiastic Grade 6 boys. We wonder who will take over as the caretakers next year? On Tuesday afternoons this term, our integration students have been exploring different gardening projects. They have potted sweet peas, developed a new floral display under the standard roses and planted Japanese Maples in the outdoor class room.

The term will be finished off with replanting the garden in the front of the schools main building and art room and stretching the English Cottage Garden from the office all the way along the path. We are also creating a tribute to all those who have given so much for us with a field of Flanders Poppies for ANZAC day next year (a big Thank You to Warwick for digging up our field so we can plant this week). We have really enjoyed the year and look forward to even more exciting projects next year. Congratulations to all those who have participated in our gardening projects. If you have any ideas and would like to help have them happen, we would love to work with you in 2015!

Thank you to everyone who has donated plants, seeds, or goods for our gardening projects this year. We really do have a wonderful community here at KPS.
Teaching and Learning

Grade 5/6 Billy Cart Day
ALL THINGS UNIFORM

Deposit Free Lay-by
Order now-Pick up in January
No Payment Required

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

The Uniform Shop is available at Kilmore Primary School every Friday and is open from 2.15 pm - 3.15 pm

Student and Parent News

Literacy News - It’s that time of year again for all Library books to be returned to the school library so that repairs and a stocktake can take place, in order to reshelve books in preparation for 2015. Please assist your child to find all Library books that have been borrowed throughout the year and return to the school by the end of this week. As you can imagine with over 400 students at KPS, there is a huge number of books borrowed across the school and unreturned books mean less opportunity for others to borrow in the future. Any books that can’t be found need to be replaced please.

In the last week of school teachers also collate all ‘Take home Reader texts’. Please remind your son or daughter to send all readers back to their classroom, as class teachers are collecting these and returning them to the Library for repairs and sorting as well. Any questions please speak with myself or Paula. Best wishes, Jenny Renton

Manners Matter

This week’s focus—

I keep my belongings safe

Happy Birthday

December
10 Cena PB
11 Briley 34C, Thomas 34T
12 Jack 34K
13 Jack PK, Sabrina 2S
15 Lacey PP, Ryan 2H

Assumption College Bus Service

Please note that buses will be operating on reduced services from: Monday 8th December 2014
Please make alternative arrangements for any changes to your normal schedule

Seymour Coaches

Please note that the Bus Services by Seymour Coaches will finish on Wednesday 17th December 2014

This Friday - Last Icy Pole Day for Term 4

50c an icy pole with a limit of one per student.
Koolstix all natural icy poles supplied by ‘Home Icecream’
Kilmore Primary School

2014 Tea Towel Fundraiser

CANCELLED

Due to an unexpected low number of orders, the Tea Towel Fundraiser has unfortunately had to be cancelled.

If you have placed an order please contact the office to arrange a refund.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

Kilmore Bakery

FREE

Come in tonight and make a cookie Christmas Tree

Open ‘til 7.00pm

Ph 5782 1129

Sutherland Street OSHC News

It’s almost that time of year again so be on the lookout for our Summer Holiday brochures which should be with your schools in the not too distant future. We are looking for lots of donations for activities to be completed by the children. So if you are throwing away shoe boxes, boxes, glass jars with lids, wool, corks and bottle tops we would really love for you to pass them to us for the children to use. These items can be placed in the tubs left in the halls marked “donations”.

A timely reminder that whilst in the care of OSHC and School Holiday program, children are not permitted to share food, due to allergies. Please also remember all food from home must have an ingredients list attached.

OSH C is a nut and seafood free service.

Regards Lisa H

R.V.K. Property Protection Services

Security Guard & Patrol Services

12 Brucewater Crt, Broadford, VIC 3658

Endeavouring To Prevent Crime

24 Hour Emergency Service

Ph. 5784 1789

Kilmore Primary School has an App for your Smart phone or desktop computer.

For the weekly newsletter and alerts/messages go to www.tiqbiz.com and click on ‘help’ to find out more about our school app. When installing and selecting your childs year level, please remember to select ‘WHOLE SCHOOL’ as well as the appropriate year level/s so that you can receive school newsletters, notifications etc.

Tiqbiz support is available—03 9800 1489