



*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.*

## Kilmore Primary School Newsletter No 12 8th May 2013

### ***From The Principal.....***

Hi everyone and welcome to Week 4, 2013.

#### **NAPLAN**

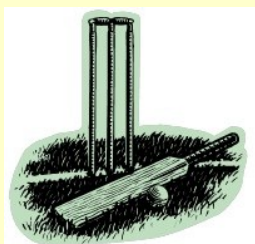
If you have a student in Year 3 or Year 5, you will receive a letter and information booklet about NAPLAN which will outline the process for you. The dates for NAPLAN testing this year are Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May (Language Conventions and Writing), Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May (Reading), and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May (Numeracy). If you do not wish for your child to participate in NAPLAN this year, please contact a member of the Leadership Team.

#### **FAREWELL FROM WILL GREENWOOD**

In the newsletter this week you will find a letter to the Kilmore Primary School Community from Will Greenwood, our previous Principal, who wishes to express his thanks and say farewell.

#### **INTERSCHOOL SPORTS DAY**

I would like to wish our Grade 5/6 students all the best as they venture out on their Interschool Sports Day on Thursday. I know that they have been doing a lot of preparation and training for this day and I hope they have a very successful day and a great experience. Go KPS!!!!



## Upcoming Events

**PLEASE NOTE - FORMS/PAYMENTS FOR ANY ITEMS IN THE CALENDAR WHICH ARE NOT RETURNED BY THE DUE DATE CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.**

### **MAY**

- 9 MSSSA Sport Carnival
- 10 Mothers Day Stall
- 3 Whole School Assembly
- 9 Family Science Night
- 10 School Pix orders due-(House, SRC and School captains)
- 17 Whole School Assembly
- 19-25 Education Week**
- 22&24 Prep 2014 Tours 9.15-10.15am**
- 23 Walk to School 8.15am**
- 24 Big Healthy Breakfast**

### **JUNE**

- 11 Curriculum Day—Student Free Day

## **Due By Dates**

Parents please note the importance of adhering to the due by dates for permission notes and payments.

While we do not wish your child to miss an incursion/ excursion, late payments make the task of organising events very difficult ie finalizing numbers and money.

We ask for parents to respect due by dates to help make this a more streamlined process for the admin and teaching staff.

Thank you for your cooperation

## From The Principal...continued

### EDUCATION WEEK – Beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Get involved!!

We have some great activities planned for Education Week and we want to let you know early so you can plan to join us. The more, the merrier!

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May** – Big Breakfast at School – Bring your hungry tummies for a big breakfast feast.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – 2014 Prep Tours – Tell everyone you know who has a Prep starting school in 2014 to join us for one of our Fabulous Prep Tours (Another Prep Tour in the following week too).

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** - Walk to School Day. Meet your teachers and friends at Hudson Park and Walk to School with them. It's great fun to walk when so many other people are taking part in the activity.

Have a wonderful week,

Denise Barker

## Mothers Day Stall....

Will be held on : *Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May*,  
A great opportunity for students to purchase some lovely gifts for their Mum & purchase tickets in the raffle. Gifts will

range from \$1.00 to \$6.00 in price. There will also be Mother's Day Cards available. We will be selling Raffle tickets on the day for \$0.50 a ticket, which

students can purchase while they attend the stall. There are 7 raffle prizes to be won.

Thank you to the following members of the School Community and the wider community for their donations for the Mother's Day Raffle:

Mrs Tracy Avery

Mrs Rachel Riley

Mrs Dorothy (Dot) Keep

Kilmore Produce

Michele Coad - Leave It With Me Car Detailing.



## KPS CLUBS PROGRAM

Term 2



Thursday afternoon, session 6 (2.20 pm) clubs time at KPS. We are looking for volunteers to assist with clubs activities. Arts, craft, sport, science, dance music, computers and games.

Please contact Julie McCarthy or your child's classroom teacher if you can assist. Volunteers require a Working With Children Check (WWCC).

## Change of Details

Please notify the office immediately if you have changed any of your address or telephone contact information. It is imperative that this information is up to date in the case of an emergency.



Bpay is available at Kilmore Primary School.

If you are unsure how to use Bpay please contact the office.



It can take up to 3 days for payment to arrive from some banking institutions so please keep this in mind when making payments using Bpay.

## Sick Bay Linen Roster 2013

Term 2

MAY

10 Lorraine Trethowan

17 Chris Bailey

24 Natalie Campbell



Thanks everyone...

## EFTPOS

Please note  
there is a \$10  
minimum



Dear members of the KPS community

I am writing one final time as I feel compelled to share my gratitude for the small part in leading our school for the period between 2008 -2011. Kilmore Primary School is and will always remain a cherished part of my career and I am saddened that a debilitating illness has forced me to relinquish my position. I am grateful for the patience shown and acknowledge that the school must move forward with a substantive leader. I hope you can appreciate that I have tried everything in my attempt to return to no avail.

I wish to acknowledge the professional and dedicated staff who embraced the Strategic Plan and school vision with a true sense of what was required to make a difference for our students. There are many hours, never seen, that are undertaken in planning for student learning. And for this passion, dedication and work ethic we can all be grateful and hope this will be understood by those discussing the current pay and conditions. On a personal note I wish to simply say thank you to all staff for the difference you have made, for the difference you make every day and into the future.

When I came to KPS I was excited by the prospect of appointing a new leadership structure. Like our teaching staff, I cannot measure the time and commitment made by Con Vellios, Denise Barker, Jennene Cooney and Anthony Potesta. Their contributions have been so significant for not just our school but to education generally and I am certainly proud that each of those leaders are now in Principal Class positions.

Kilmore Primary is also in a privileged position in having the ongoing support and trust of our parents. Your support is never underestimated and I know that the manner in which our parents have embraced the vision for student learning has been pivotal to any successes. Thank you to those parents who played an integral part in the changing governance that came through School Council. In particular I wish to acknowledge the ongoing support of the current President, Kim McKenzie. Kim undertook this role in a period of great change and her support and understanding in this important role has been pivotal. School Council is a great way to become involved in the governance of the school and I would encourage you to have a go or attend as a visitor throughout your child's education.

When I last spoke to our students it was an honour to talk of the pride that students could express in their environment, staff, parents and most importantly, themselves. I will never forget the role student voice played, the pride that was so evident and for me the lasting memory of all those smiles as students said goodbye at the end of term 2, 2010. I would never have believed that I would not return to Kilmore Primary after my time in the city but that now is reality, all I can simply say is thank you and always keep learning.

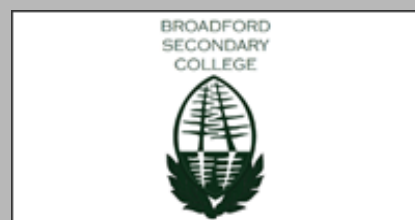
Will Greenwood

*On Tuesday evening 23<sup>rd</sup> April, Sharon Blackwell, our regional School Support Officer presented a parent information evening on building resilience in our children. The evening was very informative and Sharon provided some great tips on how to help our kids to bounce back when things get tough or when things don't go their way. Sharon's presentation is now available for all parents to access on our school website. We are hoping to run another parent information afternoon on resilience skills in term 3.*

*Julie McCarthy  
Student Wellbeing Coordinator*

Lost—

- \* Named V neck jumper belonging to Haylee Woods 5/6T size 10. May have an SRC badge on it.
- \* 2 Polar fleece jackets size 8, 1 windcheater size 8 named—"Kosmer"



Broadford Secondary College will host its **Annual Open Night** on Wednesday 8th May, 7PM.

**This event will be information for parents of Grade 5 and 6 students but all parents/families are most welcome and encouraged to attend. An official welcome will be held in the Forum at 7pm followed by tours, displays and activities.**

## Earn & Learn-Has Started



Once again our school will take part in the Earn and Learn promotion that commenced on Monday 8th April. In the past 2 years our school community has supported us very well, enabling the purchase of thousands of dollars of quality teaching materials.

Once again, a sticker will be given for every \$10 spent. These stickers are to be placed on a sticker card, with completed cards placed in the collection box located in the school office foyer. (Please do not place more than one sticker per square, either start a new sheet or leave excess stickers at the school office).

Please help us to earn enough points so that we can once again select from the 7000 resources on offer for schools.

### Parents please note:

Please be aware of the forthcoming Road works in Conway St. (Out front of St Pats and fire station.)



Over the next 6 to 8 weeks there will be significant disruption to traffic and conditions.

Our advice has been to try and avoid this area if possible.

**Bus Parking Zone –Sutherland St, outside main entrance of KPS, please observe the parking restrictions as buses are using this zone for the safe drop off and collection of students, morning and afternoon.**

School Captain, House Captain and SRC group photos are now available to view and order from the office. Envelopes have been distributed to students in these group photos.

This offer is strictly limited, orders close on Friday 10th May. Late orders cannot be accepted



## Tiqbiz app update available

Please update the tiqbiz app to continue receiving notifications.



Our latest information from the technical department - the latest version of Adobe Reader must be installed on your home PC to be able to read the alerts and newsletters. This does not apply to phones.

**It will also improve app speed and support the new tiqbiz newsfeed platform. The update is available for phone and tablet apps. Computer app will automatically update.**

Go to [www.tiqbiz.com](http://www.tiqbiz.com) and click on 'help' to find out more.

When installing and selecting your child/rens year level, please remember to select '**WHOLE SCHOOL**' as well as the appropriate year level/s so that you can receive school newsletters

For any problems with school photos please call School Pix directly on Phone : 9796 3380



Working with Children Check

To be able to work with children in classrooms, assist in Sport sessions or to accompany a class on excursions, parents need to have a Working with Children's Check card. You can apply for this at any Post Office. If you already have a WWC card please check that it is still valid and that you have shown your card at the school office so that we can update our records.



**COME ALONG TO SCIENCE NIGHT.**

7.00 -8.00 pm Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> 2013

**FOR SOME EGGTREME CHALLENGES.**

**EGGTRAORDINARY FUN!**

**EGGCITING EGGSPERIMENTS TO ENTERTAIN.**

**LOADS OF SCIENCE TO SEE AND DO.**

**COME AND EGGSPAND YOUR MIND WITH AN  
EGGCHANGE OF IDEAS BOUND TO EGGCEED ALL  
EGGSPECTATIONS!!!**



Don't be caught with egg on  
your face, come along to  
Science Night.

Can you pick the theme?  
Sorry about all the bad yolks!

# LITERACY ALERT



## Good Fit Books

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Remember the days of school when students all had to read the same books? When a teacher would ask you to read aloud a page from the class novel even though you knew you may muddle up half the words on that page?

At KPS, students are being taught how to pick a good fit book. One that is suitable to read so that they can use and build upon their current reading strategies and skills. At KPS we call these books I Pick books.

### I "PICK"

**P** Purpose: Why do I want to read?

**i** Interest: Does it interest me?

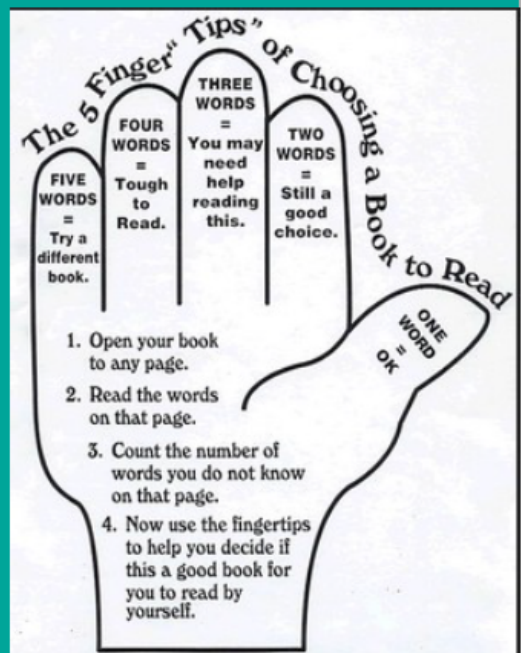
**C** Comprehend: Do I understand it?

**K** Know: Do I know most of the words?

Students are able to choose either a fiction or non-fiction text to complete their daily reading tasks with.

As students are also encouraged to read books at home it is important that you are able to guide them when they are choosing books to read.

By using the picture to the right, you can assist your child so that they can select a book that they will be able to understand and enjoy.



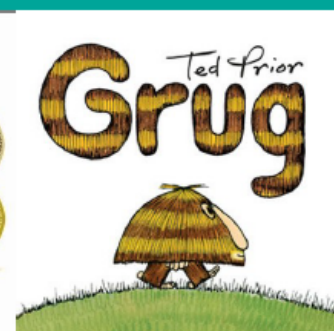
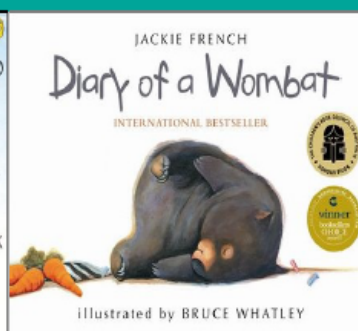
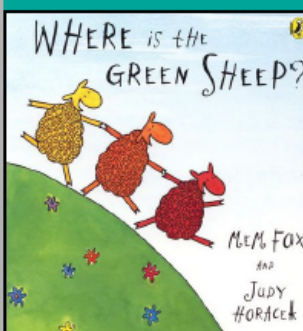
If you have any further questions please contact your child's teacher or speak to -

Jenny Renton

Rachel Pascuzzo

### P - 2 Literacy Leader

### 3 - 6 Literacy Leader



## 2013 Homework Club

Homework club for students in grades 3-6 is now running on  
Thursdays 3.10 - 4.15 in the school library.

Students interested in joining the homework club need to collect a  
permission form from the office and return it to Ms McCarthy.



## Notices handed out this week...

\* Grade 1 "Junior Masterchef Experience" note

## HEAD LICE

We have had several cases of head lice reported to the office this week. Please ensure your children are checked regularly and full treatments are completed.



## STUDENT ABSENCES

Parents are reminded that if students are away from school they can either send a note or phone the office.



The Art Room would like to make a mural for one of the school's outside walls using recycled plastic bottle tops of any colour. We are asking all families and friends to collect, wash and send these along to school. Thank you in anticipation.

Does anyone have some pieces of large outside plywood they don't need and could donate to the school?

Thank you in anticipation.

Fiona Dixon

## Happy Birthday

### May

- 8 Jackson Daniells
- 9 Abi Pearson, Mikka Leslie
- 14 Erin Roberts



## LOST PROPERTY

Lost Property is located in the hallway in the administration building towards the computer room.



Please remember to label all clothing so it can be returned.

## 3/4 Unit News

The 3/4 unit are kindly asking for donations for some digestion experiments they will be conducting with classes in week 6.

*Potatoes (they don't need to be edible)*  
*Jars with lids*  
*Black pepper*  
*Disposable cups*  
*Paper towels*

*If you can help with any of these items, your donation would be much appreciated*

*The 3/4 unit would also like to inform parents / guardians that Term Two homework has been given out to students this week. This is to be handed in every Monday morning.*

All Students in the Prep—  
Grade 2 Units-

Students are requested to bring along a box of tissues each for their class room.



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## UNIFORM SHOP

Every Friday

2:15 pm - 3:15 pm

in the Conference Room  
adjacent to the Art Room.

Northern Regional Uniforms also have a shop at  
Unit 21, 8 Oleander Drive  
South Morang 9436 4005

info@northernregionaluniforms.com.au

## Sutherland Street Out of School Hours Care Term 2, Week 4

Hello families,

This term is going so fast and the weather is getting really cold, really quick. Another reminder to all families we are still promoting outdoor play; we suggest all families provide their children with a jacket or coat so we can continue our fun outside.

We have began our project in the Junior's area with a web diagram filled with heaps of ideas. The children are very excited about this and I'm sure they will be eager to fill you in with more details. The web diagram is situated in the Junior area if any families would like to take a look.

The past week the children have had a blast, we have created our own blue print house designs that are situated in the Senior area, designed our own collages, taken care of our new Zhu Zhu Pets and had a blast playing on the DS with others and creating some cool sounds and pictures.

Thank you,

Erin Gray

**For information and bookings  
visit [www.ssoshc.com.au](http://www.ssoshc.com.au) or Ph: 5781 1300  
SSOSHC blog: [ssoshc.blogspot.com.au](http://ssoshc.blogspot.com.au)**

## Petition

A petition has been started to request a footpath on Left/Eastbound side of Lancefield Rd from the new housing sub-divisions—Kingsgate Village, Kilmore Gardens Estate, Willowmavin Estate .

Currently the children are crossing the very busy Conway St without any assistance—a footpath will enable pedestrians safe access to the town and school, in particular children walking to Kilmore Primary School.

Please consider signing,  
Petition is located in the office.



### Million Paws Walk VIC 2013 for RSPCA Victoria

For more than 141 years, the RSPCA has been working tirelessly to care for and protect animals.

Across Victoria, the RSPCA improves the lives of thousands of animals through the hard work of our dedicated teams.

Our Shelters provide refuge and care and where possible, gives more than 35,000 animals each year a second chance.

Our team of RSPCA Inspectors works to protect animals from cruelty, investigates 14,337 estimated reports, prosecutes offenders and rescues animals from dangerous situations.

Our Education team contributes to prevention strategies by influencing over 12,000 young people about the value and importance of animals in our lives.

As a not-for-profit organisation, the RSPCA relies on community support to care for 'all creatures great and small' as only 3% of our operating expenses are supported by a grant from the Victorian State Government. We achieve so much in animal welfare but only because of the generous support of the community.

#### How Can You Help?

Donations	
Donations made to the RSPCA are urgently needed funds which assist in the care, educating and rehoming of numerous animals in need.	<a href="http://www.millionpawswalkfundraising.com.au/kilmore_primary_school_9">www.millionpawswalkfundraising.com.au/kilmore_primary_school_9</a>
Follow the website link for full details about how you can contribute.	If you copy and paste the link in to a search engine, you will be guided to Kilmore Primary School's own fundraising page. Every little bit helps!
Join us on the walk!	
Come alone or bring your furry friend. Held in Whittlesea, it's a fantastic opportunity for yourself and your best friend to mingle with like-minded animal lovers.	Date: Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> May, 2013 Time: 10:00am + Cost (early bird): \$10 per adult, \$6 per child and \$20 per family Venue: Whittlesea (exact venue to be confirmed) How to register: On the day or for early bird discount: <a href="http://www.millionpawswalk.com.au/Victoria.htm">http://www.millionpawswalk.com.au/Victoria.htm</a>

The SRC will be planning a fundraising event for later in the term. All funds raised will go towards Kilmore Primary School's donation total.



## Can you open your heart & home to a child today?

Berry Street is looking for families like yours who can provide emergency, respite, short and long term care for vulnerable children.

If you have room in your heart and home for a child then we want to speak with you.

Call today to discuss about becoming a foster carer on 1800 U FOSTER (1800 836 7831) or visit [www.berrystreet.org.au](http://www.berrystreet.org.au)