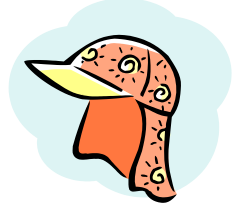


Kilmore Primary School fosters a community of learners who are confident, creative and challenged to achieve their full potential within a safe, happy and supportive environment.

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Be Sunsmart

A reminder to students to bring their hat every day during Term 1



From The Principal.....

Welcome to Week 5 at Kilmore Primary School.

School Leaders Badge Presentation
Last Friday at our school assembly we were very proud to formally recognise our student leaders for 2013. Rob Mitchell, Member for McEwen, presented our School Captains, Deputy School Captains, House Captains and School Representative Council their badges. These students play an important role in our school and we look forward to hearing their ideas and working with them during 2013.

Congratulations to:

School Captains: Callum McKenzie & Kara Lawson
Deputy School Captains: Lachlan Mozina & Ashleigh Sumpter




House Captains:
Caiden Skinner & Riley Speak – Gold House
Bryce Alder & Grace Dicker - Red House
Riley Cook & Skyla Drusko – Green House
Andrew Howard & Abbey Gardner – Blue House

Upcoming Events

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

- FEBRUARY 2013**
28 EMA applications close
- MARCH**
1 Community Association meeting re Mothers Day Stall 9.00am
5 Prep Black and White Day
8 Whole School Assembly
15 Community Association AGM 9.00am
19 School Photos— Full school Uniform for Preps and whole school
27 Easter Raffle Drawn
28 Last Day Term 1 1.30pm finish
- APRIL**
15 First Day Term 2

Icy pole Day Every Friday of Term 1
50c an icy pole with a limit of one per student.



Please place money in an envelope with the students name and grade on the front.

STUDENT ABSENCES

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

From The Principal...continued

School Council representatives:

PB	Jada Scarlett	Cory Webb
PK	Chloe Graham	Tobias Jensen
PP	Emily Walley	Kyle George
1B	Zoe Clark	Kade Zandt
1N	Sabrina Miskas	Ethan Leslie
1O	Chloe McMennemin	Andrew Riddell
1P	Yesha Anderson	Max Ryan
1R	Ella Purchase	Brodie McKenzie
2H	Emily Moussa	Jake Laurie
2K	Chloe Hillard	Mikka Leslie
2S	Sienna Poorter	Emmet Clark
3/4B	Kasey Lennox	Jarrold Sumpter
3/4C	Jessica Vilinskis	Brodey Atkins
3/4J	Casey Jensen	Chais Scott-Walker
3/4K	Macy Kubeil	Brock Jordan
3/4M	Ally Barton	Tarkyn Lennox
3/4V	Ashley Meakins	Alastair Clark
5/6G	Abbey Whitfield	Daniel Parkinson
5/6M	Audrey Bradbury	Austin Gourlay
5/6P	Phoebe Chisholm	Jack Milgate
5/6R	Sienna Haigh	Jordan Tabone
5/6T	Haylee Woods	Ryan Atkinson



Fantastic Earn & Learn Rewards

We have just received a large delivery of products as a result of our Earn and Learn Program last year. Thanks to the huge support of our school community in collecting Earn and Learn tickets when shopping at Woolworths, we have received resources to support our Kids Matter and clubs program, literacy numeracy curriculum and furnishings for our library and Prep areas. This is a fantastic way to get additional resources to help our student's development at school.



District Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to our students in grade 3 to 6 who represented Kilmore Primary School at the District Swimming Carnival last Friday. We are very proud of your sportsmanship, behaviour and team spirit. Well done to those students who were successful at making it to the next stage of competition and we wish you the best of luck in your upcoming races.

Have a great week.

Jennene Cooney
Assistant Principal

From The Office....

Student Information Forms

Student Information Forms have been handed out to all children. Please read the forms carefully, make any changes to your child's details, and return to the school ASAP

If you haven't received your child's Student Information Form yet then please contact the office.

Please return the forms even if there are no changes.

HEAD LICE

We have had a case of head lice reported to the office this week.



Student Banking



School Banking Day is Tuesday, bring your deposit books to the office.

Notices handed out this week...

- Invitation to become an active member of our school community

Community Association News

Wow! What a great turn out we had for our first meeting of 2013. A very warm welcome to all of our new and returning members.

Due to this term being fairly short we have kept things relative low key.

Some important dates for your diaries as we begin the year.

Icypole Fridays will happen every Friday throughout Term 1 and then resume in Term 4.

We are having a meeting next Friday 1st March to organise the mother's day stall. All welcome.

The AGM for KPSCA is being held on Friday 15th March 2013 at 9am in the portable.

For those of you who wish to be involved in the direction of the Community Association I urge you to attend this meeting as all positions are declared vacant and voting in of the new committee will take place. I ask you to consider your involvement, even if it only be minimal, with the community association as it will only be as effective as it members. It is a great opportunity to become involved in the school community.

We are also calling for donations for our annual Easter Raffle which will be drawn during the last week of term 1.



SICK BAY LINEN ROSTER - HELP NEEDED

Each year we ask if parents are able to assist in the washing and changing of the linen in our sick bay. In most cases this means 2 or 3 times a year. If you are able to help out please return this form to the office by Friday, March 1st. A roster will be distributed shortly after.

Name _____

Contact Phone Number _____

Child's Name _____ Child's Class _____

PREP COLOUR DAYS

Dear Parents,
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.

February 5th - RED DAY
February 12th - BLUE DAY
February 19th - YELLOW DAY & ORANGE
February 26th - PINK & PURPLE DAY
March 5th - BLACK & WHITE DAY
March 12th - SPOTS & STRIPES DAY
March 19th - GREEN & BROWN DAY
March 26th - RAINBOW DAY

Regards, The Prep Team



KPS CLUBS PROGRAM

Term 1



Thursday afternoon, session 6 (2.20 pm) is 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

Lemons

Lemons are needed for the Clubs Program.

If you can donate some lemons,

Please leave at the office.



BOOK CLUB



Book Club order forms are being given to students on Wednesday 27th February. The due back date is Thursday 14th March.

Unfortunately, **late orders and unnamed orders will be not be accepted**. Please ensure that you put your name on the order.

If you pay online you still need to send your order and your credit card receipt number to school so we can include your order with the school order.

The Annual Kilmore Community Association Easter Raffle is now seeking donations. Large or small, your donations will help with this annual fundraiser.

If you wish to purchase tickets in the raffle, sales will be each FRI-DAY.

To order tickets:

- * Place order and money in an envelope with child's name and grade
- * Send to Parent Club Portable with Icy Pole money

TICKETS \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00
Raffle will be drawn Wednesday 27th March.

Donations can left at the office.





Kilmore Primary School Website

Log on to the address below to view Photos, Articles, Newsletters and handy information.

Parents wishing to subscribe to receive an email alert for the weekly newsletter can do so through the website – follow the prompts.

www.kilmoreps.vic.edu.au

Happy Birthday

February

28 Tahli Williams

March

- 1 Tarrant Warriner, Bridget Knippel
- 2 Maxwell Dickson
- 3 Declan Graeme
- 4 Bailey Abbott



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2013 SCHOOL TIMETABLE

8:45 ~ first school bell

**Students make their way to classrooms
to unpack bag / silent read.**

8:50 – 9:40	~	First session
9:40 – 10:30	~	Second session
10:30 – 11:00	~	Recess
11:00 – 11:50	~	Third session
11:50 – 12:40	~	Fourth session
12:40 – 12:50	~	Eating time
12:50 – 1:30	~	Lunch
1:30 – 2:20	~	Fifth session
2:20 – 3:10	~	Sixth session



Prep Parent Forum

On Monday 18th March 2013 at 8:50am, Sharon Blackwell, our School Support Officer, and Julie McCarthy, Student Wellbeing Coordinator are holding a Prep Parents Discussion Morning.

Sharon and Julie invite all parents, grandparents and carers along to hear about your child's beginning school story, answer questions and discuss any concerns you may have now that your child has nearly completed a full term of school.

It will be informal gathering in the foyer of the new stadium; a great chance to meet some of our school support staff and to meet with other parents of our school community.
Tea, coffee & biscuits provided.

For more information or to confirm attendance phone or email the school, leave a message with your child's teacher or with Julie McCarthy, Student Wellbeing Coordinator, or just turn up on the day.

2013 Homework Club

Homework club for students in grades 3-6 will commence on Thursday March 14th 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 school by Wednesday 13th March.



Friday Friends

Our first get together for 2013 will be held Friday, 1st March, 2013 at 1.30pm, here in the stadium and everyone is welcome. Friday Friends takes place on the first Friday of the month where the alternate School Assembly takes place. Afternoon tea is provided and we hope to provide a comfortable meeting place to network and meet.

Date	Topic
March	NEXIS: Victorian State Government Funded Achievement Award Program
Rowena Excell	
April	
May	
June	
July	
August	
September	
October	
November	
December	

Rowena Excell from Nexus Health Promotion will provide information about the Achievement Award Program, which is funded through the State Government of Victoria this Friday. We encourage everyone to come along to learn about the AAP (Achievement Award Program) and to enjoy being part of the KPS.

Nexus are delighted to be part of Friday Friends and will aim to attend or provide information that our school community may use, such as information on nutrition and sun protection.

If you have an idea to share but can't come to the group please give your details to Jenny at the office.

What's Growing in the Garden?

Welcome to the garden segment to inform the school community of what's happening in the school garden. Great news, a parent recorded 25 mm of rain yesterday! Tina and Georgia used the wet weather opportunity to price water tanks. Has anyone got a 2000 litre tank to donate?



On the list of jobs to complete is to maintain and beautify the Prep's Bulb Garden which



was established last year (located near the asphalt basketball courts) Bulbs dug up and stored to be replanted include many Daffodils and Jonquils. If you have spare "mystery bulbs, please donate them to the school by April.

Remember we need and welcome the help of parents in the garden since the gardener is employed for just 3 hours per week. You will need a Working With Children Check. You may like to help on a regular basis or just drop in occasionally to help out in a particular area.

Please leave your contact details at the office or ring Tina on PH 0488 245 961 or Georgia PH 0409 534 242

INSIGHTS

by Michael Grose – No. 1 parenting educator



It's not okay to be away ... nor to be late to school

When kids miss school, not only is their academic progress impeded, forcing them to catch up on missed work (which some never do), they often miss important interactions with their peers which can compound issues of social isolation and low self-esteem.

One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day—and gets there on time.

It sounds simple, but it's true.

The correlation between school attendance and children's achievement levels is well-established. The more time kids spend at school, the more likely they are to experience school success.

Conversely, according to a report from the Victorian Auditor General, students who are regularly absent from school are at the greatest risk of dropping out of school early, and of experiencing long-term unemployment.

When kids miss school, not only is their academic progress impeded, forcing them to catch up on missed work (which some never do), they often miss important interactions with their peers which can compound issues of social isolation and low self-esteem. Also, many teachers tell me, it's often the kids who can least afford to take time off school who are most likely to be serial absentees.

Of course, most people know this intuitively, yet school absenteeism is a huge problem in Australian schools—and much of it is parent-condoned.

It's hard to get an accurate picture across the country but it would appear that Australian students miss an average of between 12 and 15 days per school year, with parent-condoned absenteeism highest among young primary-aged children.

That adds up to a year's lost schooling over the school-life of a child.

In today's highly competitive world, this rate of absenteeism is alarming, putting our kids at a distinct disadvantage.

That's not a reason to be away!

It's now commonplace for children to stay away from school for reasons that would have been unheard of just twenty years ago. These include staying away to celebrate their own or a sibling's birthday; being absent because they stayed up too late watching television; going shopping for clothes; an extended long weekend; and kids not wanting to take part in a sports day or special school event.

This type of absenteeism sends a strong message to kids that parents don't really value learning or their children's school experiences.

Australian kids only spend 15% of their total time at school. They spend more time asleep than they do at school. So we need to maximise every day to get full value. That means turning up to school every day, on time.

As a Parent:

- Commit to sending kids to school every day.
- Make sure kids arrive at school and class on time.
- Inform the school when they are away, sending medical certificates and other evidence of genuine absence.
- Consider catching-up on missed work.
- Make kids who are away stay in their bedroom – that is where ill kids should be.

Being late is not okay either

Missing a few minutes each day may not seem like a big deal but your child may be missing more than you realise if he or she is continually late.

Current research shows that mornings for most children are the most productive time of the day, with 10.00am the peak period for productivity. When children arrive late and take time to settle as they inevitably do, valuable learning time is lost.

It takes strong parenting...

As a parent myself I know how persuasive children of all ages can be when it comes to taking a day off school. It takes a strong will to resist the persistent pressure that kids can bring to bear, particularly if they play the guilt card with comments such as "It's not fair that I have to go school today because Aunty is coming to visit!"

Nice try. But the answer should be "No!".

As parents we need to make a commitment that our kids make the most of their precious time at school. That means that we send them to school every day, on time and ready to make the most of the school day.

Of course, there will be times, such as illness or genuinely extenuating family circumstances, when kids should be away. But these need to be a rarity rather than the norm.

It's reassuring to know that you increase their chances of future success just by making sure they turn up to school every day. And of course regular school attendance also helps kids prepare for the workforce, where it will be expected that they turn up each day work-ready. The real world is unforgiving of those who stay away with NO EXCUSE.

P . E . NEWS

SWIMMING

The District Swimming Carnival was held last Friday at the Lancefield Pool. There were 26 students who represented Kilmore Primary School.

Well Done to all the Kilmore Primary School Swim team members:

Riley Cook, Kiann Richardson, Daniel Kemp, Jai Boyd-Buchanan, Phoebe Chisholm, Taya Oliver, Skylah Drusko, Naomi Azzopardi, Laura Butler, Hannah Panuzzo, Takara Mithcell, Indy Fraser, Zan Fraser, Josh Mutz, Tom Dando, Jack Milgate, Jacob Robinson-Bunn, Jesse Hanel, Niamh Ireland, Amber O'Farrell, Casey Jensen, Molly D'Alessandro, Caillou Mitchell, Ben Milgate Alastair Clark and Masey Kubiell.

You were all BRILLIANT!

I would like to thank all the parents who attended on the day, your support and encouragement was well appreciated.

Also a big thank you to Sharon Pleydell, Pip Squires and Mrs Molloy for your assistance on the day.



I am very proud to announce that the following students will now go on to represent the Mitchell

District at the Whittlesea Division Swimming Carnival to be held on Monday 4th March at the Northcote Aquatic Centre.

Riley Cook	Freestyle Butterfly
Kiann Richardson Daniel Kemp Jai Boyd-Buchanan Riley Cook	12/13 Freestyle Relay Team
Macey Kubeil	Backstroke
Molly D'Alessandro	Butterfly
Niamh Ireland Macey Kubeil Molly D'Alessandro	9/10 Freestyle Relay
Alastair Clark	Backstroke
Ben Milgate	Butterfly

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD LUCK TO YOU ALL!!



**KILMORE PRIMARY SCHOOL
SWIM TEAM**



Macey, Molly, Amber & Niamh



Indy, Hannah, Takara & ZAn



**Kiann, Daniel, Riley &
Jai**



Jack, Jacob, Tom & Josh



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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.	www.millionpawswalkfundraising.com.au/kilmore_primary_school_9 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!
Follow the website link for full details about how you can contribute.	
Join us on the walk!	
Date: Sunday 19 th May, 2013	Time: 10:00am +
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.	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: http://www.millionpawswalk.com.au/Victoria.htm

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.



Sutherland Street Out of School Hours Care Term 1, Week 3

Hi All!

The term is flying by, we have welcomed lots of new faces and reunited with many old ones. The activities are continuously altered to reflect our interests and skills so there are lots of things to look forward to. Some things we are busy with at the moment are our craft creations, cooking up a storm in the sand pit, getting physical on the gym mats and keeping shop at the boarding kennels. It is safe to say that we are looking forward to some cooler weather, everyone has been managing well though! Have a great week and we'll update you again in the next school newsletter!

Thanks,
Isabelle

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