

# **NEWSLETTER** 9 - 2023

#### Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023

#### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Can you believe it is now only 1 week until the school holiday break? Term 1 certainly has been a busy term with lots of wonderful things happening at KPS throughout the term. As we finish up the term next week, we are very much looking forward to celebrating our students' achievements throughout the term as well as preparing them for all the exciting things that will happen at our school in term 2.

As always is the case in schools, we still have a number of key dates and events happening throughout term 1. To help with your planning for the term ahead, here are some important dates for you to put in your diaries or on your calendars:

- Tuesday 4th April House colours Easter Activity Day
- Thursday 6th April: F-2 Easter Bonnet Parade
- Thursday 6th April: End term 1 2.10pm finish
- Monday 24th of April: Curriculum Day students do not attend school today
- Wednesday 26th of April First Day of term 2 for all students

A reminder that this weekend is the end of Daylight Saving and as such, everyone must turn their clocks BACKWARDS an hour before going to bed on Saturday night. As we do turn our clocks back this weekend, it is the perfect time for families to revisit and adjust their sleeping routines and habits.

While we know sleep is essential for good health, research shows that many children and young people are not getting enough sleep on school nights. This can affect thinking, concentration, memory, reaction times and mood.

Research shows about 12% of primary school-aged children, a quarter of 12 to 15 year-olds and half of 16 to 17 year-olds don't get enough sleep on school nights. The recommended amount of time to sleep for primary school-aged children is 9 to 11 hours. For teenagers, it's 8 to 10 hours.

Signs that your child is not getting enough sleep can include:

- low mood and irritability during social interactions
- reluctance or arguing about getting off devices and going to bed
- · falling asleep during the day
- difficulties waking up for school and sleeping in late on weekends to catch up
- changes to communicating or interacting at home.

You can help your child to improve their sleep by:

- establishing a regular sleep pattern and consistent bedtime routine
- supporting them to avoid using electronic devices such as smartphones before going to bed and in bed

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- encouraging your child to exercise and spend time outside in daylight, steering clear of vigorous activity in the hour before sleep
- encouraging them to wind down and relax before going to bed.

If your child is still having trouble sleeping, has persistent problems with low mood, excessive daytime sleepiness, restlessness in bed, severe snoring or wakening unrefreshed, despite getting adequate length sleep, they should see a doctor.

In 2023, we are once again running our much loved Easter raffle and are now calling for donations of Easter Eggs to be included in the raffle prizes. Last year, the Easter raffle was a very successful fundraising event and we were able to hand out a number of prizes. If you can and would like to donate to this year's Easter raffle, please either drop your donations off to the office or send them in with your child who can give them to the office. Your donations are very much appreciated as is your support of our 2023 Easter raffle. Please make sure that any donations are handed into the office no later than Monday next week so that raffle prizes can be created.

Another way we recognise and celebrate Easter at KPS is through our annual F-2 Easter Hat Parade. On Thursday the 6th of April, all students in F-2 will have the opportunity to participate in an Easter Hat Parade. Students will be making their Easter Hats at school during the week.

The Hat Parade will take place at 9.10am on the Turf Area, which is near the basketball court. In case of inclement weather, the parade will be cancelled, and students will share their hats and parade within student groupings only.

Where possible we will alert families via compass and will place a sign outside each F-2 class the morning of the proposed parade informing families of the cancelation.

Parents will not be required to help their child make a hat at home as all children will be creating a hat at school.

If you do not wish for your child to participate in the Easter Hat Parade, please let your child's teacher know as soon as possible.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, we will be sharing with you more information about our Child Safe standards in the newsletter each week. This week, we are looking at Child Safe standard 7, which is Child Focussed Complaints Process.

This standard focuses on ensuring that schools have complaints processes that are child-focused, culturally safe and accessible to everyone.

Kurunjang Primary School is committed to being a child safe organisation and embedding a child safe culture into our practices and processes to ensure all children who attend the school are safe at all times.

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To comply with this standard at Kurunjang Primary School, we ensure that we have:

- a complaint handling policy which:
  - is publicly available and accessible
  - is child-focused
  - is culturally safe and easily understood by the school community
  - has information about the process for making a complaint about the school or any person within the school
  - requires that complaints are taken seriously and responded to promptly and thoroughly.
- procedures for responding to complaints or concerns relating to child abuse that is:
  - o publicly available and accessible
  - child-focused
  - culturally safe and easily understood by the school community
  - ensures complaints are taken seriously and responded to promptly and thoroughly
  - covers all forms of child abuse
  - o sensitive to the characteristics of the school community
  - able to address reporting of complaints and concerns to relevant authorities, whether or not the law requires reporting, and cooperate with law enforcement
  - able to provide details of recordkeeping, reporting, privacy and employment law obligations to be met when responding to complaints and concerns

As the school term does come to an end next week, a reminder that the last day of school is Thursday 6th of April and that school finishes at 2.10pm on this day. Please make sure that you make arrangements to ensure your child/ren are picked up promptly at this time.

Term 2 will start for all students on Wednesday 26th of April at 8.50am.

Finally, please remember, I always welcome and would love to hear any feedback you have about our school, so please feel free email me at ANY TIME maree.moyle@education.vic.gov.au with any thoughts, concerns, feedback or suggestions that you may have to continue to make our school a wonderful place to be and to learn. I will get back to you as soon as I can and really do appreciate any feedback that you have to share.

Have a great week everyone!

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~ Learning Together

## NOTIFICATION AND APPROVAL REGARDING EXTENDED ABSENCES FOR FAMILY HOLIDAYS OR EVENTS

We appreciate that families from time to time may be absent for family holidays or events. In the event that you know you will be absent please come to the office to collect a notification regarding extended absences for family holidays or events form for approval. This will enable the class and specialist teachers to be aware of the absence and for the absence to be recorded on compass.

#### **LIBRARY**

If you find any school library books at home, could I ask that these be returned to our library as soon as possible.

Thankyou ~Lynne Notman ~ Library Technician



## STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Student of the week awards are made each week and announced in the newsletter on a Thursday. The awards are presented to the

students at assembly on Friday at **2.30pm** in the Gym. Parents are most welcome to attend.

Foundation Jane ~ Seth Britton Foundation Jane ~ Aboubaker Mohamed 3/4 Tony ~ Levaai Ainea 3/4 Tony ~ Kazmel Kasapa 3 Christina ~ Isla Toskas 3 Christina ~ Arach Kuot 3 Columbus ~ Archie Borg 3 Columbus ~ Zoe Handford 3 Danielle ~ Graham Laai 3 Danielle ~ Alexis Asphalter-Phillips 4 Lo Nigro ~ Nate Lyons 4 Lo Nigro ~ Indyana Miller 4 Mason ~ Samapreet Padda 4 Mason ~ Arianna Vitale 4 Gatt/Emma ~ Hargun Brar 4 Gatt/Emma ~ Jett Dunne 5 Bella ~ Madison Walters 5 Lo Giudice ~ The Whole Grade 5 Bell ~ Livinio De Carvalho Ho 6 D'Elia ~ Leuth Panthum 6 D'Elia ~ Aleasha-Jesse Hocking 6 Webb ~ Elijah Vasta 6 Webb ~ Kevin Bryant

#### \*\* IMPORTANT\*\*

## APPLICATIONS FOR CSEF CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND FOR NEW STUDENTS/FAMILIES

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

Payment amounts this year are \$125 for eligible primary school students. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless you have additional children attending school this year or there has been a change in your family circumstances.

If you would like to apply for the first time at Kurunjang Primary School, please come into the school office to collect an application form.

Please check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.

#### **FORWARD PLANNING**

#### Monday 3rd April

Easter Raffle Tickets ~ Due, no late tickets accepted

#### Tuesday 4th April

House Colours Easter Activity Day

#### Wednesday 5th April

Years 3~6 House Cross Country

#### Thursday 6th April

- Foundation Year 2 ~ Easter Bonet Parade
- Last Day Term 1 ~ Early Dismissal 2.10pm

#### Monday 24th April

Student Free Day ~ Students not required at school

#### Tuesday 25th April

ANZAC Day ~ Public Holiday

#### Wednesday 26th April

First Day Term 2 ~ 8.50am Start

#### Monday 1st May ~ Wednesday 10th May

Year 3/4 Swimming Program

#### Monday 12th June

King's Birthday ~ Public Holiday

#### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

• 2023 CSEF Applications Close

#### Friday 23rd June

Last Day Term 2 ~ Early Dismissal 2.10pm

#### Monday 10th July

Student Free Day ~ Students not required at school

#### Tuesday 11th July

First Day Term 3 ~ 8.50am Start

#### Friday 15th September

Last Day Term 3 ~ Early dismissal 2.10pm

#### Monday 6th November

Student Free Day ~ Students not required at school

#### Tuesday 7th November

Melbourne Cup Day ~ Public Holiday

#### Wednesday 8th November

Student Free Day ~ Students not required at school

## Cafe Kurunjang

#### **CANTEEN**

Please note that on-line canteen orders can be placed up to 2 weeks in advance however, they must be placed prior to 9.00am on the day of wanting the order processed.

#### **DISCLAIMER**

All advertisements placed in this newsletter and flyers sent home on behalf of sporting groups and auxiliaries are done so in good faith. It should not be assumed that Kurunjang Primary School is recommending these activities. Parents have a responsibility to make sure that activities are suitable and safe for their children.



#### YEARS 3-6 HOUSE **CROSS COUNTRY**

The Years 3-6 House Cross Country Carnival will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of April at Kurunjang Primary School from 9am until 11am.

#### Age group information about the event:

- 9/10 boys and girls (born in 2013, 2014 and 2015) will run 2km.
- 11 boys and girls (born in 2012) will run 3km
- 12/13 boys and girls (born in 2010 and 2011) will run

If a student is unable to compete in any event for a medical reason, a signed note from a parent/guardian or a medical certificate will need to be provided.

It would be appreciated if children could wear at least one item of clothing in the colour of their house to add to the atmosphere of the sports:

Waratah-RED,

Melaleuca-GREEN,

Acacia-YELLOW,

Caladenia-BLUE

Students with any medical condition are advised to bring and carry on them what is needed (asthma pump, EpiPen, etc.).

WE STRESS THAT ALL CHILDREN MUST WEAR RUNNERS. WEAR A HAT AND BRING A BOTTLE OF WATER FOR THIS EVENT.

Thank you,

Jordan Andrews and Helen Craig



#### LATE ARRIVALS:

If your child is running late for any reason, please take them to the office to be signed into school. A late pass will be issued to your child to be given to the teacher.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO HAVE SHOWN

### EXCELLENCE @KPS THIS TERM!





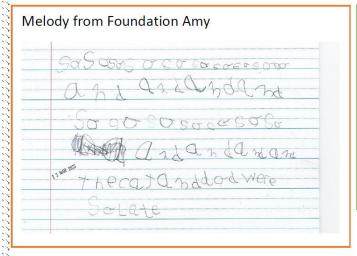


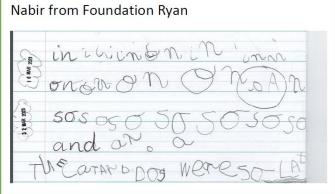
Congratulations to our amazing <u>BRONZE</u> Excellence winners!					
Grace	Ann	Bella			
Vishav	Harleen	Colton			
Each of the following students have received an excellence wristband, we are					
so proud of you!					
Esther	Felix	Jason			
Katherine	Migashani	Sophie			
Hud	Yahya	Chanel			
Hayden	Kashi	Hudson			
Rohail	Milly	Lea			
Harvey	Lani	Koby			
Emmy	Eva	Koray			
Shaquille	James	Anduy			
Emily	Vinaayak	Hafsa			
Isla	Zainab	Madison			
Avreet	Jackson	Maker			
Mason	Graham	Sukreet			
Scarlett	Kaiden	Tyler			
Moiz	Kasileyah	Sione			
Akuot	Grace	Jayden			
Indy	John	Seth			
Tinjarni	Jacob	Jakob			
Jett	Kasmel	Cruz			
Lucy	Sharleinah	Chace			
Nate	Reyhaneh	Lara			
Kavya	Franklin	Sarim			
Rylan	Nouraiz	Pukhraj			
Sera	Savannah	Hoorain			
Havana	Amielia	Riak			
Rebekah	Paige	Kaiden			
Melodee	Kuot	Gabby			
Jye	Seth	Maia			

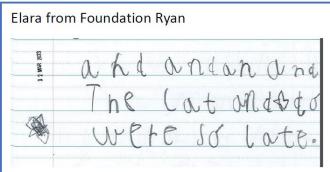
Naomi	Jenny	Ava
Logan	Arlo	Ty-Rhys
Milla	Emilia	Michael
Joanna	Killarney	Yindi
Aubrey	Archer	Peter
Sebastian	Skylar	Mertcan
Charlotte	Aboubaker	Samin
Adut	Gemma	Peyton
Hargun	David	Hunter
Amber	Kamiah	Jarron
Deegan	Abigail	Indiana
Isaiah	Thomas	Sofia
Peyton	Beau	Cassis
Tywin	Fadlallah	Cormac
Elara	Will	Jack
Ethan	Isabella	Lewis
Austin	Phoebe	Brooklyn
Elena	Zac	Chace
Amilash	Lachlan	Kavya
Milan	Angus	Andre
Jayden	Jonathan	Alexander
Micah	Ava	Mia
Cooper	Fateh	Arach
Meisha	Maile	Nathaniel
Divone	Nesrin	Oliver
Garima	Ajok	Riley
Ryan	Finn	Tameka
Ryan	Ekam	Semeen
Thomas	Siloam	Chase
Esha	Scarlett	Isabella
Colton	Charlie	Baani
Rogers	Tristen	Amy
Zainab	Bilal	Nadia
Ashton	Jaxson	Jack
Abuk	Blake	Gloria
Michael	Zoe	

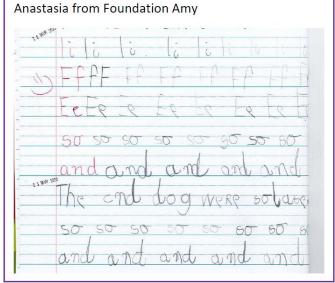
#### **KPS Writing Champions**

Welcome to our next 'Writing Champions' addition where we will celebrate the wonderful writing that our Foundation students are creating.





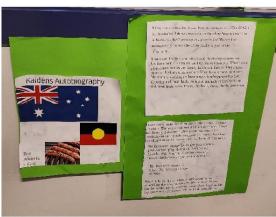




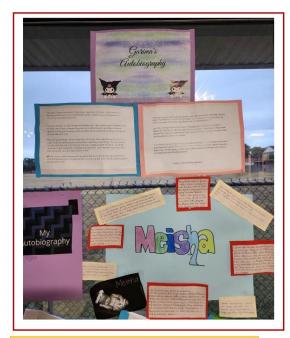
Congratulations to all of our Foundation writers this week!

We would also like to celebrate the wonderful writers in 6 Ellie, who published their Autobiographies.











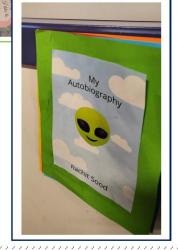


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Vaidehi Mishro





## Our school is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.





collection point, or to host a collection point.

ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au

Local Contact:

aussiebreadtags@gmail.com

🚹 @aussiebreadtags

#### Parent Communication and Concern Process

If you have a query or question about your child or the school we encourage you to seek assistance.

It is important to us that you have your concerns answered.

Listed below are the people within the school community who can assist you.



**Team Leaders -** Foundation: Edison Potts; Year 1: Nick Gonzalez; Year 2 Ana Kralj; Year 3: Tony Fraietta; Year 4: Damiano Lo Nigro; Year 5: Margherita Lo Giudice; Year 6: Rob D'Elia; Specialists: Lidia Woolley

Leadership Team Members - Toni Havers: Numeracy; Lisa Condon: Literacy; Danielle Sheedy: Wellbeing

Assistant Principal – Tom Goddard: Years 3-6; Wendy McCall: Foundation-2

Principal - Maree Moyle

DET - Department of Education & Training - Regional Office



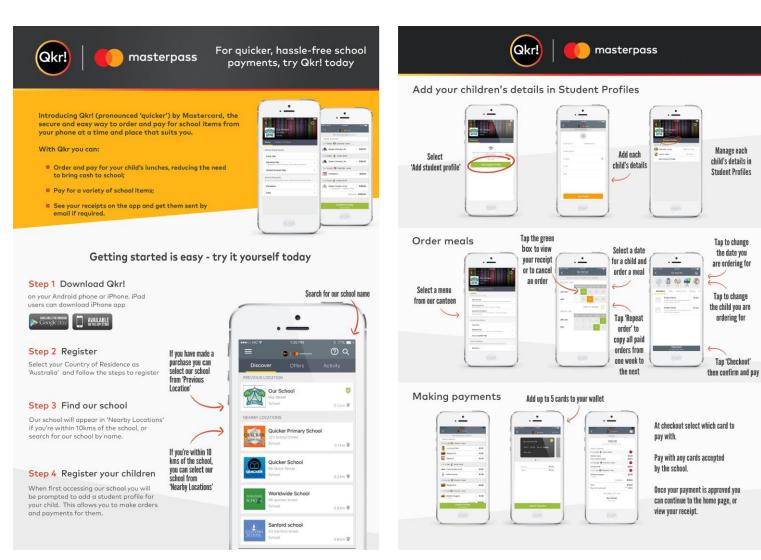




## Learning and Playing Together Playgroup

Term 1, 2023
Kurunjang Primary School, Mowbray Cres, Melton 3337. Friday 9-11am. Parents must stay with their child/children. Enquiries - 9743-0633

<u>Date</u>	Theme/Activity — Sessions may include:  literacy and numeracy activities,  playtime — developing friendships  story time  rhyme time, singing and dance  outside play — co ordination  craft time — fine motor skills  dramatic play  cooking  guest speakers and excursions will be organised.
Friday 17th Feb	Family Fun
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Summer Summer
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Photo Day
Friday 10th March	Colours
Friday 17th March	Music Day
Friday 24th March	Letters & Numbers 123
Friday 31st March	Easter Hat Parade



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#### **CLASS LIST FOR Qkr!**

Foundation Potts

Foundation Ahern

Foundation Jane

Foundation Amy

Foundation Columbus

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1 Gonzalez 1 Gonzalez 1 Cohen 1 Cohen 1 Cole 1 Cole 1 Dovaston 1 Dovaston

2 Ana 2 Ana 2 Kirk 2 Kirk 2 Hannah 2 Hannah 2 Estelle 2 Estelle

3/4 Tony 3/4 Tony 3 Christina 3 Christina 3 Lo Giudice 3 Lo Giudice 3 Danielle 3 Danielle 4 Lo Nigro 4 Lo Nigro 4 Mason 4 Mason 4 G/L 4 G/L

5/6 Layton 5/6 Layton 5 Ryan 5 Ryan 5 Blake 5 Blake 5 Bella 5 Bella 6 D'Elia 6 D'Elia 6 Ellie 6 Ellie 6 Webb 6 Webb

# Vacation Care Program - Autumn April 2023





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### **Program Details**

#### Who

The program is open to all primary school aged children.

#### Program Hours

6.30am - 6.30pm.

Monday to Friday, during school holidays.

#### Location

Bridge Road Children's & Community Centre 260 Bridge Road,

#### Cost

\$79.55 per day (prior to Child Care Subsidy being applied) Excursions and Incursions may incur an additional cost. We have many FREE activities; Excursions cost \$36.80 and Incursions \$25.25.

#### **Program Dates**

Tuesday 11th April to Friday 21st April 2023

#### **Enrolment Opens**

8.30am Friday, 10th March 2023

#### **Enrolments Close**

5.00pm Friday, 24th March 2023

Further details and enrolment information can be found at melton.vic.gov.au/vacationcare

Bookings submitted after this date will only be accepted at Supervisor's discretion and incur a \$22.50 late enrolment fee

Reminder... absences are charged for confirmed bookings.

#### Contact

E: vacationcareprogram@melton.vic.gov.au

Ph: 9747 7200

#### Monday 10th April - Closed for Public Holiday

#### Tuesday 11th April - Vacation Care Easter Celebration

Even though the Easter is before our program, we would still like to celebrate as usual, together as the Vacation Care family. With an Easter egg hunt, paper craft with Glenys and baking Easter Treats.

#### Wednesday 12th April - ScienceWorks it is, Excursion (\$36.80)

Who wouldn't like to spend time surrounded by Science and Technology, from their Illuminate to other exhibits, come join us to take our tour at Scienceworks. The bus will be leaving at 9:30am from Bridge Rd.

#### Thursday 13th Aprill-Ride on Day

Put on your safety helmets and off we go with our bikes and scooters at the Traffic School next door. This was one of the highlighted events during our last Summer program.

#### Friday 14th April - Heal the Earth, Incursion (\$25.25)

In collaboration with Earth Day which falls on Saturday  $22^{nd}$  April, we learn how to care and respect our planet earth and environment. There is also a Mini Beast (Insect) incursion as well.

#### Monday 17th April- Let's Jive & Jazz

Do you like to jive and jazz, do you have a hip to your hop, come enjoy a day filled with tunes and beats.

#### Tuesday 18th April - Health is Wealth

Let's learn and improve some habits to keep ourselves happy and heathy, with a dental session in the morning and cooking session in the afternoon. Top it off with a fast beat Zumba.

#### Wednesday 19th April – Roaring all the way... Excursion to the Melbourne Zoo (\$36.80)

Would you like to roar with the lions or bounce with the kangaroos or waddle with the penguins? Well, you can do all this at our little trip to the Melbourne Zoo. The bus will be leaving at 9:30am from Bridge Rd.

### Thursday $20^{\text{th}}$ April – Least we remember, ANZAC Day remembrance – Outing to the Melton Library

Making ANZAC biscuits and an outing to the Melton Library where we will learn and explore the history of our great soldiers.

#### Friday 21st April - Technology Day, Incursion (\$25.25)

With ever evolving technology, we are going to learn and explore new teach gadgets which are available in a STEAM based learning activity.











Wilson Pee Wee Tennis (4 – 7 years)
MLC Hot Shots (5 – 12 years)
Junior & Adult Coaching
(Group & Private Lessons available)
Squad Training for Elite Juniors
Mums in Tennis Program
Professional Racquet Restringing
Ask us about NEW Cardio Tennis!
Phone: Steve Kelly 0409 173 273

Free "Come & Try" Days