



# NEWSLETTER

## 31 - 2023

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

As we return to the full swing of term 4, it has been great to walk around and see our wonderful students settled and back into their learning. Our teacher replacement agencies are already reporting that they are struggling to fill demand. I am so impressed with our students, displaying the school values when they have to be split, due to teacher illness, professional learning and/or meetings.

Last week we had a couple of cases of Covid and gastro reported to the school. I would respectfully ask that everyone is mindful of the health and safety of both our students and our staff and report any cases to the office. Many families have elderly, frail or immunocompromised individuals, who may suffer adversely if they aren't protected. Please continue to consider this when deciding if you are to send your child to school. Thank you, in advance, for your support on behalf of our community.

#### **COLOUR SPLATACULAR**

Thank you to everyone who has donated to our Colour Splatacular Run 4 Fun. Tomorrow is the day! Parents are welcome to attend to watch the event from 2:10pm, however students will be required to stay on site until 3:10pm.

Students participating in the event are required to wear a white (or old) shirt for the day. It is also recommended that parents travelling by car bring either a change of clothes or a towel for the car seats on the way home - it's going to get messy!!

#### **TOILETS**

Just a reminder that the student toilets are not to be used by parents / visitors. There is a visitor toilet in the main building.

#### **KPS ART SHOW & CONCERT**

This year we are holding a KPS Arts Show and School Concert that will run over two days. All grades from F-6 will perform a concert item. The concerts will run on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December (Week 10) from 1:00 – 3:00 with the KPS Art Show running in the PLS from 3:00 – 4:30 for staff, students & parents to attend. Parents / carers and their families will be invited in house colours to watch the concert. More information will be available in the coming weeks.

#### **CLASSES FOR 2024**

Just a reminder that 2024 preferences close tomorrow. The preferences should be based on social and emotional needs only and will not be guaranteed for the year ahead however all requests will be considered. If you have a request for your child's placement for 2024, please put this request in writing and either drop it into the office or email it to me directly at [kurunjang.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:kurunjang.ps@education.vic.gov.au).

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#### **HATS**

A reminder to all students and families that broad brim school hats are compulsory in term 4. Please ensure that your child has a hat that is clearly named and that they bring it to school each day. Hats can be purchased from our new uniform shop in Bakery Square in Melton. Students without a hat will be required to play in undercover areas whilst outside at school.

#### **CHILD SAFETY**

Recently we have had several students arriving to school as early as 7:30am. Our school grounds are supervised by staff from 8:30am until 3:25pm. Outside of these hours school staff are not available to supervise students. Any students who need to be at school outside of these hours should register with OSH Club for our before or after school care or make alternate arrangements.

#### **ASSEMBLY**

There will be no assembly tomorrow. The first assembly will be Year 3 to 6 on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> October.

*Tom*

~ Learning Together



### FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS 2024 ARE NOW OPEN

Parents who live within our school's designated neighbourhood area are invited to enrol their children for Foundation 2024 at the office. To be eligible to enrol for Foundation in 2024 your child must turn 5 years of age by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024. You must provide proof of your child's age by presenting a birth certificate. For students who were born overseas you must present their passport and visa details. Immunisation certificates are also required and may be posted to you on request by calling 1800 653 809. As the immunisation and birth certificates may take a little time to arrive, we suggest you get organised early and phone for your certificate now.

Please contact the school office on 9743 0633 if you would like to arrange a tour of our school.

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.



## SCHOOL LEAVERS & ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

Any parents who have children that will not be returning to Kurunjang Primary School in 2024 are requested to let the school know as soon as possible. If you know of families moving to our school in 2024, who have not yet been to the school to enrol, we would greatly appreciate it if you could ask your friends to do so. We also ask any parents who have not enrolled their child in Foundation for 2024, to do so as soon as possible. Immediate action on this matter will ensure that we have adequate facilities and resources available for the beginning of the 2024 school year.

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Please fill in and return to the school office as soon as possible:

### STUDENTS NOT ATTENDING IN 2024

I would like to notify Kurunjang P.S. that my CHILD/REN

NAME/S: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE/S: \_\_\_\_\_

**Will not be attending Kurunjang P.S. in 2024**

NAME OF SCHOOL ATTENDING IN 2024: \_\_\_\_\_



### WEARING OF SCHOOL HATS

Please note that the wearing of school hats is compulsory in Term 1 & the start of September.

Please make sure your child has a Kurunjang Primary School embroidered hat for the start of September. School hats are only available from Buxwear, Bakery Square Melton



### BOOK CLUB

The 7<sup>th</sup> issue for the 2023 year was handed out this week and will need to be returned by Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of

October for processing. Whether your child is at school, or at home, you can place your order on LOOP as normal. Online orders will close on this date for delivery at school. Please make sure all orders have the child's name, grade and correct money placed in a sealed envelope/bag

### LIBRARY



We currently have a large number of overdue library books. Could I ask that any library books found at home over the holidays that belong to our school, please be returned to the library next term.

Thank you

Lynne Notman ~ Library Technician

### CHANGE OF DETAILS

If you have changed any of your contact details, could you please advise the school office ASAP so that our records can be updated. It is vitally important that we have current contact details to call parents.



## FORWARD PLANNING

### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

- Slime / Colour Spectacular Fundraiser
- Book Club ~ Orders Due
- Parent Requests 2024 Classes ~ Due

### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

- Year 1 & 2 Melbourne Museum ~ Payments Due

### **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

- Year 1 & 2 ~ Melbourne Museum

### **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

- Foundation Breakfast

### **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

- Student Free Day ~ Students not required at school

### **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

- Melbourne Cup Day ~ Public Holiday

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

- Student Free Day ~ Students not required at school

### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

- Djerriwarrh Festival Parade

### **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

- Mini Athletics Carnival ~ Foundation – Year 2

### **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>**

Foundation ~ Year 6 Concert – 1.00pm ~ 3.00pm

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

- Arts Festival ~ Personal Learning Studio  
3.00pm~ 4.30pm

### **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

- Year 6 Students Big Day Out ~ Melton Waves

### **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

- Foundation ~ Animal Land Payments Due

### **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

- Foundation ~ Animal Land

### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

- Statewide Orientation Day ~ Year 6 students attend their Secondary School and Foundation 2024 students attend their Primary School

### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

- Year 6 Graduation ~ Tabcorp Park

### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

- Class Parties

### **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

- Last Day Term 4 ~ 12.30pm Dismissal

### **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

- Curriculum Day ~ Students not required at school

### 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.



### 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.



### 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.

### JUNIOR SCHOOL COUNCIL



Please remember to collect your plastic bread tags and soft plastic bread bags over the holiday. The plastic bread tags are being collected in each classroom. The soft plastic bread bags collection point is the large box near Lost Property - this can be any soft plastic bag used for bread.

### 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.



### **Have you signed up to the Compass App?**

In order to keep you up to date with important information Kurunjang Primary School is part of a portal system called COMPASS.

Through Compass, you will be able to update personal details such as phone numbers and be kept up to date with important dates, whole school events, excursions, book parent teacher conferences, contact teachers and more.

**You will be able to view your child's school report and learning tasks completed throughout the school year via Compass.**

If you have not yet signed up, please return the slip below for you to receive your personalised login details.

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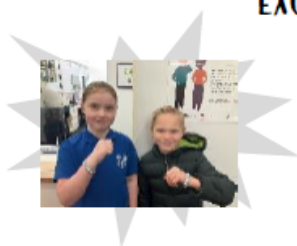
I would like to receive my COMPASS APP details to be kept updated with my child's reports, school events, reminders and calendar items.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO HAVE SHOWN  
EXCELLENCE @KPS THIS TERM!



Congratulations to our amazing <u>GOLD</u> Excellence winners!		
ZAINAB		
Congratulations to our amazing <u>SILVER</u> Excellence winners!		
Scarlett	Maile	Mason
Milla	Nathaniel	
Congratulations to our amazing <u>BRONZE</u> Excellence winners!		
Shona	Rivah	Cormac
Elara	Phoebe	Rydah
Matilda	Sofia	Joseph
Melody	Rohail	Ampujan
Kuot	Beau	Amber
Jaxson	Victoria	
Each of the following students have received an excellence wristband, we are so proud of you!		
Sione	Leo	Aubrey
Cyrus	Angus	Skylette
Katya	Migashani	Nadia
Harley	Tyler	Vinaayak
Chace	Cooper	Felix
Isabella	Nathan	Kavya
Kazmel	Eva-Lee	Oliver
Semeen	William	Fiona
Saga	Fateh	Chase
Jayden	Finn	Varshna
Johnzen	Joshua	Myra
Galina	Harleen	Hayden
Charlotte	Will	Arlo
Abby	Hudson	Bior
Logan	Hud	Pahul
Sienna	Grace	Nafase
Ethan	Leighzelle	Delnia
Tamara	Rebekah	Kai
Bella	Varshna	Vaidehi
Semeen	Daniel	Shaivya
Ava	Nouraiz	Cartel
Kalahnee	Sonny	Telli










## Learning and Playing Together Playgroup

Term 4, 2023

Kurunjang Primary School, Mowbray Cres, Melton 3337.

Friday 9-11am. Parents must stay with their child/children.

Enquiries – 9743-0633

<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme/Activity – Sessions may include:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>literacy and numeracy activities,</li> <li>playtime – developing friendships</li> <li>story time</li> <li>rhyme time, singing and dance</li> <li>outside play – co ordination</li> <li>craft time – fine motor skills</li> <li>dramatic play</li> <li>cooking</li> <li>guest speakers and excursions will be organised.</li> </ul>		
Spring			
All about me			
Teddy Bear Picnic			
Halloween			
Minibeast			
Superheroes			
Space			
Cooking			
Christmas			



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#### Step 2 Register

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#### Step 3 Find our school

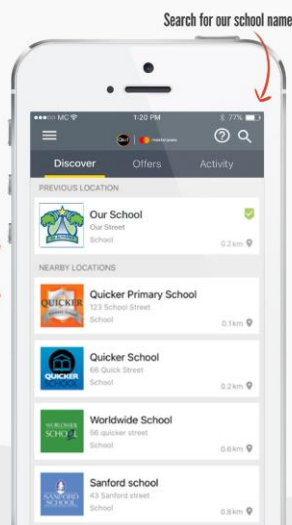
Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

#### Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

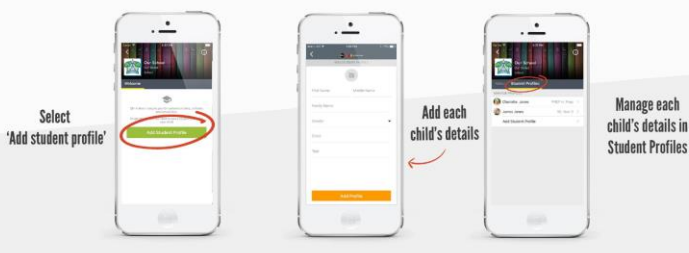


Search for our school name



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Add your children's details in Student Profiles



Order meals



Making payments



## CLASS LIST FOR Qkr!

### CLASS NAME

Foundation Potts  
Foundation Ahern  
Foundation Jane  
Foundation Amy  
Foundation Ryan

1 Sophia  
1 Cohen  
1 Cole  
1 Dovaston

2 Ana  
2 Kirk  
2 Kaitlin  
2 Estelle

3/4 Tony  
3 Christina  
3 Parker  
3 Danielle  
4 Tanya  
4 Mason  
4 Gatt

5 Micallef  
5 Blake  
5 Bella  
6 D'Elia  
6 Ellie  
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