



NEWSLETTER

13 - 2025

Thursday 21st August, 2025

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start by sending out a huge thank you to our parent community for your diligence and commitment to ensuring our school uniform is consistent across the entire school. It is looking impressive. A reminder that our uniform supplier, Bux Wear in Bakery Square, Melton has school beanies and jackets available for purchase, perfect for these cold mornings.

Can you believe that we are halfway through term 3, the weather is starting to improve, the days are getting longer, and spring is almost here!

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

It was truly wonderful to see so many families attending the parent-teacher interviews. The turnout was fantastic with over 710 bookings made. It was heartening to witness such active involvement from our parents in their children's learning journey.

These meetings provided a valuable opportunity for open communication, and it was clear that everyone is committed to supporting student success. We truly appreciate the time and effort parents put into attending and engaging with teachers to help create the best possible learning environment for their children. Thank you once again for your continued support!

HATS, HATS, HATS!

From Monday 25th August to 30th April, all students must wear a sun protective hat that shades the face, neck and ears for all outdoor activities. Hats may also be worn for all outdoor activities outside of the August to April time period, by parent or student choice.

Students wear a school hat or a hat that protects the face, head, neck and ears when outdoors, for example broad-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket hat. Baseball or peaked caps and sun visors are not considered a suitable alternative, as they do not protect the ears, cheeks or neck.

Students who are not wearing appropriate protective clothing or hats will be asked to use available areas of shade when outdoors or a suitable area protected from the sun.

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WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 18 August to Friday 19 September 2025**. All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and other languages including Arabic, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / caregivers / guardians who speak a language other than English at home. Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language.

Survey link: <https://research.orima.com/parent>

Our school's generic PIN is: 359166

The survey results will be communicated to parents / caregivers / guardians through annual reporting in our Annual Report to Community and via the newsletter.

MPSSA DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Today, 47 students participated in the M.P.S.S.A. District Athletics Carnival held at the Bridge Road Athletics Track. I look forward to receiving updates on their performances and hearing about their achievements.

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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SAFETY FIRST

I want to remind everyone about the importance of **going straight home after school** and staying safe in our community.

Students: After the school day ends, please remember to head directly home or to your designated after-school location. Avoid making unnecessary stops or wandering off without informing a parent or guardian.

Stranger Safety: Never talk to strangers, accept rides, or give out personal information. If someone you don't know approaches you or makes you feel uncomfortable, walk away and tell a trusted adult right away.

Parents: Please talk with your child about their after-school routine and who is allowed to pick them up. It's always best to have a plan and a backup in case of emergencies.

CELEBRATION OF LEARNING WEEK

This week, we have been celebrating all things related to education! On Tuesday, we hosted our Open Afternoon for parents, and by all accounts it was wonderful to see so many families engaged in learning and enjoying games together. Tomorrow, we look forward to our Book Week Parade. We invite everyone to join us and cheer on the children as they participate. The parade will begin at 9:00 AM on the basketball court, weather permitting. We hope to see you there!

ANSWERING CALLS

There are times when we will need to contact you about your child for first-aid purposes. As a parent/guardian, you need to be contactable and provide us with emergency contacts who are also contactable. In some cases, your child may need to be collected, may need medication and we seek your consent, or require emergency transportation and we need to inform you. Please come into the office if you wish to add extra contacts or update details.

SMOKING

Please be reminded that smoking, including vaping, is prohibited within 4 metres of any school entrance. If you are a smoker, kindly ensure you are situated more than 4 metres away from the school fence before beginning to smoke. We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining a safe and healthy environment for all.

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ASSEMBLY

Parents and carers are welcome to attend and sit in the Personal Learning Studio. Students who are receiving Student of the Week certificates will be in the Personal Learning Studio and will receive their certificates from a Principal Class member, followed by a chat and light refreshment.

Our final assembly for term three will be over the PA system and parents / carers are welcome to attend in their child's classroom Friday 20th September at 2pm.

As always, I would love to hear any feedback you have about our school, so please feel free to email me at ANY TIME at kurunjang.ps@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.

Tom

Principal
~Learning Together

FORWARD PLANNING

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd August

- Book Week

Friday 22nd August

- Book Week Parade

Thursday 28th August

- Gr 3/4 Sustainability Incursion

Monday 1st September

- Foundation Fire Fighter Incursion
- Gr 5/6 MPSSA Basketball Tournament

Wednesday 3rd September

- Gr 3/4 Sustainability Incursion

Monday 8th to Wednesday 10th September

- Gr 5 & Gr 6 Camp Wyuna

Thursday 11th September

- WR Division Athletics

Monday 15th September

- Foundation Police Incursion

Thursday 18th September

- Gr 1/2 Big Night In

Friday 19th September

- Sport team Dress up
- LAST DAY 2.10pm Student Finish

Monday 6th October

- First Day Term 4 ~ 8.50am start

Friday 24th October

- Last Day for Final Payment - Gr 3/4
Camp Lady Northcote

Friday 19th December

- Last Day Term 4 ~ 12.30pm Finish



FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS FOR 2026 ARE NOW OPEN

Parents who live within our school's designated neighbourhood area are invited to enrol their children for Foundation 2026 at the office. To be eligible to enrol for Foundation in 2026 your child must turn 5 years of age by 30th April 2026. 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.

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.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

EVERY CHILD DESERVES AN EDUCATION

YOUR CHILDREN NEED YOUR HELP TO DO WELL AT SCHOOL. YOU CAN HELP BY:



Ensuring children get a good night's sleep and get ready for school in the morning



Getting children to school every day

Asking questions to find what your child likes about school



Talking about going to school every day and how it helps children reach their dreams.



Talking about how school can be fun



EVERY DAY THEY MISS ADDS UP!

Skip
1 day a week
Miss 3 Years

Skip
2 days a week
Miss 5 Years

Skip
3 days a week
Miss 7 Years

Skip
4 days a week
Miss 10 Years

Skip
5 days a week
Miss 12 Years

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.

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.



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Questions? Please contact the GFK team via info@glassesforkids.com.au

Youth Road Safety

Fact Sheet



VICTORIA POLICE

Whether you're biking or riding an e-scooter, follow these simple road safety tips to stay safe and have fun on the move!

MODIFIED OR PETROL POWERED BICYCLES

- Illegal.



MOTORBIKES

- To ride on or off-road it must be registered with a full or recreation registration
- Helmet must be worn at all times.



E-BIKES

- 25 km/h MAX speed
- Motor cannot provide power at speeds higher than 25km/h
- Helmet must be worn at all times
- No passengers
- Cannot be ridden on footpaths.



E-SCOOTER

- Be aged 16 yrs or over
- Max speed 20 kmph
- Helmet must be worn at all times
- No passengers
- Cannot be ridden on footpaths.



For more information, visit police.vic.gov.au/road-safety



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: _____

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: Bella Kamenjarin; Year 1: Estelle van Sittert; Year 2 Edison Potts; Year 3/4: Danielle Gould; Year 5/6: Emily Oliver; Specialists: Lidia Woolley

Leadership Team Members – Numeracy: Sophia Iosifidis; Literacy: Kez Hudaverdi; Wellbeing: Danielle Sheedy; Disability Inclusion: Kayley Van Buuren; ICT: Laurence Gatt

Assistant Principal – Foundation-2: Wendy McCall

Assistant Principal – Years 3-6: Toni Havers

Principal – Tom Goddard

DET – Department of Education & Training – Regional Office: 1800 338 663



ONLINE LUNCH ORDER MENU



Sandwiches Wraps Rolls

Vegemite	\$4.50
Cheese	\$4.50
Cheese & Tomato	\$6.00
Egg w/ extras	\$6.50
Ham w/ extras	\$6.50
Chicken w/ extras	\$6.50
Salad w/ extras	\$6.50

Fresh Salads

Garden Salad w/ extras	\$6.50
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Fruit

Apple / Banana	\$2.00
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Homemade Meals

Homemade Vegetarian Fried Rice	\$6.00
Homemade Pasta Bolognaise	\$6.00

Hot Food

Chicken Nugget	\$1.00
Steamed Dim-Sim	\$1.50
Party Pie	\$2.20
Party Sausage Roll	\$2.20
Sweet Chilli Tender	\$3.00
Hot Dog	\$5.00
Beef Pie	\$6.00
Tomato Sauce	\$0.50
Soy Sauce	\$0.50

Snacks

Yum Yum Balls	\$1.00
Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$2.00
Choc Chip Muffin	\$3.00
Red Rock Deli Honey Soy Chips 28g	\$2.40
Red Rock Deli Sea Salt Chips 28g	\$2.40

Drinks

Chocolate Oak UHT	\$3.00
Strawberry Oak UHT	\$3.00
Orange Harvey Fresh Juice	\$2.50
Apple Harvey Fresh Juice	\$2.50
Apple & Black Current	\$2.50
Water 350ml	\$2.00

**Online orders close at 9am*

**No late orders accepted*

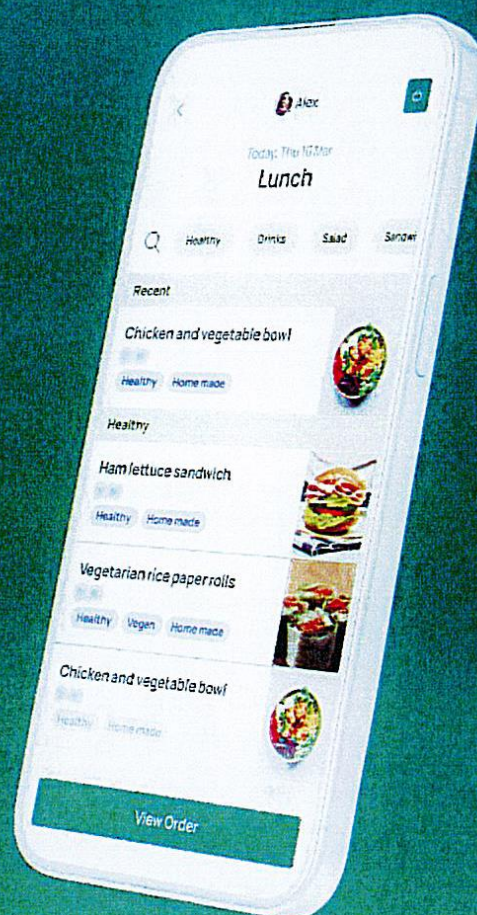


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- 2 Create an account and add your student(s)
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- 3 Lunch available to order Wednesday, ~~Thursday~~ & Friday - place your order by 9:00am.



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