



NEWSLETTER

15 - 2025

Thursday 18th September 2025

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

Can you believe that we are at the end of term 3, the weather is starting to improve, the days are getting longer and spring is definitely in the air! I want to reiterate the importance of supporting your children to rest and relax. For many reasons, it has been a massive term and I have certainly noticed a lot of lingering fatigue within our school community. Term 4 is notoriously the busiest term of the school year, so I encourage you all to allow your children some activities that support rest and relaxation over the holidays. We are looking forward to seeing everyone on the 6th October.

MATHEMATICS GAMES DAY

Yesterday, Toni, Mr Gatt and 12 students (Winter, Tatum, Fiona, Nikola, Grace, Zainab, Zoey, Nouraiz, Vishav, and Tate) represented Kurunjang Primary School at the Melton Mathematics Games Day. The Games Day was intellectually challenging, competitive and fun. It was an opportunity for students to develop their mathematical talents and thinking skills in a setting where maths is regarded as fun and worthwhile, work with like-minded students from a diverse range of schools, participate in mathematical activities without the usual classroom pressures, win prizes and rewards and get excited about maths.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Last Sunday we had numerous staff members, and their families participate in the 24 hour Relay for Life. I would like to acknowledge the staff who walked and ran over the 24 hours. As a team, 647 laps were completed with a \$3000 goal set. I am extremely excited to announce that we raised just over \$4260 which all goes towards cancer research.

SMOKING / VAPING

In line with the Department of Education's Smoking and Vaping Ban Policy, smoking and vaping are strictly prohibited on all Victorian government school grounds and within 4 metres of any pedestrian entrance to the school. This applies to everyone — students, staff, parents, carers, contractors, and visitors — at all times, including during school-related events held off site.

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We ask for your cooperation in following the Department's policy to help us maintain a safe, healthy, and respectful environment for all students and members of our school community.

Thank you for supporting our school in remaining smoke-free and vape-free.

YEAR 3/4 BASKETBALL

What a goal-worthy day our Year 3/4 students had at the Basketball Gala Day! From the moment the first whistle blew, it was game on – with passes flying, goals being scored, and smiles all around. The energy on the field was infectious, and our students showed fabulous teamwork, resilience and a love for the game. Whether it was a nail-biting win or a close match, every player gave it their best shot and supported their team like true champions. A big shout out to Miss Dao and Charlie who coached, coordinated, and kept the day running smoothly – thank you! To the parents and carers who came to cheer from the sidelines – we couldn't do it without you. And to our superstar students – you played with heart and pride, and we couldn't be prouder!

COMMUNITY HELPERS

Over the past two weeks, our Foundation students had an exciting and unforgettable experience when local Police Officers and Firefighters visited the school! The visits were part of our ongoing community and safety learning program, aimed at helping our youngest learners understand the important roles these everyday heroes play in keeping us safe.

The children were thrilled to meet the visitors, who arrived in their real patrol car and bright red fire engine! The Police Officers spoke to the students about how they help people, explained when to call 000, and even let the children try on their hats and jackets. The flashing lights and sirens were a big hit! Next, the Fire Brigade team talked about fire safety and showed the students all the equipment they use, including hoses, breathing masks, and their protective gear. The highlight of the visit was when the children got to spray water with the big hose! The visit sparked curiosity and many thoughtful questions from our students, who showed great enthusiasm and respect for our special guests. It was a valuable opportunity for the children to learn about safety in a

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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fun and interactive way, and to build positive relationships with our local emergency services.

A big thank you to the Police and Fire Brigade teams for taking the time to visit us and inspire the next generation of community helpers!

YEAR 5/6 CAMP

Have you noticed your child came home with fewer clothing items than they packed?

We currently have a large collection of lost clothing at school. Please take a moment to check our lost property area and collect any missing items by tomorrow. Any unclaimed clothing will be donated to a local opportunity shop after this time.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY – THANK YOU

Thank you to the families who filled out the Parent Opinion Survey. This information is used to help the school celebrate our magnificent work and provides a community voice in our schools continued improvement journey.

PLANNING FOR 2026

Planning for 2026 has now commenced. Apart from students in Grade 6, if you know that your child/ren are not likely to be at Kurunjang Primary in 2026, can you please notify the office so that we do not count them in our enrolment numbers and classes. If you have a Foundation student for 2026, please ensure that you enrol them now so that we can guarantee a position for them.

As part of the planning process, we are carefully considering the social and emotional needs of all students to ensure the best possible learning environment.

If you have any preferences or requests regarding your child's placement for next year, we invite you to share them with us. While we cannot guarantee that all requests will be met, we will do our best to take them into account when making placement decisions.

Requests must be submitted in writing. You may either:

- Drop your written request at the school office, or
- Email it directly to:
kurunjang.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Please ensure your request is received **no later than Friday, October 10th, 2025.**

ASSEMBLY

Our final assembly for term three will be over the PA system and parents / carers are welcome to attend in their child's classroom tomorrow Friday 19th 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.

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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.

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Tom

Principal
~Learning Together

FORWARD PLANNING

Friday 19th September

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

Monday 6th October

- First Day Term 4 ~ 8.50am start

Thursday 9th October

- Divisional Hot Shots Tennis

Friday 10th October

- Divisional Basketball

Monday 13th - Friday 17th October

- Gr 1 Swimming Program

Tuesday 14th October

- Divisional Gr 5/6 Cricket

Tuesday 21st October

- WMR Athletics

Wednesday 22nd October

- Foundation – Wild Action Incursion

Friday 24th October

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

Monday 27th October

- WMR Basketball

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 LEAVERS & ENROLMENTS FOR 2025

Any parents who have children that will not be returning to Kurunjang Primary School in 2025 are requested to let the school know as soon as possible. If you know of families moving to our school in 2025, 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 2025, 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 2025 school year.

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

STUDENTS NOT ATTENDING IN 2025

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

NAME/S: _____

GRADE/S _____

Will not be attending Kurunjang P.S. in 2025

NAME OF SCHOOL ATTENDING IN 2025: _____

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.

DIVISION ATHLETICS FINALS

Congratulations to the 22 students from grades 3-6 for qualifying and participating in the Western Ranges Division Track & Field Championships.

A wonderful effort by all students.

Results

Fabien KB C 10yrs triple jump 1st with a NEW DIVISION RECORD

Tawhiri R 10yrs triple jump 3rd

Saga S 10yrs shot put 2nd & discus 3rd

Tameka C 10yrs discus 2nd

Aria F 10yrs 1500m 2nd

Archie R 11yrs discus 2nd

Noah S 11yrs hurdles 2nd

Dang K 12yrs high jump 3rd

Ampujan A 12yrs triple jump 3rd

Indyana M 12yrs high jump 1st


4x100m relay - Fabien KB C, Sospeter F, Saga S, Oliver B - 10yrs boys 3rd

Bella V, Sienna A, Aria F, Grace B - 10yrs girls 3rd

First and second placegetters will now go onto to compete in the Western Metropolitan Athletics Region Championships to be held on October 21st at Keilor.

We wish all students well in their endeavours.

Helen Craig
Sports Coordinator



See a school crossing? Use it.

SAFE CROSSINGS, SAFE KIDS.
transport.vic.gov.au/schoolcrossings



GLASSES FOR KIDS IS COMING TO THIS SCHOOL

The Glasses for Kids program will be visiting this school to provide Foundation (Prep) to Year 3 students with **FREE** vision screening, then testing and glasses (as required)



Scan this QR code to find out
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A Victorian State Government and State Schools' Relief initiative
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*

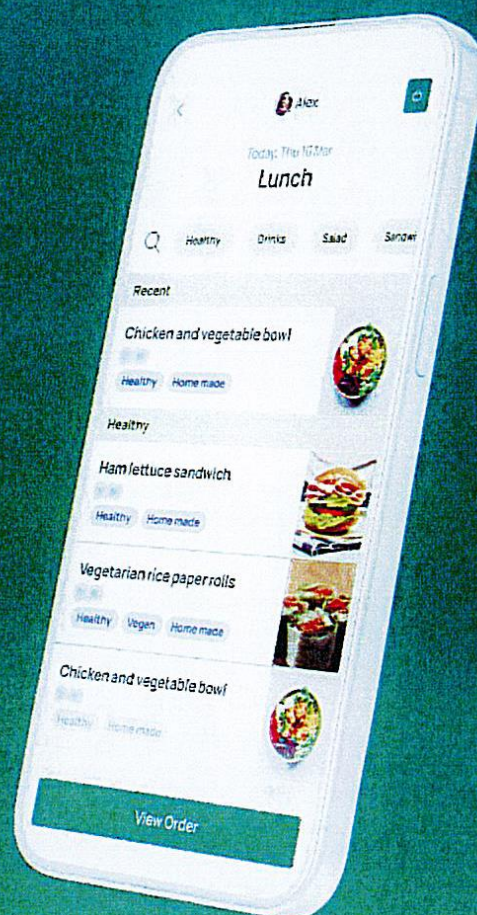


We're using Flexischools to simplify school life

- 1 Download the Flexischools App
- 2 Create an account and add your student(s)
 - Submit your email address to create an account.
 - Confirm your email address via the registration email.
 - Follow the registration process
 - Add your students to your account.
- 3 Lunch available to order Wednesday, ~~Thursday~~ & Friday - place your order by 9:00am.



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