



We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet.
We would also like to pay our respects to their Elders, past and present and emerging

Important Dates

November 27: Prep Transition Session
9:15am-10:45am
November 30: Pupil Free Day—Report Writing Day
December 8: Whole School Transition
December 15: Grade 6 Graduation
December 17: Billabong Ranch
December 18: Last day of Term—1:30pm dismissal

Excitement Plus

Great news. This morning the Ed Dept. forwarded a new set of guidelines for us to follow for the remainder of 2020. A summary of these are included in this newsletter. An ease of so many restrictions. Finally we are getting some freedom to get back to some form of normality in schools. Most of all we are able to allow parents and guest speakers back into schools. This is something we have been eager to happen. Stay tuned to student notes and school communications to keep in touch of what is happening at school.

If you have any further queries on this, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Student Celebration Billabong Ranch Thursday 17th December

Make sure you return the signed permission slips ASAP.

CSEF funding may be used. Tick the box on the return slip or contact the office if you want to use these funds.

Just a reminder that the buses will depart the school at 8:00 a.m. sharp.

Pupil Free Day – No students at school

*Monday 30th November – Report writing day
for staff.

Regular Phone Number

More excitement. Our regular phone number of 54503181 has been reinstated. Optus, Telstra & NBN finally coordinated together to have a win result for our school 😊

Billy Cart Derby Day

Friday will be our Great Pushcart Derby Day at school. This event for each class will be coordinated by the school leaders

under the direction of super saloon experts Harley & Hunter!

Classes will take it in turns to participate in a number of activities using pushcarts.

Students are requested to bring a bike helmet to school for the day if they have one.

Prep Transition

It was super to see all of our new 2021 preppies here last week. We look forward to seeing our new Preppies again tomorrow.

Rotations

Well done to both staff and students who were involved in the Rotations day on Tuesday. An extremely busy but highly engaging day for all. There will be another one of these events at KPS on next Tuesday. Please speak to your students about the fun they had at school that day.

Dreamseeds Workshop

Our grade 5/6 students were fortunate enough to participate in a virtual workshop known as Dreamseeds. This workshop was built around fostering personal values and growth as well as building relationships and using the skills to transition into high school. Thankyou to Brady Cronin of Youthrive Victoria for this presentation. He engaged really well with our students.

School Leadership Speeches

Grade 5 students have been busy preparing their School Leadership speeches for 2021. They will present the speeches at 11:45 a.m. on Thursday the 3rd Dec. in the PMP room. Voting will occur following the speeches. Parents will be welcome to come hear the speeches. Parents attending must sign in at the front office on entry and follow the signs to the speech presentation room.

Parent Club Hamper Raffle

Please support

Please support our Parent Club Hamper raffle by donations to your child's class hamper and by selling tickets to family, friends and neighbors. Thankyou.

Reminder

If you have any concerns or queries at all about your child's schooling. Please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or to contact the school.

Mr. Taylor. Principal.

Amazing Prep!

Welcome to Week 8 of Term 4!

I cannot believe how fast the weeks are flying towards the end of the year!

This week in Investigations the Preps have been loving the new Christmas area! They are also eagerly awaiting the arrival of the elf on the shelf, she has put her elf surveillance signs up and her swing is hanging below the clock ready and waiting for her arrival. In Jolly Phonics we have been revising the /er/ and /ar/ sounds and they are the last of our sounds in Jolly Phonics so I want to say a huge congratulations to all the Prep students on completing this program.

In Maths we have been revising our knowledge about data, we have collected data on our favourite investigations area and our favourite holiday.

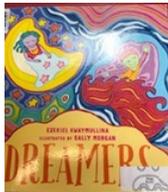


Please remember:

- To bring back the Billabong Ranch permission slips!
- Readers need to be read every night along with Magic 100 words
- Please ensure students have on appropriate clothing for the warmer weather
- Please ensure students are bringing a full drink bottle every day



MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 4, WEEK 8



Last week we focused on Naidoc Week. The children were exploring a variety of Indigenous stories that are available in the MARC van to borrow. We read several stories and admired the artwork/ illustrations that are in most of the stories. The younger children traced around their foot and coloured the outline in, then pasted a label that said 'We all walk together'. The older children chose an Indigenous food or Australian animal that they would like to research.

The children have been borrowing MARC books from the van, although all MARC books will need to be **left at school please, to enjoy in the classroom**. We have been entering **2 children at a time** and **hand sanitiser** is being used on the **way in and out**. Any special requests can be made and I will bring that particular book the following week. All books, once

returned, **are sanitised and quarantined for a week.**

I will be asking soon for all books to be returned as I need to clean and do a stocktake, for the end of year. MARC lessons will continue until the last week of school.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Kylie Leahy (Mrs. MARC)
MARC Library Teacher



Some examples of the children's work

Magical Grade 1/2.....

Hello everyone,

Week 8, The last week has gone super-fast. We have had a really busy week with rotations on Tuesday. It was a fantastic day and the children made some very beautiful and creative baubles with Mrs. Lake and myself. Can't wait until next Tuesday for rotations again.

In literacy, we have been doing spelling with some fun new activities. Guided reading, I'm enjoying listening to them read and encouraging them to read with expression, they are really doing a good job. In writing we are working on imaginative stories. The students have been doing a fantastic job and being very creative.

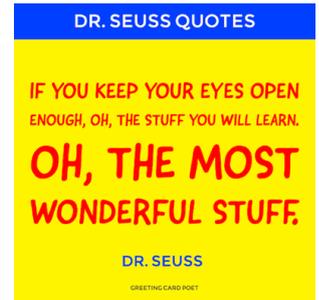
In maths, we are exploring location, discussing flips, slides and rotations. We are learning new words to use when talking about the above.

If you haven't donated to our baking basket for the raffle, you still have time to do so.

Have a great rest of the week and enjoy your weekend.

- Drink bottles
- Reader - signed by an adult

- Appropriate shoes for school
- MARC books before every Monday
- Jumpers need to be labelled



Have a lovely week everyone,

Miss Janelle & Mrs Lake

STUDENT PROFILE

NAME: Andy

MY FAVOURITES ARE:

FOOD: Steak

COLOUR: Blue

MOVIE: Motorbike Movies

BOOK: Harry Potter series

TOY: Motorbikes

MY HOBBIES ARE: Ride Motorbikes, Going to the pool, Going to the Zoo



Grade 3/4incredible!

With just over three weeks to go before school finishes now is a great time to up our home reading and give learning our best. We have noticed that over half the grade are forgetting to bring home reading diaries back each day. Could all parents and carers PLEASE make the effort to help your child read at home and return their signed diary everyday.

Rotations were a highlight this week and so nice to see all our grade just loving it!

In reading we continued to use the comprehension strategy of reading on. Every student has moved levels and for that we congratulate them. We also are expanding our

vocabularies by looking at thesaurus and dictionary words.

In maths we are using protractors and drawing right, obtuse and acute angles. We also continue with money and time table practise.

Notes for Billabong ranch are dribbling in so if you have one to return could you please do so.

Our Literacy groups will include a few Christmas instructional activities so look out for some surprises. Things appear to be getting back to some sort of Normal so be safe. How many sleeps to go?

Mrs Mac, Mr A & Mrs Dee

5/6 Brilliant!!!!

What a crazy, good, busy and action packed week we have had! We started the week off with rotations, a personal development talk and have had a 90 minute workshop delivered by Youthrive Victoria's Dream Seeds, which focused on building aspiration, setting goals, being the best you can be, personal values, personal growth, relationships, transitioning to high school, resilience and connections to the world and ourselves. This was a fantastic opportunity for us all and the students participated in reflective thinking and amazing learning!

We have had some amazing news with the Grade 6 Graduation guidelines- watch this space!

Don't forget we have permission forms due back for Grade 5 students to participate in Personal Development session in the first week of December and for our end of year trip to Billabong Ranch – please return ASAP!

I am seeking an empty roll from paper towel please if you could send one in per child 😊

Transition has changed for our Grade 6 students – for the better!!! Emails from K.T.H.S. are/have been sent out to families – let me know if you need help.

This week we have been:

Spelling: soft g words, ue words

Reading: working on individual students needs

Writing: speeches, final edits and presenting them – and they are amazing 😊

Maths: Time, how does time work in our everyday life – timetables and using 24 hour

system to plan trips etc.

Integrations unit: travel around the world and respectful relationships.

Note:

- Don't forget we are running a hamper raffle and our theme is chocolate – please and thanks for donations 😊
- Don't forget to return your forms if you are in grade 6 or a grade 5 girl!
- Billabong ranch excursions forms due back ASAP
- Stay away if you are sick and follow the rules for COVID if they apply

Ms. Closter & Mrs Morris 😊



We've had a busy morning in 5/6; We had a Dream Seeds workshop, and we also had a special visitor Simba!



LUNCH ORDERS TOMORROW'S SPECIAL: Sweet Chilli Wrap



*** TOMORROW ***

Transition Session
Science Focus
Friday November 27th
9:15am - 10:45am

You need to bring a hat, water bottle, morning tea and be dressed appropriately.

Donations needed for the Art Room

If anyone has any of the following lying around home, the Art Room would welcome the donations with thanks.

- 2 & 4L ice cream containers
 - Yogurt containers
 - Margarine containers
 - Newspapers

Rotation Sessions this Week...

There was lots of cooking, making, baking and creating happening at K.P.S.





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Ways to Promote Gender Equality



From November 25th to December 10th we celebrate the 16 Days of Activism for the Prevention of Violence against Women. One way to prevent violence against women in our children's future is to raise them to treat girls and boys as equal. Here are some ways to encourage equality in your kids.

Teach them that all human have feelings and that's ok

Everyone is allowed to feel sad or upset at times. Talk to your child about why they are upset and let them know that it is ok to have feelings. Teaching them safe ways to express emotions when they are young can help them to have better coping skills when they get older.

Show them diversity in the world

Provide examples in books, movies and media of both male and female heroes. For example show your children that women can be superheroes and men can be nurses.

Lead by example

The home is where the strongest values are taught to our children so have a look at the values you are sharing. Are chores and responsibilities divided equally or according to gender.

Let them play with and wear what they want

Play, creativity and experimenting are all a normal part of growing up and discovering who we are. When adults put restrictions on children –such as you can't play with dolls because you are a boy- you are creating rules for how they view the world.

For more information visit <https://believe.earth/en/how-to-educate-children-for-gender-equality/>

www.ndch.org.au

Child Safety Kerang Primary School is committed to Child safety. The safety and wellbeing of our students is a primary concern. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. To ensure the safety and best interests of all students, we take into account the needs of those with an Aboriginal or Torres strait Islander heritage and those from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds.