



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

March 5: Book Fair  
March 8: Labour Day Public Holiday  
March 11: Parent Teacher Interviews  
March 15: School Council AGM

## FACE MASKS REMINDER

Face masks are still necessary for parents coming in to the school. We will advise when this regulation changes.

## School Entry Times

Now that students are used to the entry to school and familiar with morning routines it is time to transition to the regular school entry times.

**8:30 – 8:45 a.m.** Parents drop students at the school gate.

**8:45 a.m.** Doors open for students to enter and prepare for the day.

**8:50 a.m.** Students begin the day's instruction by doing a teacher supervised 10 minute physical activity.

\*\*\*Parents wishing to speak to their child's class teacher are to come through the front office.

## Book Fair - Next Week!

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Purchase times 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Parents to enter via the reception

Each year scholastic Books have a Fair at our school. Students may view the books & stationery items to make a 'wish list' and then have a purchase day on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March. A percentage of all sales goes towards the purchase of new books for our school library. All students are encouraged to purchase something of educational value from the Book Fair. Every little sale supports our school. Just so you are aware!

**"It has been scientifically proven that the more you read the further you will go in school!"**

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/Teacher interviews have been rescheduled to Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup>. Please check your child's bags for the note with interview times provided yesterday. If the time is inconvenient please contact your child's class teacher to arrange an alternative time.

## Clean-Up Australia Day

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March

10:20 -11:00 a.m.

Students may bring their own gloves for this.

## School Swimming

School swimming lessons have been very successful and while it is only a shortened program so many students have made steady progress in that time. Thank-you to Mr. A for all of his planning and preparation for this worthwhile program to run. Well done to Beau, Kai, Harry and Blake for their efforts at the Zone Trials.

Congrats to Blake for his success at Zones.

## Meals on Wheels

Grade 6 Leaders do monthly Meals on Wheels deliveries with Mr. Taylor. On Monday Beau & Bob-Bob did an exceptional job delivering meals to local elderly residents. They were so impressive that it prompted one elderly citizen to contact the school with the following message.

"You delivered me Meals on Wheels today and I just wanted to say what a wonderful thing your school is doing. The kids did a great job. I taught at your school from 1974-1984 in the Wedderburn Junction building, as a remedial teacher" Well done to our two excellent school ambassadors.



## School Council

### Vacancy for Parent Representative.

As the number of School Council membership nominations did not exceed the number of vacancies the following people were appointed to school council. Jodie Closter & Andrew Mangan as staff reps. Tony Pearson, Brooke Williams and Kristen Hall as parent reps. A vacancy for one more parent representative still exists. If you are interested in this position please contact the Principal.

## Notice of School Council AGM

7:00 p.m.

March 15<sup>th</sup> 2021.

## Grounds Maintenance

Due to COVID restrictions full school working bees are not viable at the moment.

However individual or small numbers of families may volunteer to come into the school grounds after school hours to do some grounds maintenance, gardening and yard tidy. School administration needs to be contacted first with contact tracing details provided of those on the premises in that time period.

**If you have any queries or concerns do not hesitate to call the school during business hours on 54503181.**

## 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. You may do this by contacting the office during business hours.

Mr. Taylor. Principal.

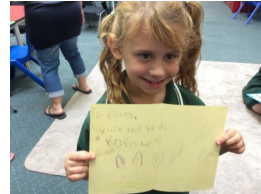
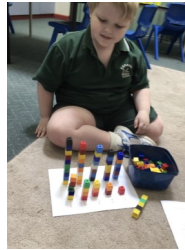
## Amazing Prep & Magical Grade 1/2.....

Preps having been working hard on our letter sounds and formations in literacy learning, and this week we engaged in some craft relating to the letter n sound, 'nnnnn' for our noisy planes. We enjoyed the chance to get messy, paint and use glitter!

Grade 1 2 have been working really hard on their recounts this week in writing with Ms Robinson, they have done a great job!

They have all really enjoyed swimming this week too!

**Ms Du Preez & Miss Robinson**



## Happy Birthday!!

**Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrated their birthday this week...**

**Phoebe Butler & Caity McNab**



## LUNCH ORDERS

**TOMORROW'S SPECIAL:**  
**Pasta**



## BOOK FAIR

**FRIDAY MARCH 5th**

**Purchase times 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**  
**Parents to enter via the reception**

## Great Grade 3.....

Congratulations to our 'Student of the Week' Aleshia Maher- Farrugia who made an excellent effort to complete her remote learning.

It's been a busy week with swimming and the students have been trying their best to complete all the activities.

In literacy we have been focussing on monitoring and cross checking when we are reading. Our writing of narratives has continued with us up levelling our punctuation and focussing on our Olly Opener from our VCOP writing. Even our cut up swimming noodles help us with our punctuation.

Our Kitchen garden has been producing zucchinis, tomatoes and cucumbers which we will use in our cooking next week. This week's cooking of 'Merna's Special sausage rolls was a hit as they were all gobbled up to give us energy for swimming.

A reminder to keep up the nightly reading and for parents to sign the reader diary each night.  
Cheers.

**Mrs Mac, Mr Adams and Mrs Lake.**



**\*\*\*\*Please return all Parent Occupation and Student Medical forms ASAP\*\*\*\***



## Grade 4/5 ....incredible!

What a rather packed week we have been having in grade 4/5. Members of our class have been happily participating in our swimming program despite the autumn air. Students have been practicing water survival skills, swimming basics, and specific strokes such as backstroke and breaststroke.

Back in the classroom we have been hard at work or hardly working. We have been practicing plays during our reading sessions to better read with expression and fluency. Members of the class have enjoyed taking this a step further and have joyfully experimented with using voices as well. (see picture).

Overall, we have had a fantastically busy week and look forward to the next one in grade 4/5.

- Mr. Mangan



## 5/6 Brilliant!!!!

Welcome to the half way mark of Term 1!

This week we have been working so very hard during Maths and have made some fabulous gains in our learning. We have a great bunch of students (who I am extremely proud of) who have stepped well outside their comfort zone and taken on great leadership duties helping and assisting other students in their learning – *Thank you!*

This week swimming has taken place over four days and all students have done an amazing job – again accepting the challenges put in front of them.

Our research project about a famous inspirational indigenous Australian's is continuing and students are working hard to meet the expectations of creating a well presented and well researched presentation – persistence and resilience is the key for this one!

Maths: we are working with decimals, how to divide and multiply with the powers of 10, as well as working out how to add and subtract decimal numbers. We have spoken in detail about how these scenarios fit into our everyday lives – the relations discovered were very clever.

Writing: we are working on recounts and beginning to discover the different types of recounts – this week we have worked on factual recounts – and learnt a little bit of history at the same time! Explorer Robert Falcon Scott – ask your child who he was and what he did and what happened to him 😊

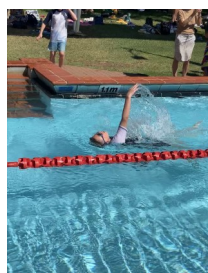
Reading: we are continuing to work on reading between the lines, making sense of what we are reading, inferring and knowing what we read. All of which, are parts of comprehension and ensuring students have a great understanding on the content that they are reading.

Have fantastic week and weekend 😊

Ms. Closter 😊

## ZONE TRIALS SWIMMING

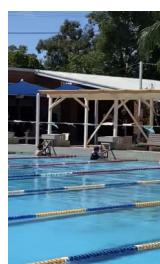
Congratulations to Blake Williams, Harry Pearson, Kai and Beau Roberts for representing our school at the Zone Swimming Trials last Friday. Well done to Blake and Harry for qualifying for the Zone Swimming at Swan Hill last Monday.



Blake bettered his personal best time by 2 seconds. Fantastic effort Blake!

## ZONE SWIMMING

Blake swimming at the zones on Monday. Blake came 3rd in his heat and 4th overall. Well done Blake!





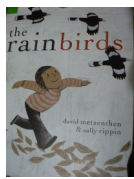
## MARC Library News

### Term 1, Week 5, 2021



This week the older children have presented what they have learnt about the two Authors, Paul Jennings and Andy Griffiths. Some children presented posters, some presented slide shows or a Pic Collage/ Book Creator. Children were given a choice on their way to present their information.

The children in the younger classes have been looking at the rules for MARC Library lessons, as well as the story *The Rainbirds* by David Metzenthen. The children have enjoyed creating their own bird and making it/ colouring it during MARC lessons.



Andy Griffiths

Paul Jennings

# Children from **Grade 2 up** are able to borrow two books each week. **Foundation and Grade 1** students are able to borrow 1 book each week.

##### Don't forget to look in the KPS Library for the Book Fair books- always cheaper to buy from the Book Fair than the shops!!! #####

**CBCA Awards and Book Week Theme for 2021:**

**OLD WORLDS, NEW WORLDS, OTHER WORLDS**

**Hopefully Book Week will go ahead in 2021!**

Happy Reading!!

Mrs. Kylie Leahy (aka Mrs. MARC)



## Pupils of the Week



**Aleshia Maher-Farrugia, RJ Hasiuk, Macey Hall, Cruz Freeman, Kenzie Murray, Levi Hodge, Courtney Masters, Caity McNab, Shayla Chirnside, Eisha Towle-Wise, Zander Chirnside, Nathan Maher-Farrugia, Daniel Ilsley & Natalie Spark**  
**Congratulations!**



Northern District Community Health

NDCH-your first port of call in the pursuit of good health!

### Tips for Better Sleep

Good sleep is important to our health and well-being. Sleep helps us grow, learn, concentrate, be happy and helps us to stay fit and healthy.

✓ YES



#### BEDTIME ROUTINE

- Have a bath
- Put PJ's on
- Brush teeth
- Go to the toilet
- Read a book
- Sleep time



#### POSITIVE SLEEP ENVIRONMENT

- Not too hot or cold
- Dark
- Quiet
- Comfortable



#### QUIET ACTIVITIES BEFORE BED

- Reading
- Yoga
- Colouring
- Puzzles
- Writing
- Bath/Shower



#### HEALTHY EATING & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

- Each day aim for:
- 2 pieces of fruit
  - 5 serves of vegetables
  - 60 minutes of physical activity

**DON'T FORGET**



**KEEP ELECTRONIC DEVICES OUT OF BEDROOMS:**  
and have at least 1 hour before bed without devices

For more tips and information visit: [sleepfoundation.org/articles/back-school-sleep-tips-0](https://sleepfoundation.org/articles/back-school-sleep-tips-0)

[www.ndch.org.au](https://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.