



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

**February 18: Casual Dress Day**  
**March 14: Labour Day Public Holiday**

## Swimming Program Postponement

**Due to current COVID restrictions parents are still not able to assist with the school swimming program. Couple that with the extreme staff shortages in schools, swim schools and pool supervisors, we have had to make the difficult decision to postpone the 2022 school swimming program to December. We appreciate your understanding of this.**

## RAT Tests

The next two weeks supply of student's RAT Tests are now available for collection from the front office of the school. If you have not collected your second pack for the term please drop in and do so.

## Parents in School

Most recent Guidelines issued to school clearly emphasize for Covid safety reasons the limiting of parents into school buildings. Parents may only enter the school building for specific approved purposes. This MUST be done via the front office area and be signed in. Now that the Prep students have settled into school routines, we ask that they walk into the classroom on their own after parents drop them off at the front of school. If still a little anxious, they may enter via the front foyer. Thank-you for your cooperation with this.

## Staffing News

The school is currently working through new staffing appointment processes and hopefully of finalising much of this by the end of next week. We can say that Ms. Janelle Flannagan has been appointed as the grade 3/4 class teacher in the role she has been currently doing on a casual relief process. We wish her well in the role and the stability for the students will be positive.

## School Council Membership Call for Nominations.

School Council AGM is on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Current Councilors that will remain for their second year of office are Tony Pearson, Jodie Closter, Kate O'Regan, Brooke Williams and Olivia Spark.

Retiring councilors are Gerard Hastie, Carolyn Freeman and Nicole Sanders. The retiring councilors are eligible and more than welcome to re nominate for another term of office.

Other parents are welcome to nominate as well. Nomination forms are available from the school front office.

If you have an interest in school governance, please consider taking a role on school council.

### School Council election process and timetable:

Event	Date
b) Closing date for nominations	Friday 18 February 2022
c) Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Monday 21 February 2022
d) Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	On or before Wednesday 23 February 2022
e) Close of ballot	Friday 4 March 2022
f) Vote count:	Tuesday 8 March 2022
g) Declaration of poll:	Thursday 10 March 2022
h) First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside):	Monday 21 March 2022

## School Times

**8:30-8:45** Students arrive at school

**8:45-8:50** Students prepare their desk for the day's learning

**8:50-9:00** Students participate in a whole school physical activity

**9:00** Students begin classroom learning.

*Please ensure your child is at school on time for their day's learning!*

## Zooper Doopers

Grade 6 students will be selling frozen Zooper Doopers at morning recess break. Zooper Dooper sales at 50c will go towards a charitable organization of their choosing.

## Casual Dress Day

There will be a Casual Dress Day on Friday 18th of February. Sensible sunsmart casual clothing may be worn instead of school uniform. Donation of a gold coin to those in casual dress. Funds raised from this will go towards the school's Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

## 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.*



**There are NO LUNCH ORDERS TOMORROW!**

## Amazing Prep ....

The Prep's have been working hard this week in Maths, practicing counting and hiding teddies. They are getting more and more confident counting to 10.

They've also been doing an amazing job practicing writing their name each day! Play based is always such a favourite, with many enjoying making different dishes at the playdough table.

Great job everyone!



## Fabulous 1/2 A ....

We have had a fantastic week. Very, very, very busy. Loads of learning has been happening and we have had fun working with the other Grade 1/2 class for some Literacy and Spelling work.

Reading – we have practiced a new strategy of cross checking and applying that to our own independent reading.

Spelling – we are practicing our M100FW in reading and in spelling as well as the short and long vowel a sound.

Maths – loads of hands on learning and using manipulation materials to make sense of our place value number learning. Skip

counting to music has begun and children are already showing improvement. We are up to 14 days of school so far! A little way till 100 days of school!

Writing – practicing, practicing, practicing our writing formation and we have begun to learn about recounts, exclamation marks and proper nouns.

### Remember:

Return any notes that have yet not been returned.

Enjoy the rest of your week 😊

Ms. Closter

## Magical 1/2 B....

This incredible grade has been very active despite the heat. We have been getting organised in the morning and it is great to see every one of us trying to be at school by 8:45. This sets us up calmly for the day.

Please encourage your child to read every night they can. Our readers and diaries need to be at school every day also as this is an important part of our morning of learning.

We have been counting by 2's, 5's and 10's and are getting so much better at having a go at things even though they may be tricky. Great Job everyone!

We have been getting used to the routines of spelling and Literacy groups and are slowly building

up our reading and writing stamina. Thanks to all for returning your notes. Don't hesitate to let us know if you need a chat about our learning.

Stay cool.

Mrs Mac, Mr A, Mrs Dee.



## Grade 3/4 ....incredible!

What a great week we have had in Grade 3/4. We have been busy working on some fantastic writing pieces and publishing them to display in our classroom. Maths lessons have been busy with lots of hands on activities. Readers are going home every night, we hope you

are enjoying listening to your child read. Please remember to sign their diary and make sure it comes back to school every day. Just a reminder, if you haven't already done so please send headphones to school for your child to use. Masks need to be sent every day. Hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Miss Janelle, Mr. T and Mrs. Lake.

## 5/6 Brilliant!!!!

This week in 5/6 class we have been learning about character traits so we know how to describe characters and people when we write.

We also just finished the book *Once* by Morris Gleitzman. The book is about World War 2 and the

Jewish Holocaust and we made a poster about the main characters in *Once*, *Zelda* and *Felix*.

We are also selling Zooper Doopers for charity, and we have raised over \$40 so far.

By Eisha & Shontelle.



**\*\*Please return all Parent Occupation, Student Medical forms & IT agreements ASAP\*\***



## Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrated their birthday since our last newsletter ...

**Harper Newson**



## MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 1, WEEK 3

**2022**



This week in MARC Lessons we have been focusing on the Winter Olympics, happening at the moment in Beijing. All the older classes we have focused on the different events at the Winter Olympics, including cross country skiing, curling, ice skating and bob sledding. We have watched some clips of these sports and enjoyed researching some of our Australian athletes, such as Laura Peel, Dean Hewitt, Danielle Scott and Cameron Bolton.

The younger classes have read some of Leigh Hobbs' books such as *Mr. Chicken All Over Australia* and *Horrible Harriet*. Leigh Hobbs will be the first Australian Author that we will focus on in Term 1. The

children have completed a range of Mr. Chicken activities, as well as playing the MARC Matching Game- please ask the children what this is and if they enjoy getting a match!

**I am still looking for overdue Library books from 2021.**

**Please keep looking for them.**

Have a great week!

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

**YOU'RE INVITED TO...**

## COVID-19 VACCINE & KIDS INFORMATION SESSION



A 45 minute online presentation for parents of children aged 5-11. Let's talk about:

- Children's vaccinations
- The importance and benefits
- Any questions you may have

**Date & Time:**  
Thursday 17th Feb  
7 PM

**Bookings Essential**  
Register now:  
[ndch.org.au/events](https://ndch.org.au/events)

Staff from NDCH Children's Vaccination Clinic and Guest Speaker **Dr Steven Lu**

There is zero tolerance of any kind of disrespect in this webinar

A project of the Vaccination Ambassador Project in Gannawarra and Loddon 

Kerang Football Netball Club 

# netsetgo!

## Junior Netball

An introductory program for boys and girls aged 5-10 years that gives children an opportunity to increase their social and motor skills in a friendly and fun environment.

 Sessions will be held Saturday's at 9:15am  
(on home games)

**Come along to Registration Night for more information...**

**FEBRUARY 24 FROM 5PM**



**FOOTY 4 FUN**

# COME AND TRY FEMALE FOOTY!

**KERANG SWAN HILL**

WEDNESDAY 23RD FEB 4.30-5.30 - KERANG OVAL 8-14 YEARS OF AGE

TUESDAY 1ST MARCH 4.30-5.30 - SWAN HILL REC 8-14 YEARS OF AGE



QR CODE 8-12 YEAR OLDS



QR CODE 13-14 YEAR OLDS

REGISTER USING THE LINK OR SCAN QR CODE

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/827df0> 8-12 YEAR OLDS

<https://forms.office.com/r/5BaNe2BFb7> 13-14 YEAR OLDS

 **play.afl**

**Give it a go!**



Enquires - 0408 509 221  
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**Have Fun, Make Friends & Get Active - PLAY NETBALL!**



**FOOTY 4 FUN**

## FOOTBALL PROGRAMS

**KERANG SWAN HILL**

WEDNESDAY 23RD OF FEB 4.30-5.30 KERANG FOOTBALL OVAL

TUESDAY 1ST OF MARCH 4.30-5.30 SWAN HILL REC RESERVE

8-12 YEARS OF AGE BOYS

HAVE SOME FOOTBALL FUN AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THE 2022 SEASON

REGISTER USING THE LINK OR SCAN THE QR CODE

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/d3f3f1>



ANY QUIRES PLEASE CONTACT [DAVID.ALDERUCCIO@AFL.COM.AU](mailto:DAVID.ALDERUCCIO@AFL.COM.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.

# CASUAL DRESS DAY

## Friday 18th

On Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of February you can come to school in neat, sun-smart casual clothes.

Gold coin donation would be appreciated.

All the Gold coin donations we get will be put towards the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

