



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 25: Lunch Orders are back!
March 14: Labour Day Public Holiday
March 21: School Council AGM

Thank-you

A huge Thank-you to Mrs. Linda Perkins who has been teaching grade 5/6 until we were able to source a permanent teacher. Mrs. Perkins has built a fabulous rapport with the students and given them a good start to academic success in their senior primary years. She has also developed good relationships with the students and families. We are extremely appreciative of her assistance and will miss her when she returns to her home in Geelong this weekend. Thankyou Mrs. Perkins from all of us here at KPS. Please come back and visit one day.

Masks in Schools

Recent information forwarded from the Department to school's this week is that students in grades 3-6 are strongly urged to wear face masks when in indoors. For children in P-2, facemasks are optional.

Staff are to wear facemasks in doors at all times unless doing direct explicit teaching. Schools are still to abide by all other COVID Safety measures.

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.

New guidelines outlining an easing of restrictions in schools will be issued shortly. We will keep you all informed of any changes that appear in these guidelines.

Staffing News

Latest staffing updates. Ms. Janelle Flannagan will be teaching the grade 3/4 students 5 days per week. We have advertised for another part-time teacher so that Ms. Janelle will be able to continue her part time Tutoring role within the school.

Ms. Michelle Howard currently teaching at Lake Charm has appointed as the new grade 5/6 teacher. Ms. Howard will begin at KPS on Monday afternoon. As Ms. Howard will be working Mon – Wed. Mr. Taylor will teach the students on a Thursday/Friday.

We are currently in the process of appointing a School Inclusive Wellbeing Officer who will take up their role within the school on the 14th March. We are looking forward to this exciting new position created with additional Wellbeing and Inclusive School's funding. We will be able to inform you of the successful applicant and a brief about their role in next week's newsletter.

School Council Membership

Nominations for School Council membership equaled the positions vacant. Therefore, no election is necessary. Welcome to returning Parent Members, Gerard, Nicole and Carolyn.

Scholastic Book Fair

Thankyou to all who supported the recent Book Fair. Sales totaled \$1,123. This allowed the school to select \$450 worth of new books for our school library.

Zooper Doopers

Grade 6 students are doing a roaring trade selling frozen Zooper Doopers at morning recess break. Zooper Dooper sales at 50c are going towards go towards a Crohns Disease & Colitis Research Foundation. This charity was chosen as it is very close to home to one of our current families.

Casual Dress Day

The casual dress day raised \$114. This is a good start to the school's contribution to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal. Thankyou to those who participated and supported this.

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

This week in Prep, we have been working on some fun ways to write our names. Each of the Prep's had a go at counting the letters of their name and creating their own name caterpillars. We are looking forward to finishing them and displaying them in our classroom. Prep's have also been doing a great job at naming different emotions in respectful relationships, and have enjoyed learning each other's names with some fun games in our language lessons. Keep up the great work!



Fabulous 1/2 A

We have had another fantastic week, which once again has seen us all very, very, very busy.

Reading – this week we are practicing the strategy of backing up and re-reading when things don't make sense or the word is tricky.

Spelling – we are continuing to practice the M100FW in reading and in spelling as well as other words aimed at the needs of each student's testing gaps.

Maths – we have been working on skip counting and will continue to do this for some time. We have been learning about place value and how to trade into tens hundreds and even thousands.

Writing – loads and loads of practicing, practicing, practicing writing formation. We have had a go at recounts and up-levelling and editing our work. This week we have focused on adverbs and proper nouns.

I am very proud of the students. All have been trying their hardest with all work set for them.

Remember:

I am away for 8 days from this coming Monday, should you have any questions please feel free to contact me before or after I return. If it is urgent then please contact Brenton.

Have a great week!

Ms. Closter



LUNCH ORDERS ARE BACK!!

TOMORROW'S SPECIAL: Chicken Schnitz Burger



Magical 1/2 B....

The students have been working both in one class with Mrs Mac and also in a combined Grade 1/2 with Mrs Closter's class for literacy and spelling groups. This has allowed us to focus more closely on working at the student's level and we are able to offer more group activities with a greater number of teachers and ES staff. It has been great to see the students becoming more independent working in a variety of settings.

In maths we have focused on number with students doing threading in groups of ten and using pegs to mark different counting patterns on a tape measure. Physical Education has involved the students completing ball skills and co-ordination activities in PMP. Please continue to hear your child read each night and have them practice their spelling words to set up a solid foundation for their learning this year.

Mrs Mac, Mr Adams and Mrs Dee.

Grade 3/4incredible!

The weeks are going so fast. Grade 3/4 have been working very hard this week. The students have been producing some great work and our room is looking fantastic with it all hanging up.

We are reading really well in class and encouraging all students to keep up the great reading at home. Please remember to sign your child's reading diary as well.

Writing we have been writing some fantastic stories and publishing them as well. Our

favourite one for the week was called Pass It On. The students all had different story starter. They each wrote a sentence and then they continuously passed it around the room so every student wrote a sentence. Some of the stories were very funny.

In maths we are working on addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. Would be helpful in the students can learn their times tables at home.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Janelle, Mr. T and Mrs. Lake.

5/6 Brilliant!!!!

This week in grade 5/6 we have been learning about the human eye and how it works. We have also been learning how to read decimals and to not get the tenths, hundreds and thousands confused. This is sadly Mrs Perkins last week with us. We have a new teacher next week and her name is Mrs Howard. I'm sure we will have as much fun with Mrs Howard as what we have did with Mrs Perkins. We have had a lot of fun with Mrs Perkins

but nothing fun lasts forever. We wish Mrs Perkins well in her next adventure.

Harry and Caity

Thank you for making me feel so welcome. It has been great meeting everyone. I wish you all the best for the rest of the year. Mrs Howard is ACE! You will love her.

Mrs Perkins.

MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 1, WEEK 4



Some new titles in the MARC Van

This week in MARC Lessons the older grades have been focusing on Australian Authors, such as **Nova Weetman** and **Glenda Millard**. The students have watched an interview with Nova Weetman, through the YABBA website and have researched her books and any interesting facts about her life; she has been writing books since she was 12 years old! Glenda Millard has written over 45 books and she did not start to write until she was 45 years old!

The younger classes have read some of **Pamela Allen's** books such as Fat Ferdie, Mr. McGee and Belinda. This is our second Australian Author that we will be focusing on during Term 1. The children have completed a

2022



WANTED Poster for a made up creature, such as Fat Ferdie, who only eats meat (and children)!

Please keep looking for any MARC van books, with the truck sticker on the front cover, at home. I am still waiting for some overdue Library books to be returned from 2021.

Thanks for reading my snippet!

Mrs. Kylie Leahy (aka Mrs. MARC)

MARC Library Teacher



More New titles!

Zone Swimming

A beautiful day in Swan Hill for Zone Swimming on Monday.

Harry Pearson in the 12/13 yr olds and Blake Williams in the 11yr olds represented KPS in style.

Blake's backstroke was the first event for the boys, and a great start it was. Blake came away with second place and a time of 59.58. His next race was the Breaststroke. A neck and neck race the entire way down the pool with a touch in it between 1st and 3rd. Blake came away with the 3rd in a time of 59.86. Both of Blakes swims were PBs.

Harry was up next and off to a flying start. By the 25m mark Harry had the lead, and managed to hold it all the way to the end. A brilliant swim, recording a time of 1.01.36- A massive PB for Harry as well.

Blake was back in the pool, getting the Kerang District 4x50m freestyle relay off to a flying start, and then straight into the Kerang District open 4x50m Medley relay, swimming the breaststroke leg.

The smiles on the boys faces said it all, they had a great time and got behind fellow Kerang swimmers encouraging and cheering them down the pool.

Harry will now swim at the Regional championships on March 17.

Congratulations on a great day in the pool guys!



**Happy
Birthday!!**

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

Ebony Pearce

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

DIVISION SWIMMING RESULTS

On Monday the Division Swimming Carnival was held in Swan Hill. Congratulations to Harry Pearson who finished first in breast-stroke and has qualified for the Regional Swimming Carnival in Swan Hill on Thursday 17th March.

Also well done to Blake Williams, who finished 3rd in backstroke and 2nd in breast-stroke. Thank-you to their parents for taking them to this event.

FOOTBALL PROGRAMS
KERANG SWAN HILL
 WEDNESDAY 23RD OF FEB 4.30-5.30
 TUESDAY 1ST OF MARCH 4.30-5.30
 KERANG FOOTBALL OVAL 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/d3j3f1>

ANY QUIRES PLEASE CONTACT
 DAVID.ALDERUCCO@AFL.COM.AU

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

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

29th annual
Cohuna
 BRIDGE TO BRIDGE

Sunday, March 6
Ride/Run/Walk
 Factory and Field Waffles
 Cohuna Bridge to Bridge
 Island Road, Cohuna
www.bridgetobridge.org.au
 If the Bridge to Bridge is cancelled, all events will revert to virtual events.

- CMA Healthy Gunbower Forest Kids K
- Dunkinway Tyrepower 6.5km Fun Run/Walk
- The Bridge Newspaper 12.5km Trail Run
- Cohuna Auto Electrical 21.1km Trail Run
- 6.5km Junior Cycle
- 25km Cycle
- Mawsons 50km Cycle
- Virtual Options for Each Event

A major fundraiser for the **COHUNA HOSPITAL** with proceeds going towards a cardiac monitor.

Organised by the Bridge to Bridge Committee and **Waffles** FACTORY + FIELD

INFORMATION SESSION

When: 6:00pm Monday 7th March 2022
Where: Swan Hill RSL
 138 Curlewis Street, Swan Hill
Roles: Police Officer & Police Custody Officer

Register at— <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/police-pco-information-session-swan-hill-tickets-268667099527>
 Learn more— www.police.vic.gov.au/careers
 Connect with us — <https://www.facebook.com/victoriapolice>

A CAREER SERVING THE COMMUNITY

NDCH School Newsletter
 Gannawarra & North Loddon

International Women's Day MORNING TEA

Break the Bias in Gannawarra
 Join us to celebrate women and our rich diversity and achievements. Help raise awareness against bias and take action for equality.

Co-hosts Stacy Williams, Gannawarra Shire Council's Director Community Wellbeing, and Mandy Hutchinson, NDCH's CEO, will lead a panel of exceptional local women.

Tuesday March 8, 2022 at 10am
 Outside at Sir John Gorton Library, Kerang

Bookings essential: www.trybooking.com/BXMPV
 Free event. Morning tea provided.
 First 30 people to book will receive a complimentary gift bag.

More information:
 03 5452 1546 / library@gs.vic.gov.au

This initiative is funded by Gannawarra Shire Council through the Victorian Government's Community Activation and Social Isolation (CAS) Initiative.

www.internationalwomensday.com

International Women's Day BREAK THE BIAS

International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the achievements of women.

The day marks a call for gender equality. Gender equality is the state in which access to rights or opportunities does not depend on gender.

3 Tips for teaching about gender equality:

1. Be open and talk about it
 Talk with them about what gender equality means and why it is important. Talk about how important it is for both men and women to have equal opportunities.
2. Give examples
 Show them examples of gender equalities and inequalities.
3. Model gender equality
 Children learn from what they see. Role model positive gender equality behaviours at home and in the community. Share home tasks such as cooking and cleaning with both boys and girls.

For more information visit: www.internationalwomensday.com

GET ACTIVE VICTORY APPLY FOR VOUCHERS
 Vouchers are available for eligible families and activities.

Applications for vouchers will be opening in March 2022. There will be two ways to apply:

1. GET REIMBURSED
 If you have already paid for your child's registration fees or membership you can apply to be reimbursed for up to \$200. You can be reimbursed for expenses incurred between 1 January 2021 and 18 March 2022. Applications for reimbursement will open on 7 March and close 18 March 2022. After this date, you won't be able to be reimbursed for your expenses.
2. APPLY FOR A VOUCHER
 Apply for a voucher up to \$200 that you can redeem with a registered activity provider. When you register or pay your membership fee to the activity provider you will provide them your voucher code and they will reduce the cost of the registration and/or membership fee up to the value of \$200.

For more information visit: www.getactive.vic.gov.au

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.

Lunch Order Price List

Fridays Only
Summer Menu 2022



Rolls

Cheese	\$3.50
Buttered	\$2.00
Chicken & Salad	\$5.00
Ham & Salad	\$5.00
Salad Only	\$4.50
Ham	\$4.00
Chicken and Mayo	\$4.00

Wraps

Chicken/ Ham salad Wrap	\$5.00
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Sandwiches

Ham, Cheese, Tomato	\$4.00
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Salad Bowls

Chicken and Salad	\$6.00
Ham & Salad	\$6.00
Salad Only	\$5.50

Hot Food

Nuggets (6)	\$4.00
Cup Noodles	\$2.50
Party Pies (3)	\$3.00
Sausage Rolls	\$3.00

Alternatives

The Complete Lunch Box	\$5.50
(Includes ½ wrap or party pies or chicken bits (this will depend on what Lisa has available) - Prima – fruit – cookie or a mini muffin	
Homemade Yo-Yos	\$2.00

Friday Special \$5.50

(Selected by canteen, unable to choose)

(Sweet Chilli Wrap – Lamb Souva – or some sort of Burger – Pizza – Wedges – Meatball Sub Pasta, etc.)

Drinks

Water (Mt Franklin)	\$2.50
Prima:	\$2.00
(Tropical, Apple Blackcurrant, Apple Raspberry)	
Nippys	\$3.00
(Chocolate, Strawberry, Honeycomb)	



Complete Box

**All lunch orders can be placed in an envelope with Name, Grade, Order and Money inside.
Thank-you.**