



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 14: Labour Day Public Holiday**

**March 15: Parent/ Teacher Interviews**

**March 21: School Council AGM**

## Congratulations

All at Kerang Primary School extend their congratulations on to Ms. Closter who is getting married this weekend. Jodie will return from leave on Thursday the 10th of March and will be known as Mrs. Fletcher. Mrs. Mac and Mr. A are covering the other 1/2 class during Ms. Closter/Fletcher's current leave days.

## Masks in Schools

The Education Dept. Vic. Is constantly reminding us 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.

## Slow Trickle

The Education Dept. is allowing a slow trickle ease of restrictions in schools. Parents are allowed into schools but only in a restricted & controlled manner. No QR code required but MUST enter via the front reception and sign in. Parents may only be on sight in restricted numbers and for limited times.

We are also allowed to attend camps, excursions & have incursions. We now have the grade 3/4 camp booked for 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> of May at Billabong Ranch, Echuca. Details to follow soon.

There will be a Cultural Performance by Nexus Arts at school on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April. We are gradually getting back to some form of normality but in slow gradual stages. Parent/Teacher Interviews will be conducted on Tuesday 15th March. We at school sincerely Thank you for your patience & support with this slow return to routine.

## Staffing News

Welcome to Mrs. Michelle Howard who is teaching grade 5/6. Mrs. Howard has been appointed as a permanent teacher in our school so this will add to stability to our school. Mr. Smith and Mr. Vevers have been doing CRT work at our school. Mr. Smith provided our students with a rich cultural experience about indigenous New Zealand.

Mrs. Tegan Cooke will begin on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March in our newly created Wellbeing and Inclusive Education officer. Mrs. Cooke comes to us with a wealth of experience in Victoria Police. We are excited about her appointment in this role and it will be of immense benefit and support to our students, staff and families.

## School Council AGM

The school Council AGM will be conducted at 7:00 p.m. on Monday the 21st of March. Welcome to Mrs. Closter and Mrs. Du Preez as the staff representatives on School Council.

## 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.

## 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 ....

The Prep's have been working hard on matching their numbers to quantities this week, and are learning about how to work with others when working in groups!

We also finished our name caterpillars for display, and have enjoyed working on our Prep family display!

Great work everyone!



## Happy Birthday!!

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

Caity McNab, Emily Matarazzo & Macey Hall



## LUNCH ORDERS!!

### TOMORROW'S SPECIAL: Chicken Alfredo's

(in a roll with lettuce, carrot, beetroot & tomato)

## Fabulous 1/2's ....

Wow, Wow, Wow, What a week in the one two space!

We have been talking and making numbers. Some of us can read well into the thousands! We have been making place value houses to help us understand the concepts of where we place numbers and thinking hard about how many digits we can place in a room. We have been counting by 2's and some of us can do this beginning from any starting point. We are getting used to the flow of a maths session with counting first, then a game, then instruction then reflection. We are also getting better at tight transitions which means we move from one activity to another, quickly, quietly and safely.

We continue to establish good reading habits with our very organised reading time first thing in the morning. Please help us by reading with and practising words with your little learner EVERYDAY.

We have been writing and responding to literature and have made a picture quilt about, The long red scarf. We also would like to thank Mrs Morris and Mrs Dee for their extra support this week and some of next as

Ms Closter embarks on the next chapter of her life. Congrats Ms Closter and Jarrod !

Take care and stay safe.

Mrs Mac, Mr A, Mrs Dee and Mrs Morris.

And the super, sensational, special grade ones and twos. x

*Playing place value house games helps us to learn place value in a fun way.*



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

Wow can't believe we are halfway through term 1 already. We have been busy in class and the days are going so fast, even the children have been saying how fast the days have been going.

In literacy we have been working hard with our sight words and doing predictive writing as well. The children are doing a great job with their reading at home.

In maths we have started working on multiplication and it is proving to be a challenge. Could you please help your children practice their times tables. We are sending home a copy of times tables for you to keep at home to practice with.

Have a wonderful weekend and looking forward to another productive week.

Miss Janelle and Mrs. Lake.

## 5/6 Brilliant!!!!

The 5/6 class has been setting goals and they did a teamwork activity where they had to build a tower out of aluminum foil and whatever teams tower was the highest won and the 5/6 learnt that they need to use teamwork to succeed and the kids were really engaged in their learning.

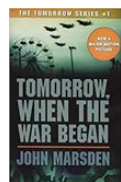
On Thursday the 5/6 class got a new teacher. Her name is Mrs Howard and from what we have heard

the students like Mrs Howard for her fun activities and similarities to Mrs Perkins who has now gone home to Geelong

In the 5/6 class a new pupil has arrived today from Bendigo and her name is Alyssa.

By Axcel.

## MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 1, WEEK 5



2022



This week in MARC Lessons the older grades have been focusing on another Australian Author, **John Marsden**. John writes fiction stories for older primary aged children and has a distinct focus on war stories. The children have looked up different titles that he has written and suggested some to purchase for the MARC van. We have also compared John Marsden's work to that of Glenda Millard from last week.

The younger classes have read some of **Jackie French's** books such as **Wombat Goes to School** and **Emily and the Big Bad Bunyip**. The children have decided which animal they would like to draw- a wombat or a bunyip- as well as noticing the recurrence of the animals that Jackie French uses in her stories,

such as wombats, kangaroos and emus.

We have begun talking about Autumn also and will be completing some Autumn leaves next week- stay tuned!

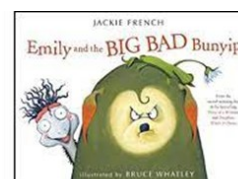
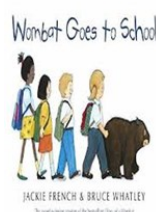
**Please keep an eye out for any MARC van books, with the MARC van sticker on the front cover, at home.**

**Thanks for staying up to date with MARC!**

Mrs. Kylie Leahy (aka Mrs. MARC)

MARC Library Teacher

Autumn craft





# PHYSIOTHERAPY



for families and children from birth to 17 years old.

Physiotherapy is available for children who may have difficulty with things such as:

- Rolling
- Running
- Coordination
- Crawling
- Sitting
- Balance
- Walking
- Gross motor skills – these include, throwing, catching, kicking, jumping, hopping, skipping, climbing, bike riding and/or playing sport.

Physiotherapy is available for children with a wide variety of conditions including, but not limited to:

- Cerebral palsy
- Developmental delay
- Down syndrome
- Acquired brain injuries
- Duchenne Muscular dystrophy
- Neurological conditions and genetic disorders
- Cystic fibrosis
- After Surgery or illness
- Toe walking
- Autism Spectrum disorder

If your child may benefit from this service you can contact Northern District Community Health on 5451 0200, alternatively any children with Physiotherapy in their NDIS plan, referrals can be sent to [NDIS@ndch.org.au](mailto:NDIS@ndch.org.au)



## GET ACTIVE 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](http://www.getactive.vic.gov.au)

**INFORMATION SESSION**

When: 6:00pm Monday 7<sup>th</sup> 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-pos-information-session-sw-hill-tickets-268667099527>

Learn more: [www.police.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.police.vic.gov.au/careers)

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**A CAREER SERVING THE COMMUNITY**



# NDCH School Newsletter

## GANNAWARRA KIDS EAT WELL POSTER/COLOURING COMPETITION

### What is Vic Kids Eat Well?

A new movement to encourage healthy food and drink!

### What's involved?

Make a poster or colour in the Gannawarra Kids Eat Well poster, and go to the Cohuna Show to see your entry on display.

### Who can enter?

Open to all primary and secondary schools in Gannawarra.

### How to enter?

Send your entry to Rachel at [Rachel.brooks@ndch.org.au](mailto:Rachel.brooks@ndch.org.au) or drop it off at your school reception. Names will be displayed at the show, leave name blank if you want students to remain anonymous.

Entries close: 16th March 2022

### Prizes include:

- 4 x \$25 voucher for your school from a local fruit and veg retailer in your area
- Gannawarra Kids Eat Well certificate for every child who enters
- Colouring displayed at the Cohuna Show



Example from: Grade 5, Epping Public School



Example from: Grade 4, Wahroonga Public School



## JOIN THE FUN!

BOYS AND GIRLS 5 – 12 YEARS OF AGE  
OVER 20 CENTRES IN THE REGION

PLENTY OF FUN!  
GREAT FOR SOCIAL INTERACTION!

FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS  
AND SMALL SIDED GAMES

PROGRAM COST IS \$85 AND YOU GET AN AFL PACK SENT TO YOUR HOME & A GREAT PROGRAM  
NAB AUSKICK – JOIN THE FUN!

### 2022 COMMUNITY AUSKICK PACK



[play.afl/auskick](http://play.afl/auskick)

### 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.**