



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 13: Labour Day Public Holiday
March 14: Pupil Free Day
March 20: School Council AGM
March 24: STOMP Showcase—Cohuna
April 6: Last Day of Term 1

Badge Presentation Assembly

On Friday 3rd March our local Member of Parliament visited Kerang Primary School to present the school Leaders with their badges and letter of acknowledgement.

He spoke to all students at assembly about the qualities of leadership and the responsibilities that go along with it.

He also spoke about the qualities of good citizenship and the role we can all play in making our school are wonderful and vibrant place to learn.

He then wished the student leaders well for the 2023 school year and that their role this year would hold them in good stead with their future endeavours.

Thank you to the families that came along to school to support the students at this assembly and Badge Presentation.

Pictured From Left. School Ambassador – Miley Bright. School Captain - Macey Hall

School Principal – Brenton Taylor. School Vice-Captain – Mitch Wilson. School Captain – Seth Beale. Peter Walsh MP. School Ambassador – Malahnie Clapham. School Vice-Captain – Blake Williams. School Ambassador – Harley Cartwright.



Easter Raffle—Donations Wanted

The School Council will again be conducting their annual Easter Raffle. Tickets will be issued to students this Friday. All monies raised from this fundraising effort will go towards further school grounds improvement.



We are requesting donations of Easter related items to go towards the making up of Easter Prize Baskets for this raffle. We appreciate your generous offer of donations. Donations to the Easter raffle can be left at the school office to be stored in a mouse-proof container in a cool dry location. Will keep the two legged mice away from the tempting treats as well

School Breakfast Club

School Breakfast Club is now operating and being coordinated by Tegan. Any queries please contact her through the school office.

School Council AGM—Monday 20th March

School Council election process and timetable:

Event	Date
h) First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside):	Monday 20 March 2023

Student Absence Notice

Thank you to the parents who are cooperating and notifying the school of any student absence on the day of the unexpected absence. We appreciate your diligence. Just a reminder to all to do the same when your child is unexpectedly absent for school. That will save the school having to call you regarding a student absence.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN Testing will occur next Wednesday/Thursday/Friday for all grade 3 & 5 students across Australia. It is extremely important that grade 3 & 5 students attend school on time on those days, unless there is a reasonable reason for them not to be at school. Any queries or concerns regarding this please contact the school Principal.

Urgent - Updated Student Information Forms

Please return these ASAP. Also student ICT Agreement forms. Thankyou.

Monday March 13th

Labor Day Public Holiday. No one at school that day.

Tuesday March 14th

Pupil Free day

Students will have a Pupil Free Day while staff do their First Aid, CPR Training and E-learning module requirements that day.

Communication.

Remember that if you have any concerns regarding your child at school and either their learning or their welfare. Please do not hesitate to contact the school and arrange a meeting with either the class teacher, School Wellbeing Officer Tegan or the Principal.

Stomp Dance Program

The Stomp Dance Program that our school will be doing in conjunction with Koondrook and Cohuna will begin the week Monday 20th March. This program is being sponsored by the Barham Club. There will be a whole group concert for families to attend at Cohuna on Friday the 24th. Full details in a separate note. We Thank the Barham Club for this generous donation to our schools.

Mr. Taylor. Principal.

Amazing Prep/1

Our class was full of excitement this week when we discovered a big caterpillar outside. We have collected the caterpillar and made a nice home for it and the students are loving watching it crawl around and munch on leaves. We are hoping we might be lucky enough to watch it make its cocoon. We have also looked at the life cycle of a caterpillar/butterfly and made our own cycle.

In other news the students are doing a great job with their writing and trying really hard to hear the sounds in words. We have even written two books as a class based on the books we were reading during our shared reading time, Mrs Wishy Washy and Brown Bear, Brown Bear, what do you see?

Have a great week

Mrs Tieppo and Miss Hall



Happy Birthday!!

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

Millah Walters



LUNCH ORDERS

TOMORROW'S SPECIAL:

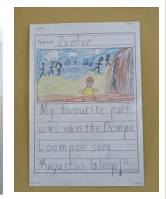
Chicken Alfredo's

Magical 1/2

Some superb writing being published in the Grade 1 / 2 class.

We have finished looking at recount writing and published our work on a display, recounting our favourite part of the Charlie in the Chocolate Factory.

We have begun our procedural writing this week and are looking at writing about How to Plant a Seed.



Grade 3/4/5 happenings ...

Congratulations to our 'Student of the Week' George Worsnop, who is focusing on his work and achieving a higher level.

Lots of exciting learning going on in 3/4/5 this week. From making a chemical reaction in science with Mrs Mac, cooking delicious broccoli carbonara with Mr A in kitchen garden, finding out some amazing facts for our information reports and collecting data to put into a graph, we've done it all!

Our reading has focused on description texts and we learnt that road trains can have up to 4 trailers attached. In maths the students have looked at the value of digits in a number. In geography we have completed information about North and South America as part of our continent studies. Just a few reminders:

- Headphones are needed by each student to be able to use with their laptops. Could the headphones please be named as we store them in a plastic box.

- Could every student please supply two boxes of tissues if they haven't already done so
- An empty shoe box for our "Life In A Box" project

It has been great to see more students reading at home, having their diaries signed and bringing them to school to be recorded.

Mr A, Mrs Morris and Tegan



5/6 Brilliant

Hello Families,

It really doesn't slow down in grade 5/6. This week we have come to the end of our class novel *Holes*, students really enjoyed the book and are looking forward to watching the movie the week after next. In reading we have started investigating traditional literature (myths and legends) and finished off our

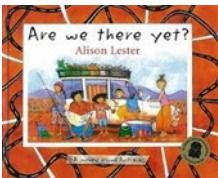
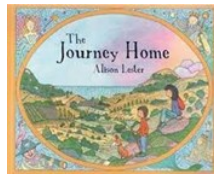
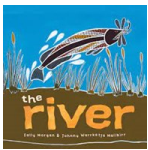
excellent fantasy stories from last week. In maths we are working hard learning to multiply by 2 digit numbers.

As always please ensure that your student is reading at home and filling out their diary. Please remember not to send your students on Monday or Tuesday as they are a public holiday and a student free day.

- Mr.Mangan

MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 1, WEEK 6

2023



This week in MARC Lessons the **older grades** have continued to focus on Australian Authors, with our focus being on **Sally Morgan**.

Sally Morgan is an Indigenous Author who has written several books, including *The River*, *This Is Me*, *Little Bird's Day* and *Sisterheart*. We have focused on **The River** and the illustrations of the Australian animals, including the turtle, crocodile and the kangaroo. We have discussed the colours of the art and tried to incorporate these colours into our own animal drawings. Lots of children can relate to the story as they too live close to a river.

The **younger classes** have focused on another Australian Author, **Alison Lester**. Alison Lester loves to write stories about horses and travelling. We have looked at her book **The Journey Home** where 2 children dig a hole to the North Pole, where their adventure begins. The children have chosen a character from the story to draw or colour and have voiced their reasoning for choosing that particular character. We have some budding Pirates in our midst!!

Borrowing is happening once again this Term and I encourage all children to borrow from the MARC van – there are some fantastic new books that I have purchased from the recent Book Fair. Please remember to return your books on *Friday and some Monday's*, when the MARC Van is in Kerang.

PLEASE COULD ALL BOOKS stay at school, as too many went missing in 2022.

Thanks for staying up to date with MARC!

Mrs. Kylie Leahy (aka Mrs. MARC)

Badge Presentation



Pupils of the Week



George Worsnop, Noah Carey, Millah Walters, Piper Maddy & Miley Bright
Congratulations!

SAVE THE DATE

DANCE SHOWCASE

We invite all of our parents, carers, family and community members to come along to see the students from three local schools dancing their hearts out in our showcase performance after our week-long workshop with STOMP Dance Co. What a fabulous way to come together!

Friday 24th March 2023
1:20pm - 2:20pm

@ **Cohuna Consolidated School**
12-26 Mead Street,
Cohuna VIC

Generously funded by club Barham



CELEBRATING EDUCATION WEEK AT KPS

OPEN NOW FOR 2024 PREP ENROLMENTS

Come be a part of Education Week at KPS and celebrate this years theme; 'Active Learners: Move, Make, Motivate', celebrating physical activity, hands-on-learning and student voice in education.

- Parent Information Night Wednesday May 17th - 6pm
- Open Day Thursday May 18th 10am-11:30am - Morning Tea Supplied

Student Come & Try Session & School Tours Friday May 19th - 9-11am

START YOUR LEARNING JOURNEY TODAY!

Visit our school website on: www.kerangps.vic.edu.au or ph. 5450 3181
Principal: Brenton Taylor Foundation Teacher: Jodie Tieppo

Art supplies needed...

For our art lessons we need clean yoghurt containers (especially the Gippsland Yoghurt type), egg cartons, ice-cream containers. Thanks.



Easter, more than just chocolate...

Primary school holiday program brought to you by St. John's Anglican & Kerang Uniting Church

Thursday 13th April
2-4pm
Cnr Victoria & Wyndham St

Games, craft, Food, Fun and the **REAL** story of the first Easter



For info & registrations:
Jacqui 0435218774 or Carol 0402906781

Welcome to our first fundraiser of 2023

Easter is just around the corner, and with your help we are going to create 4 amazing Easter themed Hampers and raffle them off. We are asking each child to bring along an Easter themed donation, to add to our raffle hampers, as well as sell raffle tickets to friends and family.

Every ticket sold goes towards helping with our school's beautification project. Tickets are \$1 each. Please sell both sides of the tickets. Each ticket will need a name and contact phone number. We ask that tickets are returned to the office by Wednesday 5th of April. The raffle will be drawn on the last day of term, Thursday 6th April.



NDCH School Newsletter

RIDE2SCHOOL POSTER/COLOURING COMPETITION

What is Ride2School Day?
Join more than 350,000 students across the nation who will ride, walk, scoot and skate to school on Friday 24 March 2023

What's involved in the poster/colouring competition?
Make a poster or colour in the Ride2School poster to promote and raise awareness of Ride2School Day. Posters and colourings to be displayed on social media.

Who can enter?
Open to all primary school students in Gannawarra and North Loddon.

How to enter?
Send your entry to Rachel at rachel.clarke@ndch.org.au or drop it off at your school reception. Names will be on display, leave name blank or write your name on the back if you want children to remain anonymous.

Entries close: Wednesday 22nd March 2022

- Prizes include:**
- up to \$200 worth of prizes to be given away, Kerang South P.S are coming up with 5-6 categories and the prizes- stay tuned.
 - Ride2School day certificate for every child who enters
 - Colouring or poster displayed on social media



More information: @ndchvic

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.