



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

**November 18 & 25:** Prep Transition Session 9-11am  
**December 2:** Prep Transition Session 9-11am  
**December 6:** Pupil Free Day  
**December 13:** State-Wide Transition Day  
**December 14:** Grade P-2 Echuca Excursion

## Update

It is so great to have most of our students and staff return to school this week and hoping the floodwaters reside enough to allow full school attendance by all in the very near future.

You may be aware through conversations with your students of our current staffing support. Mrs. Tieppo is currently covering Mrs. Mac while on leave. Mr. Adams has been replaced on his LSL by Ms. Simpson, Miss. R (Lisa) from Narre Warren is covering the Prep class while Mrs. Du Preez is on leave following her knee operation.

## 2023 Class Structure & Staffing

Prep/1	Jodie T
1/2	Maddy D
3/4/5	Peter A (3.5 days / 1 day Possible Prin???)
5/6	Jodie F
MARC	Kylie L
P.E. – Art	Peter A
TBA	Jen Mc.
Tutor	TBA

The class structure format is based on current known student numbers and staffing for 2023. This may have to be altered if numbers or staffing change between now and next year. We will keep you all posted along the way. Staff will be working on student placements in particular classes prior to Transition Day on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any genuine queries or concerns about your child/our student regarding this structure, please do not hesitate to contact the school and make an appointment to speak to the Principal.

## Regional Directors Forum

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> p.m. - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Please note that Mr. Taylor will be attending the Principal's Regional Director's Forum at Mildura on Monday afternoon & all day Tuesday of next week. Mrs. Jodie Fletcher will be the school contact person re any parent enquiries.

## Mosquito Problem

The school has contacted THE Shire re spraying for mosquitos. But we are all urged to use some form of Mozzie Repellant. In case of individual student allergies parents are required to supply each child with their own repellent. This is to be in the form of a roll-on, squirt or a

wrist band. No Pressure Pack to be used.

## Class Christmas Hampers

All classes have started collecting items for their class Christmas Hamper Raffles.

We ask that each family could donate some items for their class hamper appropriate to the theme to be raffled for the school. Funds raised will go toward the grounds improvement and new fitness stations.

The class hampers are:

Grades 5/6 - Chocolate  
 Grades 2/3/4 – Summer Holidays  
 Grade 1/2 - Christmas  
 Prep – Christmas Party  
 Admin/Ancillary Staff – Christmas Lunch  
 Principal – Christmas Breakfast

Students will soon bring home a raffle ticket book. Monies raised or any unsold tickets are to be returned to the school.

Further books will be available upon request.

## Billy Tea Bush Band

So great to have the Billy Tea Bush Band here at school today for a 1 hour concert & mini bush dance for the students.

We are looking forward to them returning to school in February 2023 for a full day of performance and workshops, followed by a family evening BBQ Tea and Bush Dance.

## Reminder - Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December Pupil Free Day

- This will be a staff report writing day.

**\*2023 Prep enrolments are now being taken.\***  
**Enrolment packs available from the school office.**

**Enrol your students at Kerang Primary School because you know you want to!** 😊

## Free Holiday Camps for Kids

The Doxa Youth Foundation will be running camps during the summer and term 1 holidays. They are a not-for-profit organisation that is committed to ensuring that all kids regardless of their family's means have the opportunity to go on camp. They are all about campers having fun and learning and creating unforgettable memories. Any families wishing to participate and benefit from the camp are asked to contact the school. See attached flyer

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.*

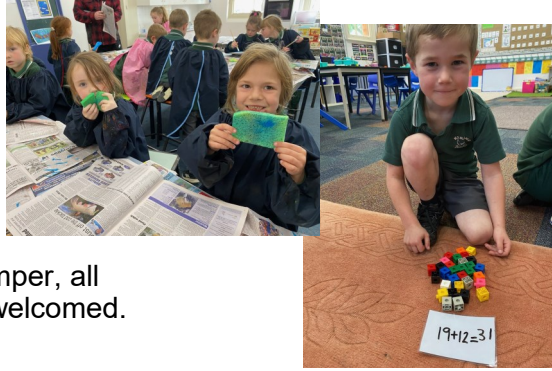
## Amazing Prep ....

This week we have welcomed Miss R to our classroom!

In maths this week we have been focusing on addition up to 10 using concrete materials.

A reminder to families of our class hamper, all donations of party supplies would be welcomed.

Take care!



## Magical 1/2

Another great week in the 1/2 class!

This week was national nursery rhyme week, so we have been enjoying focussing our work around some familiar and some not so familiar nursery rhymes.

In Maths we have been revising groups of (multiplication) and have learnt a new tic tac toe addition game which the students have

been enjoying, they might be able to teach this to you at home!

Just a reminder to please send something along for our class Christmas hamper and to return the permission form and money for the end of year excursion.

Have a great week!

Mrs Tieppo, Mr A and Mrs Mac

## Grade 2/3/4 ....incredible!

Hello everyone,

Wow it's hard to believe we are going into week 8 of term 4. So many things to tick off before the end of term 4. As mentioned in the previous newsletter.....*The mozzies are terrible outside and biting their way around the playground, if your child needs some kind of repellent on please put on them in the morning or send a roll-on repellent. (NO AEROSOL CANS)*

In literacy this week, we have been writing an information report and doing a fantastic job. Spelling and Lit Groups are going well. We read every morning and check readers from home as well. Some students need to start bringing their readers to school

more often. Please make sure they are signed as well. If your child reads a book from EPIC can you please write the title down so we can give dojo points for reading.

In Maths, we have started looking at symmetry. This has been a bit of fun this week. Some students are finding it easy and other are feeling challenged by it. It has been fantastic to see the resilience of some of the students in the class with this work.

Don't forget we have got our Christmas Hamper in our classroom and ready for donations. Our 2/3/4 class theme is Summer Holidays and would love to see donations to start to come in soon.

Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

Miss Janelle, Mrs Tieppo and Mrs Lake



## Happy Birthday!!

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

**Aleshia Maher-Farrugia**



## LUNCH ORDERS

Due to staff & food shortages at the High School **ONLY**

Hot Food, Drinks & **THE COMPLETE BOX**

will be **AVAILABLE TOMORROW**

## 5/6 Brilliant!!!!

We have had a busy week this week once again. Students have been working very hard on their speeches for Graduation and for School Captain selection. I am so proud of the students and the enthusiasm they have displayed in writing and listening to others read theirs.

We have been revising some areas in Maths. This revision has led some students to learn higher level concepts and extend our learning to beyond grade 5 and grade 6 levels. We have looked at decimals and how to re-place them when converting between measurements, which involves division and multiplication of decimals. We are continuing to do daily maths problems, times table work and 24 hour time has also been a focus.

In literacy we have continued our daily spelling program, written and practised speeches as well as comprehension.

We had fun creating our very own straw maze game during our buddy session. Thursday morning was awesome and I am so proud of our grade 5 and 6 taking the lead and showing the smaller students how to participate in the singing and dancing.

Thanks to all the families who have sent along chocolate donations for our hamper. It is starting to fill up, but we do need some more from our wonderful families.

Graduation is set for 15<sup>th</sup> of December, so save the date.

Have a wonderful rest of the week.

Mrs Morris and Mrs Fletcher.



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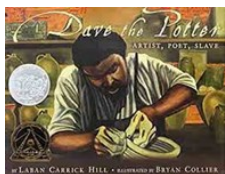
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**PLEASE RETURN BY: 30/11**



**ENROL NOW FOR  
2023 AT KPS**

**Call us today to find out  
how 5450 3181**



## MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 4, WEEK 7



Hi everyone!

Last Thursday and Friday I returned to Kerang Primary School to teach the Preppies for Mrs Du Preez. We had a great couple of days - thanks to all the Prep children for showing me their routine and sharing their learning with me. Also we are very fortunate to have such a capable young E.S staff member in Miss Phoebe Hall! I have been home in Murrabit at the farm for 16 work days waiting for the floodwater to come to the farm, then waiting for the water to go down. We have 2 farms inundated with floodwater but the dairy and the house are high and dry! My thoughts are with those families who have suffered any loss due to the floodwaters.

In MARC this week we have looked at biographies of famous people. The Grade 5/6 children listened to the

Wilfred Gordon Mc Donald Partridge



story of **Dave the Potter: Artist, Poet, Slave by Laban Carrick Hill.** The class then designed their own clay pot and decorated it or they could research a famous Australian athlete/ superstar/ singer, with a partner.

With the younger classes we will be looking at **Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge by Mem Fox,** on Friday. The children will record/ draw some of their memories from home or school, as well as their dreams, favourite food and their family members and pets.

Stay safe everyone and it's great to be back at school!

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

Mrs. Kylie Leahy (aka Mrs. MARC)

This is the view from our kitchen window at Murrabit.





**Pupils of the Week**



**Kody Pearce, Lexie Walters, & Peyton Sanders**  
*Congratulations!*

**1 December - 31 January**

If you are aged 0 - 18, join the BIG Summer Read for your chance to WIN! All you need to do is read and log ten books using the Bearstack app, selecting your local library service. Scan the QR code above to register.

**JOIN. BORROW. READ. WIN!**

@ your local library

Scan the QR code above for more information.

**Kerang Amateur Swimming & Lifesaving Club**

Registrations for the 2022/23 season are now open

Existing members can log into their accounts and select their preferred classes. New members can use the link below.

The link to the registration forms is below and is pinned at the top of the Facebook page Kerang Amateur Swimming & Lifesaving Club- KASLC

<https://app.classmanager.com/portal/kerang-swim-club/register>

If you are unable to register online please call Brooke [0419 013 641](tel:0419013641)

The season will commence on Monday 14th



**The Billy Tea Bush Band**



**GANNAWARRA MEMORIAL TOY RUN 2022**

Help support the Gannawarra Memorial Toy Run by purchasing a toy and placing it in the 'Toy Bin'; located in the KPS school foyer.

Help show some love & support to those most vulnerable! Donations will be collected soon to be distributed.



**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.



# Holiday Camps

**DOXA**  
YOUTH FOUNDATION

## 2023

### WHAT IS ON OFFER?

During the summer and term 1 holidays, Doxa will be running camps in both the city and our bushland camp in Malmsbury. They will cater for children aged 10 to 12 years and will be free for participants registered with the Victorian Government Positive Start Programme.

### MALMSBURY CAMP

Our Malmsbury Camp is located in an idyllic bush setting in Central Victoria where campers will have exciting outdoor adventures. Onsite there are all sorts of facilities including a giant swing, a climbing wall and trampolines and we visit stand out local attractions such as the steam train.

### CITY CAMP

Located in the heart of the Melbourne CBD, our City Camp will offer participants the opportunity to discover all the things that our vibrant city has to offer. From the large iconic attractions to the hidden gems of Melbourne's laneways, sporting activities, and even an amazing race, the experience they have will be like no other.

### DATES FOR BOTH OUR MALMSBURY & CITY CAMP

**January 9 to January 13**  
5 days and 4 overnights

**January 16 to January 20**  
5 days and 4 overnights

**April 11 to April 14**  
4 days and 3 overnights

**April 17 to April 21**  
5 days and 4 overnights

### TRANSPORT

We will provide buses to and from central pick up points at the Southern Cross Station in Melbourne and the regional towns of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong and Traralgon or you can pick up and drop off your child from the camp.

### FURTHER INFORMATION AND BOOKINGS

For further information, to book or help to register for a free camp with The Victorian Government Positive Start,

email: [info@doxa.org.au](mailto:info@doxa.org.au)  
or phone: Marianna Anthony  
on (03) 9046 8200  
or see our website:  
[doxa.org.au/holiday-camp/](http://doxa.org.au/holiday-camp/)