



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

October 20: Billy T Bush Band Day

October 31: Pupil Free Planning Day

November 1: Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday

To parents and carers

You make a difference to your children's reading journey. Your role as an advocate for your children's reading success cannot be overestimated. It has a direct impact on the ease and confidence with which they pursue their reading and writing.

It is the joy and love of sharing a good book on a nightly basis that sets the foundation for their reading success, and ensures that reading is given the priority it deserves. Reading regularly with someone who cares is the inspiration that all readers deserve.

At Kerang Primary School we endeavor to work together with parents to support each child's learning. Some ideas to support parents & teachers working together are outlined in the following article.

Some tips for home reading

- Establish a home reading routine. Read aloud with your children everyday. Ten minutes for each child around a book of his/her choice. If you lack confidence in reading aloud, the fact that you are reading with your child is what matters. Talk about the illustrations and contribute where you can. Share your excitement for reading and this will be the model your child will adopt.
- The reader holds the book! There is a lot of power and control in the world of reading. The reader needs to have the power.
- During home reading time, turn off electronic devices and give each child ten minutes of your undivided attention.
- Before you read a book, set your child up for success. Reading is not a test! Reading time is only ten minutes so do some of the following: Keep the introduction short – one minute is enough. Talk about the illustrations and the title. Read the blurb and talk about the author, talk about any unusual words, read a page here and there as your child flicks through the book, discuss the characters. This is a short introduction, not an interrogation. If the book is already a familiar one, then this step is unnecessary.
- If reading time is stressful, move the reading to a new location. Instead of sitting at the kitchen bench, move to the lounge room floor, or go outside and sit under a tree or take the books to the local coffee shop.
- Find a reading time that works for your family. Limit the time and set the timer if reading in the past has always been difficult. It is better to have an enjoyable 10 minutes than a laborious 30 minutes where everyone is left feeling frustrated.
- At the end of the 10 minutes, ask questions that encourage discussion, for example: What was your favourite part? Tell me about the characters. What do you think will happen next? What did you think about that setting? What do like/ dislike about this book? There is no need to interrogate the reader. Make it a conversation as you would in a book club.
- Encourage your child to read independently. A bedside light is one of the best enticements for your child to read before going to sleep. After the 10 minutes of reading with you, the child can elect to continue reading independently.
- The less you interrupt the 10 minutes of reading, the more you are supporting the readers independence, resilience and confidence. Zip your lips, monitor the miscues, and listen as your child reads.

- Avoid judging your child's reading with words such as: 'good', 'excellent' or 'getting better'. Instead say things about the strategies your child uses when reading such as: 'I like how you read on when you came to that difficult word.' 'I like how you changed your voice to be the voice of the character in the story'. 'I noticed that you reread the bit that did not make sense.'

- If your child is reading independently and has reached the level of chapter books, it is not necessary for you to read aloud together any more. Your job is done. That is not to say, you cannot continue to share reading time because it is what you love to do as a family or that you sit and read silently together or that you talk about the books your child is reading because you are interested in his reading choices. Readers read differently in their heads as compared to reading aloud.

- You may even visit the local library — You could even make it a family ritual on a set day every week. Let your children select their books while you select books you are interested in reading. Not every book has to be read cover to cover. Your child might select books based on illustrations or factual information about a topic of interest.

- Independent readers pick and choose what they read. They are entitled to read some and reject others. They are entitled to not complete books because they are boring. Readers make choices. Model what it means to be an enthusiastic reader. Create a home of readers where everyone reads – It is just what we do in this house! Talk about what you have read. Read aloud what makes you laugh and share it with your child.

Billy Tea Bush Band

Thursday 20th October

They will do a concert for the students in the morning then work on bush dance workshops for the students during the day.

5:30 p.m. Sausage Sizzle at school

6:00 p.m. Family Bush Band Concert & Bush Dance.

All families welcome

Future Pupil Free Days in Term 4

Monday October 31st Pupil Free Day. - Staff Consultative Meeting Day & 2023 School Structure Planning.

Tuesday 6th December Pupil Free Day – 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! 😊

School Approved Sun Hats

Compulsory in term 4 for outside activities.

New hats are available from the school uniform store at \$10 each. Please ensure each hat is clearly named.

New Fitness Stations

Monday the 17th there will be contractors at school installing the new Fitness Stations around the school running track.

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.

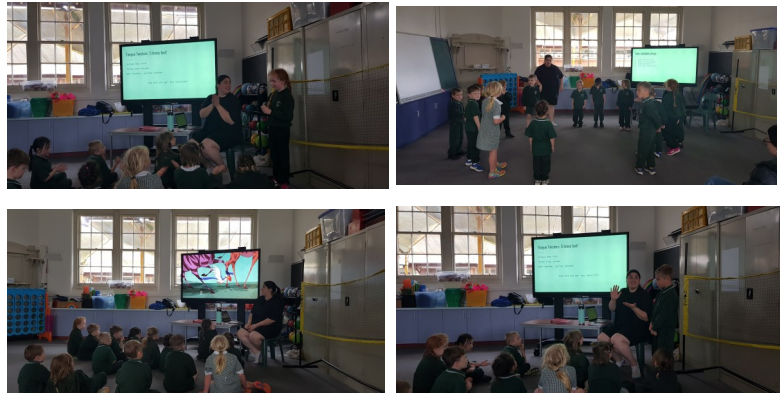
Mr. Taylor. Principal.

Amazing Prep

Another excellent week in the Prep class.

In our Kaleidoscope session with Ms Rebecca, the Preps practiced some group games which required great concentration and focus.

We also had a go at some tricky tongue twisters, as well as our first shot at group singing - The Lion King song, I Just Can't Wait to be King! Well done everybody, for getting out of our comfort zone and giving every experience a go!



Magical 1/2

Congratulations to Amelia Sanders for being our 'Student of the Week' for her excellent work habits and the high level she achieves.

We welcome Mrs Tieppo who has been teaching our grade this week while Mrs Mac is on leave. Our shared reading has been information reports

about minibeasts and lifecycles. In maths we have focused on Australian coins and chance and data. Investigations have included activities like going to the class bank and construction. In art we made a snow tree scene using cotton buds. Stay dry and safe during these wet times. Mr A, Mrs T, Mrs Dee and Megan.



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BOOKCLUB ISSUE 7

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GRADE 6 FUNDRAISING

ZOOPER DOOPERS

FOR SALE IN TERM 4 — 50c

Nuggets—Wednesday 19/10

Order forms have been sent home today!

Grade 2/3/4incredible!

Hello to everyone on this very wet end to the week. Thanks to all the families that have sent tissues in, the runny noses, coughs and sore throats are increasing every day. Keep well everyone.

We have been learning about the history and the meaning of Halloween around the World this week. It has been very interesting learning about it. In reading, we have been relating what we read back to a self-connection.

In math's, we have continued working on money and angles.

The garden in SAKG is looking fabulous at the moment. So many vegies to use in cooking in the coming weeks. Looking forward to seeing what we can create in the kitchen.

Stay safe everyone.

Miss Janelle, Mrs Tieppo and Mrs Lake

5/6 Brilliant!!!!

Welcome to another very rainy week.

In maths, we have been working hard on multiplication, 24 hour time, percentage revision and fundamental math strategies. Each student has had growth and shown their improvement through this constant exposure.

In literacy, we have focused on connecting to texts and asking questions in order to have a deeper understanding. Rocket writing has been improving, and the level of a writing formation has improved incredibly. Spelling remains a constant focus each week, again all students are showing improvement and growth.

During buddies the remaining half the students

cooked gingerbread men to follow on from last terms and the other half worked on an art activity, learning to follow instructions and assist the smaller buddies.

We have nearly finished our photo masterpieces, I cannot wait for you see the final, finished product. They are ALLLLLLL amazing!

This term we will be continuing fundraising for camp. Next week is nuggets and primas.

Grade 6 camp details will go home this week 😊

Please remember to keep reading with your child each night 😊

Many thanks and enjoy your week.

Mrs Fletcher & Mrs Morris 😊



Happy Birthday!!

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



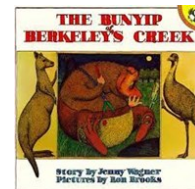
LUNCH ORDERS!!

FRIDAY'S SPECIAL:

Chicken Schnitzel Burgers



MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 4, WEEK 2



Welcome to Term 4, Week 2 for MARC !!!

This week in MARC Lessons the **older grades** have been focusing on Fairy tales, folklore and fables. We discussed the difference between these 3 genres and looked up the definition of each of them. We have read the story, **The Bunyip from Berkeley's Creek**, by Jenny Wagner. We discussed whether Bunyips were real animals or not and we also looked at other fables we have heard. Did you know a Bunyip has feathers AND fur AND a tail?

The **younger classes** have focused on the story of **Beauty and The Beast**. The children listened to the story then created their own versions of a Beast or a Beauty – we had great fun coming up with some interesting Beasts!

We will continue to look at Fables, Fairy tales and

Folklore next week too.

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 recently purchased. Please remember to return your books either *Monday* or *Friday*, when the MARC Van is there.

There are a few overdues in some classes – your child will know if they have one by an overdue notice in their bag this week – please ask your child this week. If book cannot be found I will send home an account for the book to be paid for.

Thanks for staying up to date with MARC!

Mrs. Kylie Leahy (aka *Mrs. MARC*)

Pupils of the Week



Cruz Freeman, Dylan Klever-Kamp, Henry Hastie, Andy Hempenstall, Amelia Sanders & Reice Wills
Congratulations!

Kerang Show Entry Winners



Congratulations to all!

**St John's
Mini Fete**

**Join us for
BBQ, Books,
Plants, White
Elephant &
Devonshire Tea**

28th Oct 5 p.m.

81 Victoria Street
Raising money to fix the roof

**Ladies
Shopping
Night**

Friday, October 21st
5:30pm - 8pm

You're invited!

With Christmas not far away, the Ladies Shopping night is the best place to start your shop! Kerang Traders have so much to offer, so why not get your friends together, book a table at one of our local eateries, grab a bite to eat and enjoy a glass of wine all while taking a sneak peak at what's new for Christmas in our local stores.
Join our traders from 5:30pm onwards*

Stuck for gift ideas this year?
Give the gift of Kerang Gift Card, available online or at participating stores.

And, continue shopping in our local stores in the lead up to Christmas as one lucky winner will win our **Christmas Promo Draw** MAJOR PRIZE** of \$2000 in Kerang Gift Cards, and two lucky winners will each win \$500 in Kerang Gift Cards.

Keep your eye out for dates and times for the Santa Photo Schedule.

Love our community and shop local this Christmas!

*Grab a double entry into our Christmas Draw when you make a purchase on our shopping night.

**Christmas Promo Draw to be drawn on Thursday, December 15th 2022.

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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.