

Kerang Primary School 1410 News

Our Values: Compassion Accountability Respect Inclusiveness Nurture Gratitude





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

TERM 3

Important Dates

August 25: Book Parade

August 24: KTHS Transition Day September 15: End of Term 3 October 2: Beginning of Term 4

It has been another busy fortnight here at Kerang Primary School. It is great to see so many smiling faces around the school each day. It has been great to see an improvement in attendance with less students being away the last fortnight than the previous. While we acknowledge that winter is a tricky time with many illnesses going around, we encourage all families to ensure their students are at school when possible. As stated in the last newsletter, missing one day a fortnight means your child will miss 1 and a half years of schooling over their 13 years of school.

Staffing

Unfortunately, Mr. Peter Adams has had to take a leave of absence for the remainder of the term. I am pleased to announce that in his place Ms. Janelle Flannagan will be teaching the grade 3/4/5 classroom. The students are already very familiar with Ms. Janelle and she has been doing a great job so far. We look forward to Mr. A returning in term 4.

Uniforms

Just a reminder that school uniforms are compulsory. This includes the use of school jumpers. There is an increasing number of school jumpers in the lost property and we would encourage all students who might have misplaced them to come and check at the office.

School Review

The school is currently undergoing a review process which looks at the great things the school has achieved in the last 4 years, and then allows us to set goals for improvement moving forward. As a part of this process, we would love some input from parents about the Highlights of being a member of the Kerang Primary School community over the

last 4 years. If you have any highlights, please put them in the Survey Monkey below and we will be sure to include this in our evaluation.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RC8NTRR

Parent Opinion Survey

The parent opinion survey is now open. We encourage as many families as possible to complete this and the details of the survey are listed below.

- The survey will be conducted online and only takes 20 minutes to complete.
 - The survey can be completed on any internet enabled device (desktop computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone) and is compatible with most browsers.
- The survey will be open from Monday 7
 August to Friday 8 September 2023.
- The survey is available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

To complete the survey, simply:

- Click on the link below, or copy and paste the text into your browser. This link will take you directly to the survey. https://www.orima.com.au/parent
- 2. Select the School and Campus name below. School Name: Kerang Primary School
- 3. Enter the School PIN below. PIN: 971777
- **4**. When complete, please click on the tick button at the end of the survey to submit your answers. Please note that the survey will time out after **60 minutes of inactivity**.

Head Lice

We have noticed an increase in head lice at students at the school in the last fortnight. We ask that all parents be diligent in checking for head lice and to please treat them before sending students to school.

Thanks, Mr Jack Wardell Acting Principal Kerang Primary School

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Amazing Prep/1....

Last week we had a wonderful day celebrating 100 days of school. It was great to see students dressed up. We did lots of activities about the number 100 and had a fun day.

Book is fast approaching. Earlier this week the students brought home a note outlining our book, please return the bottom part of the note by tomorrow.

In maths we are learning about addition and in literacy we are working on our comprehension skills by inferring and making text to text connections.

Have a wonderful week

Mrs Tieppo and Miss Hall















Magical 1/2 ...

Grade 1 and 2 have been working hard on their information reports these past few weeks, writing all about native Australian animals. We have enjoyed some beautiful sunny weather in our respectful relationship lessons, practicing cooperation and team work with some tricky group games! Nice work everyone:)



Grade 3/4/5 happenings ...

Hello everyone

blocks.

Hard to believe we are halfway through this term already, it has gone so fast. Im looking forward to teaching the class for the rest of term 3. In literacy, we have done some excellent information reports on sea creatures. We have just started another report on a favourite author, looking forward to seeing the end results. In math, we had some fun this week working on informal measurement. They used unifix blocks to measure objects around the classroom. Then we measured how big our classroom was using the

We have decided on our book for book parade and it is called The Mighty Bunyips. A note will go home on Monday with more information regarding that.

Please remember to listen to your child read every night and send their reader signed everyday. Miss Janelle. Mrs Morris and Tegan



5/6 Brilliant! ...

Hello families and welcome to the news with grade 5/6.

It is good to be back from camp and chasing both the grade 5's and 6's. We have been hard at work on our persuasive writing and investigated the effect that pollution has on sea life and make sure we were including facts to support our argument. Whereas in maths we have finished off our work on fractions and have moved onto money. Students are practising their budgeting skills by planning their dream holiday within Australia.

We are also gearing up for book week which is a mere week and a half away. So, Please send in a white shirt with your students before the 21st of August.

As always please remember to keep reading and filling out your reader diary. It must contain the date, the book, and how much you have read.

- Mr.Mangan

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MARC VAN NEWS, TERM 3, WEEK 5 2023







BOOK WEEK IS FAST APPROACHING - HAVE YOU SORTED YOUR COSTUME YET??????

The Book Parade will be happening again this year on Friday 25th August. Each class has now chosen their class book, so families have plenty of time to start making/ creating/ ordering their costumes for 2023. I CAN'T WAIT !!! Stay tuned for more updates in this school newsletter with times.

This week in MARC Lessons the younger children will be focusing on another Shortlisted book titled **Jigsaw-A**

Puzzle in the Post by Bob Graham. The children have completed their own jigsaw puzzle by cutting it out and remaking it with a friend. Others have drawn a present inside their 'package' that they would like to send to a friend and receive in the mail.

The older children will also be focusing on a shortlisted book also titled **Dirt By Sea by Michael Wagner.** The book tells of an adventure a father and daughter have whilst travelling around Australia. The children have made their own Kombi van or mapped where they have travelled in Australia. Lots of discussion about the best beaches in Australia!!! See below for a sample of Kombi Van.

The Marc Van is open at lunchtimes for children to take their time when selecting a book- Please encourage your child to use this service. (Also to make kites and other crafty things).

PLEASE COULD ALL BOOKS stay at school, for 2023.

Thanks for staying up to date with MARC! From Mrs. Leahy (MARC)





LUNCH ORDERS

TOMORROW'S SPECIAL:

Butter Chicken



Happy Birthday!!

Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrated their birthday since our last newsletter... Jack Hein, James Edwards, Larni Thomas, & Lucie Worsnop



Pupils of the Week Week 3 & 4

Congratulations!



Lilly Igoe, Lincoln Evans
Mitchell Wilson, Hyldi Dingfelder,
Zavier Hastie & Jack Hein

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.

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Music at KPS...

Keyboard lessons have been offered to students in Years 3 - 6.







SCHOOL POLICIES

Child safety and wellbeing at Kerang

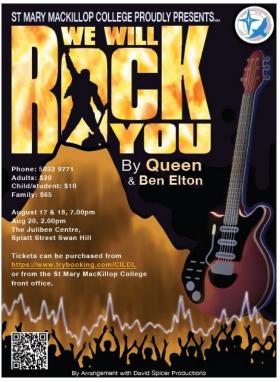
Primary School: information for families and the school community

The Victorian Government has announced new Child Safe Standards to further strengthen child safety across organisations, including schools. The new standards recognise the critical importance of families and the broader school community in maintaining and promoting child safety and wellbeing.

Kerang Primary School has reviewed and updated our child safety policies and procedures to ensure they meet the requirements of the new standards. These are available to view on our school website, www.kerang.ps@education.vic.gov.au or by obtaining a hard copy from the school's front office.

We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices.

If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact the school on 54503 181.



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