



# NEWSLETTER

## 29 - 2016

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2016

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Last Friday we held an emergency drill. In Term 2 we practised lock down procedures as part of our emergency management plan. Last Friday our emergency management drill was a Shelter In Place procedure - used in the event that we are notified by emergency services of an external emergency within the area but outside the school, for which they consider it safer for the school to be together in one place in a school building. This could include for example a chemical spill or bushfire (or more likely this week, flooding) Although the children were notified that there would be an emergency drill this week, staff were notified of the day but not the time so as to ensure realism and prevention of altering timetables/activities. In term 4 it is scheduled to practice an off-site evacuation.

Principal for a Day is a program operating in Victorian Government Primary, Secondary and Special schools and is a collaboration between the Department of Education and Training and ACER. The program brings business and community leaders and school leaders together with the aim of increasing understanding and awareness between schools, business and the wider community, promoting the work that schools do and enabling participants to develop ongoing relationships, partnerships and programs. This is the third year that I have participated in this initiative and I was pleased to have Councillor Bob Turner from Melton City Council join us as Principal for the day as he did 2 years ago when he was Mayor of Melton.

Our focus coincided with work currently being done by the Community Vision Project team of the council pertaining to 'The city you imagine....Melton City 2036'. All the 5/6 students participated in an anonymous survey where they had the opportunity to write and draw their ideas and opinions about what they love about the City of Melton, what they don't like about the City of Melton and what they would like the City of Melton to be when they grow up. There is the expression 'Out of the mouths of babes'; and here are the overall responses. You may enjoy speaking to your children about them.

Love	Don't like	Future
Woodgrove, sporting clubs, parks, Hannah Watts park, variety in food and culture, fast food, Kurunjang PS, Melton Waves, Melton Youth centre, Riding horses, Djerriwarrh festival, Library, cinema, my street, people are nice	Thieves, violence, nothing, emergency services too slow, smoking, alcohol, drugs, graffiti, racism, road accidents, only one way into and out of Kurunjang estate, traffic, No water slide at the pool	Peaceful, safe, happy, less evil people and less crime, increased sporting facilities and entertainment, hospitals, universities, pounds, vets, aged care/retirement, healthier environment, no homeless, fast train to Melbourne, more transport, cheaper things, bring back Dick Smith, Starbucks, more jobs, tourist attractions,

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I'm sure that the children have also spoken to you about the Alpha Theatre performance of The Little Mermaid on Wednesday. The classes were timetabled to attend one of 2 performances; each had classes from foundation to year 6 and the children were equally engaged and involved irrespective of their age. It is hoped that another whole school performance can be scheduled for 2017.

Please remember that tomorrow is the last day of term and the children will be dismissed at 2.10pm following our assembly over the P.A. at 1.55pm. You are most welcome to come into your child's classroom for the assembly.

Please enjoy the holiday period with your children if you are able and we look forward to seeing them all return refreshed and ready for Term 4.

~ Learning Together ~

### FORWARD PLANNING

#### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September

- LAST DAY TERM 3 ~ Early Dismissal 2.10pm

#### Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

- First day Term 4 ~ 8.50am start

#### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October

- Year 6 2017 Polo Shirts – Orders & Money Due

#### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

- Djerriwarrh Festival Parade ~ Participation notes due back at school

#### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October

- Year 6 Getting Organised for Transition to Secondary School
- Year 6 Getting Organised for Transition to Secondary School Parent Info Evening ~ 6.30pm Personal Learning Studio

#### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October

- PFA Hot Dog Day

#### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November

- Djerriwarrh Festival Parade

#### Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November

- School Mini Fete ~ 12.00pm – 3.00pm



### WEARING OF SCHOOL HATS

Please note that the wearing of school hats is compulsory in Term 4. Please make sure your child has a Kurunjang Primary School embroidered hat for Term 4. School hats are only available from PSW in Deer Park.

## GETTING ORGANISED FOR TRANSITION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Year 6 students will be attending 'Getting Organised for Transition to Secondary School' on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Following this there will be a Parent Information evening at 6.30pm in the Personal Learning Studio. Notices have been sent home with all Year 6 students this week.

## GIRLS STATE TEE-BALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



Last Wednesday Kurunjang Grade 5/6 Girls Tee-ball team travelled to Waverley to compete in School Sport Victoria Tee-ball State Championships. The Girls team had won the Melton District, Western Rangers Division and the Western Metropolitan Region.

The early departure time saw some tired but excited students. After an hour and a half travel time we arrived in Waverley which was bathed in sunshine and conditions were near perfect for tee-ball.

Over the three games we played (against Toorak, Mount View and Wonthaggi) it was wonderful to see the team grow in confidence and teamwork. There were some brilliant team plays with home runs scored, classic catches and quick decision making in the field.

Unfortunately the team winning streak came to an end as the team didn't win a game but were extremely competitive. Many thanks to Mrs Susan Butt who came along on the day to support the team.

Congratulations girls on an outstanding achievement to make it to a State Final Day. A wonderful journey – It is how you got there and what you learnt along the way that's really important.

Helen Craig ~ Sports Coordinator

## MONDAY'S PLAYGROUP

Melton City Council will be running a free playgroup at KPS on Monday's during school terms from 9.00am-11.00am. If you are interested in attending please contact the Playgroups Team – [playgroups@melton.vic.gov.au](mailto:playgroups@melton.vic.gov.au) or phone: 9747 7200

## WEDNESDAY'S MULTICULTURAL PLAYGROUP AT KPS

Children 0-5 years are offered the opportunity to join Playgroup with VICSEG on Wednesday mornings.

New members welcome to join Wednesday's Playgroup.

## PLAYGROUP AT KPS ~ FRIDAY'S 9-11AM

New members welcome with children from 0-5yrs. Come along and meet new people while your child learns through play experiences.

Resumes Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

For further information on Friday's playgroup please contact Kathleen McInnes on 9743 0633.

## OSHCLUB NEWS

OSHClub Kurunjang BSC: 6:50am-8:50am & ASC: 3:10pm-6:30pm each day during the school term. We are operating in Room 10, in the main building.

Our program provides a healthy breakfast and afternoon tea each day. Permanent and occasional vacancies are available for Before School & After School Care.

Please feel free to come in and see our program and the fun activities our staff provide!

**Program Phone:** 0400 028 149

**Coordinator:** Brittany

**Assistant:** Renee

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is free!! Please create an account online at [www.oshclub.com.au](http://www.oshclub.com.au). All bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

If you want to pay by credit card for your online Book Club order, our new platform makes it easy? It eliminates the need for paper order forms plus your online order is submitted to the school safe and sound.

## LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property cupboard is overflowing. Please make sure you check for any items you may have lost over the term including teddy bears, drink bottles, containers, unnamed clothing etc. Any items left will be removed over the holidays.

## FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS 2017 ARE NOW OPEN



Parents who would like their child/children to attend Foundation grade at Kurunjang Primary School in 2017 are invited to enrol their children at the office. To be eligible to enrol for Foundation grade in 2017 your child must turn 5 years of age by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017. You must provide proof of your

child's age by presenting a birth certificate. For students who were born overseas you must present their passport and visa details. Immunisation certificates are also required and may be posted to you on request by calling 1800 653 809. As the immunisation and birth certificates may take a little time to arrive we suggest you get organised early and phone for your certificate now.

Please contact the school office on 9743 0633 if you would like to arrange a tour of our school.

## SCHOOL LEAVERS & ENROLMENTS FOR 2017

Any parents who have children that will not be returning to Kurunjang Primary School in 2017 are requested to let the school know as soon as possible. If you know of families moving to our school in 2017, who have not as yet been to the school to enrol, we would greatly appreciate it, if you could ask your friends to do so. We also ask any parents who have not enrolled their child in Foundation for 2017, to do so as soon as possible. Immediate action on this matter will ensure that we have adequate facilities and resources available for the beginning of the 2017 school year.

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Please fill in and return to the school office as soon as possible:

### STUDENTS NOT ATTENDING IN 2017

I would like to notify Kurunjang P.S. that my CHILD/REN

NAME/S: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE/S \_\_\_\_\_

**Will not be attending Kurunjang P.S. in 2017**

NAME OF SCHOOL ATTENDING IN 2017:

Parent/guardian  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Kurunjang  
Primary School's 2016  
Grade 3-6 Concert**

**ROCK  
OF  
AGES**

**THURSDAY 20TH OCTOBER**

**Venue: Kurunjang Secondary College Gymnasium.**  
**Price: Gold coin donation at door- (Programs available, \$1.00).**  
**Time: 6.00-8.00pm- (Doors open 5:45pm...Enter via Centenary Ave).**



## PFA NEWS

If you would like to assist the PFA in any way please leave your details at the office or contact Susan Butt on 0477 500 848.

### PFA MINI FETE 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER

Any families wishing to hold a stall at this year's fete please contact Susan Butt on 0477 500 848 or leave your details at the office.

### HOT DOG DAY



The PFA Hot Dog day for Term 4 will be held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October. Notes will be sent home during the first week of Term 4.

**PLEASE NOTE: THE CANTEEN WILL ONLY BE OPEN AT RECESS NOT FOR LUNCH SALES ON THIS DAY**

Dear Parents

As the school holidays are approaching, you may have plans to travel on Victoria's roads. Significant rain is expected to fall over much of Victoria over the next few days, which may result in flooding.

Because of this rainfall, there is an increased risk to those travelling on our roads, and it is possible that houses across the State may be impacted as well.

I urge you to heed the following advice from emergency services:

- You should never drive through floodwater – it only takes about 15 centimetres of water to lose control of your vehicle.
- Drive to the conditions around you and be aware of road hazards such as mud, debris, damaged roads and bridges.
- Roads in your area could be damaged by the bad weather so plan your journey and monitor VicTraffic for road condition updates and any road closures, see: [Vic Traffic](#)
- Never swim, walk or play in floodwater, it is dangerous and may contain hazardous debris or toxins.
- If your property is at risk of flooding, please raise belongings onto tables, benches or beds and if you are on a farm, consider moving your livestock to higher ground.
- Remain informed with emergency broadcasters to ensure you are up-to-date with the latest conditions and if possible, make sure your neighbours are aware of the situation. For more information, see: [Vic Emergency](#)

Many thanks, and have a safe and enjoyable holiday break.

Principal



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