



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 6– asking for assistance when needed



P/1- Ryder

For always seeking help after he has given it his best go! Great job Ryder keep it up.



1/2- Harper

For asking for help when needed to support her learning, showing resilience and a positive attitude towards challenges.



3/4- Evelyn

For asking for help about how to complete a task before working independently.



5/6- Jackson

For identifying when he needed assistance with his work and joining into a small teacher led learning group.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Thursday 4th June	Division Cross Country- Good luck Ben, Noah & Carter
Friday 5th June	Grade 5/6 Big Ideas excursion to Melb Depart 8am, return by 3.30pm
Monday 8th June	King's birthday public holiday
Wednesday 10th June	Gr 3/4 to W'sea HS musical performance
Friday 12th June	School photos, 9am
Tuesday 16th June	9am Ander Louis with Gr 5/6 12.30pm- Whole school performance <i>Sour</i>
Thursday 18th June	Last Sporting Schools for term 2



MILO WEDNESDAYS

Middle Mate's focus Wk 8 is
Including others



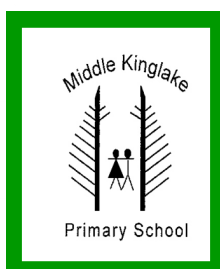
TERM 2 MILO ROSTER

Date 10.45-11.30am	Helper 1	Helper 2
22 April	Juliet Cornish	Debbie King
29 April	Kim Cusworth	Lis Kiss
6 May	Jess & Rick Roney	Heather Ryland
13 May	Bec Cassar	Robyn Richards
20 May	Bec Cassar	Robyn Richards
27 May	Bec Cassar	Robyn Richards
3 June	Sandro Capocchi	Lis Kiss
10 June	Sandro Capocchi	Lis Kiss
17 June	Juliet Cornish	Debbie King
24 June		

Can you spare
45 minutes to
assist with hot
Milo in the last
week?



Happy birthday
Winter- 17th
Madison- 18th



**BE SAFE,
BE RESPONSIBLE,
BE RESPECTFUL**

SCHOOL BANKING DETAILS

Middle Kinglake PS Acc
BSB: 063 855
Acc # 1002 8919

Please use your family name and reason for payment as a reference

For example: Jones Swimming

SCHOOL PHOTOS: Please order your photos via attached QR code prior to photo day- Friday 12th June. Please ask if you require any assistance. Photos will start at 9am sharp so please don't be late.

WINTER BEANIES: Students have designed a MKPS Winter beanie. They have been ordered and will be available for sale hopefully by the end of term. \$25 each. You can preorder and pay with Felicity in the office.



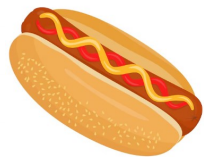
LEARNING WALKS: Do you sometimes wonder what happens in classrooms? Would you like to know more about teaching practices and how your child is catered for in the classroom. I'm inviting parents to come along and do a Literacy *Learning Walk* with me— an observation of how literacy is taught in each classroom each morning. Our first *Learning Walk* will take place on Wednesday 17th June at 9am. Please meet in the foyer at 8.55am. We will require approximately 45 minutes. Please ask if you have any questions.

DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY: Go Ben, Noah and Carter! We are all wishing you luck as you compete at Bundoora Park for the Division Cross Country this morning!



OSHC PHONE: We now have a dedicated phone number for our OSHC Service - 0422 567 312. This number will be in operation during session times, (not after hours or on weekends) if families are unable to contact the school for any reason relating to their booking. Please note the OWNA App should still be your first point of contact, as most tasks can be completed this way – casual bookings, marking your child not attending, checking invoices etc.

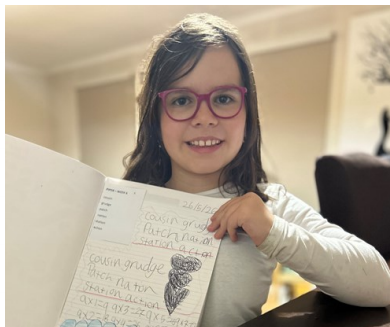
PFA: Thanks to Alyna and Beth for coming along to the PFA Coffee Catch up on Monday and to everyone who contributed great ideas via the Messenger Chat. We've decided on Hot Dogs for the EOT Lunch. Please see order forms on page 5. We need assistance tallying the orders, making a shopping list, ordering and collecting rolls and set up, serving and clean up on the day. Please let us know if you can help.



PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS: Please see page 6 to book your mid year Parent Teacher meeting. A great opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their classroom teacher. Meetings are 10 minute allocations, please complete the form or email me directly to secure a day and time.

HEADLICE: We've had a report of headlice. Please check and treat your child's hair as required.

LONG WEEKEND: A reminder that Monday is a public holiday. Enjoy your long weekend.

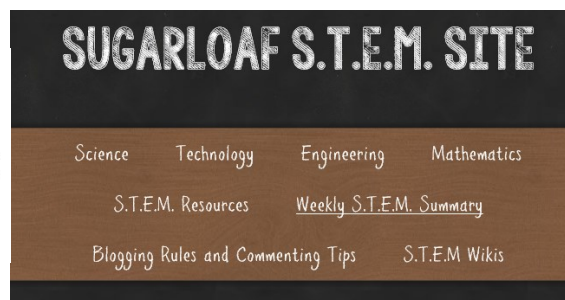


*Piper and
Chloe getting
their homework
done.*





SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING & MATHS *with Chan, each Monday*

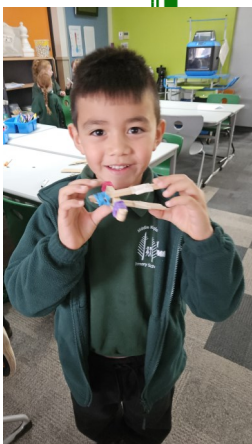


Sugarloaf STEM Blog

This week we went through the whole design process across the classes. We reiterated the importance of the 4 steps of our design chart - 1) Ask a question or think of a problem 2) Come up with ideas to solve the problem or questions 3) Design a prototype 4) Test the design 5) Repeat. To make things a little more interesting we threw some money into the mix. Using Design Dollars to purchase different items for our builds and introducing the concept of budgeting for a design and ensuring we use our resources wisely.

CONGRATULATIONS TO STEM AWARD RECIPIENTS FOR THIS WEEK-

- P/1– Holly
- 1/2– Oakley
- 3/4– Emad
- 5/6– Chloe



END OF TERM LUNCH, WED 24th JUNE

Orders due Friday 19th

Student name: _____

Hot Dog \$6

(choose toppings- cheese, sauce, mustard)

Cup of juice \$2

Total: _____ cash bank deposit

Any dietary requirements: _____



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website: www.mkps.vic.edu.au

Mid Year Parent Teacher Meetings

Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th June 2026

Staff will conduct Parent Teacher Meetings on Wednesday 24th from 3.30-5.30pm and Thursday 25th June from 1.30-6.30pm. Conversations will be 10 minutes each. Please indicate which teachers you need to see and the day/time bracket that suits. Please ensure completed forms are returned to school by Thursday 18th June, or email

Meagan.Callander@education.vic.gov.au to book a time. Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or if you'd like to organise an alternate time.

Family name: _____

Teachers, days and time bracket (please tick)

Mrs Lang P/1	Miss Aldous 1/2	Mrs Burgess Gr 3/4	Mrs Wilkinson 5/6
<i>Wednesday 24th</i>	<i>Wednesday 24th</i>	<i>Wednesday 24th</i>	<i>Wednesday 24th</i>
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<i>Thursday 25th</i>	<i>Thursday 25th</i>	<i>Thursday 25th</i>	<i>Thursday 25th</i>
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MIDDLE KINGLAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL PHOTO DAY



FRIDAY 12TH JUNE 2026

ORDERING NOW OPEN!

Ordering online is quick and easy - please see the **HOW TO ORDER** flyer for instructions

FAMILY PHOTOS



Family/Sibling photos are available for students attending school. Orders must be placed by **11:59PM** the day before photo day.

Parents with 3 or more children can receive a concession with our **Premium** or **Classic** packs. To take up this offer, please contact us prior to photo day.

GROUP STYLE



We're here to help.

9466 7331 | admin.nem@msp.com.au

msp
photography



Ordering Online is quick and easy using the steps below!

Head to the link below or scan the QR code

<https://mkps-vic.msp.photos/Photos/>



- Click "Sign in with Student Details"
- Enter your child's surname and date of birth.
- You will be prompted to create an account.
Once logged in, you will be able to add additional children and place sibling photo orders.

Please note that sibling photo orders must be placed by **11:59PM the day before photo day.**

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Some great strategies to develop independence in students. We understand mornings can be tricky. What we are all aiming for is happy, independent students who can walk down to the classrooms, carrying their own school bag and can unpack and get ready for learning without assistance. Teachers are always in classrooms ready to greet students and prepare them for the day ahead. Please let us know if you require additional assistance with this.

THE GOODBYE PLAN: HELPING MORNINGS FEEL SAFER

WHAT A GOODBYE PLAN IS

A goodbye plan is a predictable, calm way to separate in the morning. It helps children know exactly what will happen, reducing anxiety and emotional overload at the school door.

WHAT MAKES A GOODBYE PLAN WORK

Short, consistent goodbyes help the nervous system settle more quickly. When separation feels hard, staying longer can sometimes increase distress rather than reduce it. This isn't because children need less comfort — it's because their bodies are finding it hard to let go while the attachment figure is still there.

HOW TO SUPPORT BIG FEELINGS

You can acknowledge feelings without extending the goodbye. Calm confidence, gentle validation, and a clear plan help children borrow regulation. Tears can happen alongside a safe goodbye — they don't mean you've caused harm or that the plan isn't working.

WHY GOODBYES CAN FEEL HARD

Goodbyes activate the attachment system. For some children, especially those experiencing separation anxiety, the presence of a parent can intensify big feelings — not because the parent is doing anything wrong, but because attachment makes the separation feel more real.

A SIMPLE GOODBYE PLAN MIGHT SOUND LIKE

"We walk to the gate together. We have one hug. I tell you I love you and that I'll be back after school. You go in with your teacher. I'll be thinking of you".


WHAT CHILDREN NEED MOST

Children need to feel believed, supported, and confident in your return. A clear goodbye plan sends a powerful message: "You are safe. You can cope. And I will always come back".



FREE DOWNLOAD - an extended THE GOODBYE PLAN- FOLLOW the page, LIKE the posts and comment GOODBYE below. Be sure to follow all the steps to receive the link.

 **Funky** 

Hair  **Day**

and Silly Socks Day



Thursday
4th June

Gold coin
donation

MKPS

Parents' & Friends' Association (PFA)

Dear Families,

Middle Kinglake Primary School's Parents' & Friends' Association (PFA) plays an important role in supporting opportunities and experiences for all students. Through fundraising efforts and parent involvement, the PFA is able to provide valuable extras that directly benefit our children and school community.

What Does the PFA Support?

The PFA funds many school activities that our parents and students love! Just a few of these things are:

- Buses for students to travel to and from swimming programs, sporting events, camp and excursions
- Consumables for events like the Ride2School day breakfast, the ANZAC Day ceremony morning tea and Mother's/Father's/Special Person Day events
- Catering and gifts for appreciation events such as World Teacher's and Education Support Staff Day
- Grade 6 end-of-year celebration activities as well as the Graduation ceremony & Grade 6/Year 7 reunion
- Additional student experiences and special visitors, including last year's inflatable incursion
- Various school ground items such as the garden beds/mulch and the ANZAC memorial

Historically the PFA has contributed funds toward larger purchases for the school, such as the stage used for the end of year Christmas Concert, outdoor picnic mats and upgraded student computers.

These contributions help ease costs for families and ensure students can participate in memorable school experiences.

Please come along to our
next PFA coffee & catch up
Monday 1st June, 9am

We Need Your Help

To continue supporting our students, we are seeking: **Volunteers** Whether you can help regularly or just occasionally, every bit of support makes a difference.

Ideas & Suggestions

We would love to hear your thoughts on:

- Fundraising ideas and suggestions on ways to improve current fundraising efforts
- Any events, experiences or resources for our school that you'd like to see that the PFA raise funds for

**Joining the PFA is
a great way to:**

Support your child's school
community

Meet other families

Contribute ideas and skills

Help create positive opportunities
for students

Make a real difference!
(Even with
limited time)

Interested?

If you would like to volunteer, share ideas, ask questions or learn more about joining the PFA, please contact Felicity. Together, we can continue creating wonderful opportunities for our students.

Warm regards,
MKPS Parents' & Friends' Association



MIDDLE KINGLAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Is your child starting school
in 2027?

It's time to book a tour!

Call 5786 1295 to book a time.

We would love to show you what we
have to offer our future Prep
students!

BE RESPECTFUL

BE RESPONSIBLE

BE SAFE

Apply online via VicStudents
students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/s/

ONLINE ENROLMENTS OPEN FROM 20TH APRIL 2026.





HOW THE CURRENT INDUSTRIAL ACTION AFFECTS MIDDLE KINGLAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS AND STAFF



Supporting Our Students. Supporting Our Schools.

The Australian Education Union (AEU) is taking industrial action to stand up for every student and every school. Here's why this matters for Middle Kinglake Primary School families.

THE FACTS



Victoria is consistently one of the **lowest funded** states for public schools.



Victorian public schools receive about **\$2,300 less per student** than the Australian average.



The gap isn't just teachers, it applies to **Education Support staff, Business Managers & Principals.**



Victorian school staff are **paid less** than all other Australian states.



There is **significantly less money** coming into Victorian public schools to put towards your child's education compared to similar schools in other states.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR VICTORIAN STUDENTS



The AEU is rallying for the **funding** and **support** Victorian students need to thrive and reach their full potential.

- ✔ **Smaller class sizes** so every student gets the attention they deserve.
- ✔ **Increased funding per student** to better resource classrooms and programs.
- ✔ **More support staff** to assist student learning and wellbeing.
- ✔ **Greater capacity for individualised planning** to meet each child's learning needs and goals.

These improvements will help create **stronger schools, better learning outcomes and brighter futures** for all Victorian students.



The AEU is rallying for **fair funding, respect and real support** so every Victorian student can get the education they deserve.



Stronger Schools. Fairer Funding. Better Futures.

Find out more at aeu.vic.asn.au



MIDDLE KINGLAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Gumnuts Storytime



*For 3 & 4 year olds, 9.30-10:00am
in the P/1 Room at MKPS.*










Thursdays- 7th May, 21st May, 4th June, 18th June



*Come along for a story and activity
in the P/1 room, with Mrs Lang.*

Contact the school for information
on 5786 1295, or just turn up.

June 2026

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Wk 7	1	2	3 	4 Division Cross Country Crazy Hair & Silly Socks Day! 🧦🧦	5 Gr 5/6 Big Ideas	6	7
Wk 8	8 King's Birthday holiday 	9	10 Gr 3/4 to WHS musical 	11	12 School photos 	13	14
Wk 9	15	16 Gr 5/6 Ander Louts  Sour Grapes Performance whole school 12.30pm	17 	18 Last Sporting Schools for term 2 	19 Reports distributed 	20	21
Wk 10	22 School Review	23 6.30 School Council	24  EOT Lunch P/T Meetings	25 P/T Meetings	26 EOT 2.15pm Assembly 2.30pm dismiss No ASC	27	28
	29	30					



IMPORTANT FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR REFERENCE

SCHOOL PHOTOS– Friday 12th June

100 DAYS OF SCHOOL– P/1– Tuesday 21st July

BOITE SCHOOLS' CHOIR– Tuesday 11th August

P-2 CAMP ACTIVITY DAY & GR 2 SLEEP OVER–
Thursday 17th September

GRADE 6 GRADUATION– Thursday 3rd December

GRADES 3-6 CAMP– 7th-9th December

END OF YEAR CONCERT– Monday 14th December 6pm



Sporting Schools is back for term 2!

AND it is free!

Monday & Thursday afternoons
3.30-4.30pm

*Starts Monday 27th April and concludes
Thursday 18th June*

Come along and join in the fun with
Michael & Bec!

-fun based game play & skill development:
including bike riding, Auskick, basketball,
badminton, cricket and much more.
Contact Meagan or Michael for more details.



YOU'RE INVITED!

YOUTH SHOWCASE NIGHT

RYLA

Hear about Rotary Opportunities including science experiences, leadership development, international exchange programs, sailing challenges, defensive driving & more.



Register Now



Launch of the **NEW** Rotary Youth Community Challenge for Grade 6 Students



Learn more about the Player Development & Wellbeing Program from Kinglake Junior Football Club



Get the scoop on upcoming youth opportunities & programs from Murrindindi Shire Council




6:15PM @ ELLIMATTA

JUNE 10TH

STALLS & DISPLAYS

BBQ TO START

RSVP VIA TEXT OR EMAIL

 Tamara - 0402 733 263

 Info@RotaryClubKinglakeRanges.com.au

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