

# MKPS News



Middle Kinglake Primary School  
Thursday 16th Oct 2025  
Issue 32



## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Being kind to everyone



### P/1- Kayden

For always showing kindness towards staff and students and for checking in with his friends to make sure they're okay when they need support.



### 1/2- Miles

For showing exceptional kindness by warmly welcoming his new teacher and always offering to help. Thank you for being a great example of kindness at MKPS!



### 3/4- Harry

For being kind to others and helping them settle into term 4.



### 5/6- Willow

For being kind and caring and always having time to listen to others.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday 17th October	Grade 5/6 to Melbourne Museum P-1 Pevan & Sarah concert
Tuesday 21st October	Gr 5/6 Personal Development session P-2 Bravehearts
27th- 31st October	SMILE Dentist van at school
Thursday 30th October	P-4 Responsible Pet Care
Monday 3rd November	Curriculum Day- no school
Tuesday 4th November	Melbourne Cup public holiday
10th-12th November	Grades 3-6 Camp- Airleys Inlet
Thursday 27th November	9.30am 2026 Prep Morning Tea
Friday 28th November	Inflatables incursion
Monday 1st December	Welcome Woodleigh, until Friday
Thursday 11th December	Gr 6 Graduation
Monday 15th Dec	EOT Concert
Thursday 18th Dec	End of term, 3.30pm dismissal. No ASC

### TERM 4 ICY POLE WEDNESDAYS

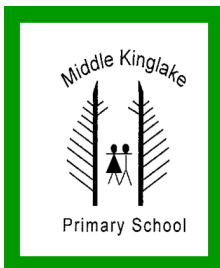
\$1 each week or  
\$10 for term



Happy birthday-  
Evelyn & Travis- 16th  
Jayden- 17th  
Harry F & Edith- 20th



**Middle Mate's focus for wk 3 is**  
Keep your hands & feet to yourself



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



**WELCOME BACK:** We are thrilled to welcome Miss Platt back to MKPS! Miss Platt will start working half days and build up to 2 days per week. Her role includes Disability Inclusion and Mental Health in Primary Schools. Miss Platt is going to run some Leadership/social skills groups, work in classrooms and assist teachers.



**EXCURSIONS:** Two classes heading off tomorrow– Grade 5/6 to the Melbourne Museum, departing at 9am and Grade P-1 to the Pevan & Sarah concert, departing school at recess. We hope they have a great time. Both groups will be back before home time.

Some very engaged mathematicians from Grade 1/2 this week!



Dan the Music Man will be at MKPS each Friday this term. He's swapped his day so he can work with Jayden during Rotations to teach together and organise the end of year concert.



**FEEDBACK:** We are still working on a suitable 'Feedback' portal for publishing in the newsletter. In the meantime if you have any feedback or questions please email me.

**CARING CLASSMATES:** We are working with Familycare to participate in Caring Classmates again this year. Here are the Grade 3/4s composing their writing pieces. The presentation will take place later in the term.



## **BRAVEHEARTS**

Bravehearts is Australia's leading child protection advocate specific to child sexual assault. Its vision is to make Australia the safest place in the world to raise a child, in line with the 3 Piers to Prevention– Educate, Empower, Protect.

On **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October P-2 students from MKPS** will experience the highly interactive, live personal safety program called Ditto's Keep Safe Adventure. This program is not about sexual education, it is a program teaching personal safety. The program is designed for younger students and aims to empower them with the tools to keep safe and educate them, with a focus on resilience, while building confidence and awareness. It also teaches students what to do if they feel unsafe and unsure.

The show is a non-confronting and engaging way to teach students about personal safety and encourages students to speak out. The 30 minute show is presented by trained facilitators who guides the students through a presentation and songs, complete with actions, along with Ditto (the lion cub mascot) who encourages audience participation.

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The students learn Ditto's 3 rules:

- \*We all have the right to feel safe with people
- \*It is ok to say no if you feel unsafe or unsure
- \*Nothing is so yucky that you can't tell someone about it.

The Ditto Show consists of:

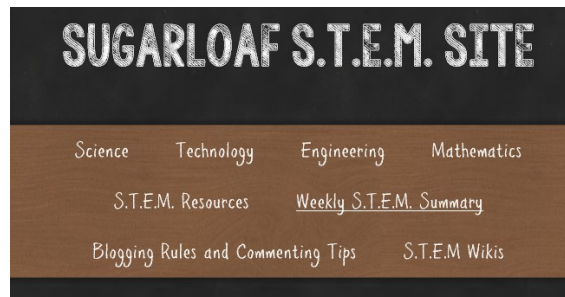
- \**Yes* and *No* feelings (feeling safe/unsafe)
- \*Warning signs in the body (feeling safe/unsafe)
- \*Private parts (mouth, chest, between the legs, bottom) and when it might be ok for an adult to look or touch private parts (doctor, or in the bath)
- \*Secrets (there's no secret that you can't tell someone)
- \*What to do if you have a *no* feeling/feel unsafe (Run and Tell song).

Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions. Bravehearts perform at our school and at the Kinder each year.





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



### Sugarloaf STEM Blog

Week 2 and we had to make a few choices! Specifically with regards to decision trees. In the senior grades we learned about how computers can use decision trees to have certain rules for problems so they can do things according to rules and algorithms instead of us having to program everything. We also touched on how these can be used as guardrails in AI programming to help ensure our AI is safe. In the junior grades we used decision trees to guide us through the course of a day such as waking up and deciding what to eat for breakfast. We also had a crack at using decision trees to sort animals according to their type, such as animals with fur or long tails.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENT WHO RECEIVED STEM AWARDS THIS WEEK-

- P/1- Eliza
- 1/2- Miles
- 3/4- Darcy
- 5/6- Rubi





## MIDDLE KINGLAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### 2026 PREP TRANSITION PROGRAM

Welcome to MKPS. We are excited to welcome your child and your family to our school. To assist with the transition to school, we offer an eight-week transition program where students can experience school life, become familiar with the classroom learning spaces, get to know their teacher and meet their 'Big Buddy'.

If students are attending Kinder on the allocated transition day, KRCC staff will bring them over to school and return them to Kinder. Please note students must be enrolled at MKPS to participate in the transition program.

Days and times of the Transition Program are as follows-

Day	Time	What to bring
Thursdays in October 9 <sup>th</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup> 23 <sup>rd</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup>	2-3.30pm	Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat
Thursdays in November 6 <sup>th</sup> 13 <sup>th</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-11.30am	Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat
Statewide Transition Day Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30-11.30am	Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat

\*\*On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30am, we welcome parents to attend a morning tea and information session while students are in the classroom.

The first year of school is an exciting time for all involved but can also be a time of anxiety and concern. We understand this and are willing to do everything we can to assist in making the transition a smooth and happy one. If you require any additional information, please contact the school on 57861295.



**Ms Meagan Callander**  
Principal

**Mrs Natasha Lang**  
Prep teacher



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0430 061 095





# **Sporting Schools is back for Term 4!**

**AND IT IS FREE!**

Monday & Thursday afternoons  
3.30-4.30pm

*Starts Monday 13th October &  
concludes Monday 8th December*

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

Fun based game play & skill development.

Contact Meagan or Michael for more details.





# Term 4

# October 2025

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3	4	5
Wk 1	6 Term 4! <b>WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL</b>	7	8	9 G3/4 to Shrine 	10	11	12
Wk 2	13	14 Gr 5/6 Personal Development	15 Regional Aths— Good luck Willow! 	16	17 P/1 to Pevan & Sarah  Gr 5/6 Museum	18	19
Wk 3	20	21 P-2 Bravehearts  Gr 5/6 Personal Development	22	23	24	25	26
Wk 4	27 Dentist van at school 	28	29	30 Responsible Pet Care P-4 	31		

# November 2025

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
						1	2
Wk 5	3 Curriculum Day	4 Melb Cup holiday 	5	6	7	8	9
Wk 6	10 Grade 3-6 Camp Airley's Inlet 	11 Grade 3-6 Camp	12 Grade 3-6 Camp  	13	14	15	16
Wk 7	17	18  6.30pm SC	19	20	21	22	23
Wk 8	24	25	26	27	28 Inflatables! 	29	30



**KINGLAKE RANGES**

**LIFT THE LID WALK**

— **PHYSICAL HEALTH FOR MENTAL HEALTH** —

**SUN 17TH NOV**  
**9:30AM START**  
**5.8 KM**

Rotary  
Districts of Australia  
Australian Rotary Health

**TO WALK & TALK  
FOR MENTAL HEALTH**

**Rotary**

Kinglake Ranges



**STARTING POINT**

MEET AT KINGLAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE,  
1EXTON RD KINGLAKE CENTRAL

**ENTRY FEE \$30**

FOR ADULTS, KIDS WALK FOR FREE.

T-SHIRT & CAPS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY.

GUEST SPEAKER - AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH - MENTAL HEALTH  
FREE BBQ LUNCH TO ALL WALKERS, FREE FACEPAINTING, BUBBLE PLAY, SENSORY TOYS,  
GAMES, MUSIC, ICE CREAM, COFFEE VAN, MINDFULNESS ACTIVITIES, WANDERING WILDLIFE  
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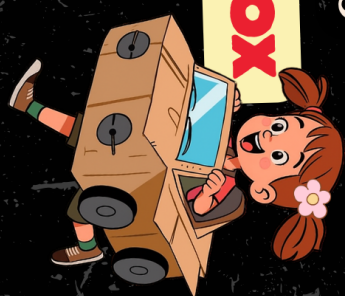
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Show 'n' Shine

**SUN 16TH NOV 2025**

**CARDBOARD BOX RALLY**

Entry \$100  
per team



**RAISING AWARENESS & MONEY  
IN SUPPORT OF "LIFT THE LID"  
MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH**

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REPTILE EXPERIENCE | BUBBLES  
WIN A BIG JAR OF HOT WHEELS CARS  
2 LIVE BANDS

1EXTONS RD, KINGLAKE CENTRAL

10AM TO 2PM

**COMPETITION TIME**

KIDS OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO  
DESIGN, BUILD, SHOW OR RACE  
THEIR VERY OWN CARDBOARD CAR.  
GIVE YOUR CARDBOARD BOX A GLOW UP,  
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AND START BUILDING!  
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# Christmas in Kinglake

Let's light up the town



**Saturday  
November 29  
7 pm  
at Kinglake Library**

- \* **Family fun and BBQ**
- \* **Xmas Music**
- \* **Hampers**
- \* **Raffles ... and more**

**CFA Santa will  
visit for children**

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local community volunteers and businesses

## JOIN OUR FESTIVE CHRISTMAS SINGING GROUP!

**For Ages 5–14**

- **Meeting:** Fridays 5:15–6:00 pm
- **Location:** Kinglake Neighbourhood House
- **Rehearsals Begin:** Friday, October 17
- **No Rehearsals:** October 31 & November 28
- **Led by:** Tess Kesting
- **Special Performance:** CWA Light Up Kinglake, November 29
- **Details & Registration:** Contact Kinglake CWA Facebook Page or Chrissy Eustace – 0408 729 580

Get ready for a joyful holiday season filled with **music and cheer!**