## MKPS NEWS

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Middle Kinglake Primary School Issue 34





#### STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Focus: returning quickly to line up after recess and lunchtime

#### **Prep- Carter**

For always returning to class ready to learn by making sure he has used the toilet and has had a drink before the music has finished.



#### 1/2- Chloe

For responding to the music at the end of recess and lunch and being ready to start the next part of the day.



#### 3/4- Carmen

For always lining up quickly and sensibly, ready to enter the classroom and start learning.



#### 4/5/6- Christian

For always being first to line up and ready to start learning after the breaks.

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Sat 4th & Sun 5th Nov	Whittlesea Show
Monday 6th November	Curriculum Day- no students required at school
Tuesday 7th November	Melbourne Cup Day, public holiday
Friday 10th November	School Remembrance Day service 10.15am
Tuesday 14th November	School Council 6.30pm
17th-19th November	Foggy Mountain Music Weekend
Thursday 7th Dec	Grade 6 Graduation
Wednesday 13th Dec	End of Year Concert 5.30pm
Thursday 14th Dec	Grade 6 Final Fun Day
Friday 15th Dec	Grade 6 Breakfast 8.30am Final assembly 3pm
Monday 18th-Wed 20th	Cleaning days Wednesday dismissal 1pm- no After School Care
Monday 29th Jan	Staff return
Tuesday 30th Jan	Students return- 9am assembly



\$1 a week or \$6 for the remainder of term



Birthdays-Fiona— 1st Lucinda & Ms Callander— 5th

#### 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 \$wimming



BE SAFE, BE RESPONSIBLE,
BE RESPECTFUL

**WHITTLESEA SHOW:** Our PFA have the opportunity to raise funds by staffing the Sponsor Lounge at the Whittlesea Show. This isn't a hard job and can be quite social. PFA will be looking for volunteers to assist—2.5 hour shifts across the weekend. Please put your hand up to help if you are available. Please see our page 5 or the Facebook page for up to date roster times. Thanks so much to everyone who has already volunteered— much appreciated!

**FIRST AID TRAINING:** There will be no After School Care or Sporting Schools on Thursday 16th November as staff undertake First Aid training. Sorry for the inconvenience.

**MUSIC CONCERT:** If your child learns music with Anita or Jayden we will hold a concert on Wednesday 29th Nov. More details to follow.

**LORD SOMERS CAMP ROADIE PROGRAM:** For Grades 3-6 on Friday 24th November— a note was sent home on Monday. Money due prior to day. Please contact us if you have any questions.



Some Halloween fun

on Tuesday

**CURRICULUM DAY:** Just a reminder that Monday is

a Curriculum Day and students aren't required at school. Tuesday is Melbourne Cup Public Holiday. Enjoy your long weekend and see you next Wednesday. There will be no newsletter next week due to the short week.

**END OF YEAR DATES:** It is getting busy! Please mark these *December* dates in your diary-

Thursday 7th– Grandparents and Special Persons Afternoon– 2pm

Thursday 7th- Grade 6 Graduation 6pm

Tuesday 12th— Statewide Transition Day— Grade 6 to High School, 2024 Prep transition 9.30-11.30 and everyone spends from 9.30-11am in the 2024 grades Wednesday 13th— End of Year Concert— 5.30-6.30pm picnic tea, 6.30-8pm concert

Thursday 14th– Grade 6 Final Fun Day Funfields

Friday 15th- Grade 6 Breakfast 8.30am & Final assembly 3pm

Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th- Cleaning Days

Wednesday 20th- Dismiss 1pm- No After School Care

Thanks to Cullen's grandpa who grew some silver beet seedlings for us to plant in the garden. Great job, much appreciated!





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





https://sites.google.com/education.vic.gov.au/sugarloafstemblog/home

This week we explored digital citizenry and the wonder of the keyboard. In the junior years we investigated how a keyboard works and had a look at the inside of one to see how the metal connections make it work. We then had a crack at typing or simply exploring what the keys do. The find of the week was that if you type ALT + X after a letter, in Microsoft Word, it'll show what that letters Unicode is. In the Senior grades we had a look at online safety and learned about the key considerations when going online. We then developed a Online Code of Conduct for ourselves and played "Intraland" Google's online safety teaching game.

Congratulations to the student who received STEM awards this week-

P– Miles 1/2– Maddisyn 3/4– Cullen 4/5/6– Oliver







# We still need help! Could you spare an hour or two? Please let us know.



MKPS needs your help! We are staffing the Sponsor's Lounge at next weekend's show.

The money raised will go towards personal laptops for the Grade 3/4s and a fridge for Hot Lunches. Everyone benefits!

If you have some time to assist please comment below. Grab a friend and put your name down for a time slot.

Thanks to those who have already volunteered.

Saturday 4th Novem	ber	107
9-11.30am	11.30-2pm	2-4pm
Nicole Wilson	Peta Fry	Beth Westworth
Sarah Ingle	Josh Hofman	1 x helper required
Shaylee Flook	Fiona Hofman	
	Ferne King	16

9-11.30am	11.30-2pm	2-4pm
Karen Parker	Ursula Jenkins	Joyce Geddes
Felicity Maniszewski	Georgia Gardiner	1 x helper required
	2 x helpers required	

### Mrs Wilkinson's grade were so lucky to participate in the DASH program last term. Such a fabulous program with benefits for everyone. Well done to all involved.





#### PROGRAM REPORT

Middle Kinglake Primary School Term 3, 2023

At a glance	ž
Students	17
Grades	Year 4, 5 & 6
Partners	Victoria Police
	Murrindindi Shire Council
	Murrindindi Wildlife Shelter
	DEECA
	Bendigo Bank
Projects	Reduce Rubbish, Revive Rivers
	Find Your Space
	Graffiti Walls
	Cyberblocker
	Animal Safety
Winning	Animal Safety
project	Concerned with the safety of local wildlife, this group wants to install wildlife crossing nets

Students surveyed felt DASH was:

Fun	100 %
Welcoming	85 %
Interesting and relevant	100 %

in the local area.

within the tree tops above a road.

passage for koalas and possums

The nets will allow the safe

tudents surveyed also said that DASH:	
Improved their <b>problem-solving</b> skills	84 %
Increased their understanding of empathy	86 %

"Because of DASH I will always try and help my community - take action and try to help others." - Student

DASH helped students to connect with and participate in their community.

Students surveyed said "After the DASH program, I know more...

About my community	<b>77</b> %
Adults in my community who I can trust	62 %
About how I can make a difference in my community	100 %

"The most valuable part of DASH for the young people was the awareness that their opinions DO matter, that adults will listen to what they think, and have to say." - Community Member

Students surveyed said their favourite parts of DASH were...:

- 'working together and creating change.'
- · 'Finding ways to solve my group's problem, and going through the different things I learned every week.'
- · 'making the presentations at the end I of the program.'

Blue Light Victoria continues to strengthen the DASH program. This term we provided the opportunity for facilitators to take part in peer observations and co-facilitating across the different LGAs. This exercise helped to maintain consistency in the delivery of the content and gave the facilitators a deeper knowledge of and increased their facilitation skills.



For more information, including more photos, please email: kate.selimanovic@bluelight.org.au

It is hard to believe it is this time of year again. We look forward to welcoming new preps to MKPS. Students must be enrolled for the Transition program. If you know of anyone intending to enrol at MKPS please let them know. Thanks



# MIDDLE KINGLAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL 2024 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'.

We have designed this year's transition program to fit in with the current Kinder times at KRCC Centre. We value the Kinder program and don't want children to miss their allocated time every week. 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-

Please note we have had to cancel one session due to a clash with a whole school excursion that has been re-scheduled.

Apologies for the inconvenience.

Day	Time	What to bring
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	2-3.30pm	Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> November Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November** Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30-11.30am	Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat

\*\*On Friday 24<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

Miss Natasha Petkopoulos

Prep teacher



# SPORTING SCHOOLS IS BACK FOR TERM 4!

AND IT IS FREE!

Monday & Thursday afternoons
3.30-4.30pm
Starts Monday 9th October and concludes
Thursday 14th December

Come along and join in the fun!

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



Middle Kinglake
Primary School
invites you to its

REMEMBRANCE DAY

SCHOOL SERVICE
on Friday 10th November
at 10.15am.

Followed by morning tea.

Please RSVP to Meagan on 57861295 for catering purposes.









Carter and Carter have worked with MKPS students to write a song *New Beginnings*.

We will perform our song at some stage over this weekend. Put the date in your diary. More details to follow.

This is an easy way to assist with fundraising for MKPS which also saves you money!! Last year we received close to \$500 for the school from this program. Use the barcode to sign up—share around with family and friends.



Note - Members can also apply via direct weblink: https://www.unitedpetroleum.com.au/fueldiscount-cards/up-community/middle-kinglake-primary-school/

