

MKPS News



Middle Kinglake Primary School
Thursday 20th Nov 2025
Issue 37 Week 7



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 6– looking after your belongings



P/1- Natalia

For always making sure she puts away her belongings and for helping others do the same thing.



1/2- Piper

For always keeping her desk neat and organised, showing great responsibility and care for her things. Well done, Piper!



3/4- Chet

For ensuring that everything on camp was kept in order and he knew exactly where his belongings were.



5/6- Rubi

For keeping her belongings in order and making sure her area in her cabin was always tidy.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

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|------------------------|---|
| Tuesday 25th November | Grades 5/6 Book Launch 9am |
| Thursday 27th November | 9.30am Transition & 2026 Prep Morning Tea |
| Friday 28th November | Inflatables incursion |
| Saturday 29th November | Community Christmas 7pm, Kinglake Library |
| Monday 1st December | Welcome Woodleigh, until Friday |
| Tuesday 2nd Dec | School Council dinner 6pm |
| Wednesday 3rd Dec | Jayden's Music students' concert 9.10am EOT Hot Lunch |
| Tuesday 9th Dec | Statewide Transition. Grade 6 to high schools, Kinder kids here and MKPS students in 2026 classrooms from 9.15-11am |
| Thursday 11th December | Caring Classmates Presentation 11.30am Gr 6 Graduation 6pm (No After School Care) |
| Monday 15th Dec | EOT Concert 6.30pm (No After School Care) |
| Tuesday 16th Dec | Grade 6 Final Fun Day |
| Wednesday 17th Dec | Colour Run |
| Thursday 18th Dec | End of term, 3.30pm dismissal. No ASC |
| 2026 Tuesday 27th Jan | Staff return to school |
| Wednesday 28th Jan | All students return to school. 9am assembly |



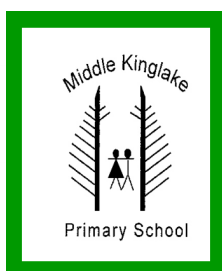
Happy birthday-

Eliza K- 23rd

Abigail- 25th

Chan- 28th

Middle Mate's focus for wk 8 is
Being a good listener



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

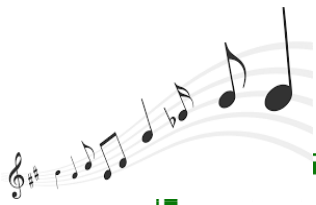
SCHOOL BANKING DETAILS

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

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

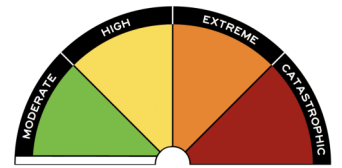
For example: Jones Swimming





JAYDEN'S MUSIC CONCERT: Jayden's music students will perform their talents in a whole school concert on Wednesday 3rd Dec at 9.10am. All welcome.

FIRE SEASON: As the fire season approaches, a reminder that MKPS and MKPS OSHC is closed on Catastrophic fire danger rating days and Learning from Home plans will be activated on Extreme days. No one is permitted on site on these days. We take our fire danger ratings from the LGA (Local Government Area) for Murrindindi. Communication will be provided from the school in the lead up to these days. You are encouraged to have your family's fire plan updated for this year so you are not caught unprepared. Please ask if you have any questions.



AFTER SCHOOL CARE: There will be no After School Care on Thursday 11th (Graduation) and Monday 15th Dec (EOY Concert) as we require the space to set up for these events. Apologies for the inconvenience.

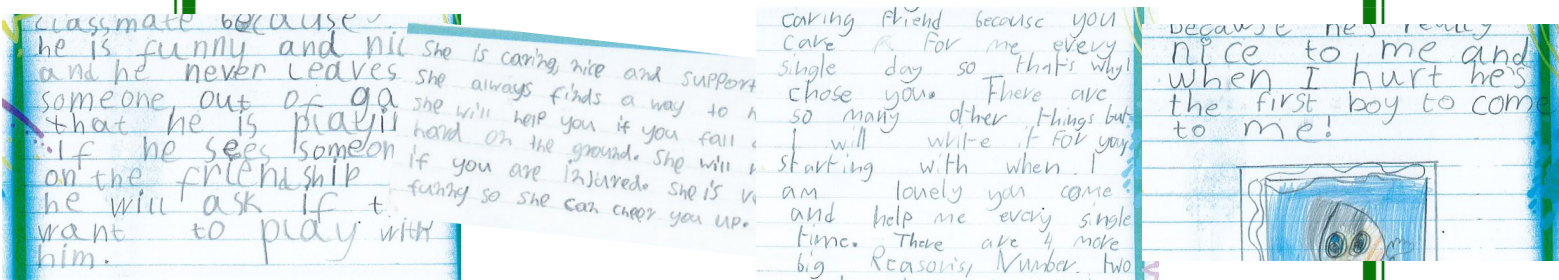
LONG SERVICE LEAVE: I am absent today and tomorrow (Thursday & Friday) and Monday and Tuesday of next week. I am attending a family event in Darwin. Mrs Wilkinson will be in charge while I am away.

CWA CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: The Grade 5/6s will assist the CWA to put up the Christmas decorations at the Lions Park tomorrow afternoon from 2-3pm. The CWA are always very grateful of our students' help.

SPEED LIMIT: Just a reminder that the speed limit along Extons Road, adjacent to the school is 40 kms. The police were patrolling this area last week.



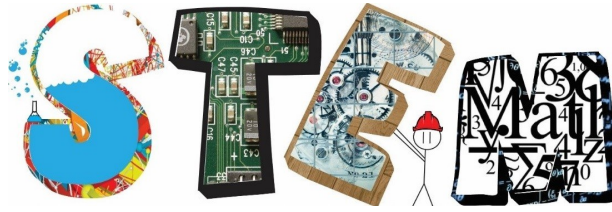
CARING CLASSMATES: Each year we work with Familycare from Shepparton to participate in the Caring Classmates competition. Each class discuss what a Caring Classmate would do and then students write their own reports nominating someone they consider to be a Caring Classmates. The entries are sent off to Familycare, who love reading them all! Andie and Kate from Familycare will be at MKPS on Thursday 11th December at 11.30am for a Caring Classmate presentation. Students love being involved in this program, thinking carefully about their nominations. We are grateful to Familycare for their invitation to participate each year. Families are very welcome to attend the presentation.



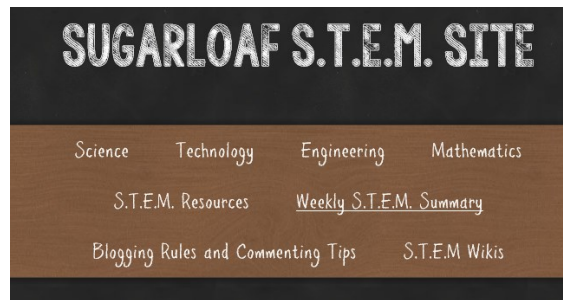
WOODLEIGH: There is great excitement as we count down until the Woodleigh visit! Woodleigh are a school down Langwarrin way. Each year they have a Community Project where students can nominate to visit MKPS for the first week in December. They camp in tents, at school and throughout the week run activities for the students to enjoy. Their visit is always a highlight with our students develop a great rapport with the Woodleigh kids. There are often tears on the Friday when Woodleigh leave! This year Woodleigh are bringing 18 students, which is the biggest group ever! There are 10 students from last year returning because they loved it so much! Stay tuned for the Woodleigh Week fun!

Last year's visit





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

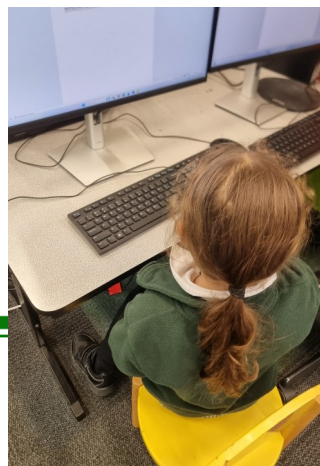
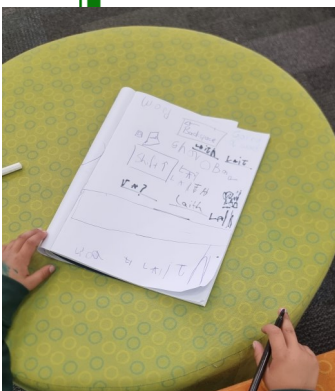


Sugarloaf STEM Blog

This week we explored problem solving in S.T.E.M. In the junior grades we framed this around Microsoft Word and navigating around the program. In Prep this meant learning to use some basic skills such as ENTER and SHIFT and in Grade 1 - 2 we explored other buttons and practiced testing them purposefully to develop a cheat sheet. In the senior grades we explored the use of Google Docs to develop shared documents to go through a problem solving challenge exercise where we had to make decision based on a survival scenario. We also learned about using headings to format and create clear, concise documents.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENT WHO RECEIVED STEM AWARDS THIS WEEK-

- P/1- Harper
- 1/2- Emad
- 3/4- Abigail
- 5/6- Jackson



WE MADE A BOOK!



The senior students at Middle Kinglake Primary School have worked hard and created an anthology of stories!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

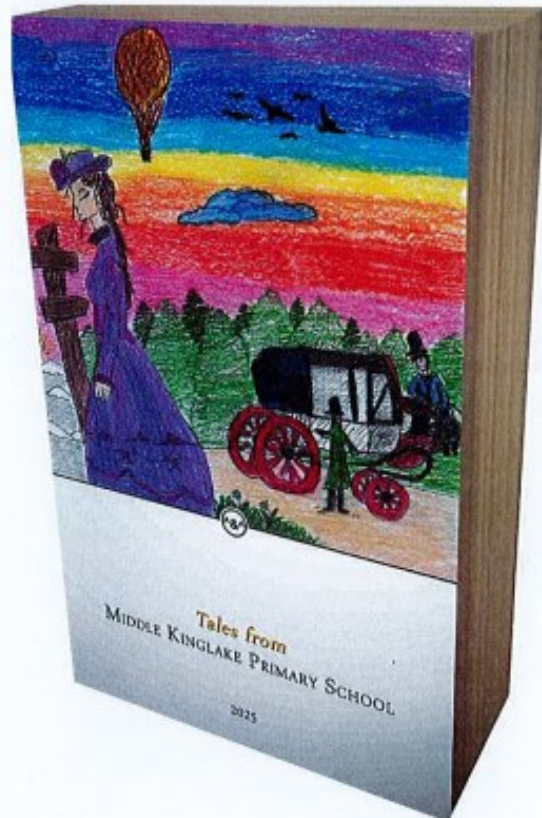
Middle Kinglake PS are excited to unveil our shiny new book. It's going to look magnificent on your family bookcase.

Through hard work and collaboration, students have produced a wonderful anthology with 19 stories.

This calls for a celebration. Let's PARTY!

YOU ARE INVITED!!!

**Book Launch Party,
Tuesday November 25th,
9:00 AM at M.K.P.S.**



To purchase a copy of the book, pre-order via: www.launchpad.vic.edu.au/bookstore

Thank you, and happy reading!

Ander Louis

Children's Author and Creative Writing Mentor
Launch Pad Writers Club
www.launchpad.vic.edu.au

Special congratulations to Alannah for having her picture selected as the front cover of the 2025 book. Well done Alannah!

END OF TERM LUNCH, WEDNESDAY 3rd DEC

Orders due Thursday 27th

Student name: _____

Pie \$4

Sausage roll \$3

Cinnamon donut \$2

Total: _____ cash bank deposit



*Please note dietary requirements _____

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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 th 16 th 23 rd & 30 th | 2-3.30pm | Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat |
| Thursdays in November 6 th 13 th 20 th 27 th | 9.30-11.30am | Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat |
| Statewide Transition Day Tuesday 9 th December | 9.30-11.30am | Snack Drink bottle SunSmart hat |

****On Thursday 27th 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



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM

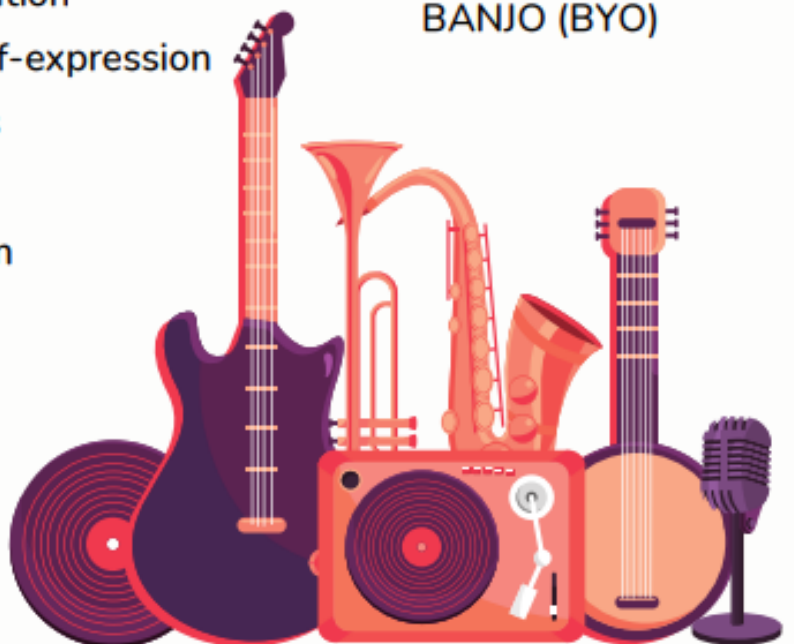
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Sporting Schools is back for Term 4!

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.












November 2025

| | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | Sun |
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| | | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| Wk 5 | 3 Curriculum Day | 4 Melb Cup holiday  | 5  | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Wk 6 | 10 Grade 3-6 Camp Airey'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 9am Book Launch  | 26  | 27 9.30am Prep Parents Morning Tea | 28 Inflatables!  | 29 | 30 |

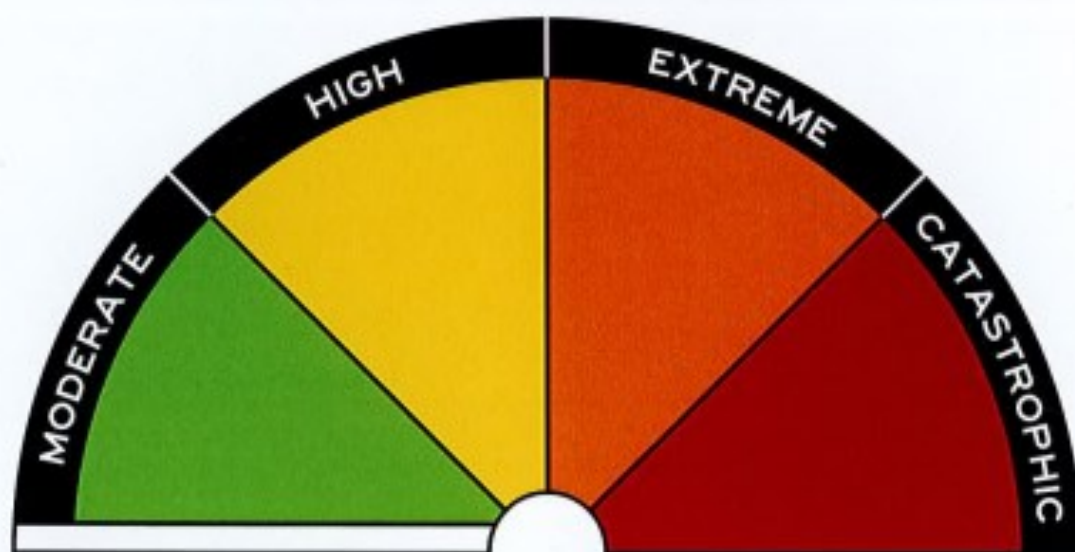
December 2025



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|-------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|--|--|-----|
| Wk 9 | 1 Welcome Woodleigh! | 2 6pm SC dinner | 3  | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Wk 10 | 8 | 9 Statewide Transition | 10  | 11 Caring Classmates 11.30am Gr 6 Graduation 6pm  | 12 Reports distributed  | 13 | 14 |
| Wk 11 | 15 EOY Concert 6.30pm | 16 Gr 6 Final Fun Day | 17  Colour Run  | 18 EOT 3pm Assembly 3.30pm dismissal NO ASC | 19  | 20 | 21 |
| | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25  | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| | 29 | 30 | 31  | | 2026 Tuesday 27th Jan- staff return to school | Wednesday 28th Jan all students return to school 9am assembly- all welcome | |

As the warmer weather approaches, a reminder that
**MKPS and OSHC are closed on
Catastrophic Fire Danger days.**

There is a new *Work From Home* plan in place for
Extreme days in the Murrindindi LGA, therefore
MKPS and OSHC will not be open on those days.
We will notify families of these days as they arise
and hard copy work packs will be sent
home with students.



As always our priority is the safety of students
and staff, while working within the
Department of Education guidelines.
If you have any questions please contact the school.