



## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

### Focus: Teamwork



#### **Prep- Darcy**

For helping his classmates understand their work and guiding them through activities.



#### **1/2- Liam**

For noticing when his friends and teachers need help and always helping them.



#### **3/4- Ripley**

For always being helpful and writing and performing a song to help with times tables.



#### **4/5/6- Nick**

For his help with many things including the chicken gate, the flags, IT and many odd jobs.

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

<b>Monday 4th Dec</b>	Woodleigh arrives, staying until Friday
<b>Thursday 7th Dec</b>	Grandparents and Special person's Afternoon 2-3pm Grade 6 Graduation 6pm
<b>Tuesday 12th Dec</b>	Statewide Transition, new grades 9.30-11am
<b>Wednesday 13th Dec</b>	Reports distributed End of Year Concert 5.30pm
<b>Thursday 14th Dec</b>	Grade 6 Final Fun Day
<b>Friday 15th Dec</b>	Grade 6 Breakfast 8.30am Final assembly 3pm
<b>Monday 18th-Wed 20th</b>	Cleaning days Wednesday dismissalal 1pm- no After School Care
<b>Monday 29th Jan</b>	Staff return
<b>Tuesday 30th Jan</b>	Students return- 9am assembly
<b>Wednesday 31st Jan</b>	No preps- they have Wednesdays off until the 13th March

## ICY POLE WEDNESDAYS \$1



**Birthdays-**  
Toby- 7th

Juliette & Josephine- 8th

Noah & Amelia- 10th

Dylan- 12th



## 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



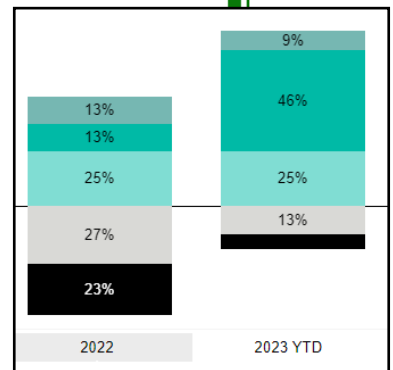
# BE SAFE, BE RESPONSIBLE, BE RESPECTFUL

**MUSIC CONCERT:** Well done to Jayden and Anita's students who performed at yesterday's concert. It was great to see their musical talents shine through.

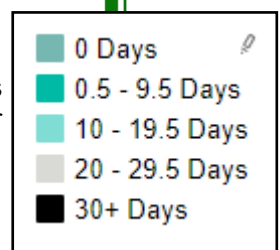
**GRANDPARENT'S & SPECIAL PERSON'S AFTERNOON TEA:** We love seeing grandparents comment on our Facebook posts, doing pick up and drop offs and generally being involved in their grandchildren's education at MKPS. Looking forward to seeing special people come and enjoy time at school with our students– 2-3pm Thursday.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** We are fortunate to have Tess arranging our End of Year Concert this year. Her musical ability is second to none. Tess has organised items from each class which will be woven together in an entertaining performance. All students are involved and excited!! The evening starts at 5.30pm with a BYO picnic on the school grounds– bring a picnic rug, food, drinks, plates etc. PFA will sell ice creams (details and prices to follow), at 6.30pm we'll all move into the hall court to start the concert. Following the concert we will present Academic and Citizenship Awards. The evening is usually finished by 8pm, with a special visitor. Please ask if you have any questions.

**ATTENDANCE:** When I was analysing our attendance data for this year I made some discoveries. The good news is that we have dropped our percentage for the number of students absent for more than 20 days– it was 27% but is now 13%- what a great improvement. The statistics that still worries me is that there are 10 students who have missed between 20-29 days and 5 students that have missed over 30 days of school– that is 6 weeks– that is over half a term! When students are sick they need to stay home, the best place for their recovery is on the couch and I have no problem with big family holidays but it is the days off here and there, and the unexplained absences, that are adding up. Please be conscious of this.



**WOODLEIGH:** Next week we welcome Woodleigh! The group of nine students and two staff will set up camp in our yard and run a variety of activities with our kids throughout the week– there is cooking, Christmas craft, sport and dancing! We always have a great time with Woodleigh!



**WHOLE SCHOOL WORKING BEE:** On Tuesday afternoon, we will hold a whole school working bee from 2-3pm. We invite parents to come along and help out with the chores we have on our list, it will be great to have the big kids from Woodleigh too!

**UNIFORM:** new school uniform stock has arrived. If you need any items please let us know and we can send them home, or come in and try on if required.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:** We are sourcing donations for the Christmas Raffle– anything that can be put together to make Christmas hampers– bon bons, chocolate, shortbread, vouchers etc. Christmas raffle tickets have been sent home today. Please check school bags.

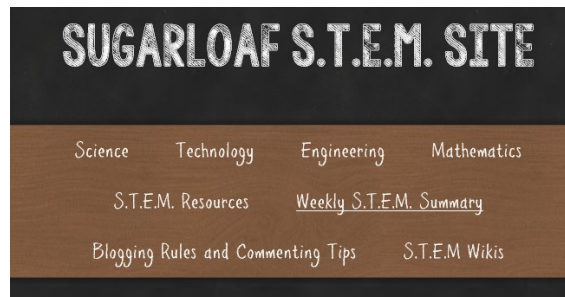
**FAREWELL:** Tomorrow we farewell the Kaufman family as they head over to South Australia to start new lives, jobs and schools. Khye and Levi have been students at MKPS since prep, Khye was our School Captain last year. Krista has been a very active member of our parent group and School Council, always volunteering for jobs and getting things done. Thank you Krista and we wish you all the very best. Please keep in touch when you get settled.







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



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

This week we checked out how language is used on the online space. In the junior grades we explored how we can use language to change the meaning of a sentence. We also had a look at exploiting the features of Microsoft Word to create different documents that had different intentions. For example how could we set up a word document to show a party invite vs just taking notes of something we saw. In the senior grades we explored how language is used in media and other contexts to manipulate us and common tricks people use to trick us online. Ask your child what a False Dichotomy, Ad Hominem and Scapegoat strategy does.

**Congratulations to the student  
who received STEM awards this  
week-**

**Grade 4/5/6– Lucinda  
Grade 3/4– Cian  
Grade 1/2– Jordyn & Jett  
Prep– Nathaniel**



# Grandparent's & Special Person's Afternoon Tea



Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2-3pm



*Come along and see our school,  
have a cuppa and join in with  
some fun activities*

# Christmas Dress Up Day!

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December



Come dressed up in  
your Christmas gear!





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-

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

\*\*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

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.



# **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.





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.



# Save on fuel

Middle Kinglake Primary School



Just scan the QR code to apply



# 4¢

per litre

**\*DISCOUNT**

2¢ for your club  
+ 2¢ for you



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



# Treatments

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