What a Week!

- School Working Bee
- Special Friends Afternoon
- Book Fair
- Bedtime Stories Night
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A big part of this week’s newsletter will focus on celebrating the wonderful events which have been taking place at Koo Wee Rup Primary School recently. There certainly has been a lot happening!

**Book Fair**

Last week we had our Book Fair taking place. There was a buzz of excitement from the students as they created their wish lists when visiting the fair. Many families then visited before and after school and made purchases, with the sales going through the roof. Not only have many of our families made some wonderful purchases, but our school has also benefitted from these sales with a percentage going back into our library stocks. Thank you to everyone who has supported this event, in particular Lisa Soutar who has been working tirelessly keeping everything on track.

**Bedtime Stories Night**

Last Thursday night saw a group of enthusiastic and energetic students (and even some parents) dressing up in their pjs and coming along to our ‘Bedtime Stories Night’. It was a very successful evening with different stories being read by teachers and then lots of creative activities being completed by all families. Congratulations to the English team on organising another successful event. Well done to Mily Jenkins and Bianca Wilson for reading the introductory story in such a fun way at the beginning of the evening.

**Father’s Day Breakfast**

What an amazing turn out there was to our Father’s Day breakfast last Friday morning. I met a group from the Rotary Club KWR/Lang Lang bright and early here at the school to get their trailer set up and the barbecues fired up. The families started arriving from 7am and were served a delicious brekky of egg and bacon sandwiches as well as sausages in bread. Coffee, tea and juice was served also. A huge thank you to the Rotary Club who donated their time and some of the food items.

**Special Friends Afternoon**

On Friday afternoon we had our classrooms opened up for our Special Friends Afternoon. It was wonderful to see so many family members and friends coming through the school and sharing in the learning experiences with the students. The children always get a great buzz in being able to share their learning with others so thank you for everyone who was able to attend.

**Working Bee**

To finish off the week, a small yet very enthusiastic and hard working group of volunteers gathered at the school on Saturday morning for our working bee. We were able to get a number of jobs done including spreading new mulch into our playgrounds, clearing out the shipping container, tidying up our sheds and clearing a heap of dead shrubs, branches and trees from around our boundaries. I am planning to organise for another working bee early in 2017 where hopefully we can look at tackling some bigger projects. Stay tuned!! Thank you to the following helpers on the day: Naomi Perry, Liana and Trevor Krone, Peter Carew, Darren and Linny Jenkins, Glen and Deanne Corrie, Glen and Shannon Shelley, Josh and Jess De Marchi, Ben Isufi, Gab and Tom Cianciaruso, Therese and Corey O’Callaghan and Belinda McNaughton. We had many children also helping out on the day which was wonderful to see but a special mention must be made to Caleb Krone who did not stop all morning with his trusty wheelbarrow to help move the huge pile of mulch into the playground areas.
Principal’s Report Nathan Jagoe

Sun Smart time

Just a reminder that we are now in the Sun Smart time frame. All students need to be bringing their school-approved hats to school to wear for their breaks and for any other school activities outside. Please ensure your child is coming to school with their hats from now on please.

Dairy Assistance Funding for students

As part of the Victorian Government’s dairy assistance package the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) is being extended to students whose parents own, share-farm or lease a dairy farm business; or those people whose primary occupation is working on a dairy farm. A one-off amount of $375 per student will be paid to schools. If you believe you are eligible please contact the school before 18/11/16.

Public Speaking Competition

We wish Indiana Boswell the very best this Sunday as he competes in the next round of the competition of the Lions Club Public Speaking Competition. This is taking place at 2pm at Cranbourne Senior Citizens Club. Anyone is welcome to attend and cheer Indiana on. Good luck Indi!!

Final Day of School

Just a reminder that our final day of school is this coming Friday 16th September. School is dismissed at 2:15pm on this day. This will also be our Footy Day at the school where everyone is encouraged to wear their footy gear to school. Our school parade will take place at 9:00am. This will be followed by a teachers v’s Senior School students sports match. Football had been suggested, but we think it will be a battle in Newcombe where everyone can stay around and cheer on the teachers as we defeat our Year 6 students once more!

Farewell and good luck

Finally, I would like to take this moment to thank Michelle Mackenlay for all of her amazing work here at Koo Wee Rup Primary School over the past 7 years. Michelle’s support to me this year has been invaluable and I thank her for all of her support and expertise. I know from speaking to others that Michelle has been a driving force behind a lot of the extremely positive changes that have occurred here at KWRPS in her time here. We wish her the very best in her promotion as she moves into the role of Assistant Principal at Clyde Primary School.

Our ‘Footsteps Into Foundation’ program has been established for new Foundation enrolments. The program involves nine planned transition sessions as well as parent information sessions. As Principal of Koo Wee Rup PS, I invite you to visit our welcoming and friendly school and see for yourself the high quality teaching and learning programs on offer for all students.

To arrange your personal tour, please contact Nathan Jagoe on 5997 1272.
School Community News

Sustainability with Miss Chamberlain

Throughout Term 3 students from Years 1 to 6 have been participating in a sustainability program for one session a week. The students were introduced to self-directed inquiry learning and chose their own topics to investigate.

Students in Year 1 and 2 explored Endangered Species around the world, in Australia and also local to our community. Students discovered the links between creating a sustainable environment and the survival of different species. An investigation walk around our school to discover a perfect home for the local endangered Growling Grass Frog was a highlight.

The middle school showed a keen interest in the Water Cycle and issues surrounding saving water. We explored the different stages of the water cycle and how our choices within our homes and the community could impact our water resources.

Finally, the senior school investigated power and energy. An overwhelming interest in organic power saw us generating our own potato energy.

ICT with Miss Donisi

The web is a great place to learn, be creative and stay connected, but with one in seven young Australians found to be suffering from cyber bullying, and many other challenges young people face online, it’s important that we invest in giving our students the skills they need to be responsible digital citizens.

That’s why this year we have been participating in National eSmart week 5-9th September, an initiative developed by the Alannah and Madeline foundation, to show our commitment to cyber safety, wellbeing and digital inclusion.

The students from Foundation to Year 6 have been learning how to identify behaviours and information that are safe or unsafe to view and share online and being respectful and cautious when using the internet.

They have successfully demonstrated their knowledge and understanding through designing Cyber Safety posters and/or PowerPoint presentations promoting important messages and themes about being safe online.
Italian food is more than just Pasta and Pizza. Not only every region, but also, every small village has its own typical dishes, often made with ingredients that can be grown or found only in that area. Certainly Italian food and culture go hand in hand.

Throughout this term the students have been learning about the culture of food in Italy. Foundation and Year 1/2 students have been exploring the story of Strega Nonna and the Magic Pasta Pot written by Tomie dePaola. They have enthusiastically participated in learning the Italian vocabulary through chants, dramatisation and art work.

Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 students have focussed on exploring and translating foods into Italian and familiarising themselves with authentic Italian recipes/dishes and designing menus for an Italian restaurant.

 Erotic Italian Food Facts

Italians take their food very seriously. The main meal of the day is at lunch time.

The word for 'the lunch' is il pranzo.

You start with antipasti: these are nibbles like olives, cheese and salami, followed by..........

il primo (the first course which is pasta or minestrone) then

il secondo (the main course which is meat or fish with salad or vegetables) then there is fruit and perhaps a dessert.

Finally there is espresso coffee.

Buon Appetito!
It’s been a busy term in Physical Education. Year 3-6 students competed in the Lang Lang Districts Athletics Carnival and then 56D and 56P battled it out against St. Johns for the glory of holding up the Manser Cup. Back in the school each class has been working towards mastering their fundamental motor skills.

On the 17th of August the students travelled down to Casey Fields athletic track to compete in the Lang Lang District Athletics Carnival. Students from Koo Wee Rup Primary School showcased their athletic talent in the track and field event. I am happy to say every student that competed gave it their best and never gave up. Well done to the following students who made it through to compete in Zone:

- **Jordan Sprie** - Discus
- **Lilly Kuter-Rodgers** - 100m and Long Jump
- **Zarrah Tusa** - 200m
- **Marius Miftode** - Long Jump

Last Friday 2nd of September the Year 5/6’s travelled down to local rivals St John’s to compete for the Manser Cup. Students participated in football, netball and newcombe. Unfortunately for Koo Wee Rup Primary School, St John’s took a clean sweep and won all of the events. It was fantastic to see both sides show great sportsmanship in both victory and defeat.

In the Foundation classes students have been working on their running. Students have been focussing running on the balls of their feet, moving their hands from their hips to lips and driving their knees high.

The Junior school have been practicing their kicking. The students have shown great improvement in their motor control and making sure they look at the ball throughout the kick and follow through when kicking. The Middle school have been having fun improving their dodging skills. Dodging is an important skill that is used in almost every sport. They have been focussing on changing direction off one step and pushing off the outside foot. Last but not least the Seniors have working on game tactics, focussing on invasion games students have been learning to find space and passing into space.
School Community News

Term 3 Principal Award Winners

21st July

25th August

4th August

18th August

1st September

Term 3 Specialist Award Winners

21st July

28th July

4th August

11th August

18th August

1st September

Term 3 Class Award Winners

14th July

28th July

11th August

25th August

8th September

Alannah Rawiri
Indiana Boswell
Dylan Kraskov
Brooke Waterston

Jess Williams
Caleb Krone
Sophia Tavares
Cooper Simpson

Ruby-Lee Monckton
Luke O’LKeefe
Mia Sparling
Jett Boswell

Lily Rodgers–Kuter
Michael Rust
Nik Paramesvaran
Ryder Lewis
What's happening

Assembly every Thursday at 2:15pm

Footy Day Parade 9am Friday 16th September

Term 3. Dismissal 2:15pm Friday 16th September

Term 4. Begins Monday 3rd October

Family Friendly Bulk Billing Doctors Clinic in Kooweerup:

Open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 8.30pm
Saturday 9am to 4pm
Sunday 10am to 4pm
Tel: 03 59971819

(In the grounds of Kooweerup Health Service)

Girls Cricket Program:

Attention: Girls aged 10 to 18 years of age.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Whether you are a beginner or a regular come along and get some specialised coaching.

Give cricket a GO!

Contact: Greg Donald
Phone: 0419 368 583
Email: greg.donald@morpen.vic.gov.au

Date: Tuesday 27th of September
Venue: Officer Cricket Club
Address: Starling Rd, Officer 3809
Time: 10am to 12:00pm

No cost—it’s FREE
All equipment supplied
Vic Spirit players will be in attendance

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We will be OPEN for some days of the Term 3/4 school holidays beginning Monday 19th September until 30th September 2016, please see daily availability below. Children need to bring along lunch and snack for the day, water will be provided at all times.

Sun hats are required for all outdoor play during the day.

The daily fee is $55 and if eligible, you can claim both CCB and CCR entitlements which brings your out-of-pocket cost down.

Booked days are payable on the first day of attendance each week. Confirmed bookings are non-refundable.

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For all enquiries, please pop into OSHC Squad
Mon-Fri before or after school or call them on 0428768674 or email oshcsquad.kwr@outlook.com

KOO WEE RUP CRICKET CLUB
Affiliated with the West Gippsland Cricket Association
Premiers 2016/17: A Grade, One Day Competition, U10s Premier

Overview

Kooweerup Cricket Club has a long and rich heritage dating back to the early 1860s. A proud member of the Kooweerup community, we endeavour to provide a friendly and safe environment for all to participate. The Kooweerup Cricket Club encourages enjoyment through cricket. We are proud to announce a continued partnership with the Kooweerup Primary School who will be providing facilities for Junior Cricket to be enjoyed again this season. The club is thankful for their support.

Known as the Demons, Kooweerup Cricket Club competes in the West Gippsland Cricket Association. Last season, we had 4 senior teams (Premier, A Grade, B Grade and One Day competition) as well as 7 Junior teams (U15 A, U15 B, U13 A, U13 B, U13 C, U15 White, U15 Red and U15 Gold). This year we are aiming to have all clubs sides for the first time.

We also run a “Mini Demons” program for primary school age children to learn the fundamentals of the game. Last season we had 50 participants. Cricket is alive and well in the Kooweerup community.

If you’re interested in joining, please contact the club or visit our website for more information.

**Playing Fees - 2018/19**

Juniors: $60 (Net Included), Family $110

- Junior and families can secure a sponsor as well as $30 or $600 to assist in covering playing costs.
- Those sponsors will be acknowledged in the clubhouse on the playing sponsors area.

Further Contact Information:
Michelle – Senior Secretary 0407 196 871
Paul West – President 0400 539 559