



Koroit & District PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 - WEEK 1

School Agreements

- Mutual Respect
- Attentive Listening
- Appreciations
- No Put Downs
- Right to Pass
- Personal Best

Dates for 2022

Term 3 - 11th Jul - 16th Sep

Term 4 - 3rd Oct - 20th Dec

Respect:

is treating people, places
and things with kindness

Think about some kind
behaviours that
demonstrate respect.

How do you treat your
family, your friends?

When we are kind to
those around us, we are
naturally demonstrating
respect for them.

We have many
opportunities to be kind
each and every day.

FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL:

Welcome back to term three! KDPS staff hope that you had a lovely break and enjoyed some much-needed family time.

Enrolments

2023 is fast approaching and we welcome any enrolments for Foundation. We continue to offer school tours for prospective parents to come and have a look through our school. We would like to encourage interested parents to contact the school and book a tour at any time. It would be great if we had projected numbers for 2023 by the start of August.

Pupil Free Day

A reminder that we have scheduled a pupil free day for the 8th of August (week 5) This would be an Evaluate and Diagnose Day for the teachers until 11.00 am and then Parent Teacher Interviews from 11.30 am -5pm. More information to come in the weeks to come.

School Sores

This week we have had one case of school sores. School sores are a highly contagious skin infection that frequently occurs in children's settings. The infection may present with mildly irritating blisters that become pustular and erode rapidly, leaving a honey-coloured crust. It often appears around the nose and mouth. I have included a link for further information.

<https://www.health.vic.gov.au/infectious-diseases/impetigo-school-sores#notification-requirement-for-impetigo-school-sores>

Somers Camp

This week we had seven students head off to Somers Camp for nine days. Somers' camp is a great experience which provides many opportunities for meeting new friends outside our own school community. We are very lucky to have Mrs Rivett attend the camp to support our children.

Camps

Camp information has gone out on Xuno. Please check Xuno for further information. Grade ½ camp organised to Roses Gap Wednesday 14th – Friday 16th September. Grade ¾ camp to Kangaroobie Monday 22nd-23rd August Grade 1 and 2 plans to have a day excursion to Halls Gap. Grade ones to go home at the end of excursion. Grade 2's to stay the night.

Koroit Football Club.

Koroit football club wish to extend an invitation to all staff and students to attend our final home game for the season against our neighbouring rivals Port Fairy, on Saturday 6th August.

What is the day about?

Free entry for any of your staff and students and their families.

A chance for students to participate in a football match before the Senior football game.

KDPS will have a marquee with promotional goods. Join us post the senior footy in our clubrooms and mingle as we recognise all groups who are part of our community.

Our juniors commence at 10.00am, with the Open Netball at 1.15pm and the Senior Footy at 2.00pm.

Past Principal

As of Friday the 8th of July, Michelle Bickley Miller officially retired from the Department of Education. Michelle was a Principal at KDPS for a period of almost 11 Years. In this time Michelle was an outstanding Primary Principal, mentor and friend to many. Michelle's passion for all things education is paramount to her success as an educator and leader. KDPS thanks Michelle for her contribution to children's education.

Personal Development

We have planned for grades 4-6 to participate in Personal Development sessions this term. The first date being the 29th of August and the 1st of September. These sessions will be facilitated by Leanne O'Connor Nurse/Midwife of over 20 years currently practising at SWH Warrnambool. Leanne conducts sessions in 7 local primary schools in the region and has experience running such sessions for the last 9 years. Sexuality Education is a component of the Health & Physical Australian curriculum which relates to personal identity and how our bodies develop and change. Leanne uses teaching resources in the form of animation videos, quizzes and games which are well received by the students.



Children are
supervised in the yard
from 8:40 until 3:40

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E:koroit.ps@education.vic.gov.au

More from the Acting Principal:

Parent session

A parent online information session is planned for July 19th, this is held before our student sessions begin for parents to gain a better understanding of what is taught and an opportunity to ask any questions. You can find the Zoom link here or on the flyer attached.

Leanne O'Connor is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Personal development/Puberty -Parent Information night

Time: Jul 19, 2022 07:00 PM Australia/Melbourne

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fus06web.zoom.us%2Fj%2F86285682329%3Fpwd%3DeVV3elcwWE1acTJlZm5FUDRNQm5rdz09&data=05%7C01%7CTanya.mcperson%40education.vic.gov.au%7C44f727104e2d4e29555408da6473e1ad%7Cd96cb3371a8744cfb69b3cec334a4c1f%7C0%7C0%7C637932746139297140%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoImMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6Ikl1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&data=4lxtSyjAcmkEey3ai1sdxTzt4xlQ8G90BKzf%2BPdT9P8%3D&reserved=0>

Covid Update

From Saturday 25 June, all school staff (including principals, teachers, administration and education support staff, including casual relief teachers (CRT's), pre-service teachers, and Outside School Hours Care staff), volunteers, contractors and visitors are no longer required to meet COVID-19 vaccination requirements to attend work.

Parents, carers and other adult visitors are no longer required to show evidence of two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine if not performing work or volunteering at the school.

It is recommended that rapid antigen tests are used by students and staff when symptomatic. Household contacts are required to test negative using a rapid antigen test on at least 5 out of 7 if they are attending or working at a school onsite.

Current advice from the Victorian government on the wearing of face masks is available here: <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/face-masks>: It states:

Wearing a face mask can help protect you and those around you. Face masks stop droplets spreading when you talk, cough, sneeze and laugh, which lowers your chance of spreading or catching the virus.

This information is especially important for those who are medically at risk.

The advice also strongly recommends the wearing of face masks in indoor settings (noting that exceptions to the recommendation apply to teaching circumstances when clear enunciation or visibility of the mouth is essential).

Phones at School

Mobile phones owned by students at KDPS are considered valuable items and are brought to school at the owner's (student's or parent/carer's) risk. Students are encouraged not to bring a mobile phone to school unless there is a compelling reason to do so. Please note that KDPS does not have accident insurance for accidental property damage or theft. Where students bring a mobile phone to school, KDPS will provide secure storage. Secure storage is storage that cannot be readily accessed by those without permission to do so. At KDPS students are required to hand their phones into the school administration office to be placed in a lockable cupboard. Please encourage your child to follow the expected guidelines and drop phones off to Amie in the morning on arrival.

Attendance

Schools must record student attendance twice per day in primary schools and must record, in writing, the reason given for each absence. This is necessary to:

- meet legislative requirements
- discharge schools' duty of care for all students
- assist calculation of the school's funding
- enable school councils to report on student attendance annually
- meet Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) requirements (for VCE students).
- Thanks to the many parents who notify the teacher or Amie in the office. It is important that everyday matters at school. If you are aware of your child's absence before 9 am please update on Xuno for ease of tracking of student data.

Their Care

KDPS' TheirCare program has been hugely successful for our school and the community. TheirCare provides a safe environment for all children to enjoy their program. St Pat's Primary School have reached out to join in with our before and after school care. This is a great opportunity for our children to make wider school friendships and an opportunity to link our two schools together. As a result of this the bus route will have a slight change in the afternoons, picking up from St Pats to allow children access to the TheirCare program. This has no impact on KDPS students.

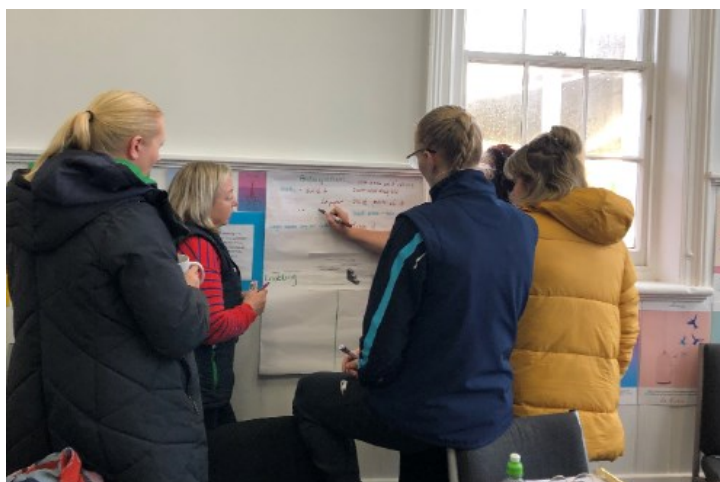
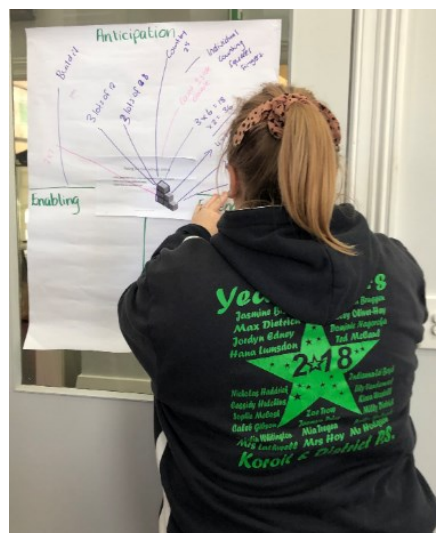
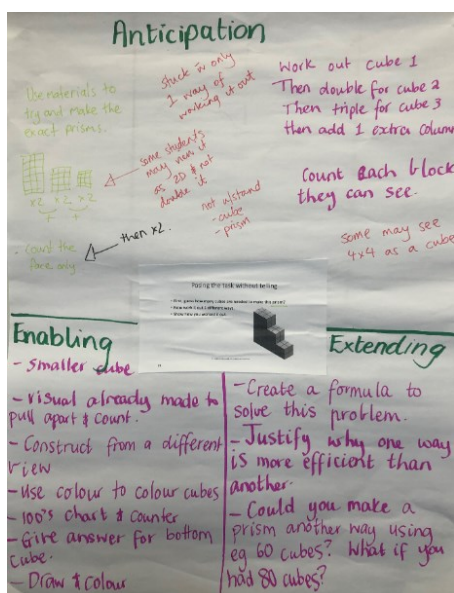
More from the Acting Principal:

Student Enrolment Census

Schools must submit a Student Enrolment Census through CASES21 twice each year, on the last school day in February and by the first Friday in August. This week we have sent to all Primary Carers Student Enrolment Information via Xuno that will require checking. This includes details on home location details, emergency contacts, family doctors and student medical details. Please take the time to read through your Student Enrolment Information Form return and make any adjustments. If no changes are made there is no action required. If changes are made please return from to KDPS by the 22nd of July.

KDPS Professional learning

On reflection of the review undertaken in term two KDPS has ensured that all teacher professional learning is effective professional learning that is collaborative, inquiry focused and embedded in best teaching practice. It is also guided by the needs of the students and reflects the broader school strategic direction. This term our focus is on Numeracy where we have a solid five-week focus. Teachers this week looked at Building Anticipation into our Planning. Knowing what the children need to know prior to teaching in Numeracy will only enhance our planning and preparation. Staff then planned for enablers and barriers for a given task. Please see photos attached.



Wellbeing:



Education
and Training

EVERY DAY COUNTS

Anxiety about going to school

It is normal that, in some stage in life, that every individual will feel anxious when faced with a difficult situation. Each individual will cope with anxiety in different ways. During difficult times, you can support your child to cope with anxiety in effective ways and by doing so, enhance their resilience. Anxiety becomes a problem when it is persistent and prevents them from enjoying normal life experiences for a long period of time.

How can I tell if my child has anxiety

Signs of anxiety in children may include:

- Having lots of worries and a strong need for reassurance
- Psychosomatic symptoms which occur before school (e.g. feeling nauseous, shortness of breath or headaches). When the threat (fear of going to school) is taken away, the symptoms will reduce.
- Crying, being clingy or fidgeting when nervous
- Sleep problems such as difficulty falling asleep, nightmares and trouble sleeping alone
- Fear and avoidance of a range of issues and situations

Why are some children anxious about going to school?

Anxiety may affect children at any age. The causes of anxiety may be different for young children than for teenagers:

- Separation anxiety (being afraid to be away from parents)
- Problems at school such as:
 - Being bullied
 - Learning difficulties
 - Not having friends, not fitting in, friendship conflicts

- Feeling lost at school
- Fear of getting in trouble
- Not getting along with a teacher
- New situations – whether facing the first day in a new class or the first day in a new school, it's normal to feel nervous in a new situation.
- Failure – worry that their schoolwork will be too hard, they won't be able to keep up, or they won't know the correct answer when called on in class.
- Fear of losing a parent. They may think something bad will happen to a parent due to:
 - A parent being ill
 - Family problems and fighting
 - Parents separating
 - Knowing another child who has lost a parent or whose family has broken up

What you can do

Act early – it is important not to dismiss your child's anxiety, but to help them see that the situations they are worried about may not be as bad as they think.

- Listen to your child and encourage them to tell you about their feelings and fears
- Avoid telling your child to 'get over it'. Your child may perceive this as you not understanding or not caring about their concerns.
- Discuss various scenarios, possible outcomes and ways to handle the situation. This will help put things in perspective. Show your child how you cope positively when feeling anxious or stressed. Remain calm and positive when they are feeling anxious so that you can help them feel more confident.
- Avoid taking over or giving your child the impression you will fight their battles for them. Children with anxiety are usually very happy for someone else to do things for them. However, if adults take over for them,



it stops them from learning how to cope for themselves as they begin to believe that someone else will rescue them.

- If your child is anxious about failure, remind your child that everyone makes mistakes and that you can learn from mistakes. Praise their best efforts.
- Talk with school staff to find out what assistance the school can provide.
- If your child has problems walking through the school front gate or getting on the bus, arrange for them to meet a friend before school so they can go to school together. Alternatively, check if there is another entrance to the school that your child feels more comfortable using.
- If your child delays getting ready for school so that they will be late, encourage them to still go to school and reassure them that you will contact the school to explain why they are late.
- Should your child find socialising before school a source of anxiety, arrange for them to arrive just before the bell.
- Be involved in your child's school (e.g. volunteer in the tuckshop, participate in a reading program, or join the P&C). Support your child with homework and study, modelling skills for becoming more independent

Further assistance

Sometimes, all of these things do not work and you may need assistance from professionals who can help anxious children. Discuss your concerns with relevant teachers or year level coordinators to resolve any school-based issues. If your child requires additional support, the school's wellbeing officer or school nurse may assist with anxiety support for your child (in an age-appropriate way) or with a referral to professional support. Alternatively, you can manage your concerns regarding your child's anxiety with your doctor, who can assist you with a referral to a mental health professional such as a psychologist, psychiatrist or therapist. They help children overcome their anxiety by using methods such as relaxation, improving self-esteem, improving confidence and changing the way they think about difficult situations.

Useful websites/Contacts

www.headspace.org.au

www.education.vic.gov.au

www.raisingchildren.net.au

www.youthbeyondblue.org.au

www.kidshelp.com.au or phone 1800 55 1800, 24 hours a day, 7 days

Parentline – phone 13 22 89 8.00am to midnight seven days a week



KDPS FIRE WOOD SALE

FIRE WOOD

\$50.00 per 6x4 Trailer

**Please call 55658332 to organise
Koroit & District Primary School**





KDPS Camps 2022



Somers Camp

Tuesday 12th July—Wednesday 20th July

\$260.00

Full payment to be received by 1st July 2022

Grade 5/6—Roses Gap

Wednesday 14th September—Friday 17th September (Term 3)

\$385.00

By June 30 \$125.00

By July 30 \$125.00

By August 30 \$125.00

Grade 3/4 Kangarooie

Monday 22nd August—Tuesday 23rd August (Term 3)

\$150.00

By June 30 \$75.00

By July 30 \$75.00

Grade 2

Thursday 3rd November—Friday 4th November (Term 4)

\$55.00

Payment Due 1st October

Grade 1 day trip

Thursday 3rd November

\$41.00

Payment Due 1st October

! KDPS Birthdays !

At KDPS we celebrate children's birthdays as a school by singing happy birthday at our whole school assembly. Each classroom celebrates birthdays in different ways.

Some classes have a special chair for the day or a badge to wear, most classrooms have birthdays displayed in the room.

For the purpose of an individual child's celebration or birthday we are now advising a sugar free icy pole or sugar Zooper Dooper be a recommended option for these occasions. It is not compulsory to celebrate all birthdays through the classroom.

Icy poles can be dropped into the school office.

Please label with child's name and classroom.



We don't want our school to look like a rubbish tip!

We thank you for your help in keeping our school green and clean!

Students: Please take home your rubbish in your lunch box.

Families: Please pack lunches with as little waste packaging as possible.





TheirCare
Where Kids love to be!

Amazing Before + After School Care Programs

Koroit & District Primary School



About the program

TheirCare provides a stimulating and safe environment for all children and an environment where children come and enjoy their time in their program. During sessions children develop life skills, friendships, confidence and creativity through play.

Koroit & District Primary School has partnered with TheirCare to provide quality care, flexibility and commitment to deliver on our promise to your school community.

Operation Times		Fees*	Out of Pocket	Average^
Before School Care	7:00am – 8:45am	\$18.94	\$2.84 - \$18.94	\$2.84
After School Care	3:25pm - 6:00pm	\$26.30	\$3.95 - \$26.30	\$3.95
Pupil Free Day	7:00am – 6:00pm	\$63.06	\$9.46 - \$63.06	\$9.46
Late Booking Cancellation Fee	Within 48 hours	\$5.00	\$5.00	
Cancellation Fee	Same Day	Full Fee	See BSC/ASC	

Service Phone Number: 0447 718 996 Your service coordinator will be available during session times. TheirCare support is available during office hours if required on 1300 072 410

How to Enrol

Visit TheirCare website: www.theircare.com.au and click on 'Book Now' in the top right hand corner to register your child's details.

*Standard fees excluding incursion / excursion costs

^Based on ABS published average family income for the suburb the school is located

THEIRCARE NEWS!

Before school care: 7am-9am After school care 3:25pm-6pm

Term three! We have approached the second half of the year so quickly. It was an amazing school holidays had by all here at Theircare, educators included. The Theircare school holiday program ran out of both Warrnambool primary school and Warrnambool east primary school and was ever so successful and it was great to see some friendly KDPS faces at the program!

Term three is an exciting and jam packed term for the KDPS their care service. Some exciting news to announce, is that we will now be opening up our service to our neighbours in Koroit, ST PATS! It is so exciting that we will be having some new friendly faces around our school and I'm sure KDPS will give them a nice warm welcome. Some more exciting news is that now we will be having a second educator permanently in our after school care sessions! We have been lucky to have Tomas with us this week and he has been an amazing help to everyone and even makes for a bit of stiff competition for our chess master Tavish.

This week at their care was environmental week, which has been great timing due to the sunshine we have had this week! Over the next few weeks, craft week, family week and mini games week are themes we look forward to as a collective. As always fruit snack is provided for the children and some yummy food to look forward to in the coming weeks included home cooked muffins, rice paper rolls, pasta, rice cakes with some great student suggestions of scones, pizza muffins and chicken noodle soup also on the menus approaching over the next few weeks. Also, as always, breakfast is provided at before school care still as well.

I am hoping, coming into this new term as well as now I have settled into this fabulous school, student and parent voice is more of what I look forward too throughout this term! If you have suggestions of menu ideas or activities you would love for your child to be involved in at the service, please let me know! I am more than open to suggestions and enjoy the community feel of not only our their care space but also the school and community of Koroit generally. Also please ensure you have all bookings in that you know you need of for this term as it is so easy to book ahead if you can!

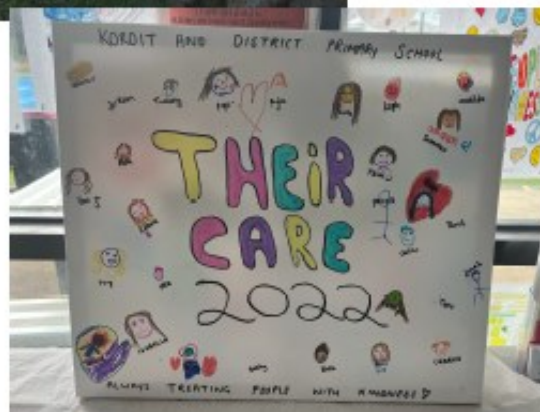
PUPIL FREE DAY: their care will be available for the school pupil free day on the 08/08/2022. Bookings will hopefully be open soon and I will let any families know asap on when they are.

Please email me if you would like to know any extra information or interested in starting at the service at koroit@theircare.com.au

Thanks all- Isabella McGifford (Koroit coordinator)

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CONTACT EMAIL: Koroit@theircare.com.au





BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY



FRIDAY 26TH AUGUST
9am Parade



CYBER SAFETY Parent Forum

DIGITAL WELLBEING &
ONLINE SAFETY EDUCATOR,
MARTINE OGLETHORPE WILL
BE PRESENTING A FREE
INFORMATION SESSION FOR
PARENTS & CHILDREN.

Martine is a speaker, author, educator and Trusted eSafety Provider with the Office of the eSafety Commission. She has a background in secondary education, a Masters in Counselling and is mother to five boys.

Recognising the important role technology plays in the social and emotional wellbeing of young people, Martine is passionate about helping families safely navigate the challenges of a digital world.

This session will offer practical and realistic strategies to empower parents to teach, guide and support their children based on the connections they form and the boundaries they create.

Suitable for all parents & children in Yrs 5-6 and above. Children must attend with an adult and book a separate ticket.

THURSDAY AUGUST 25th 6pm - 7:30pm
Warrnambool College Auditorium



RSVP at Eventbrite
via QR code.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



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you improve your
relationship with
your child with
strategies, support
& understanding.



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a big life
make your mark

Sensory Garden updates:



Please remember to promote your child/ren to the next grade on the [schoollunchonline](http://www.schoollunchonline.com.au) website—this allows us to get your child/ren's lunch order to them without confusion. Many Thanks!



TERM 1 MENU 2021

Wednesday & Friday Lunch Orders



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Cold

Fresh cut fruit salad	5.00
Caesar salad/Greek salad #	6.50
Salad wrap with chicken or ham	5.00
Salad roll	5.00
Salad roll with ham or chicken	6.50
Jam sandwich #	2.50
Cheese and vegemite sandwich #	2.50
Egg and lettuce sandwich #	4.00
Ham and cheese sandwich #	4.00
Salad sandwich with egg #	5.00
Salad sandwich with ham or chicken #	5.00

Hot

Crispy Pork Belly Fried Rice (GF) Friday only	5.00
Veggie Stir-fry w Crispy noodles Wednesday Only	5.00
Homemade sausage roll	4.00
Gluten Free sausage roll	5.00
Party pie	1.50
Pie	5.00
Sauce	0.20
Beef lasagne	5.00
Gluten Free beef lasagne	6.00
Ham and Cheese Toasty #	4.00
Hotdog with sauce	4.00
Veggie burger	6.50
(lettuce, tomato, veggie Pattie, tomato relish and mayonnaise)	
Ham, Cheese and Pineapple Paninni(toasted)	6.50
Chicken, Cheese and Honey Mustard Paninni	6.50

Snacks

Carrot sticks	1.00
Homemade biscuits	1.00
Jelly and fruit cups	1.50
Fruit yoghurt and muesli cups	4.50
Hedgehog slice	3.00
Lemon and coconut slice	3.00
Chocolate Muffin	3.00
Berry Muffin	3.00

Drinks

Fresha water	2.50
Fresha 100% Orange juice 250ml	3.00
Fresha 100% Apple and blackcurrant 250ml	3.00
Focus sports water 350ml	2.50
Blackcurrant or Raspberry	
Nippies flavoured milk 250ml	2.50
Chocolate or Strawberry	

Icy poles

Icy Pole	1.30
Dixie Cup	1.50
Chocolate Billabong	1.60

Any Questions or ideas please send me an email

Info@mcmahonfamilycatering.com

can be made Gluten Free if ordered

Lunch orders need to be placed on www.schoollunchonline.com.au before 9.00am on the day of order. To make things easy you can order a whole term ahead. Please ensure that your child's room number is correct.

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FAMILY
CATERING**



KDPS CALENDAR 2022 - Term 3

WEEK 2	
Tuesday 19 July	Parent Information Session (Zoom) Personal Development (Link in Principal report)
Wed 20 July	Somers camp returns Lunch Order Day 2023 Year 7 Placement offers advised
Thursday 21 July	Building & Grounds School Council Meeting 5.30pm (onsite)
Friday 22 July	Lunch Order Day Assembly @ 3.10 (Parents Welcome)
WEEK 3	
Wed 27 July	Lunch Order Day Grade 5&6 BioLab Excursion (Event to be approved on Xuno) Depart @6.45am from KDPS
Friday 29 July	Lunch Order Day Assembly @ 3.10 (Parents Welcome)
WEEK 4	
Monday 1 August	School Council Meeting 6pm Finance (onsite) School Council meeting 6.30pm (Onsite)
Tuesday 2 August	Hoop Time (Grade 3&4) (Event to be approve on Xuno)
Wed 3 August	Lunch Order Day
Thursday 4 Aug	Grade F, 3 & 6 Vision screening (Please complete permission form sent home)
Friday 5 August	Lunch Order Day Assembly @ 3.10 (Parents Welcome)
WEEK 5	
Monday 8 August	Pupil Free Day (Parent Teacher Interviews from 11.30am –5.30pm) Book via Xuno
Wed 10 August	Lunch Order Day Whole School Excursion to Lion King Musical @ Brauer 1pm
Friday 12 August	Lunch Order Day Assembly @ 3.10 (Parents Welcome)
WEEK 6	
Mon 15 August	School Photo Make up day
Tues 16 August	Hoop Time (Grade 5&6)
Wed 17 August	Lunch Order Day
Friday 19 August	Assembly @ 3.10 (Parents Welcome) Lunch Order Day
WEEK 7—BOOK WEEK	
Monday 22 Aug	Grade 3 &4 Kangaroobie Camp departs (Xuno Event to be approved)
Wed 24 August	Lunch Order Day
Friday 26 August	Assembly @ 3.10 (Parents Welcome) Lunch Order Day Book week Parade (Dress up Theme 'Dreaming with eyes open')

**Lunch Orders Available Wednesday
& Friday through (by 9am):**

<https://www.schoollunchonline.com.au/>

Attendance -

Please advise the school prior to 9am if your child will be absent
using the below methods: Email:

Koroit.ps@education.vic.gov.au Phone: 5565 8332