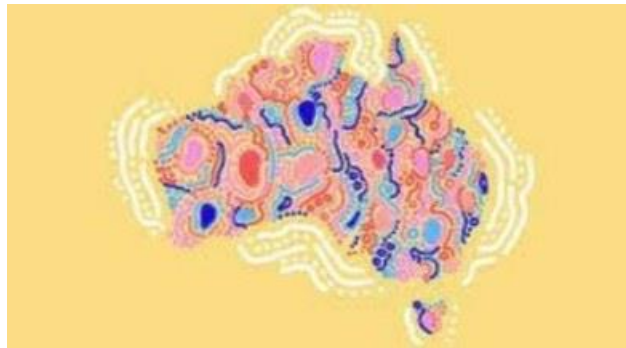




Koroit and District Primary School 16th May 2025



Here is the land.

Here is the sky.

Here are my friends and here am I

We thank the Peek Whurrong people for the land on which we learn and play.

Hands up, hands down – we're on Peek Whurrong ground.



Principal Report

[Education](#) Week

This week we welcomed families into our classroom as a prelude to Education Week. We thank the many families who came through the school to peruse the varied activities across the school.

Education Week is an annual celebration of public education in Victoria.

In 2025, Victoria will celebrate Education Week from Monday 19 May to Friday 23 May.

All children deserve a place to learn and thrive. This year's theme *Celebration of Cultures* highlights the diversity of our communities and the importance of every child feeling safe and welcome at school.

Throughout Education Week, students, parents/carers, teachers, and school communities are encouraged to celebrate and share ideas to promote the wide range of cultures and cultural connections in Victorian schools.

To help inspire your Education Week, check out our list of idea-starters below.

[Marrung](#), the name for the Murray Cypress tree in the Wemba Wemba language, is the strategy to ensure all Koorie students in Victoria achieve their learning aspirations. *Marrung* also helps connect schools and parents with Koorie education teams to support cultural inclusion and education guidance in their region. For more information, contact marrung@education.vic.gov.au.

[50 Words Project](#) is an interactive map that encourages students and families to learn 50 words in the local Indigenous language of the land that they live on.

The [Shared Understanding podcasts and video series](#) from the Centre for Multicultural Youth lets students hear from other students and young people with lived experience of the benefits of diversity at school and how to deal with racism and discrimination.

At Koroit and District Primary School, we recognize Education Week, but as a team, we celebrate education every day by striving to provide every child with the best opportunities to thrive in a safe and supportive learning environment.

Student Leaders Congress- Student Leaders and Community Captains

This week our school Leaders and our school Community Captains attended Gillin Park to initiate their connection with residents. This is part of their student leadership role and is designed to bridge the gap and build positive mental health and wellbeing. The children were taught how to play lawn bowls. It was incredible to see the children engaging with the residents of Gillin Park.

Personal Development -Grade 3-6

A reminder to families that all children will participate in Personal Development lessons **next Friday**.

Leanne O'Connor is a Registered Nurse/Midwife and will once again facilitate these sessions.

Year 4 students will receive 2 1/2 hours of education. They will be split into gender groups for 30 minutes. Year 3 students will receive a 1-hour sessions

This year we ask that you email your child's teacher as soon as possible to **OPT OUT** if you do not wish for your child to participate.

Numeracy Professional Learning

On Tuesday, all staff participated in professional learning on Mathematics at Deakin University. Upon returning to school, they shared key insights and takeaways with colleagues. It was a fantastic opportunity to observe local schools in the spotlight and enhance our existing practices.

Noodle Week

In the first week of June, our School Leaders are organizing a special lunch event called Noodle Days! Students who wish to participate can bring a labelled cup of noodles, which will be heated at school.

Dates include:

Monday 2nd June- Grade 5/6

Tuesday 3rd June- Grade F/1

Wednesday 4th June- Grade 2/3

Thursday 5th June- Grade 3/4

Walk Safely to School Day

This year marks the 26th anniversary of National Walk Safely to School Day. Championed by the Pedestrian Council Australia, the initiative aims to raise awareness of the health, road safety, transport and environmental benefits that regular walking, or alternative active transport (especially to and from school) can provide for the long-term well-being of our children, not just on 16th May, but every day.

This national initiative aims to encourage children to lead a healthier, more active lifestyle by simply including a walk at the beginning, at lunch time and at the end of each day. The event also promotes a reduced car-dependency, greater use of public transport, cleaner air, improved diets and road safety to primary school children across Australia.

Thank you to the many students who enjoyed the walk to school and the staff for their assistance to make it happen.

















Family Statements / School Savings Bonus

Today, all families have been sent their family statement home, this shows you how much SSB (School Savings bonus) you have remaining. From July onwards, these funds can be used for any school activities. The purpose of this letter home is for families to advise KDPS what you would like to use the SSB funds for. Please complete the attached document and return to school ASAP.

Essential Need to Know

- Please name all items of clothing
- Lunch orders can be ordered through [My School Lunch Online](#) on Wednesday and Friday's (Menu below)

- Uniform Ordering via [My School Connect](#) unless you are using the School Savings Bonus then email the office
- Sugar Free Zooper Doopers are our Birthday treat of choice for School Celebrations!
- **Student Medical Information:** It is vitally important for any medical changes/ updates for your child/ren to be passed onto KDPS as soon as possible for us to allow for any adjustments.
- **Uniform Delays** - The following items will not be in stock until **Mid-May** - polo tops size 12, 14 & 16. The size 10 polo tops will not be in stock until the **END of June**.
- **State School Relief Resources - State Schools' Relief** - For more information - please contact the office. 55658 332 or koroit.ps@education.vic.gov.au
- **CSEF** - [Camps, Sports, Excursion Fund Website](#)
- Lost Property - is located in the F-2 building. If it is not labelled. Please take.
- Daily Supervision starts from 8.40am -3.40 pm



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I learn • We belong • Together we achieve

Wednesday & Friday Lunch Orders

Cold

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| Fresh cut fruit salad | 6.00 |
| Caesar salad/Greek salad # | 7.50 |
| Salad wrap with chicken or ham | 5.50 |
| Salad roll | 6.50 |
| Salad roll with ham or chicken | 7.50 |
| Jam sandwich # | 3.50 |
| Cheese and vegemite sandwich # | 3.50 |
| Egg and lettuce sandwich # | 4.50 |
| Ham and cheese sandwich # | 4.50 |
| Salad sandwich with egg # | 6.00 |
| Salad sandwich with ham or chicken # | 6.50 |

Hot

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| Pasta Bolognese(GF) Friday only | 6.00 |
| Chilli Con Carne w Rice and Corn Chips (GF) Wednesday Only | 6.00 |
| Homemade sausage roll | 5.00 |
| Gluten Free sausage roll | 5.50 |
| Party pie | 1.80 |
| Pie | 6.50 |
| Sauce | 0.20 |
| Beef lasagne | 6.00 |
| Gluten Free beef lasagne | 6.50 |
| Ham and Cheese Toasty # | 4.50 |
| Hotdog with sauce | 5.00 |
| Beef and Cheese Burger | 8.00 |
| Veggie burger | 8.00 |
| (lettuce, tomato, vegie Pattie, tomato relish and mayonnaise) | |
| Ham, Cheese and Pineapple Panini(toasted) | 8.00 |
| Chicken, Cheese and Honey Mustard Panini | 8.00 |

Snacks

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| Carrot sticks | 1.50 |
| Homemade biscuits | 1.50 |
| Jelly and fruit cups | 2.00 |
| Fruit yoghurt and muesli cups | 5.50 |
| Hedgehog slice | 3.50 |
| Lemon and coconut slice | 3.50 |
| Chocolate Muffin | 3.50 |
| Berry Muffin | 3.50 |

Drinks

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| Fresha water | 3.00 |
| Fresha 100% Orange juice 250ml | 3.50 |
| Fresha 100% Apple and blackcurrant 250ml | 3.50 |
| Focus sports water 350ml | 3.00 |
| Blackcurrant or Raspberry Nipples flavoured milk 250ml | 3.00 |
| Chocolate or Strawberry | |

Icy poles

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| Dixie Cup | 2.00 |
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Any Questions or Ideas please send me an email

info@mcmahonfamilycatering.com

Please ensure your child's teacher and classroom has been updated, Thanks

can be made Gluten Free if ordered

Lunch orders need to be placed on www.schoolsunchonline.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

School Photo Ordering

For those that have not ordered school photos - Your individual codes have been sent home with your child in the form of a bookmark.

55658332 or koroit.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Catch up Photos are on the 13th of June.



It's not too late to order!
Now is your Second Chance!



Don't lose your precious memories!

Second Chance is the unique post delivery process for parents who missed the first chance to order school photos. With new packages options and reduced prices, our photos are **more affordable than ever before.**

Second Chance ordering is easy:

- Your child receives a bookmark with photo sample and a unique access key
- Visit our website and click 'Order School Photos'
- Enter your unique access key
- Select from our huge range of standard and customisable packages
- Finalise your order with one of our payment options
- Your school photos will be posted directly to your home!



1800 750 586 | leadingimage.com.au |     

Big Life

Big Life Boost Weeks 3 & 4

Children's ability to **focus** is closely linked to how they feel—big emotions like worry, frustration, or sadness can make it hard for them to concentrate and learn. At school, we have been learning to recognise these feelings and use simple strategies to calm our brain and bodies, so that we can refocus.

Focus means using my eyes, ears, and brain to pay attention to one thing at a time, so I can learn and do my best. When we show focus in the classroom we might be:

- Looking at the teacher or our work
- Listening carefully
- Thinking about what we are doing
- Using strategies to help keep our hands and body calm
- Trying even when something feels tricky

You might like to support this at home by helping your child name their feelings, offering calming routines (like deep breaths or quiet time), and encouraging short breaks during tricky tasks. When kids feel understood and supported, their focus and confidence grow.

Big Life with Mel

In week 4, Mel from Big Life worked with the F/1 and 2/3 classes.

The Foundation & Grade 1 students learned about **character strengths**, the good parts of us that help us to do challenging things. Students drew & wrote about times they have used the strength of **bravery**, even when they were scared or nervous.

The grade 2 and 3 classes learned about **stress**, what it is, what can cause it, and strategies we can use to manage stressful challenges.

Mel also runs lunch time activities when she is onsite at KDPS.

Today lots of students enjoyed getting creative with chalk drawings on the concrete!


Important dates for Next week

[KDPS School Calendar](#)

MAY 2025

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

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| MON 19TH | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5 Kinder Visit (selected students) |
| TUE 20TH | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AFL Incursion School Council Finance Meeting - 6pm to 7pm School Council Meeting - 7pm to 8pm |
| WED 21ST | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judo Incursion - Grade F/1 & 2/3 Grade 5 Kinder Visit (selected students) National Simultaneous Story Time |
| THU 22ND | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please check the Calendar and Newsletter |
| FRI 23RD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Development - ALL Grade 3, 4, 5 & 6 unless you have opted out |

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Celebrations



- This week we held open classrooms across F-6. Thank you to the many parents who took time out from their busy schedules to visit and take part in learning activities in the classroom.
- Grades 3-6 children also participated in Judo lessons as part of the Active Schools Initiative. It was great to share this with potential school families of 2026.
- Today we had 7 students represent our school at the Division Cross Country in Warrnambool. It was an amazing effort by them all. Congratulations to Kingston on coming 5th and proceeding to the Region Championships Cross Country in a couple of weeks' time.

- Connect students headed to BEGA on an excursion today, what a great experience!





































Community News




KDPS TheirCare

TERM 2

NEWSLETTER

May 2025

Hello May!



Our pupil-free day was full of smiles and laughter! We kicked things off with many group games the kids favourite is ship shark shore! we enjoyed the colorful and lively movie Encanto, which everyone loved. Afterward, the kids got creative with arts and crafts and played a bunch of games that kept everyone moving and having fun.

This week, we've been focusing on mindfulness, and the kids have really enjoyed our yoga sessions. It's been awesome to see them unwind, stretch, and just relax after a busy day.



National Sorry Day & Reconciliation Week



We are proudly honouring National Sorry Day and Reconciliation Week at all TheirCare services this May!

Children will take part in an array of engaging activities including art, sensory experiences and Indigenous games that not only entertain but also educate. Yarning Circles will provide a platform for meaningful conversations, plus, your children will get hands-on experience making delicious Damper!

Book your children into service from 26th-30th May to inspire them with the values of inclusivity and understanding.

LET'S GLOW!

Date: Friday 13th June
When: After school care
Where: At Your TheirCare Service!

Book your child in for our WeCare celebration on Friday 13th June for an unforgettable Glow Crazy themed party! This exciting event not only promises an afternoon of glowing fun but also supports incredible charities like the Starlight Foundation and the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!

With the winter school holidays fast approaching, we are so excited to open bookings for our WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS Holiday Program on Friday 23rd May!!




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1 - Found at the front of KDPS - please reach out if yours.



VICTORIA'S CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

DONATE YOUR DRINK CONTAINERS TO Koroit & District Primary School

**EVERY CONTAINER YOU RECYCLE
CAN EARN 10c FOR OUR CAUSE**

**Do something good today by recycling your
drink containers in the dedicated bins**

Koroit & District Primary School

Check for the 10c mark



2 - From term 2 Bins will be available onsite to deposit your eligible containers into. This will be managed by the Connect team.
Bring in your suitable containers - Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

KINDERGARTEN OPEN DAY

Koroit Kindergarten
High Street, Koroit

Wednesday May 21
2.30pm-3.30pm

For more information
call our early years
team on 5568 0516

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