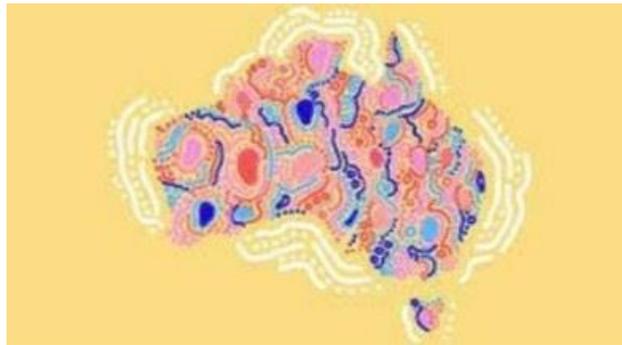




## Koroit and District Primary School 21st November 2025



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

As we move into the final weeks of November, staff are focused on assessment and reporting, preparing for our end-of-year excursions, and planning for our upcoming Sustainability theme. Our current professional learning is centred on moderating student work, where teachers review and discuss samples of student learning in relation to the curriculum. We plan to distribute student reports during the week of December 8th.

## Assessment in 2026

We have finalised the arrangements for the beginning of 2026.

The following are dates that you can add to your calendar for 2026

**Tuesday 27th January**- Staff return

**Wed 28th January**- Numeracy Assessment

**Thursday 29th January** - Numeracy Assessment

**Friday 30th January**- First day back for all students

Foundation children of 2026 will have Wednesdays off until the long weekend in March.

The booking system for the Numeracy Interviews can be found here:

Please make sure **your child** attends their scheduled session with **their 2026 teacher**. During this time, each child will take part in a short assessment (approximately 30 minutes) to demonstrate their understanding of number and place value. This session also provides a valuable opportunity for students to see their new classroom set-up before the first day of school.

[Booking sheet for 2026 - Google Docs](#)

If you do not have a google account- please make contact and we can make the booking.

## Sustainability Day

Our staff and students have been working very hard to ensure that the Sustainability Day shares the message of looking after our environment while using a variety of sustainable products. Mrs Hoy and Mrs Ryan have had their grade 5/6 children working in an enterprise marketplace, including a sustainability stall-plant stall, friendship band, preloved toys, book stall, wood toys, lemonade stall and fresh flowers. All items will be sold for a gold coin.

We have live music, student performances, the official garden opening, a community creation of a bottle top mural, sausage sizzle.

Please invite extended family to join us in this fun filled day in celebrations of the children's developing understanding of living in a sustainable world.

# KDPS Celebration Day- sustainability focus



CLASS DISPLAYS  
WORM FARM AND INFORMATION  
DIORAMA DISPLAY

PLANT STALL  
BOOK STALL

WOODEN TOYS

LEMONADE STALL

FRESH FLOWERS

CARDBOARD ARCADE

ENTREPRENEUR MARKET PLACE

RECYCLED STEAM DISPLAYS

LIVE MUSIC, STUDENT PERFORMANCES

*Official  
garden  
opening*

*Help us  
create  
a bottle  
top  
mural*

**COFFEE VAN AVAILABLE  
FREE BBQ**



 **5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2026**  
11:30-1:30

 **LIMITED CHANGE  
AVAILABLE**

**GOLD COIN DONATION FOR ALL  
ITEMS PURCHASED**

**JOIN US FOR A SAUSAGE SIZZLE  
WELCOME TO BRING ADDITIONAL  
FOODS**

# SUSTAINABILITY CELEBRATION DAY AT KDPS

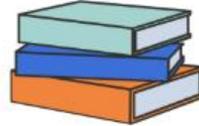
**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5  
11:30AM-1:30PM**

- Official Edible Garden Opening
- Help to create a bottle top mural
- See sustainable displays from each class
- Bring your \$\$ for the 5/6 makers market
- Play in the cardboard game arcade
- STEM GALS project presentation
- BBQ lunch or BYO picnic

Live music and student performances

And much more!





Join us in celebrating Sustainability Day by giving books a second life!

We are having a sustainability book store and funds raised will go to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

How you can help:  
Donate good quality Books (Only)  
Please drop them off to the office.

(If books are not sold they will go to the Op Shop)



## Congratulations

Congratulations to Sally and Simon O'Keefe on the arrival of Delilah. A beautiful little girl for Fleur, Rex, King and Vance to love.

## Business Manager Appointment

I'm pleased to share that we have successfully appointed a Business Manager for 2026. **Lucy Young** will be joining us, bringing 19 years of experience from Minyip. She is warm, friendly, and has a gentle manner that will be a wonderful fit for our school.

We look forward to welcoming Lucy in the New Year.

We also want to acknowledge the exceptional work Amie has done—she will be greatly missed.

## Koroit Street Works

On behalf of KDPS & the Moyne Shire, thank you to the whole community for your understanding and flexibility during the street scape works - Our Moyne shire advisor has passed on that the Post office / Mickey Bourke's corner is now able to be used.

They will remobilise the job site in February west of the vets in Commercial Road.

## Pay it Forward-The Six C's Community Cupboards

We are seeking food donations that may support other families during the Christmas period. Please give what you can: any nonperishable items are welcome and will be provided to Six C's Community Cupboards. We thank you in advance for your donation. The Six C's food cupboards are available to those in farming districts in surrounding areas.

## KDPS Building Works

**Starting Monday, 24 November, several building works will commence and continue into the holiday period.**

The scheduled works include:

- Replacement of the Courthouse (STEAM Room) roof with a new Colourbond roof
- External painting of the Courthouse
- External painting of the F-2 Building
- Removal and replacement of the undercover walkway
- Roof plumbing works across multiple buildings

These improvements will enhance safety, appearance, and functionality across the school.

All building works will be completed with the highest OH&S management possible. There will be variations to schedules at times to allow for safe movement across the school.

## Product Safety Recall

The Department of Education has notified me KDPS that there has been a recall on:

- Kadink Sand (1.3kg)
- Educational Colours, Rainbow Sand (1.3kg)

- Creatistics, Coloured Sand (1kg).

KDPS has disposed of all sensory sand products involved.

## KDPS Community Christmas Carols

Mrs & Mr McPherson are opening their home to the KDPS community for an evening of Christmas celebrations on the 16th of December. Join us for Christmas Carols sung by our children.

Please note: This is a family event, and **supervision is the responsibility of parents**. All children must be monitored by their parent or carer throughout the event.



## Save the Date- Term 4 Events

26th November- Whole School Transition 2.15-3.15- Foundation visit number 3

28th November - Flavoured Milk Day - bring a gold coin donation

3rd of December- Whole School Transition 2.15-3.15- Foundation visit number 4

5th December- Sustainable celebration day

8th December- Graduation for Grade 6 students.

8th December- Country Day for children attend Brauer and Warrnambool College

9th of December- Whole School Transition Day for all students

14th December - Koroit Carols at the Stage

16th December- Christmas Carols at Mrs Mac's

17th December- Last day for students

- Final assembly 2:30pm

## Uniform Orders DUE

Uniform Ordering is via [My School Connect](#)

To ensure we have the product and size you require please place orders prior to **Tuesday November 25th** as this is the cut off date to order items that require a logo.

We will fill these orders but if the item is not currently in stock we will place an order that should be ready for Term 1, 2026 unless unforeseen delays occur.

## 2026 Book Pack Ordering

Ordering made simple.

We've made it quick and easy to order your child's new year requirements. Simply visit [wincschools.com.au](https://wincschools.com.au) and follow these four steps.

1. Search for your school, Koroit and District Primary School, Koroit, VIC and enter your school access key 5XV8Y if required.
2. Complete the student's details and select Grade 2.
3. Review your requirements list and make changes if required.  
*Please note: some list items have been denoted by your school as a prerequisite for the subject or year.*
4. Proceed to checkout.  
*Please note: For home deliveries only, if you have more than one student at the same school, please repeat the above steps.*

After careful consideration, KDPS will now be ordering Book Packs through WINC Education.

WINC Education offers the best value for money and the most convenient delivery options for our families.

To order your child's 2026 Book Pack, please follow the instructions provided below.

For 2026, parents and carers will also have the option to pay school contributions directly through the WINC Education platform.

Book Pack information forms have been emailed to families today.

[Help Video](#)

## Essential Need to Know

- **'No Hat, No Play'** starts on the 18th of August. Please pack your child/ren's hat.
- **School Uniform** is recommended. This includes our school jumper, navy trackies or shorts, tunics, dresses, shorts. Please name all items of clothing to ensure they are returned.
- **Uniform Ordering** via [My School Connect](#)
- **Lost Property** - is located in the F-2 building. If it is not labelled. Please take.
- **Lunch orders** can be ordered through [My School Lunch Online](#) on Wednesday and Friday's (Menu below)
- 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.
- **State School Relief [Resources - State Schools' Relief](#)** - For more information - please contact the office. 5565 8332 or [koroit.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:koroit.ps@education.vic.gov.au)
- Daily Supervision starts from *8.40am -3.40 pm*.



## TERM 1 MENU 2024



I learn • We belong • Together we achieve

### Wednesday & Friday Lunch Orders

#### Cold

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

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

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

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

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

[info@mcmahonfamilycatering.com](mailto: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](http://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.



### HOW PARENTS ORDER FROM BOOK CLUB

The parent ordering platform is called LOOP. Our website has many resources for parents to set up and order through LOOP.

Parents wishing to order products through Book Club can follow the following step-by-step instructions:

1. Log in, or create a new account at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP)
2. New parents can follow the Wizard to set up a child's profile
3. Click the ORDER tab, and select the child's school and Issue of Book Club
4. Select your child's name
5. Enter the product item number from the Book Club catalogue
6. Apply promotional codes that children may have earned from previous Issues
7. Make a payment via credit card
8. Feel great about the Scholastic Rewards that have been earned for the school



## Important Dates at KDPS

### [KDPS School Calendar](#)

NOVEMBER 2025

# WHAT'S ON AT KDPS

Week 8

MON  
24TH

- Please check XUNO for any outstanding payments or permissions.

TUE  
25TH

- Uniform Orders DUE – Please get your orders in today ready for Term 1, 2026

WED  
26TH

- Nude Food Lunch Day – try to reduce single-use packaging where possible
- Transition Day – 2:30-3:15pm

THU  
27TH

- Make sure you order your book packs to get FREE shipping

FRI  
28TH

- Awards Assembly – 3pm start



**Big Life** Term 4 Weeks 5 & 6

In weeks 5 & 6, students learnt about **neuroplasticity** - our brain's ability to adapt and change throughout our lifespan. When one brain cell (or neuron) sends a message to another, it builds a tiny connection. The more we practice a skill, like reading, writing or riding a bike, the stronger and faster these connections become. It's a bit like walking the same path through long grass: at first it's tricky, but the more we walk it, the clearer and easier it gets.

In weeks 7 & 8 we will be exploring **growth and fixed mindset**.

*You can support this conversation & learning at home by:*

- Exploring simple facts and functions about our "amazing" brain.
- Acknowledging setbacks and reminding your child that mistakes help the brain grow.
- Celebrating progress and reflecting on how practice has made tricky things easier.
- Adding "yet" to "I can't do this", to build confidence and a growth mindset.

**Big Life with Mel**

On Friday of week 6, Grade 5/6 students continued to develop strategies to assist with their **transition to 2026**. Students explored **friendship** - what they look for in a friend, what qualities they can bring to a friendship, and how they can communicate assertively in tricky conversations. The Grade 3/4s learned about **permission & consent** - what it is, how to ask for it, and how it looks and sounds in a range of scenarios.

THEIRCARE KDPS

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 WEEK 7 2025



## HIGHLIGHTS

**This Week: Wild Animals!**  
 This week was packed with fun as we explored the exciting world of wild animals. The children enjoyed colouring-in activities, paintings, and creating their favourite animals using air-dry clay. We also played many animal-themed games such as bingo, yoga, Cat and Mouse, the Caterpillar Race, Kangaroos vs Crocodiles, and an animal relay race. We even conducted a gummy bear experiment! The children placed gummy bears in water for 24 hours, and the size difference was incredible, their reactions were priceless. And of course, everyone was excited to eat them afterwards! On the pupil-free day, the children enjoyed a full day of fun. They made and decorated hedgehogs, worked on paintings, watched movies with popcorn, and played outdoor games such as Octopus, Line Tag, 6's, Everybody's In, and Red Rover. It was an exciting week full of creativity, learning, and laughter!

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ✦ NOVEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL FAIRY BREAD DAY
- ✦ DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- ✦ DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup> & 19<sup>TH</sup> PUPIL FREE DAYS

### UPCOMING...

Next Week: Art and Design! Get ready for a creative and wonderfully messy week ahead! We'll be diving into all things art—finger painting, ice painting, colouring activities, and chalk drawings outdoors. The children will also get to use their imaginations with playdough creations, sandcastle building, and simple paper origami. Although our focus will be on arts, crafts, and design, we'll still make time for all the classic fun games and activities the children know and love. It's going to be an exciting week full of creativity, exploration, and play!

### CONTACT DETAILS

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KOROIT@THEIRCARE.COM.AU
- ✦ HEAD OFFICE  
1300 072 410  
INFO@THEIRCARE.COM.AU



## CELEBRATIONS



**First Nations Leadership Day** - On Wednesday some of our students attended the First Nations Leadership Program & Celebration Day.

**2026 Transitions** - Our second school transition was incredible. Our students moved seamlessly from their 2025 class to 2026 class. All children are building stronger connections with their teacher and peers.

**Connect** - Dave Holscher is multi-tasking with the children. They are currently building a chook house, the fences for the veggie garden, monitoring the garden, building Billy Carts and making wooden toys. Congratulations to all children who engage with Dave to beautify our school.

**Garden** - Our students have been working very hard in our gardens and they are looking AMAZING!

























## Community News

### Make your home a haven for a vulnerable child



Mackillop Family Services is calling on the community to make their home a haven for vulnerable children and young people. Throughout the region there continues to be a high demand for foster carers who can provide nurturing care and support for children in their local community full-time, short-term, or on weekends or school holidays.

If you think this is a role that you and your family are ready for, call Mackillop on **1300 791 677** or visit **[www.mackillop.org.au/fostercare](http://www.mackillop.org.au/fostercare)** for further information or to make an enquiry.





### **You're not alone**

**Strengthening Parents Support Program (SPSP) is a free service funded by the Victorian Government.**

We support parents and carers of children between the ages of 0 - 18 with a disability or developmental delay.

Our supportive group and program offer a safe space to share experiences, find information and hear from experts on a range of topics. Come and enjoy a coffee and a chat with other parents and carers facing the same challenges and share a similar parenting journey.



#### **Connect to parents and carers**

For coffee catch ups, find social support and connection with other parents and carers.



#### **Date and Time**

We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month  
9 & 23 Oct, 6 & 20 Nov & 4 Dec  
10:00am to 11:30am



#### **Location**

71 Koroit Street, Warrnambool

**To find out more and to register, call Gen today!**





This Christmas Meat@Beany's has all the beautiful gift hampers sorted. Each hamper is filled with premium local treats, perfect for gifting or sharing.

Hampers available to suit every budget. Pre order to save disappointment or will have a variety in store right up to Christmas.



MERRY

*Christmas*



WARRNAMBOOL CITY  
NETBALL  
ASSOCIATION  
JUNIOR BOYS  
NETBALL CLINICS



INTERESTED BOYS  
(AGED 8 YRS TO 13&U)

COME AND TRY  
BOYS  
NETBALL CLINICS

FRI NOV 14TH

&

FRI NOV 28TH

@ WARRNAMBOOL STADIUM  
4:30-5:30PM



JOIN FORMER AUSTRALIAN  
MEN'S KELPIES NETBALL  
CAPTAIN  
WILL JAMISON TO LEARN ALL  
ABOUT NETBALL

ALL WELCOME  
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**Relay for Life - Warrnambool**  
**Let's come together**  
**to support our**  
**loved ones affected**  
**by cancer**



***Sat 21st Feb***  
***2026***  
***12pm - 10.30pm***

***For more details, to***  
***register OR donate***  
***use the QR code***

