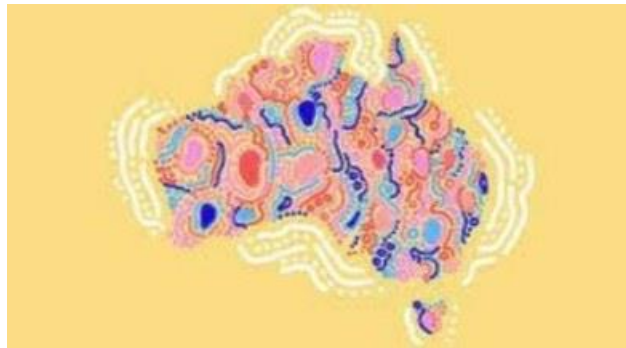




Koroit and District Primary School - 14th August 2026



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

This week has been a mix of emotions, with the worry of illness knocking on my door. I feel incredibly fortunate to have such an amazing team who ensure the school continues to run smoothly and methodically in my absence.

As we head into the final month of winter, I encourage everyone to remain vigilant when it comes to illness. It doesn't take much for bugs to spread, particularly within a school community. If your child is unwell, allowing them a day to rest and recover can make all the difference and help them bounce back more quickly.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us keep our school community healthy and well.

Winter Lights and Delight Festival

Please get behind this fantastic event and show your support!

PCF has put a tremendous amount of work into creating an event that is fresh, vibrant and welcoming, providing a wonderful opportunity to bring our wider community together. Your support will help make the event a success and ensure it becomes a great celebration for everyone.

We encourage everyone to get involved, spread the word and come along to enjoy what promises to be a fantastic event!

Parent/Carer Survey

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CARERS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Carer Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Carer Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday 17 August to Friday 18 September 2026**.

All families are invited to participate in the survey.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / carers who speak a language other than English at home. Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

Recent illness' at KDPS

As the depths of Winter kick in please be willing to reduce the spread of illness by allowing your child/ren to rest at home.

We have a reported case of hand, foot and mouth at school, along with a reported case of Covid. I have included the following information for parents. Please be vigilant.

[Hand, foot and mouth disease | health.vic.gov.au](https://www.health.vic.gov.au/hand-foot-and-mouth-disease)

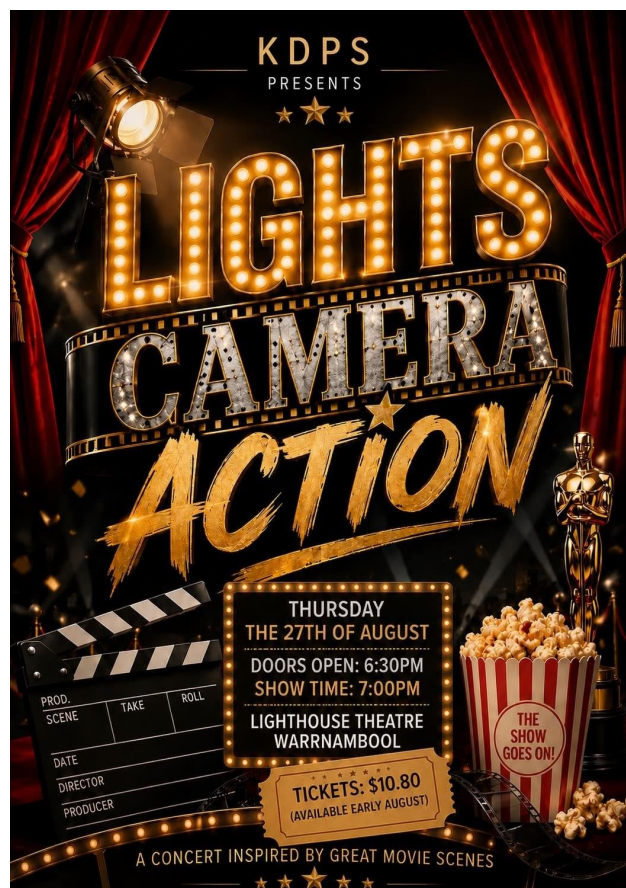
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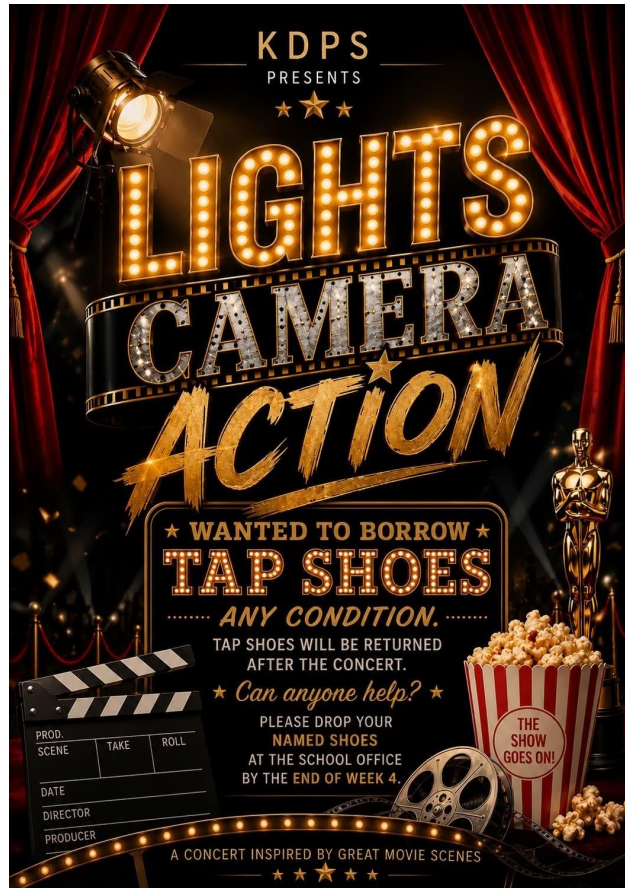
Concert

Our concert is fast approaching with just weeks until show time. Tickets are selling fast so please go to the Lighthouse Theatre website or follow the link to purchase your tickets and avoid disappointment.

[Lights Camera Action - Koroit & District Primary School | Lighthouse Theatre](#)

- If you have any tap shoes that could be borrowed for the night and would be suitable for our grade 3 to 6 students please contact Mrs Rivett or the office.
- All costume requirements have been sent out via Seesaw. If you need any assistance sourcing the items please reach out.





Kangarooobie Camp

On Wednesday, our Grade 3/4 students headed off to Kangarooobie for an overnight camp, under the guidance and care of Tiarna Trotman, Erin Foggenberger and Zane Ellison.

The children had a wonderful opportunity to experience many aspects of farm life, while also taking part in a range of exciting adventures and activities. Opportunities such as camp are only possible thanks to the dedication, commitment and support of our wonderful staff.

We have a large number of items left behind after camp. A table will be set up in the administration area, so please come and have a look if your child/ren are missing any belongings.

A huge thank you to the following staff for their time, care and commitment: Tiarna Trotman, Erin Foggenberger and Zane Ellison, Sophie Fisk, Lauren Barker, Toby Bishop, Theo Kane and David Holscher.







STEM Engineering Challenge Day

On Tuesday a team of our Year 5/6 students had an exciting day at Deakin University taking part in a range of hands-on science and engineering challenges. Students worked collaboratively to design and test fish traps, wind turbines, bridges and electrical circuits, using problem-solving, creativity and scientific thinking along the way. The challenges encouraged students to experiment, adapt their ideas and learn from what worked — and what didn't! It was fantastic to see them so engaged, enthusiastic and willing to tackle each new challenge.





Craft Club

Next week we will hold our second craft club with students. This has been well received by all students as they have the opportunity to work with a teacher from another level.

Early Arrival

We have noticed that an increasing number of children are arriving at school before 8:30 am. Please be aware that students are not supervised until 8:40 am, so arriving before this time is not recommended.

As classrooms do not open until 8:40 am, children who arrive early are required to wait outside, often in cold weather.

If arriving later is difficult for your family, please remember that TheirCare provides a before-school care program, offering a safe and supervised environment for students before the school day begins.

Xuno Event Approvals and Payments

With many camps and excursions happening please note the below information regarding XUNO Events.

Xuno Event Approvals & Payments – Important Update

We would like to let families know about an important update to how events and payments are managed through Xuno.

There has been a change to the approval process for events with a cost. Parents/carers are now **unable to approve an event without completing payment at the time of approval.**

If your family has **CSEF, SSB, or a credit available**, you will see an option in Xuno to **request the use of these funds**. Once selected, a request is sent to the school for review. The school will then **approve or decline the request** based on available funds.

After you receive notification from the school, you can then **proceed with the approval process** in Xuno.

If at any time your family is experiencing financial hardship in relation to event costs, please reach out to **Tanya** for a confidential chat. We are here to support all families.

We appreciate your support as we implement this updated process to ensure accurate and efficient management of events and payments. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

KDPS Disco

There are a couple of items still left over from the disco. If you recognise these please collect from the office.





Important Dates - please pop them in your calendar.

27th of August - School Concert - Doors open 6:30pm, Show starts 7pm

4th September - Father's Day Breakfast

18th September - Footy Day

- Last day of term - 2:30pm finish

PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR 2026

20th November- Assessment and Reporting Day - Theircare Available

Ordering - Lunch Orders and Uniforms

UNIFORM ORDERS

My School Connect Uniform Shop

Lunch order days are Wednesday and Friday each week. Orders are to be in by 9am on these days. [Smart Schools - Lunch Orders](#)

Parents, Carers and Friends (PCF)

The countdown is on, and we're excited to announce that our **Community Art Auction is now live!** <https://www.32auctions.com/kdpswinter>

Featuring an incredible collection of original artworks and handcrafted pieces donated by talented local artists and makers, every bid helps raise funds to support Koroit District Primary School and future community projects.

We'd love your help to make this fundraiser a success. Please take a moment to browse the auction, place a bid, and most importantly, **share the auction with your family, friends and colleagues**. The more people who see it, the more support we can raise for our school.

Bring the whole family for an evening filled with:

🌟 A magical winter lights display

🚜 Tractors and vintage cars

🚒 Emergency service vehicles

🎵 Live music throughout the evening

🎨 Student artwork on display

🎲 Giant games and fun family activities

🚚 Delicious food trucks

☕ Hot drinks from the coffee van

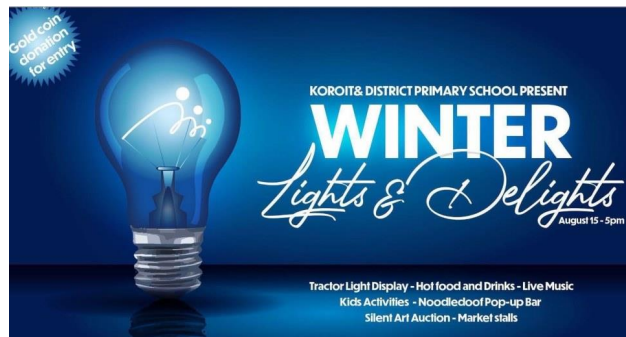
🍷 Refreshments from Suffoir Winery and Noodledoof Brewing & Distilling Co.

It's a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our local community, support our school, and enjoy a fun winter evening together.

If you are able to help with set up Saturday, or Pack Down on Sunday please sign up here

[Google sheet Winter L&D roster](#)

PCF thank you for your continued support—we can't wait to see you there!



Important Dates at KDPS

[KDPS School Calendar](#)

AUGUST 2026

WHAT'S ON AT KDPS

Week 6
SCIENCE WEEK

MON
17TH

TUE
18TH

- Need Uniform? Order through our uniform shop on My School Connect

WED
19TH

- Lunch Order Day

THU
20TH

- Please check Xuno for any payments or permissions that require your attention

FRI
21ST

- Lunch Order Day



BIG LIFE Term 3 Weeks 3 & 4

This fortnight, students are exploring the Science of **Gratitude**. Noticing and appreciating the kindness and positive moments around us helps our brain release 'feel good' hormones similar to those that we release when we show and receive kindness. Gratitude is a character strength that we can choose to 'dial up'. To help build their gratitude muscles students practice the gratitude 4 step process:

NOTICE – Something kind or helpful
THINK – about why it happened
FEEL – the emotions it brings (eg. surprise)
DO – something to show thanks

Try practicing these steps at home!

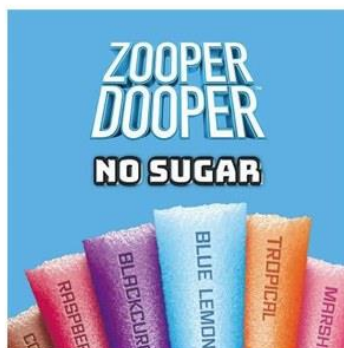
Big Life with Mel

On Friday of week 4, F/1 students celebrated our differences and the things that make each of us **proud to be me!** The grade 2/3 learning community learned about **permission & consent**, and practiced saying 'no' kindly and respectfully in a range of scenarios, such as when someone asks to use our things or when someone wants us to do something that we don't want to do.



Birthdays at KDPS

Due to food allergies and intolerances the preferred treats at KDPS for birthday celebrations are NO SUGAR Zooper Doopers.



Community News & Events



NAB AFL Superkick is for kids aged 7-12.
The main goals are having fun, making
mates and growing footy confidence.
Mud is just a bonus.

KOROIT & DISTRICT PS SUPERKICK CENTRE

STARTING TUESDAY AUGUST 18 | 3:45PM

Koroit & District PS Oval

Contact Tristan Gibbs | PH: 0476 980 108

**ALL GIRLS
GROUPS
AVAILABLE**



FIND
YOUR CLUB

WARRNAMBOOL COASTER

ART SHOW 2026 OPENING PARTY!



PRIZES DONATED BY -

The F Project | One Day Studios | Library Cafe |
Henna Street Picture Framers | Marney Books |
Warrnambool City Youth | Collins Booksellers |
WEEDS | Day Kitty | Shi Ra Ya Sushi |
My Crafternoons | Emma Stenhouse |
Hotel Warrnambool |
and many more **AMAZING**
local businesses...

**SATURDAY
22ND AUG
2PM - 8PM
@ THE
F PROJECT**



COASTER ART SALES

(CASH ONLY / NO HOLDS)
MUST BE PAID ON THE
DAY OF PURCHASE
ART WORKS CAN BE
PICKED UP FROM
THE 16TH SEPT
@ THE F PROJECT

EVENT SOUND TRACKED BY OD - SWIM

Young Creative Musicians & DJ's
launching their new 'Submerged 26'
Compilation of South-West Electronic
Sounds live in the F Project Laneway.

