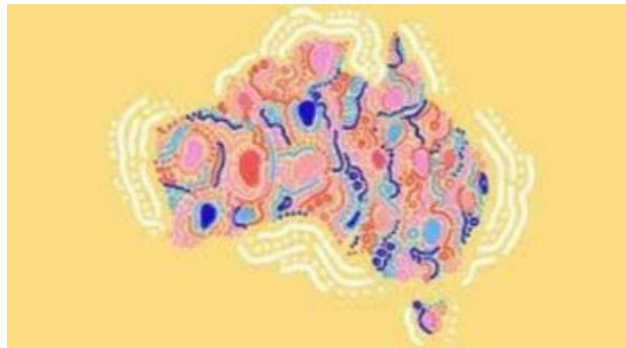




Koroit and District Primary School - 7th August 2026



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

Wow. We are in the busy month of August. Concert practice is in full swing, along with plans for Kangarooie Camp, Kinder transitions and so much more.

On Wednesday, all staff attended a professional learning day at Deakin University, focusing on literacy. It was a valuable opportunity to reflect on our current practices, and we were pleased to come away feeling that KDPS is well advanced in its approach to literacy teaching and learning.

Staff heard from Emina McLean, who presented on the importance of reading and comprehension, and Rachel Buck, a former KDPS staff member, who introduced the Phonics Plus approach.

In 2027, KDPS will begin transitioning to Phonics Plus. This will be a gradual and manageable change, as our consistent implementation of Sounds-Write has provided a strong foundation in evidence-based phonics instruction. The Department is also developing a range of resources to support schools as they implement Phonics Plus.

Hand, Foot and Mouth

We have a reported case of hand, foot and mouth at school. 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)

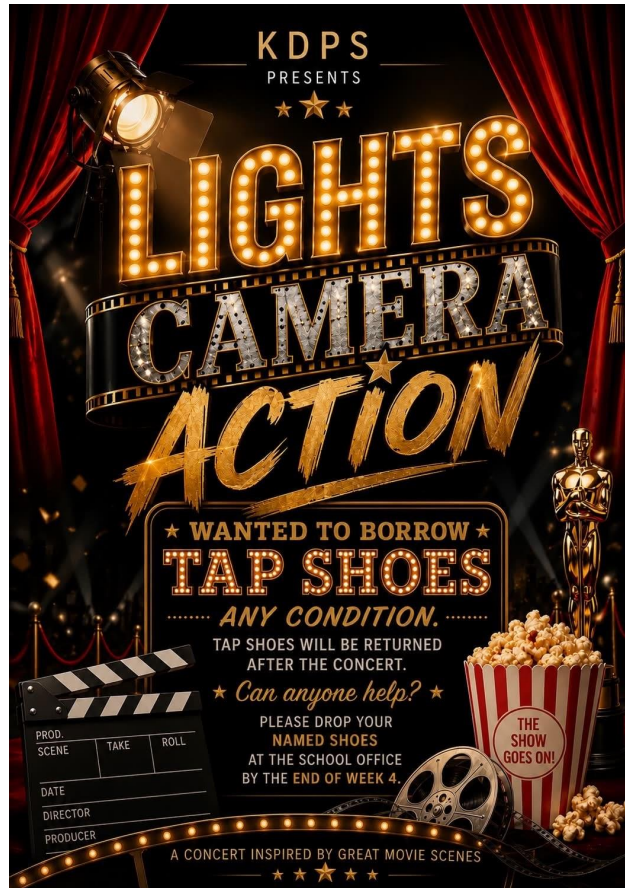
Concert

Our concert is fast approaching with just weeks until show time. Tickets are on sale, please go to the Lighthouse Theatre website or follow the link to purchase your tickets.

[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.





Kangarooie Camp

Please ensure that your child arrives at school by **8:15 am on Wednesday morning**, ready for an **8:30 am departure**.

Children should bring:

- a warm coat
- an additional pair of shoes and socks
- warm bedding

If your child requires medication during camp, please ensure it is clearly labelled with their name and handed directly to their classroom teacher or Mrs Mac on arrival.

Children will return to school at approximately **1:40 pm**. We ask that all children are collected promptly at this time.

STEM Engineering Challenge Day

KDPS has been invited to enter a team of grade 5/6 students for a fun day of STEM learning challenges at Deakin University.

As there are limited places at this event, we would like you to inform us early if your child has changed their mind and does not wish to come along, so that another child has the chance to attend. Students who do not come to the challenge are expected to attend school that day.

Please ensure that Xuno approvals are completed. Please also return the media consent form that will be sent home with your child today. The media consent form **is not** an approval.

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.

Connect and Lauren's Life Skills

Children who are attending Lauren's life skills and Connect require fully closed in shoes at all times. Feel free to send your child in work boots if they have them for Connect.

Breakfast Club

Our **Breakfast Club** runs every **Monday, Wednesday and Friday**, providing students with a positive start to the school day. To keep this program running, we are looking for more parent volunteers to lend a hand.

Helping at Breakfast Club is simple and rewarding. Volunteers prepare toast, spread butter and a choice of toppings, and enjoy seeing the children start their day with a healthy breakfast. Our Year 6 students also play an important role by helping to set up each morning.

Volunteers arrive at approximately **8:30 am**, and everything is packed away shortly after **9:00 am**—just 30 minutes of your time can make a real difference to our students.

If you are able to help on **Monday, Wednesday or Friday** we would love to hear from you. Please contact **Tanya or Lucy** to join our Breakfast Club team. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps ensure this valuable program continues for all our students.

Matilda - student performance for grade 5/6

Grade 5/6 students attended "*Matilda the Musical*" on Thursday at Warrnambool College. The performance was well practiced by students of Warrnambool college and showcased the incredible creativity of the Warrnambool School College students.

Matilda the Musical is based on the beloved story by Roald Dahl, Matilda celebrates courage, imagination, and the power of standing up for what's right. At its heart is Matilda Wormwood a clever, curious young girl who dares to change her own story in a world that doesn't always understand her.

It was lovely to hear some students singing along, however there were a couple of comments along the lines of "there was so much singing".

Well done to KDPS students for their participation.

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

On Tuesday evening, students attended the final KDPS disco at Active Sportz. The children had a wonderful time dancing to a variety of songs—many of which were favourites—spending time with friends, and enjoying a sweet treat provided by the Parents Club.

We would like to sincerely thank Raff for generously allowing us to use the Active Sportz venue over the years. Raff and Kayden have been an integral part of the success of our school discos, and we are very grateful for their ongoing support.

A special thank you also goes to the staff who volunteered their time to supervise the event, and to the Parents Club Fundraising (PCF) team for their hard work with ticket sales and setting up the venue. Your support helped make the evening such a success.









Important Dates - please pop them in your calendar.

11th August - 2027 Year 7 Acceptance Slips DUE

- Grade 5/6 STEM Engineering Day - select students

12th-13th August - Grade 3/4 attending Camp Kangarooobie

14th August - Assembly 3:10pm start

15th August - Winter Lights & Delights

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

For polo tops, sports tops, jumpers, bags, hats and beanies please order via My School Connect.

[My School Connect Uniform Shop](#)

LUNCH ORDERS

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

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Lunch Menu - McMahon Family
Catering

Order online through Smart Schools. Menu prices are current as 16/06/2026.

HOT FOOD			WRAPS AND ROLLS		
Beef and Cheese Burger	\$8.50		Chicken and Salad Roll	\$8.50	
Chicken Schnitzel Burger	\$8.50		Chicken and Salad Wrap	\$6.50	
Chicken, Cheese and Honey Mustard Panini	\$8.50		Ham and Salad Roll	\$8.50	
Chilli Chicken Tender Wrap	\$8.50		Ham and Salad Wrap	\$6.50	
Gluten Free Toasted Ham and Cheese sandwich	\$5.50		Salad Roll	\$6.50	
Ham, Pineapple and Cheese Panini	\$8.50				
Home Made Sausage Roll w/ Sauce	\$5.50				
Hot Dog w/ NO SAUCE	\$6.00				
Hot Dog w/ Sauce	\$6.00				
McMahons Home Made Meat Pie	\$6.50				
Toasted Cheese Sandwich	\$4.50				
Toasted Ham and Cheese Sandwich	\$5.00				
Veggie Burger	\$5.50				
Party Pie	\$2.20				
Cheese Toastie	\$4.50				
Ham and Cheese Toastie	\$4.00				
Gluten Free - Ham and Cheese Toastie	\$5.50				
WEEKLY SPECIALS			SANDWICHES		
Beef Nachos (GF)	\$4.00		Chicken and Salad Sandwich	\$7.50	
Gluten Free Pasta Bolognese	\$4.00		Egg and Lettuce Sandwich	\$5.50	
Pasta Bolognese	\$4.00		Ham and Cheese Sandwich	\$5.50	
Veggie Fried Rice (GF)	\$6.00		Ham and Salad Sandwich	\$7.50	
			Jam Sandwich	\$4.00	
			Cheese and Vegemite Sandwich	\$4.00	
			Salad Sandwich with Egg	\$6.50	
SALADS			COLD FOOD		
Cesar Salad	\$8.50		Fresh Fruit Salad	\$6.50	
Greek Salad	\$8.50		Gluten free Caesar Salad	\$7.50	
			Greek Salad Gluten Free	\$8.50	
			Salad Sandwich	\$6.50	
SOMETHING SNACKY			DRINKS		
Caramel Slice	\$4.00		Fresha 100% Apple and Blackcurrent Juice 250ml	\$4.00	
Fresh Baked Muffin - Berry	\$4.00		Fresha 100% Apple Juice 250ml	\$4.00	
Fresh Baked Muffin - Chocolate	\$4.00		Fresha 100% Orange Juice 250ml	\$4.00	
GF Caramel Slice	\$5.00		Fresha 500ml Apple and Blackcurrent	\$5.00	
Home made Slice - Hedgehog	\$4.00		Fresha Orange and Mango Juice 500ml	\$5.00	
Lemon Slice	\$4.00		Fresha Orange Juice 500ml	\$5.00	
Mint Slice	\$4.00		Fresha Spring Water 600ml	\$3.00	
Fresh cut fruit salad	\$6.50		Sungold PM 500ml Chocolate	\$5.00	
Fruit, Yogurt and Muesli Cup	\$6.50		Sungold PM 500ml Honeycomb	\$5.00	
Carrot Sticks	\$1.50		Sungold PM 500ml Strawberry	\$5.00	
Jelly and Fruit cup	\$2.00		Nippy's Chocolate Milk 250ml	\$3.50	
Banana Slice	\$4.00		Nippy's Strawberry Milk 250ml	\$3.50	
			FROZEN ITEMS		
			Dixie Icecream Cup	\$2.00	

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Parents, Carers and Friends (PCF)

The Winter Lights & Delights Community Art Auction is Now Live!

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 5

MON 10TH	
TUE 11TH	- Science & Engineering Challenge – Grade 5/6 - Willow & Wren to visit KDPS
WED 12TH	- Lunch Order Day 3/4 – Kangarooobie Camp Departs 8:30am
THU 13TH	3/4 – Kangarooobie Camp Returns approx 1:30pm
FRI 14TH	- Lunch Order Day - Assembly – 3:10pm start
SAT 15TH	Winter Lights & Delights 5:30pm start

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Learn • Grow • Inspire • Engage • Achieve



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!

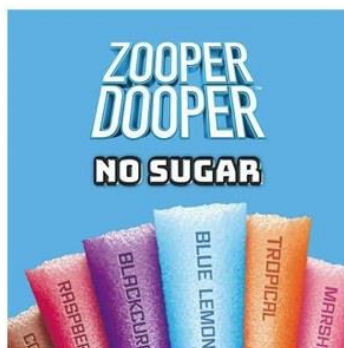
Big Life with Mel

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
ON TIMBERLEY WARRNAMBOOL



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.

