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KEILOR HEIGHTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Thursday April 6th, 2023



DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2

Monday 24th April First Day of Term

Monday 24th April
Dance Incursion—No
Charge

Tuesday 25th April ANZAC Day NO SCHOOL

Wednesday May 10th Camp Quality Cancer Education Program







Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 1 Celebrations

It is difficult to believe that we are already at the end of Term 1. It has been a very productive and positive Term to begin the year, with lots of events and learning experiences taking place. Some of these included our Cyber Safety Day, Coffee and Cake Mornings, Meet the Teacher sessions, Interschool sport, Interschool swimming, student Allergy Awareness sessions, Casual Clothes Day raising awareness against Bullying and blood cancer, Harmony week, NAPLAN, Cross Country and today we will be finishing with our Easter Raffle that PFA have organised.

Welcome and Farewells

We welcomed our new Foundation students who have settled into school life brilliantly and several other families throughout the school. We have had to farewell some of our families who have moved from the area and wish them all the very best at their new schools.

We have also welcomed new staff members, Bridie Dailey and Emily Carden and school chaplain Riley Mc Dowell to KHPS and next Term we will have another staff member joining our Educational Support Staff, Krista Patterson while Julia Convery will be returning from family leave.

I would also like to take the opportunity to say goodbye and wish two staff members who have been at Keilor Heights for a significant amount of time supporting many of our students, all the very best of luck. Thank you to Trudy Thomas, who after a long career as an Educational Support worker is retiring and looking forward to spending some time with her family and grandchildren. Trudy began at KHPS in 2007 and has had many roles throughout her time but can probably be remembered the most from our students by her caring nature when they attended sickbay. Thank you to Madi Brinsmead who is also one of our Educational Support staff who has been at KHPS for several years and worked with



many of our students. Madi is taking on a new career path and we wish her well.



Cross Country

On Tuesday our Year 3-6 students walked down to Steele Creek to participate in our school Cross Country event. We could not have had a nicer day for the event and congratulations to all participants for having a go and trying their best on the day. Some of the races were very competitive and we would like to wish our 45 students who will be going onto the next level and representing our school at Brimbank Park on the second Thursday of next Term. A note has been sent out on compass to those families, so please make sure you provide consent and payment so your child can attend. The final House results were also very close and well done to Ronald House for being the overall winner on the day. (See pics on page 3)

Year 1/2 Open Afternoon

Yesterday our Year 1/2 Team held an Open Afternoon to celebrate their Term's work with family members. It was a fantastic turnout and on behalf of the students and teachers, I would like to thank you for attending and also for your active participation in the games and interviews.









Dance Incursion

On the first Monday of Term 2, 24th April, all students will be participating in a Dance Incursion. There is no cost for this incursion and should be lots of fun for our students and a nice way to begin the Term. Please also remember that Tuesday 25th April is Anzac Day and a public holiday. No students are required at school.

Happy Easter

Finally, I would like to thank students, families and staff for their work across the term, wishing everyone a safe and happy Easter and Term 1 break.

We look forward to seeing everyone back Monday 24th April.

Victoria Graham

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE FASTER RAFFLE

1st Prize ARTEMIS K

2nd Prize CHANAE D

3rd Prize EMILY F

4th Prize ELLA Y









KHPS Cross Country Championship

This week we held our KHPS Years 3-6 House Cross Country Championship/Buckley District Inters-School Cross-Country Trials down at Spring Gully Reserve. It was fantastic to see our students dressed up in their house colours and being active by running or walking multiple laps of what was quite a challenging circuit. Our 10 years and under runners completed 2km while our 11 year old and 12/13 year old runners completed 3km.

Congratulations to Ronald house for being our winners! The top 8 finishers in each age group will now go on to represent KHPS at the Buckley District Cross Country Carnival on Thursday May 4th at Brimbank Park.







VHAP Term 1

This term the Department of Education and Training (DET) offered an extension program for Year 5 and 6 students. Known as the Victorian High Achievers Program (VHAP), it involves extension in either English or Maths.

Term 1 saw one of our Year 6 students selected to participate in the online Maths Extension classes, with an educator from DET. The VHAP program ran for 10 weeks and was streamed online every Wednesday morning this term.

Our Year 6 student that participated was Aadi C.





'Personally, I feel like VHAP is a great extension on my current standard knowledge. I feel proud to be selected for this program with such great people. These lovely teachers online, value everyone's say. I have learned plenty in VHAP and am excited to continue. **Aadi C.**

We congratulate Aadi for completing the VHAP Maths course for 2023.

Alicia Murphy Melissa Cowling VHAP Practice Leaders











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This week saw the launch of our KHoin (Keilor Heights Coin) Trade Shop where students were given the opportunity to trade their KHoin tokens for a selection of rewards. The rewards range from toys to classroom and school privileges. The staff Wellbeing Team, along with student voice from the S.R.C. determined the rewards on offer. We acknowledge our Parents & Friends Committee and various staff who have donated rewards to our KHoin Token system. Positive student behaviour is recognised

throughout the school by teachers awarding a KHoin to students in class and during playtimes, which accumulates throughout the year. Students then have the chance to trade KHoins for rewards or keep collecting for greater incentives later on.

Next term each cohort will be timetabled monthly to visit the KHoin Trade Shop on Fridays, before assembly. Here is a glimpse of the exciting launch this week.











Happy holidays!

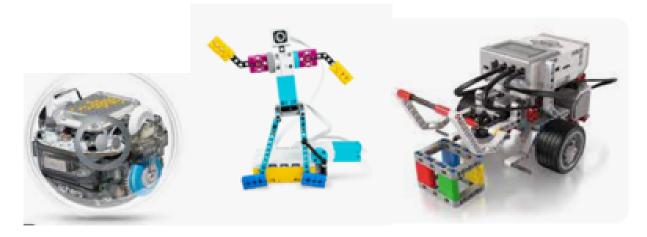
Mrs Lisa Clare

Wellbeing and Inclusion Leader





Coding Club After School Program



For: Grade 5 and Grade 6 Students – prepare your students for Year 7 using a range of robotic platforms.

Where: Essendon Keilor College, East Keilor Campus (Quinn Grove, East Keilor).

When: Term 2, Wednesday after school

3.45pm - 4:30pm (4 weeks, Beginning 10th of May)

Cost: — exclusive offer to students of Keilor Heights Primary School, Avondale Primary School, Keilor Primary School.

*Be Quick.....Limited places call Anna (office) on

8331 0109 to book.*





MON 10 APR | PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Big Childcare is offline today due to the public holiday. Our cast are resting up after having a few too many Hot X Buns and Easter Eggs. Never mind, they will be back after the easter long weekend.





It's Easter time, so that can only mean one thing. Eggstreme fun! You can expect egg decoration, Easter themed games and of course a BIG easter egg hunt! So get Egg-cited for a day of chocolate fun!



WED 12 APR | ARCADE & BOWLING

\$75 + \$40

Calling all gamers, stretch those thumbs and switch on as we step into the world of virtual reality and head to the local arcade to battle those bosses, catch the coins, go on an adventure or take a spin to win !



THU 13 APR | STUFFLERS

\$75 + \$20



Today the Stufflers Bears are coming to our centre, you will get to choose your very own plush toy, you can name it, stuff it, make it a costume and even take it home with you as a new friend to add to the collection!



FRI 14 APR I BIG SPORTS DAY

Start stretching and warming up because today's session is going to be ACTIVE! From sack races, to relays and long jumps. We'll make sure everyone is included on this super sporty session!



MON 17 APR | DUDE PERFECT

\$75



Trick shots, crazy sports and epic challenges to make your mates go WOW! Just like the dudes from Dude Perfect, we'll be having a nationwide challenge to see which centre can land the most perfect shots!



TUE 18 APR | MOVIES

Settle inn the corns a poppin', the movies where the bus is stoppin'! The lights are dimmed, and the screen is set for a fun for all ages movie. Check with your centre manager to see what we'll be watching today!



WED 19 APR | THE BIG COOK



Today is all about cooking! Our in house MasterChefs will be running an interactive cooking workshop where you get to learn, create and make delicious food to... And guess what, you get to eat it too!



THU 20 APR | LUNA PARK

It's our annual BIG day out to Luna park, and we have the whole park to ourselves! Ride the Scenic Railway, face the Twin Dragons or for the smaller ones hop on the carousel. Luna Park is always a favourite for everyone!



Roll up roll up for a roller skating derby at the local roller ring! It's an action-packed day to show off your skills on wheels. Never skated before? That's okay, we'll show you how and teach you something new!

CAMP QUALITY'S CANCER EDUCATION PROGRAM HAS BEEN BOOKED TO VISIT YOUR PRIMARY OR PRESCHOOL. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!

Camp Quality's cancer education program has been teaching kids about cancer with a fun and interactive puppet performance, for over 33 years. The program focuses on telling the broader cancer story, including how to support someone who is facing their own cancer diagnosis or that of a loved one.

The free Cancer Education Program visits primary schools and education and care services around Australia, and is shown to reduce bullying, absenteeism and the need for mental health support services for kids impacted by cancer. An independent KMPG report showed the total Social Return on Investment of the Cancer Education Program is \$5 for every \$1 spent.

The program includes newly developed Teacher Resource Packs aligned to the Australian Curriculum, Early Years Learning Framework and state-based curriculums. **Teacher lesson plans, classroom activities and our Talking About Cancer guide** provide further learning on the social and emotional impacts of cancer. We also offer a free Kids' Guide to Cancer App that can be downloaded to your smartphone or tablet. Our resources have been developed in consultation with subject matter experts in the health and education sectors and help to facilitate conversations about cancer.

THE BIG PARTY

AGES: EARLY LEARNING CENTRE
- YEAR 2
DURATION: 30 MINUTES

Ariel has a brain tumour. Her big brother Tom knows she's having a tough time in hospital, so today he's bringing her something he's sure will cheer her up straight away - an invitation to Lucy Carmichael's Bouncy Castle Birthday Party on Saturday! Only, Ariel can't go... how will she ever explain to the other kids why she doesn't have any hair, and why she's tired and skinny...? The Big Party by Julianne O'Brien is an empowering story, using interactive puppetry to teach us about cancer and the importance of positivity and recognising our own strengths.

THE BIG SCORE

AGES: YEAR 3-6
DURATION: AHR (INCLUDING
POST-SHOW Q&A SESSION)

Siblings Tom & Ariel's lives are turned upside down when Ariel is diagnosed with a brain tumour. Leaving their home on the country farm and moving to the city for Ariel's treatment at hospital, they must start fresh at a new school, with new teachers, new friends and a whole new normal. Will Ariel ever make it through Year 5, and will Tom ever become a soccer superstar? The Big Score by Julianne O'Brien is a touching story, using interactive puppetry to teach us about cancer and the importance of hope and acceptance.

"It took away the stigma and fear from cancer. As we have a student at our school being treated for leukaemia, it helped the children understand what she is going though and why she has lost her hair. Having an understanding of the disease has certainly increased empathy in the other children too"

— Principal

"The manner in which the show addresses cancer is age appropriate while clearly articulating the facts. It has helped me to be able to talk about cancer in a positive and reassuring manner"

- Educator

1300 662 267 campquality.org.au puppetprograms@campquality.org.au







Student	Class	Being For		
Darcy R	FA	Excellence in Reading		
Suifili F	FB	Being a Respectful & Responsible Student		
Noah P	12B	Being an Enthusiastic & Respectful Class Member at All Times		
Owen M	12C	Being a Responsible Learner		
Danny H	12D	Aspiring to Do His Best in All Areas of Learning		
Avaya P	34A	Being Resilient & Taking on All Challenges & Having a Positive Attitude		
Shanelle N	34B	Aspiring to Always Do Her Best During Learning Opportunities		
Joshua S	34C	Always Aspiring to do His Best & Never Giving Up		
Leah H	34D	Displaying Great Responsibility Both In & Out of the Classroom		
Alannah A	56A	Aspiring to Achieve Her Best in Every Lesson		
Aras M	56B	Always Contributing to Class Discussions & Consistently Showing Respect		
Branko R	56D	Demonstrating Respect by Showing Tolerance with His Classmates		

<u>SPECIALIST AWARDS</u>				
Whole Class	12D	Excellence in P.E.		
Whole Class	12C	Excellence in Italian		







Young Engineers

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Over 800 Schools, 30 July 510 1. 200,000 Projects Made

Children cor based proj out of Engineering craft and develop, all of which be taken home!

Learn all about forces, Electronics, Pneumatics, Power, Aerodynamics, Energy, Friction, Simple Machines + More

Keilor Heights Primary School For Prep - Y2 only.

Every Monday for 7 weeks during Term 2

Starting: 01/05/23 Time: 3:30 - 4:30pm

\$150 per term or 4 payments of \$37.50

Register via our website: www.stemgineers.com.au Scan or CLICK _____ the QR code below.







BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL!

Places are limited and are reserved on a first come first reserved basis. If the club is full, please register your interest on the waiting list as we may be able to extend the number of places available. All materials are supplied.





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Young Engineers

After School Club

Over 800 Schools, 30,000 Children, 200,000 Projects Made

Children construct a range of Engineering craft based projects to test and develop, all of which can be taken home!

Learn all about: Forces, Electronics, Pneumatics, Power, Aerodynamics, Energy, Friction, Simple Machines + More

Examples of club projects: Balloon Car, Cotton Ball Launcher, Jumbo Grabber, Sling Rocket, Vibrating Bug & Pyramid Slingshot.

For Years 3-6 Only.

CLICK HERE









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We <u>URGENTLY</u> need Foster Carers in your area. Enquire now on how you can help change a child's life.

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Experience Australia's most loved sport through AFL Victoria's FREE Footy 4
Fun events delivered across Victoria! A footy experience full of fun activities,
modified games & memorable moments to take home with you!

Footy 4 Fun 'Come & Try' is an opportunity for kids aged 7-12 years to experience an introduction to the basics of football in through fun activities.

WHERE:

NEC Hangar, Melrose Drive Tullamarine, 3043

WHEN:

2 sessions! 9:30am-11:30am 1:00pm-3:00pm



REGISTER HERE!

"I really love to observe the development of friendships between the older and younger children on the WSB. It really helps the school community - it's like an unofficial buddy system!" Mary Reynolds, Walking School Bus Volunteer

"Apart from the obvious health benefits, being a valunteer for the WSB enables me to interact with my daughter and her school friends in THEIR environment."

John Casey, Walking School Bus Volunteer

"I enjoy the social nature of the walking bus, the walking and the sense that there are young children who have a responsible adult outside of their family who is safely looking after them and getting to know them."

Suzanne Priestley, Walking School Bus Volunteer

"The connections my family have made with the other kids and parents who valunteer for the Walking School Bus are also invaluable" Fiona Hillary, Walking School Bus Volunteer



What is the Walking School Bus?

The Walking School Bus" is a fun, healthy and safe

Moonee Valley City Council, schools, traders and

The Walking School Bus** (WSB) is not a real

'bus stops' on the way to school.

way for primary school aged children to travel to and from school. Run in collaboration with VicHealth,

community groups, this free program has far reaching

vehicle, but a group of children who walk to school

accompanied by two adult leaders (one 'driver' and

The Walking School Bus follows a specific route on specific days selected by your school and volunteers.

ensure the safety of the children. Safety precautions

include a 1:8 adult to children ratio. All volunteers are

expected to undergo safety training, registration and

hold a Working with Children Check (WWC). Moonee Valley City Council is supporting this fantastic

These routes have been carefully planned by the volunteer coordinator and audited by Council to

one 'conductor'). Picking up and delivering children at

The WSB program has many benefits for your school, the local community and especially the children. By working with Moonee Valley City Council you help:

For further enquiries contact Council's

Transport Project Officer on 9243 8888 or email transport@mvcc.vic.gov.au

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Moones Valley City Council

Moonee Valley Language Line

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Spanish

Turkish

All other languages National Relay Service 13 36 77 or relayservice.au

9 Kelaway Avenue | PO Box 126 Mooner Ponds VIC 3039 Telephone 03 9240 8888 | Faculmile 03 9377 2100 Email council (#mvct.vic.govau | Website mvct.vic.govau

Việt-ngữ Vietnamese

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中文

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Italiano

Somali

Español

Türkce

Ελληνικά Greek

- Improve children's overall health
- Develop children's physical and social skills
- Children build friendships
- Children gain a sense of independence
- Decrease traffic congestion around school
- Increase road safety and awareness
- Lower green house gas pollution
- Strengthen community / Council relations
- . Children arrive at school alert and ready to learn

How to be involved

WSB program. You can:

- Sign up your school
- Volunteer to act as a conductor/driver
- Act as your school's volunteer coordinator

All volunteers are provided with training through Moonee Valley City Council and are required to undergo a WWC to ensure that children are walked to school in a safe and friendly manner. Volunteers are expected to operate according to the bus stop. timetable and follow appropriate safety measures.

Moonee Valley City Council employs a Project Officer to supervise the WSB program. The Project Officer provides administrative support and guidance to all participants. It is Council's responsibility to conduct WSB route safety audits, register volunteers and

mvcc.vic.gov.au



Get on board the Walking School Bus™

Stopping all stations



What are the benefits?

- Provide a safe environment for children.

There are many ways that you can be involved in the

Register your child/ren to walk

Get on board the Walking School Bus™

on the following days and sessions:

I would like my child to use the Walking School Bus.

■ Monday	am	pm
■ Tuesday	am	pm
☐ Wednesday	am	pm
□ Thursday	am	pm
☐ Friday	am	pm
Child's name		
Address		
Parent's name		
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School		
Phone		
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I am interested in becoming a volunteer for the Walking School Bus on the following days and sessions:

■ Monday		am	pn
☐ Tuesday		am	pn
■ Wednesday		am	pn
□ Thursday		am	pn
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Email...

Please return completed forms to the school and further information will be forwarded









YOU'RE INVITED

OPEN DAY THURSDAY 4TH MAY 9.15AM - 2.15PM

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE

OPEN EVENING TUESDAY 9TH MAY

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS 6:45PM TOURS 4-6PM

> **GUIDED TOURS TUESDAYS 9:30AM**

> > **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**