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# KEILOR HEIGHTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Thursday May 11th, 2023



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2

Friday May 12th -  
MOTHER'S DAY Stall

Friday May 12th—Choir  
performing @ Riverlea

Friday 12th May—Whole  
School Assembly 3pm

**Monday May 15th—  
CANTEEN OPENING**

Thursday 18th May—  
Whole School Open  
Morning 9am—10.30am

Mon 29th May—Thurs 1st  
June—Book Fair

Thursday 22nd June Y56  
Reptile Encounters  
Incursion

Friday 23rd June Last day  
of Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Open Morning – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Next Thursday the whole school will be open for our current and prospective families to come and visit classrooms and engage with students in a range of open-ended learning experiences. We are inviting current families to visit their own children's classrooms between 9.00am – 10.30am. New families can participate in a school tour with our School Captains between 10.00am – 10.30am, followed by a general presentation in the Chillout Space and opportunity to ask questions.

Our Year 5/6 Cooking group will be hosting morning tea in the Administration Building, serving their own made scones, jam and cream along with tea/coffee for a gold coin donation.

We are looking forward to celebrating and sharing our learning with everyone next Thursday and hope to see you there. If you know of any families whose children will be starting school next year, please let them know they are most welcome.

### Cross Country

Last Thursday a team of our students attended Brimbank Park, to compete against other schools in the District Cross Country event. Congratulations to all of our competitors. It was a really proud moment to see our students being so supportive of each other and also congratulate other competitors on their efforts. All of our students demonstrated great strength and courage as they ran around the challenging course, with many students achieving personal goals. A special mention to Georgia who will be moving onto the next level. (See sports report on page 8)

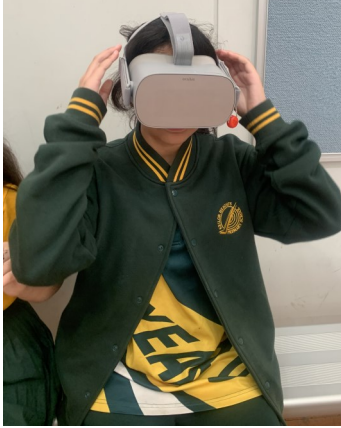


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### **Bright STEM Year 5/6 Incursion**

This morning our Year 5/6 students participated in a STEM incursion which was run by a group of engineers called Bright STEM. Bright STEM visit primary and secondary schools, talking to students about the career possibilities students can have if they choose a STEM pathway. Students also have the opportunity to engage in hands on activities. The feedback from our students was very positive and the facilitators were impressed with the level of engagement and questions our students asked.



### **School Council**

Earlier this week we had our school council meeting. School Council's role is one of Governance, which includes making sure our policies are up to date and reviewed in accordance with DET requirements. We have recently reviewed a number of our policies and continue to do so each year. To see our most recent updated policies you can click on the following link:

<https://kheights.vic.edu.au/our-school/policies/>

In response to feedback we are looking more closely at our uniform policy to make sure it is inclusive, while maintaining the purpose of having a school uniform. The updated policy, when finalised, will be communicated with families through the newsletter, Compass and made available on our school website. Teachers will also go through with students the updates and we thank you in advance for helping to support the implementation by making sure your children are wearing the correct school uniform as per the policy.

### **Canteen—Grand Opening**

The canteen will be up and running as of Monday 15th May, please see the flyer on page 5 and download the QKR app to access more details of the yummy food available. (QKR download information on pages 15 & 16)

### **Clubs**

These have started this week, Crochet Club and Lego this week and Chess Club next week. (Photos on page 3)

### **Mother's Day/Special Person's Stall**

Don't forget tomorrow morning Parents and Friends will be holding the Mother's Day/Special Person's Day stall. If you would like your child to be able to purchase something from the stall please make sure they come to school with money in a secure and safe way to keep them from losing it.

We hope all the special people in your life will be spoilt on Sunday.

Victoria Graham



Pop into the office area for a morning coffee/ tea and scone, freshly made by students who participate in our weekly Life Skills session.



A gold coin donation would be appreciated.



# CLUBS!





**KEILOR HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**FOR CURRENT KHPS FAMILIES**

**OPEN MORNING 9AM – 10.30AM**

**THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

**NEW & PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES**

**TOURS WITH STUDENT SCHOOL LEADERS**

**AT 10AM**

**FOLLOWED BY A PRESENTATION AT 10.30AM IN THE  
'CHILL OUT' ROOM**

**Come and learn more about our whole school programs and what  
your child's day looks like at KHPS.**



# GRAND OPENING

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School Canteen  
15th May  
Recess & lunch  
sales available  
Lunch orders  
can be ordered  
from the QKR  
App

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SWEET THINGS WITH GREAT  
LOVE  
BY RAYANA

**PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR DOWNLOADING  
QKR APP ON PAGES 15 & 16**

# MOTHER'S/SPECIAL PERSON'S DAY STALL

## FRIDAY 12TH MAY

GIFTS  
RANGING  
FROM  
\$1-\$6

STUDENTS WILL ATTEND  
THE STALL DURING THEIR  
CLASS TIME

BRING A  
BAG TO  
HIDE THE  
GIFT IN





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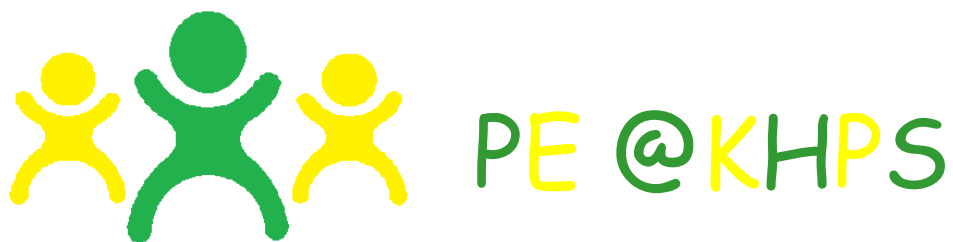
# *OUR COMMUNITY YOUR SAFETY OUR PRIORITY*

HOW CAN WE KEEP YOU SAFER?

COMPLETE THE  
COMMUNITY  
SENTIMENT SURVEY

OPEN 31 MARCH 2023





### Buckley District Cross Country

Congratulations to the 43 students who took part in the Buckley District cross country event last week at Brimbank Park.

Despite an overcast day and a bit of a wet track, the weather held out for an enjoyable morning. Each student gave 100% and we wish Georgia in Year 6 all the best at the Divisional finals in late May– this will be her 3rd time making it to his level which is a fantastic achievement.

Thanks to all of the parents and family members who came down to support our students, in particular Erin who helped out with course marshalling–it was much appreciated!

Mr. Matton

PE and Sports Co-ordinator



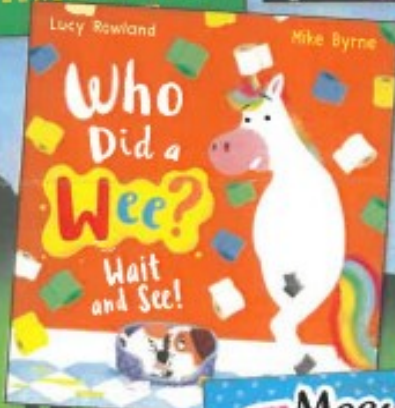
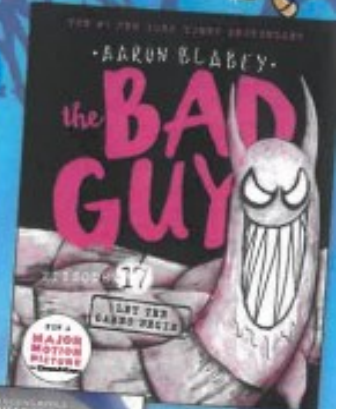
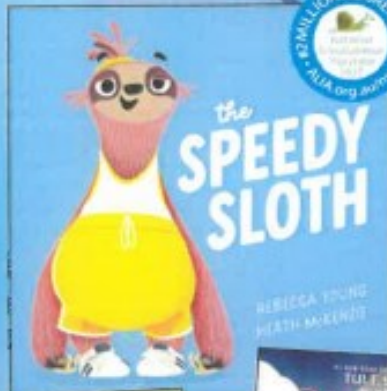
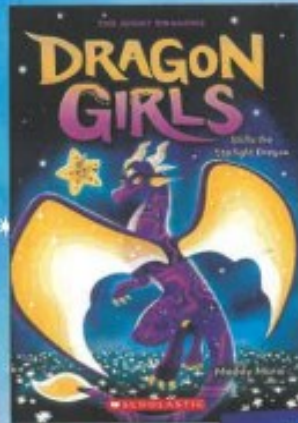
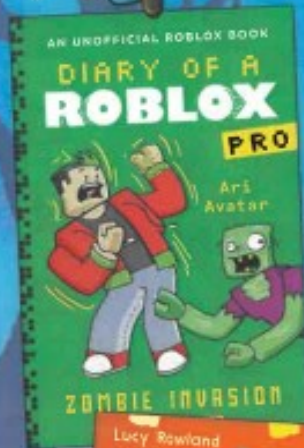




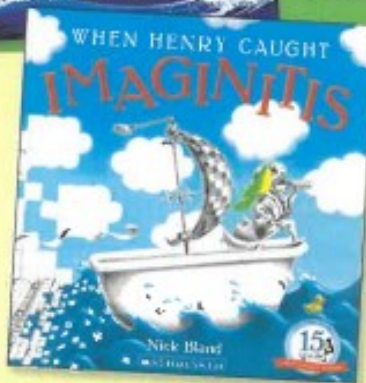
# SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs

See what's **NEW** at our

# BOOK FAIR



Find these books and more at the Fair!



Date	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	8:30-9am	3-4pm	Location:
	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	8:30-9am	3-4pm	Meeting room
Place	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	8:30-9am	3-4pm	near the
	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	8:30-9am	3-4pm	library :)

**EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL**



*Forever Young*  
WELLNESS STUDIO



# 30-MINUTE HIT SESSIONS

Keilor Heights Primary School

Gymnasium

## GET FIT HAVE FUN

### BOOK NOW

[forever-young.online](http://forever-young.online)



# Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Come share cake, a cuppa, and a chat for Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. Run in conjunction with the Cancer Council of Australia. Bring a gold coin donation for cancer research. All ages welcome!

Free, bookings necessary.  
[libraryevents.mvcc.vic.gov.au](http://libraryevents.mvcc.vic.gov.au)

**Avondale Heights**  
**Thursday 25 May**  
**10.30am–11.30am**





## Healthy Vision Improves Learning

Did you know that approximately 1 in 5 children have an undetected vision issue or requires ongoing assessment?

Healthy vision improves learning and is important for physical and social development.

Optometry Australia recommends that all children have their vision checked by an Optometrist before starting school and then regular visits throughout the school years. These checks are usually covered by Medicare so please ask when booking your appointment.

A list of optometrists, including those that speak other languages can be found on [www.optometry.org.au/vic/find-an-optometrist](http://www.optometry.org.au/vic/find-an-optometrist)

So why not make an appointment today?

(Adapted from Optometry Australia 2019)

## Healthy Hearing Improves Learning

Did you know that hearing can change over time?

Healthy hearing is important for your child's language, learning and overall development.

Some signs that your child may have trouble hearing include that they:

- don't respond when called
- have a dip in school grades (because they can't hear the teacher)
- speak loudly
- watch TV with the volume turned up too high
- pronounce words incorrectly
- appears inattentive or daydreaming

If you have any doubt about your child's hearing, have them tested. Please contact your local doctor or audiologist for further advice.

(Adapted from Better Health Channel 2019)



# BRING A FRIEND!

**East Keilor Auskick Centre**  
**Friday May 12th 5:00pm-6:00pm**

NAB AFL Auskick is always more fun with your friends. Register your bestie via the QR code to come along for a free session!





## 5th Keilor Scout Group



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320 Fullarton Rd, Airport West VIC 3042

Do you know any 5-25 year olds ready for lots of fun?

Our members enjoy activities that include sleepovers, camps, canoeing, being outdoors, community events, themed nights, construction and practical nights, activity centre nights, State Events and Major Camps!

**More action, more fun, more friends!**

5-7yo Joey Scouts – Wed 5:45-6:45pm

8-10yo Cub Scouts – Wed 7:00-8:30pm

11-14yo Scouts – Mon 7:00-9:00pm

15-17yo Venturers – Thu 7:00-9:00pm

18-25yo Rovers – Thu 7:30-9:30pm

**‘Come and Try’ FREE for 3 nights!  
Register your interest via e-mail below**

**Enquiries: [gl.5thkeilor@scoutsvictoria.com.au](mailto:gl.5thkeilor@scoutsvictoria.com.au)**

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Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by MasterCard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

With Qkr you can:

- Order and pay for your child's lunches, reducing the need to bring cash to school;
- Pay for school fees, uniforms, excursions and more;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

### Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



### Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

### Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10km's of the school, or search for our school by name.

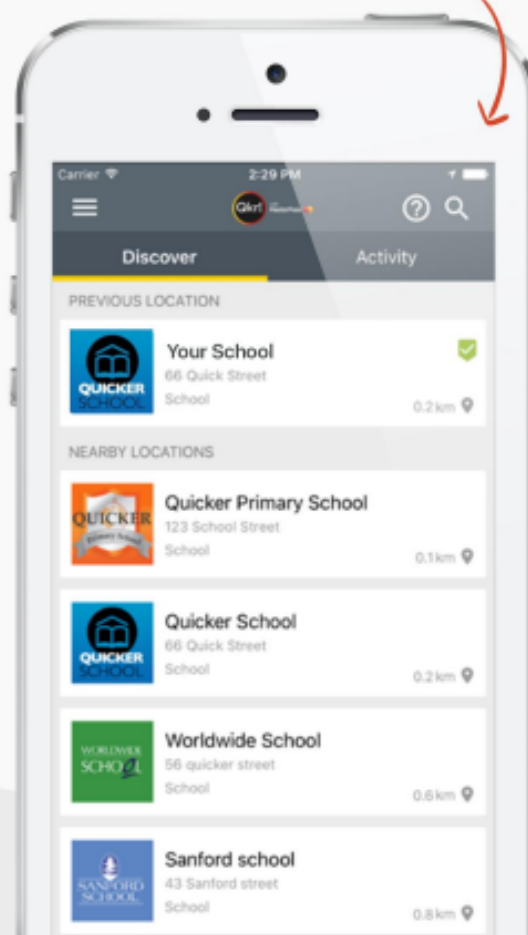
### Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

Search for our school name

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'



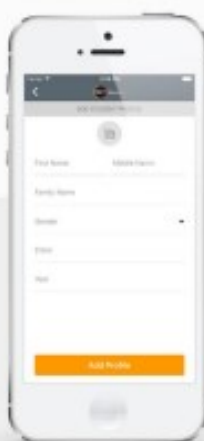


## Add your children's details in Student Profiles

Select 'Add student profile'



Add each child's details



Manage each child's details in Student Profiles



## Order meals

Select a menu from our canteen



Tap the green tick to view your receipt or to cancel an order



Select a date for a child and order a meal

Tap 'Repeat order' to copy all paid orders from one week to the next



Tap to change the child you are ordering for

Tap to change the date you are ordering for

Tap 'Checkout' then confirm and pay

## Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted by the school.

Once your payment is approved you can continue to the home page, or view your receipt.





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SATURDAYS AT 12PM  
RIVERSIDE TENNIS AND NETBALL  
CENTRE, ASCOT VALE!



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## Changes to Child Care Subsidy

From 10 July 2023, there are changes to the way we work out your Child Care Subsidy (CCS) entitlement. Child care will be cheaper for most families.

### What you need to know

- The maximum amount of CCS is increasing from 85% to 90% for families earning up to \$80,000.
- The income limit for CCS is increasing to \$530,000.
- If you earn over \$80,000, your CCS percentage will go down by 1% for each \$5,000 of income your family earns. You'll either get more subsidy or have no change to your entitlement. The CCS percentage you're entitled to depends on your family's income.

For more information about CCS, go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/changes-if-you-get-family-payments](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/changes-if-you-get-family-payments)

### Families with more than one child aged 5 or under

From 10 July 2023, if you have more than one child aged 5 or under you can still get a higher rate for one or more of your children.

### If you get Additional Child Care Subsidy

If you get Additional Child Care Subsidy (ACCS) your rates will stay the same.

From 10 July 2023, the low income limit for ACCS Transition to Work (TTW) will increase to \$80,000. Your family will still need to meet other ACCS TTW eligibility requirements.

### CHANGES TO CHILD CARE SUBSIDY

#### Making a claim for CCS

From 10 July 2023 the income limit for CCS is increasing to \$530,000. This means that more families will be entitled to CCS to reduce their child care costs.

If you want to check your eligibility for CCS, you can make a claim using your Centrelink online account through myGov or your Express Plus Centrelink mobile app.

If you make a claim and it's assessed before 10 July 2023, you may be assessed at 0% if your income is over \$356,756. Your new rate of CCS will automatically apply to you from 10 July 2023.

You can make a claim for CCS any time using:

- your **Centrelink online account** through [my.gov.au](https://my.gov.au)
- the **Express Plus Centrelink mobile app**
- the **myGov app**.

For more information about how to claim CCS, go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/how-to-claim-child-care-subsidy](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/how-to-claim-child-care-subsidy)

### What's happening from 10 July 2023

If you already get CCS or made a claim, you don't need to do anything to get the increased rate. We'll apply changes to your CCS automatically from 10 July 2023.

Your new rate of CCS will show in your online account from 10 July 2023 through myGov. Select **My family** from the Menu, then **Family assistance**, followed by **Child Care Subsidy Summary** to view your rate.

You can also use your Express Plus Centrelink mobile app. Select **Child Care Subsidy**, then **Children assessed** to view your rate from 10 July 2023.



### What you need to do from January to June 2023

In most cases, you don't need to do anything to get the increased rate. If you get CCS, we'll apply changes to your CCS automatically from 10 July 2023.

### Updating your family income estimate

The amount of CCS you get is calculated using your family income estimate. It's important to make sure that you check your income estimate regularly and update it if your circumstances change.

If you get CCS or if you're already assessed for CCS but get 0%, you may be eligible for an increased rate. Check your family income estimate is up to date so you get the right amount from 10 July 2023.

You can check or update your income estimate at any time using:

- your **Centrelink online account** through [my.gov.au](https://my.gov.au)
- the **Express Plus Centrelink mobile app**
- the **myGov app**.

For more information about how to update your family income estimate, go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/familyincomeestimate](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/familyincomeestimate)