



Aiming for Excellence

KEILOR HEIGHTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Thursday May 25th, 2023



DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2

Friday 26th May –Y5/6
ISS—BYE

Friday 26th May—Whole
School Assembly—3pm

Mon 29th May—Thurs 1st
June—Book Fair

Thurs 8th June—Y3/4
Scienceworks Excursion

Mon 12th June—KING's
Birthday—NO SCHOOL

Wed 14th June—Fri 23rd
June Y3/4 Swimming

Wednesday 21st June—
Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thursday 22nd June Y56
Reptile Encounters
Incursion

Friday 23rd June Last day
of Term 2

BEANIES
\$15

Available at the
school office

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parent Teacher Interviews

Teachers are currently writing students reports which will be available on Compass by 4pm Monday 19th of June. On Wednesday 21st June we will be holding Parent Teacher Interviews Onsite from 12.00noon until 7.00pm.

Families will be able to book their interview times through Compass in the coming weeks and further information on how to do this will go out shortly. We strongly urge everyone to make a time to see your child's teacher to discuss their achievements but also next areas for development and how you can also support them at home with this. If you have more than one child, please do not make 'back to back' interview times as this can cause delays. Please leave at least one time slot in between your children's interview times.

So that teachers can conduct interviews on Wednesday 21st June, there will be an early dismissal time of 11.30am. All students must be picked up by 11.30am

Reconciliation Week

This week is reconciliation week and this Friday is National Sorry day. We will be acknowledging Sorry Day at this week's assembly and students will be learning more about what it means with their teachers during class by listening to stories and class discussions.

This is a perfect opportunity for all of us to show respect towards each other, embrace and learn about the rich and diverse cultures that are in our very own community.



Parent-Teacher Interviews



Allergy Awareness Week

It is also Allergy Awareness week. Please see the attached brochure that provides some very important measures we can all do to support people in our community who are impacted by allergies. At school we have several measures in place to minimise the risk of students being exposed to things that can trigger allergic or anaphylactic reactions, including food allergies. Teachers, especially in the younger year levels discuss reasons why we don't share food at school and why it is important to wash their hands etc. It would be greatly appreciated if you could also take the opportunity to reiterate this message at home too.



School Uniform

Part of School Council's role is to review and update policies. The Department provide the main content and schools can make minor adjustments to suit their individual context and setting. At our last meeting we reviewed and updated the Uniform Policy. The updated policy is attached in this newsletter (pages 13—16) and available on our school website.

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

Teachers will be going through and enforcing the policy with students. I would like to thank you in advance for your support to help enforce this too.

Stay dry

Victoria Graham

PARENT/CARER UNIFORM FEEDBACK

We are seeking feedback from families on our school uniform. The school meets with Lowes once a term to discuss new and current options. With the feedback we have received from families along with Lowes updating us on new options available, we have been provided a sample of a new bomber jacket to be compared against the current bomber jacket. Lowes have also left a sample of a school backpack which is larger than the current backpack and we are looking at options with the short sleeve polo. Some of the options available are more expensive and some will stay at the current price.

Please come past the office, have a look and then email your feedback through to:

keilor.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au

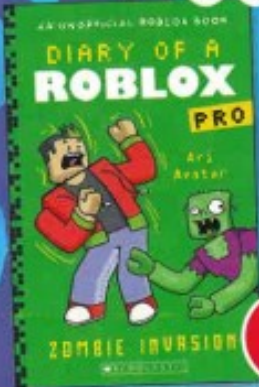




SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs

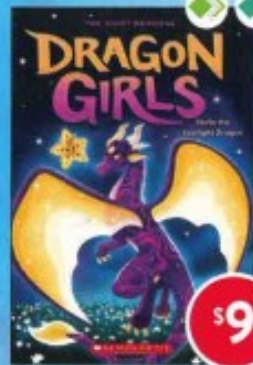
See what's **NEW** at our

BOOK FAIR



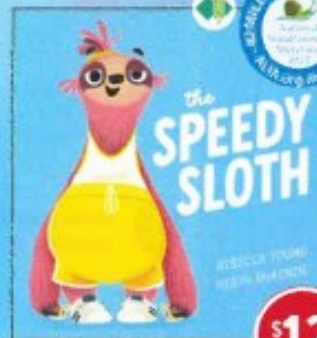
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ZOMBIE INVASION
Zombies are invading Blockville.
100124796 | PB NOVEL | AGES 8+



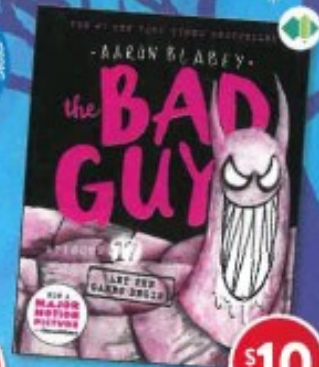
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STELLA THE STARLIGHT DRAGON
Rosie, Phoebe and Stella transform into Night Dragons!
100123662 | CHAPTER BOOK | AGES 7+



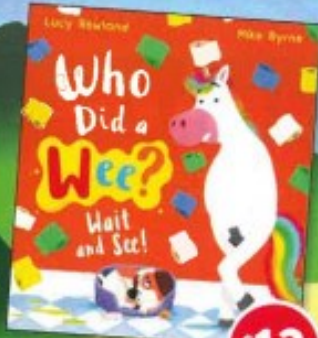
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THE SPEEDY SLOTH
An inspiring story to celebrate all winners, especially those who don't come first!
100102482 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+



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THE BAD GUYS EPISODE 17: LET THE GAMES BEGIN!
Meet the real Dread Overlord Splaargh!
100125357 | CHAPTER BOOK | AGES 7+



\$13

WHO DID A WEE? WAIT AND SEE!
A little boy steps in a puddle and starts imagining who might have left it...
100102597 | PICTURE BOOK | AGES 3+



\$10

TWENTY THOUSAND FLEAS UNDER THE SEA
Piggy has a diabolical plan!
100123795 | GRAPHIC NOVEL | AGES 7+



\$15

MOON RISING
The war is over, and the dragonets have a plan for lasting peace.
100102246 | GRAPHIC NOVEL | AGES 10+



\$17

FOREVER FRIENDS DIARY
A gorgeous lockable diary with two BFF necklaces.
100098014 | JOURNAL | AGES 7+

Find these books and more at the Fair!

Date 29th May - 1st June

Time 8:30 - 9am
3:00 - 4pm

Place Stem Room



EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL



AUSTRALIAN MADE:



AUSTRALIAN AUTHOR



AUSTRALIAN PRINTED & PAPER



AUSTRALIAN PRINTED





CUTLERY



KNIFE

FORK

SPOON

COULD WE KINDLY ASK THAT YOU SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL WITH ANY CUTLERY REQUIRED TO EAT THEIR LUNCH.

THE OFFICE IS BEING ASKED UP TO 5 TIMES A DAY FOR CUTLERY AND WE ARE RUNNING OUT!

THANK YOU



CANTREEN

Can all families please ensure they have the correct class on their child's lunch order. Unfortunately incorrect year levels are causing delays in children receiving their lunch.

Please also ensure you have checked the date you would like your child to have a lunch order, orders are being placed with the wrong date and children are not receiving lunch.

BOOK FAIR NEWS

There will be an opportunity on Friday 26th May where students that are unable to attend Book Fair the following week will be able to purchase books during the day. The office will make an announcement to advise when this is happening.



BOOK CLUB

Book Club **Issue 4 Catalogue** has been distributed,

If you are interested in placing

an order please do so by

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7th, 2023

Using Scholastic Book Club LOOP online

ORDERS ARE NOT TAKEN THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Week 1: - 26 - 30 June



MON 26 JUN | CHRISTMAS IN JULY \$75



We can't wait till the end of the year until Xmas! So today we will be doing all things Xmas-y! Make and wrap presents, bake Christmas cookies and sing the carols to get us into the true Xmas spirit!



TUE 27 JUN | FLIP OUT \$75 + \$30



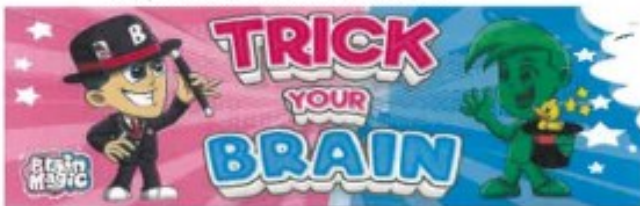
Bounce into this incredible BIG trampoline play centre! Learn a new trick or bounce with a friend until you can't bounce anymore! There's so much fun to be had on this epic day, so jump on in!



WED 28 JUN | NINJA WARRIOR \$75



Ninjas assemble! Today you will have the chance to graduate from our Big Ninja Academy. From creating costumes and crafts, to braving the Ninja warrior course, by the end of the day you will become a true ninja sensei!



THU 29 JUN | TRICK YOUR BRAIN \$75 + \$25



Join us for the new MEGA show for Big Bobby & Rhodney! You will see some incredible tricks and learn some cool facts on how your brain works! Includes special guests Picco the Clown and the Gamemaster!



FRI 30 JUN | SLIME TIME \$75



Slime, paint and everything messy, don't wear your best clothes because it's going to be a crazy mucky day! You're going to get wet AND slimy AND messy! Sorry washing machines, we'll hose them down at the end!

Week 2: - 3 - 7 July



MON 03 JUL | BLOCKERS \$75 + \$25



Join us for this super incursion for an extraordinary and unique experience using lego bricks. Blockers is an EDUtainment program for children of all ages, so come along and become a master builder!



TUE 04 JUL | MOVIES: ELEMENTAL \$75 + \$35



Today we're off to the movies to watch Disney Pixar's latest flick 'Elemental' In a city where fire, water, land, and air characters live together, they discover something elemental: how much they really have in common.



WED 05 JUL | CRAFT EXPLOSION \$75



We are getting out everything crafty! Get messy with paint or sculpt a sculpture, young creative minds are always what makes an CRAFT EXPLOSION day. We can't wait to see what masterpieces are made!



THU 06 JUL | BOWLING & LASER TAG \$75 + \$40



Join us on this double fun day out! That's right, we're doing two activities in one trip! So warm up your bowling arms and get your shooting eye at the ready, as this day is one not to be missed!



FRI 07 JUL | PJ DJ PARTY \$75



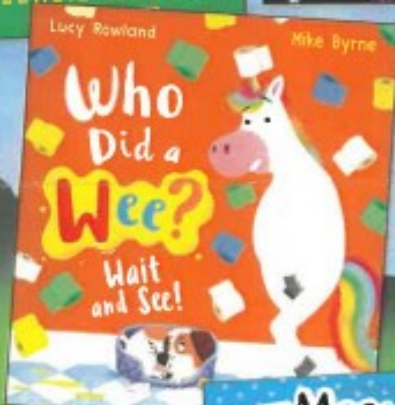
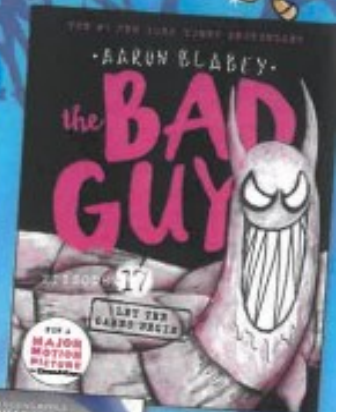
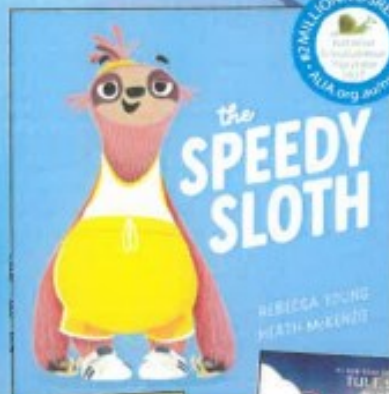
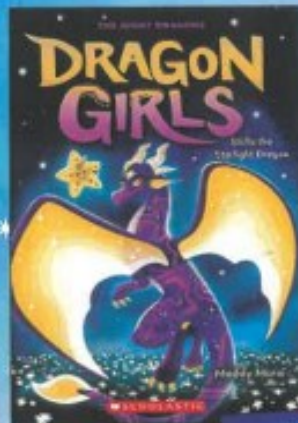
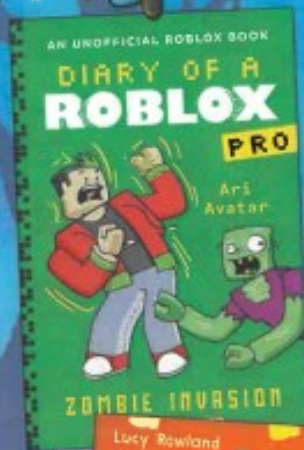
Roll out of bed and rack up to Big Childcare, we're having fun in our PJ wear! This fun-filled slumber party is always a favourite with dance parties, competitions, party games and a chill out movie session too!



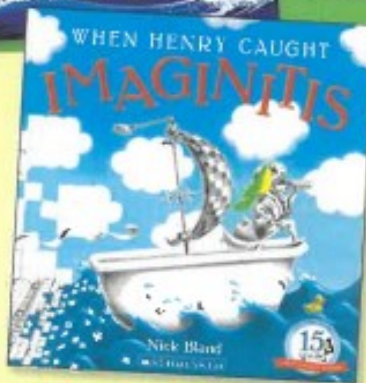
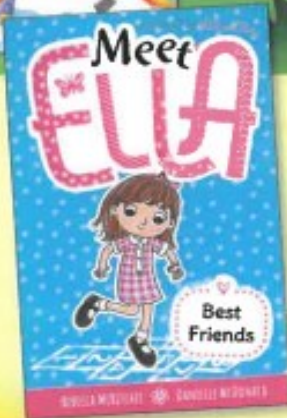
SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs

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

EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL





Student	Class	Being For
Arlo K	FA	Always Doing His Best
Fili F	FB	Giving New Activities a Go & Being Resilient
Rayan A	12A	Aspiring During His Writing by Looking at Ways to Improve
Alisa O	12B	Aspiring to do Her Best & Being a Role Model Student in the Classroom
Ella Y	12C	Confidently Reading Her Writing to the Class
Benjamin K	12D	Displaying School Values Both Inside & Outside the Classroom
Jack B	34A	Showing Persistence when Working on His Information Report
Thanh V	34A	Taking on Feedback & Using it to Drive Her Next Piece of Work
Noah J	34B	Aspiring to Write detailed Sentences in Soundwaves Tasks
Mikayla L	34C	Always Showing the KHPS Value of Aspire
Isabella M	34D	Aspiring to Achieve Your Best in Class & During Performances
Rishaan K	56B	Regularly Listening & Contributing During Class Discussions
Catherine Z	56D	Showing Persistence in Writing a Fantastic Persuasive Text

FOOD ALLERGY WEEK

ALLERGY & ANAPHYLAXIS AUSTRALIA

21 MAY - 27 MAY 2023

Food allergies are becoming increasingly common and understanding them is important for everyone.

GET INVOLVED!

EDUCATE YOURSELF AND OTHERS

by sharing Food Allergy Week content with friends, family and workplaces through social media channels by using the hashtag **#allergyaware**

HOLD A FUNDRAISER

to help raise much needed funds for food allergy education and research

SHARE THE MESSAGE

by updating your Facebook profile picture with our allergy aware [badge](#) and sharing our resources to raise awareness about Food Allergy Week

Head to our website to download free resources and donate to the cause

www.allergyfacts.org.au/faw

Learn more: foodallergyaware.org.au



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AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR



An experience that goes far beyond the stage!

Girls blossom as members of the AGC, both on and off the stage. Your daughter will develop confidence, public speaking and presentation skills, resilience and friendships that will last a lifetime.

Our senior performers have shared the stage with a long list of artists including Hugh Jackman, Amy Shark and Kylie Minogue. We are proud to have represented Qantas for 25 years in the iconic 'I Still Call Australia Home' advertising campaigns and at hundreds of live events.

Now accepting Semester 2 enrolments for our rehearsal venues in Berwick, Box Hill, Caulfield North, Cheltenham, Essendon, Glen Waverley, Greensborough, Heidelberg, Ivanhoe, Kew, Ringwood and Yarraville.



QANTAS

JOIN US AT OUR JUNE OPEN DAY

Register now at ausgirlschoir.com.au/joinagc or phone 03 9859 6499



AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS





For quicker, hassle-free school payments, try Qkr! today

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.

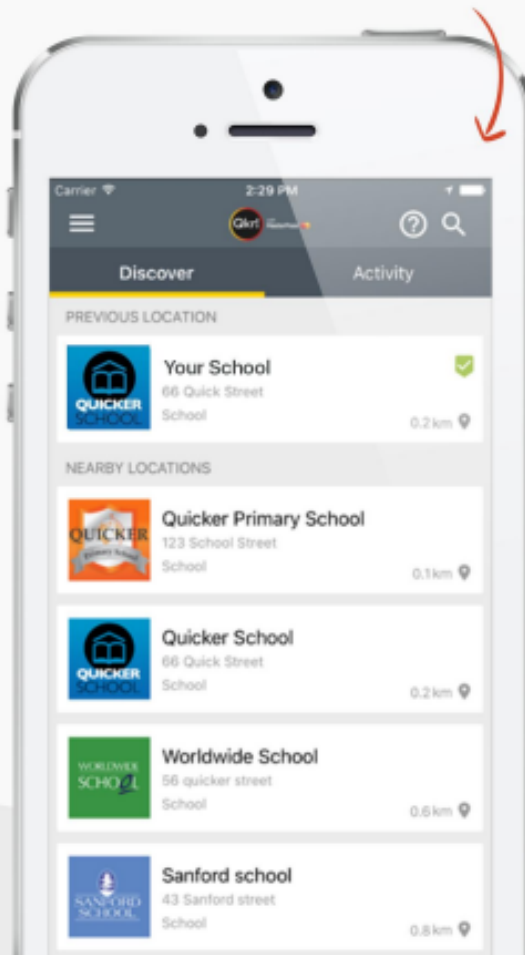
Step 4 Register your children

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'



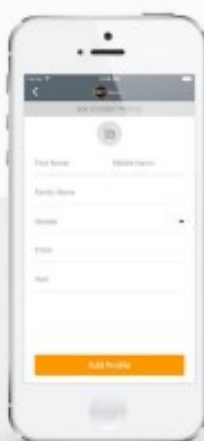


Add your children's details in Student Profiles

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.



Keilor Heights Primary School Student Dress Code



Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand this policy, please contact Keilor Heights PS office on 03 9336 1739

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Student Dress Code is to outline Keilor Heights Primary School's requirements for student dress and appearance and to provide information about uniform purchase and support, dress code implementation and exemption processes.

This dress code has been developed by Keilor Heights Primary School's School Council in close consultation with our school community to ensure that it respects the rights of individual students whilst reflecting the values and interests of our community.

The Student Dress Code aims to:

- foster a sense of community and belonging and encourages students to develop pride in their appearance
- support Keilor Heights Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities.
- reduce student competition on the basis of clothing
- enhance the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

The School Council has developed a dress code that we believe provides a range of choices for students and is cost effective for families.

SCOPE

Students are expected to comply with this Student Dress Code while traveling to and from school, during school hours and when attending school activities.

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE

The full list of Keilor Heights Primary School's compulsory school uniform items are available at Appendix A to this policy.

General appearance

While at school, travelling to or from school or participating in school activities, Keilor Heights Primary School students must comply with the following:

- Uniforms must be clean and in good repair
- Uniforms must be clearly marked with the owner's name
- Additional layers of clothing may be worn underneath the uniform for added warmth, provided these undergarments are completely hidden.

Jewellery and cosmetics

Students are not permitted to wear decorative jewellery to school. Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears, and watches, (Apple or Smart watches are not permitted as per the Mobile Phone and Wearable Devices policy) are the only acceptable jewellery.

Cosmetics or false nails are not permitted at school.

Hair and Sun safety

It is recommended that shoulder length or longer hair is to be tied back to help restrict the spread of nits and lice. Students with shoulder length or longer hair are required to have their hair tied back where they are participating in an activity and it is a safety precaution.

School uniform hats must be worn outside from 1st September (exact date to be set by the school annually) to 30th April and on any other day prescribed by the school. School uniform hats may also be worn outside of this time period, by parent or student choice. Caps or other types of hats are not permitted.

Hats are not to be worn inside.

Uniform Length

Shorts, skirts, dresses, skorts and tunics must be worn at a modest length which is:

- respectful of the cultural norms and school community
- is reasonable by contemporary standards and avoids unnecessarily intruding on students' right in matters of personal appearance
- allows for individual expression through alternatives within garment requirements
- takes into account health and safety issues

Colder Weather

Students can wear the school beanie or other beanies/scarves/rain jackets outside during cooler weather. Bottle green or black tights or leggings can be worn under uniform pieces for warmth, but not replace the uniform.

PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS

Uniform items can be purchased from Lowes School Wear, Westfield Shopping Centre, Airport West or parents/carers may order it directly from www.lowesschoolwear.com.au.

Keilor Heights Primary School Parents' and Friends also operates a second-hand uniform store for parents.

Support for families experiencing difficulty

Please contact the Principal to discuss support that we may be able to provide to families experiencing difficulty meeting uniform costs, including information about eligibility for uniform support through State Schools' Relief. Further information about State Schools' Relief is also available on their website: <https://www.ssr.net.au/>

IMPLEMENTATION

Keilor Heights Primary School will ensure that this Student Dress Code is communicated to all families and students through our website. We will assist students who may be experiencing difficulties complying with this policy where possible.

Students wearing non-compliant uniform items may be asked to change into a compliant item of clothing provided by the school.

If a student is out of school uniform or otherwise breaches the Student Dress Code on a recurring basis, a note will be provided to the student and parents by the classroom teacher. If non-compliance with the dress code becomes a continued occurrence, the Principal will be informed and a phone call home may be required. In this event, the school will continue to work with the student and family to support compliance.

Measures taken by Keilor Heights Primary School to address concerns about student non-compliance with the Student Dress Code will also be addressed in accordance with our Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy.

EXEMPTIONS TO STUDENT DRESS CODE

We recognise that there may be situations where the application of this dress code may affect students unequally.

Students and their parents or carers may apply either in writing or in person to the Principal for an exemption to this Student Dress Code if:

- an aspect of this code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their religious, ethnic or cultural beliefs or background
- the student has a particular disability or health condition that requires a departure from the dress code
- the student or their parents/carers can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the dress code.

When the Principal receives a request for an exemption, they will:

- consider the grounds for the exemption request
- explain the process to the student and/or their parents/carers
- encourage the student and/or their parents/carers to support their application with evidence.

The Principal or delegate will then try to negotiate a resolution that is acceptable to all parties. If an exemption is not allowed, then written reasons will be provided to the student and/or their parents or carers.

CONCERNS ABOUT THIS STUDENT DRESS CODE

Keilor Heights Primary School welcomes feedback from the school community in relation to this Student Dress Code. If you have a concern or complaint about the Student Dress Code, further information about raising a concern or complaint is available in our school's *Parent Complaint Policy*, available on our website.

COMMUNICATION

This policy will be communicated to our school community in the following ways:

- Available publicly on our school's website
- Reminders in our school newsletter
- Hard copy available from school administration upon request

POLICY REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Policy last reviewed	May 2023
Consultation	May 2023
Approved by	School Council
Next scheduled review date	May 2027