

Aiming for Excellence



DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2

Friday 5th May Y56 ISS OLN—HOME Wednesday May 10th Camp Quality Cancer Education Program

Friday May 12th -MOTHER'S DAY Stall

Friday May 12th—Choir performing @ Riverlea

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

KEILOR HEIGHTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Thursday May 4th, 2023





Dear Parents and Carers,

There is nothing like getting straight into things and we certainly have lots of events that are coming up very quickly or have already taken place. Today our Year 5/6 students are visiting Rosehill for a Secondary school experience and perhaps next week we will be able to hear more about their thoughts and experiences. Beginning Secondary School can be quite a different experience for students, while the majority may be excited, for some it can be an anxious time. Our Year 5/6 teachers work with secondary schools to best prepare them for the transition throughout the year. A reminder that information about the enrolment process has gone out to Year 6 families. If you have any queries please speak to your child's classroom teacher or Mrs McDowall.

We also have a team of students attending Interschool Cross Country today and I would like to wish them all the very best. The weather looks good at this stage (this morning) and I also look forward to hearing about their day so that I can share it in next week's newsletter.

Unit newsletters will be published through Compass tomorrow and include all of the various events specific to your child's year level, so please take the time to read these.

Chillout – New Look

We have received the new furniture for our Chillout space and Library. We are still in the process of setting up this area, but am sure you will agree that it has certainly helped to make this space a relaxing area for our students to enjoy. Our Lunch Clubs will be commencing next week so students will be able to explore and participate in a range of different activities in this space.





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KHPS Maths Instructional Model

Over the last 12 months we have had a strong focus on how we teach Maths and how we can provide the optimal experiences for our students. We want our students to feel confident to explore their own strategies and be able to articulate their thinking. Long term evidence suggests that these are two very important skills students need so that they are engaged, and able to continue with Maths throughout their schooling and have a broad range of options for their future career paths. This week teachers participated in professional learning which was delivered by our Maths Team about what they learnt from their day at Avondale Heights with Maths expert, Margarita Breed. We learnt how important it is for students to develop their 'Multiplicative Thinking' and how we can support students to begin to develop this from as early as Foundation. We have had some really encouraging responses from our students about our new approach and look forward to sharing some of these with you.

Parents and Friends

Last night PFA held their meeting and have lots of exciting events and fundraisers for our students and families.

Thankyou to everyone for supporting the Easter Raffle, which was their first event for the year, last term. Next Friday, 12th May, they will be running the Mother's Day/Special Person's Day stall, (see flyers on page 7 & 8). They are also exploring other fundraising activities such as a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle and Tony's Pie Drive. There are various things that the money raised by your generous contributions go towards and currently PFA are saving so that we can purchase a digital sign for the school which will help promote and celebrate our school achievements to our own and broader community.



Open Morning

On Thursday 18th May from 9am—10.30am we are having an Open Morning for families to come along and visit their child/ren's classroom. We will also have school tours for new and prospective families running at 10am followed by a presentation at 10.30am in the "Chill Out" room. If you know of any friends or family that may be looking at coming to KHPS in 2024 please let them know of our Open Morning. (Flyer on page 4)





<u>Oval</u>

Works to the oval are steadily progressing and hope to very soon have the crushed rock layer completed. This is a very important stage, as once this has been done, we are far less reliant on the weather to be kind to us. The VSBA will be advising the school community with an update in the near future.





Noise Levels After School

School pick up time is a very busy and often noisy time. Can I please ask families to talk to their children and remind them to be respectful of our local residents, by trying to keep their chatter and excitement to an acceptable level (not shouting and screaming out to each other in large groups).

This is a message that we also re-enforce at school and making our students aware of their surroundings and the appropriate way to behave in different situations and environments. On behalf of our neighbours, thank you for your support with this.



Stay warm over the weekend

Victoria Graham



Book Club Issue 3 Catalogue has been distributed,

If you are interested in placing

an order please do so by

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10th, 2023

Using Scholastic Book Club LOOP online

ORDERS ARE NOT TAKEN THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE



KEILOR HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

FOR CURRENT KHPS FAMILIES

OPEN MORNING 9AM – 10.30AM

THURSDAY 18[™] 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.



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MAY 3RD-5TH



SHOP INSTORE & ONLINE

*T&C's apply, no rainchecks, savings off original prices.



OUR COMMUNITY YOUR SAFETY OUR PRIORITY

HOW CAN WE KEEP YOU SAFER?

COMPLETE THE COMMUNITY SENTIMENT SURVEY OPEN 31 MARCH 2023











What are year 3/4s learning in PE?

Students in Years 3 and 4 have been learning about Net/Court/Wall games. These include games and sports such as Tennis, Volleyball, Table Tennis, Badminton, Squash and Downball.

Students have learned about different game sense strategies through modified activities and have been introduced to the game of Downball, giving them the knowledge and skills to play this game in the playground.









OUR ANZAC biscuits

Our group get together to learn new things, get to talk with each other and make things. We meet every Tuesday. *Byron, Dean, Evelyn, Sean, Aiden, Giselle -5/6 Group*

I enjoyed adding the different ingredients and mixing them together. DEAN

I liked measuring the ingredients and getting to taste some of it. EVELYN

We washed our hands, put our aprons on and listened to Sue and Ms Clare give the instructions. I knew if I did my best BEN would eat my biscuits. So I did my best. **BYRON**

At the end of the day we all got some cookies home. I shared them with my family and they were delicious. **EVELYN**











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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 <u>www.optometry.org.au/vic/find-an-optometrist</u>

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)



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.*

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 M/NUTES

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

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Student	Class	Being For
Matteo M	FA	Being a Good Listener in Class
Amali N	FB	Giving New Activities a Go & Always Being Positive
Ethan T	12A	Aspiring During His Learning & Showing Respect to His Peers
Elora M	12C	Displaying the School Values
Chloe N	12D	Always Aspiring to do Her Best Work in Class
Ruby J	34A	Showing Resilience to Try a Variety of Strategies to Solve Maths Problems
Kara S	34B	Starting at KHPS & Showing Great Resilience
Natalie T	34C	Demonstrating Responsibility on Her School Work & Completing Tasks
Jude M	34D	Being a Respectful & Responsible Classmate
Jacob S	56A	Aspiring to be His Best by Contributing to Discussions
Katie T	56B	Regularly Contributing to Class Discussions & Sharing Her Work
Xabi A	56C	Aspire—Taking Responsibility for His Learning
Charli F	56C	Resilience—Contributing to Class Discussions with Confidence
Billy K	56D	Demonstrating Responsibility when Comparing iPads & Books

SPECIALIST AWARDS			
Whole Class	56B	Excellence in P.E.	
Whole Class	34D	Excellence in Italian	





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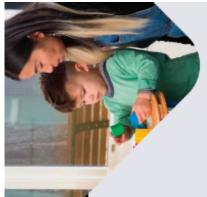
STARTS APRIL 29TH SATURDAYS AT 12PM RIVERSIDE TENNIS AND NETBALL CENTRE, ASCOT VALE!



www.essendondna.com.au/net-set-go



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
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For more information about CCS, go to 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.

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
- 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

I 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
 - 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

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.





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

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

GUIDED TOURS TUESDAYS 9:30AM

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