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# KEILOR HEIGHTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Thursday August 24th, 2023



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Term 3

Friday 25th August Y5/6  
Fitness For All

Friday 25th August—  
Whole School Assembly  
3pm

Friday 1st September—  
Father's Day/Special  
Person stall- \$2-\$5

Saturday 2nd Sept—  
KHPS Working Bee

Monday 4th September—  
Tuesday 12th September  
F— Y2 Swimming Program

Tuesday 12th Sept— Oval  
Opening

Friday 15th September—  
Last Day of Term 3

## KHPS Value of the Week

### Respect



### Learning Spaces

I will:

- Listen to others and value their contributions
- Let others learn, without my distraction
- Share appropriately
- Work cooperatively

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Book Week

The highlight of my day yesterday was definitely being part of the whole school 'Share a Story Time'. Just before lunch, teachers swapped classes and read their favourite story to a class. I read to one of the Year 5/6 classes and read My Strange Shrinking Parents which was awarded the Picture Book of the Year for 2023.

Afterwards we had a really good discussion about the various messages in the book and I was impressed by the insightful contributions students made. Our biggest take away was that when you give or do something nice to someone else it makes both the 'giver' and 'receiver' feel good.

### Parents Get Together

There are many ways that parents can become involved with their child's schooling, one is becoming part of Parents and Friends (PFA). This is a good way to meet new parents, but sometimes people may not have the time to commit to being part of a formal group and are just interested in the social aspect. The school is always happy to support ways that the community can connect with each other positively and PFA have recently discussed the idea of holding some parent social events.

We also recognise that many of our new Foundation families are keen to meet other Foundation parents. If parents are interested in meeting other Foundation families please see further details on our school Parents and Friends Face Book page or flyer on page 10.

Keilor Heights Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet and learn together, the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation, and we recognise their enduring connection to the land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.



**2024 Planning**

It is difficult to believe that we have already begun our planning for 2024. Almost everything is based on our enrolment numbers so could I please ask you to let the office know if your child will not be returning to KHPS in 2024.



**Working Bee**

Don't forget Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September there will be a working bee to lay turf down around our Junior Playground area. Thank you to SMIC for organising this, including submitting the grant to purchase the turf. It will certainly give that area a lift, making it an inviting area for our students. Many hands make light work and hope that you may be able to spend a short amount of time to help. Please see flyer on page 12 for further details.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

Please remember if you would like to provide feedback on various aspects of the school, one of the best ways is through the Parent Opinion Survey. This is especially so this year, as we are heading into our School Review and looking at the feedback with the entire Review Panel.

<https://www.orima.com.au/parent>

Select the School and Campus name  
 School Name: Keilor Heights Primary School  
 Campus Name: Keilor Heights Primary School  
 Enter the School PIN below.  
 PIN: **318853**



**School Arrival Time**

Just a reminder that NO students are to be at school before 8.30am as we have no yard duty supervision.



**Footy Day/Oval Celebrations**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September we will be holding a special Footy Day to celebrate the end of Term 3 and completion of our school oval. Mr Matton has organised a range of activities that students will rotate through. Students are encouraged to come dressed in 'footy' colours or clothes. **This includes all forms of football, but does not include coming to school in any type of casual clothes.** If your child does not want to come in footy colours then they are to come in school uniform please. There will also be a special lunch available through the canteen and PFA on that day. Stay tuned for further details.

**Art & Cultural Show**

We have decided to move our Art/Cultural Day to the end of the year so it becomes part of our annual Celebrations Week. Hopefully the weather will be a little more favourable too.

Have a nice weekend.

Victoria Graham



There are a number of overdue library books. Please return these as soon as possible and avoid receiving an overdue notice.

Thanks



### **BOOK CLUB**

Book Club **Issue 6 Catalogue** has been distributed,  
If you are interested in placing  
an order please do so by

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 29th, 2023**

**Using Scholastic Book Club LOOP online**

**ORDERS ARE NOT TAKEN THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

# Fitness For All

Paul and Michael from Sahlberg Fitness came to train our Year 5/6 students. They worked on developing strength, motor control, self-confidence, and positive mindset.



## Here's What We Thought!

Today we had two personal trainers come to KHPS and run some workout activities. It was fun and a great way to start the morning. Overall, it was a great experience, and I can't wait to do it again next week. By Loukia.

It was very enjoyable. It had a great vibe. Paul and Michael were very welcoming and fun, and I like how they played music! By Harriett.

I liked how we could choose the music and I liked the game, Simon Says. I've never done fitness that is fun. I also liked that they were pushing us to our limits by doing squat holds and planks for long periods of time. Overall, I LOVED *Fitness For All*! By Sienna.

It was really fun and the guys were really funny. They played Justin Bieber and Backstreet Boys. The exercises were easy, I nailed it. By Byron.

I personally loved *Fitness For All*. It was a great workout, and the trainers were very nice. They played awesome songs. By Nathaniel.

It was a great experience for all students and teachers to get active. We played Simon Says but the fitness version. We also did squats, planks, push ups, burpees and sit ups. We were all tired at the end of the session, but we had an amazing time. By Aras.



## Paper Making in Year 1 & 2



In Inquiry, the Year 1 and 2 students are learning about renewable resources. Last week, students learnt how to make paper out of scrap paper. The process involved many stages, including pulping, screening and drying. We are excited to use our paper for publishing our writing in the coming weeks.





### Free Girls Woolworths Cricket Blast Clinic

There is an exciting opportunity for girls at KHPS to take part in a free, 4-week Cricket Blast clinic conducted by Cricket Victoria in partnership with the East Keilor Cricket Club. If your child wishes to participate then please scan the QR code below to register.

**FUN  
IS IN FULL  
SWING!**

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast  
A safe way to have fun and stay active for kids of all abilities.

**CRICKET VICTORIA ALL GIRLS CRICKET BLAST  
KEILOR HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL  
10, 17, 24 & 31 OCT FROM 3:35PM - 4:35PM  
SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER**

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

Play Cricket

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# JUNIOR PATHWAY



From Woolworths Cricket Blast through the Junior Cricket stage, all kids can advance their skills and discover how awesome it is to be part of a team through fun game-based activities. The stages have been developed based on academic research, testing and community feedback.

This includes consideration for physical, mental and emotional development.

Participation and progression through the stage is based on ability level, therefore the ages are indicative only. Players are encouraged to participate at a stage appropriate for them.

	SKILLS BASED FIRST CRICKET EXPERIENCE	DURATION 60-90MINS	LEARN THE SKILLS THROUGH GAMES <b>UP TO 10 YEARS</b> <i>Age is indicative only</i>
	LEARN THE SKILLS THROUGH FUN, MODIFIED GAMES		
	PREPARE KIDS FOR JUNIOR CRICKET		
<b>JUNIOR CRICKET 1</b>	7 PLAYERS	40M BOUNDARY	LEARN THROUGH PLAY <b>UNDER 11</b> <i>Age is indicative only</i>
	10M PITCH	DURATION 2HRS	
	20 OVERS		
<b>JUNIOR CRICKET 2</b>	9 PLAYERS	45M BOUNDARY	PLAYING THE GAME <b>UNDER 13</b> <i>Age is indicative only</i>
	10M PITCH	DURATION 2-3HRS	
	30/20 OVERS		
<b>JUNIOR CRICKET 3</b>	11 PLAYERS	50M BOUNDARY	PLAYING AND COMPETING <b>UNDER 14-19</b> <i>Age is indicative only</i>
	20.1M PITCH	DURATION 2.5-4HRS	
	20/40 OVERS		



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# FATHER'S/SPECIAL PERSON'S DAY STALL

**Friday 1st September**

STUDENTS WILL VISIT THE STALL  
DURING THEIR CLASS TIME



**GIFTS  
\$2-\$5**

**DON'T FORGET  
TO BRING A BAG  
TO HIDE YOUR  
GIFT IN**

# CALLING ALL PREP PARENTS

INTERESTED IN GETTING TO KNOW OTHER PARENTS?  
WANT TO HAVE A CHAT WITHOUT THE SCHOOL BELL  
INTERRUPTION?

NEED AN EXCUSE FOR A SOCIAL CATCH UP?

A PARENT-LED & SCHOOL SUPPORTED WHATSAPP GROUP  
HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AND IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU  
WOULD JOIN.

BY JOINING THE WHATSAPP GROUP, YOU'LL ALSO BE PART  
OF PLANNING A CASUAL SOCIAL CATCH-UP, AND IF  
SUCCESSFUL OTHERS TO COME.

AS WE ARE NEARING THE END OF TERM 3, A DINNER WILL  
BE PLANNED FOR EARLY OCTOBER AT A LOCAL VENUE.  
BETTER LATE THAN NEVER, HEY!

DETAILS WILL BE POSTED IN THE GROUP CHAT BEFORE  
END OF TERM.





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# KHPS GROUNDS IMPROVEMENT MORNING SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>

**Our first (and long awaited) KHPS Working Bee in a number of years has finally arrived. This session is an open invitation to all school families to assist beautify the surrounding area of the Clarkes Rd (Prep, 1 & 2 Playground Area) with a new all natural grass surface.**

In what may very well be the last working bee the school can hold, we're asking for parents (and students) to assist us in laying a brand new turf area and enjoy the spoils and sense of achievement that a committed school committee can deliver.

Many may not be aware that KHPS has not been able to run working bees for many years due to the pandemic response and new Victorian Education Department guidelines around volunteer OH&S practises. Regulations have become very rigorous regarding compliance management. SMIC, your School Maintenance and Improvements Committee have spent considerable time to structure a process for a working bee to be held and make good on a \$4000 Turf Grant that was been waiting the wings, since won in early 2022.

**Together we can make your child's school grounds a better space to learn and play in.**

## TIME

**Saturday 2nd September 8:30 am to noon**

## WHAT TO BRING

- Gloves, shovels, spades, wheel barrows, brooms and racks. Hat, drink & sunscreen.

## ACTIVITY

- Laying new turf grass and raking soil
- No gardeing experience necessary
- Non-physical roles available (Eg. Signing in attendees and BBQ)

The morning will conclude with refreshments, light lunch and pats on the back, but the real reward will be telling your children or child how you made their school outdoor space much more beautiful and playable.





## Department of Education

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Dear parents and carers

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assessments held earlier this year had a very high participation rate from Victorian students, with participation levels returning to pre-COVID levels.

Last month, families with children in grades 3 or 5 or years 7 or 9 who participated in the assessments received their results through an individual NAPLAN report.

Today, the statewide results have been released, and I am pleased to have this opportunity to provide some information about Victoria's performance.

There are a total of 20 tests each year across grades 3 and 5 and years 7 and 9 that assess student achievement in reading, writing, numeracy, spelling, grammar and punctuation. Of the 20 tests, Victorian was ranked first or second in 16, more than any other state or territory, and an improvement on the 2022 results when the equivalent figure was 12.

NAPLAN results for Grade 3 are of particular importance because the first 3 years of schooling establish the foundation for further success. Victorian Grade 3 students achieved the highest results in the country for both reading and numeracy.

In secondary schools, Victoria had the lowest proportion of students needing additional support in both years 7 and 9 in both reading and numeracy compared to all other states and territories.

The results have also highlighted the fact that we need to continue our efforts to close the gap between advantaged and disadvantaged students. While Aboriginal students in Victoria achieved higher results on average than in other states and territories, the gap between the performance of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students is still too large, as is the gap between the average performance of metropolitan students and that of regional students.

Overall, however, while we are clearly focused on the areas where further improvement is needed, these are excellent results. They are a tribute to the outstanding work of teachers, principals and staff in the schools across our state.

No one would suggest our schools are perfect. Education is always an unfinished business. But on the evidence of today's release of the statewide NAPLAN results, Victorian teachers and school principals are doing a great job.

Dr David Howes  
Deputy Secretary, Schools and Regional Services

# KEILOR EAST TENNIS CLUB

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**AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup>**



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Student	Class	Being For
Hunter D	FA	Improvement in Reading
Scarlett W	FB	Always Trying Her Very Best
Anna L	12A	Aspiring During Her Writing by Looking at Ways to Improve
Connor D	12B	Following Instructions & Working Hard to Complete Set Tasks
Vihana P	12C	Aspiring to Do Her Best Work
Pippa A	12D	Displaying a Positive Attitude Towards All Areas of Her Learning
Noah M	34A	Finding His Voice More in Class When Sharing to a Large Group
Khaled A	34A	Working Hard to Build Relationships Both Inside & Outside the Classroom
Isla K	34B	Aspiring to Improve Focus, Concentration & Quality of Work
Jett L	34C	Aspiring to do His Best Work in All Areas
Clarabelle S	34D	Always Aspiring to Do Her Best
Sienna D	34D	Showing Responsibility in the Classroom
Arundhati J	56A	Always Having a Positive Attitude in All Lessons
Tarek D	56B	Striving for Excellence in Literacy & Maths
Luka G	56C	His Persistence When Learning about Fractions, Decimals & Percentages
Victoria G	56C	Being Independent & Demonstrating Initiative in Maths
Sienna S	56D	Always Showing Respect when Speaking to Her Classmates & Teachers

#### SPECIALIST AWARDS

Whole Class	56A	Excellence in Italian
Whole Class	34C	Excellence in Physical Education
Whole Class	12A	Excellence in Visual Arts





# EKCC FREE

## COME TRY CRICKET DAY

BRING A FRIEND, have fun & decide if EKCC is for you!

BOYS & GIRLS AGES 5-14 ALL SKILL LEVELS

### SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER 10-12PM



TO REGISTER PLEASE EMAIL  
[EKCC@EASTKEILORCC.COM.AU](mailto:EKCC@EASTKEILORCC.COM.AU)

# Parents and Friends

NEW MEMBERS NEEDED  
**JOIN US**

- Connect the school community through events
- Raise funds for the school
- All family members & carers are welcome to join
- Be a part of the committee for monthly meetings or join the volunteers email list



Contact [breecheesehansen@hotmail.com](mailto:breecheesehansen@hotmail.com) to join the committee or to be placed on the volunteers email list