



Aiming for Excellence

KEILOR HEIGHTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Thursday 13th March, 2025



**Term 1
Hats must
be worn**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 1

Wednesday 12th March—
Monday 24th March—NAPLAN

Friday 14th March
Year 5/6 Inter-School Sport
KHPS v St Martins—AWAY

Thursday 20th March—
SCHOOLPIX—SCHOOL PHOTOS

Wednesday 26th March—
Whole School Family Picnic
3.30pm—5.30pm

CHOIR PERFORMANCE 4PM

Tuesday 1st April -Years 3—6
House Cross Country Day

Friday 4th April—Whole School
Assembly - Easter Bonnet Pa-
rade—Raffle Draw—9.10am

Friday 4th April—Last Day
of Term—Finish @ 2.25pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Council Elections

We had our School Council Annual General Meeting on Tuesday and I would like to thank out going members, Bec Sanders and Phoebe Lynch and welcome new members, Effie Teliandis, Thaniya Dasan, Georgia Manias, Yarlini Aravinthan, Anna Hatzikides and Cameron Ward. We now have all positions on our council filled and I am looking forward to working with new and existing members to continue to provide the best learning environment and opportunities for our students.

School Council President – Scott Douglas

Treasurer – Vicky Evangelou

Secretary – Nicole Jennings

Councillors: Victoria Graham, Rosie Valentine, Belinda Nouri, Bree Hansen, Kristy Yassine, Effie Teliandis, Thaniya Dasan, Georgia Manias, Yarlini Aravinthan, Anna Hatzikides and Cameron Ward.

Swimming

Congratulations on an outstanding effort to Emma F who represented the school this week at the Moonee Ponds Divisional Swimming Competition.

Emma competed in the U11 50m Freestyle event and came fourth.

Final Assembly Term 1 - Easter Bonnet Parade & Raffle Draw

On the final day of term we will be holding our assembly at 9.10am. Students who would like to participate in our Easter Bonnet Parade can start creating their bonnets at home and following this, we will have our raffle draw. Junior School Council will help judge the winners for the 'Most Creative Bonnets' from each year level.

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.



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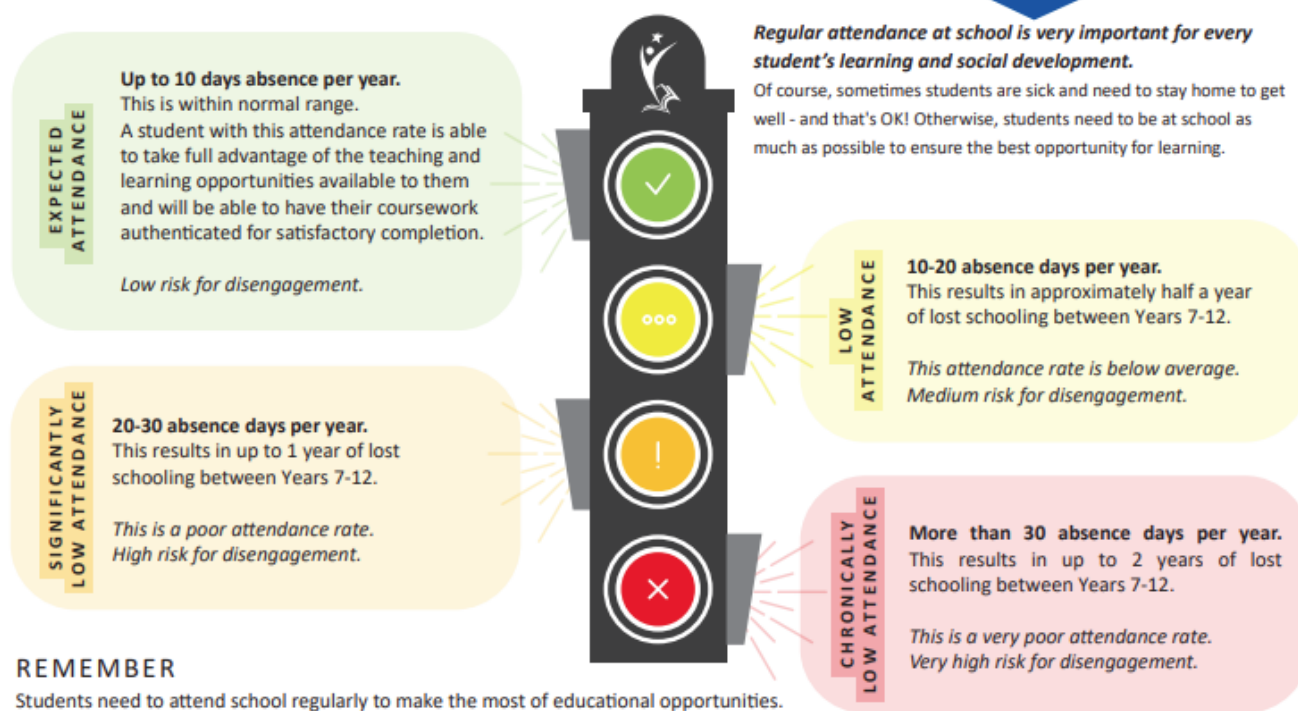
Communication/partnership

At KHPS we really value the partnership that we are able to have with our families so that we can support our young people with their academic, social and personal goals. It was really encouraging to have the majority of our families attend 'Meet the Teacher' sessions earlier in the year and continue the communication. We particularly like to develop strong communication lines when there are external services supporting students, so that we can have consistency and share strategies.

Attendance Updates

Improving attendance is a major priority across the whole of Victoria and the Department of Education has introduced some changes to help improve attendance and maintain learning and social connections when students are away from school. We appreciate that there are a number of reasons why students may be absent, however all absences must be school approved. There are many reasons why attendance is so important and sometimes it may seem harmless having the odd day off here and there, but done regularly, this can have a huge impact on overall attendance. One of the new requirements for schools, is to provide a learning plan when families take extended holidays during the school term. These plans will try to incorporate the learning experiences gained from holidays and practical activities.

EVERY DAY COUNTS, IT'S NOT OKAY TO BE AWAY!



REMEMBER

Students need to attend school regularly to make the most of educational opportunities.
There is a direct link between school attendance and achievement later in life.
Poor patterns of attendance can affect academic achievement in future years of schooling.
Poor attendance makes it difficult to form positive relationships with their peers.
Poor attendance makes it difficult for teachers to authenticate coursework and ensure that students are able to receive a satisfactory outcome.

Harmony Day

KHPS will celebrate Harmony Day next week on Friday 21st March as part of Cultural Diversity Week. Students are encouraged to wear a Splash of Orange on this day and bring a cultural artifact such as clothing, photos, games or songs which celebrate their culture. There will be a range of activities happening across the week.

Easter Raffle

Baskets on show at the office, tickets only \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Cash or credit card available for payment. All prizes generously donated by one of our families. Drawn at our special assembly on Friday 4th April. Tickets at the office or on last page of the newsletter.

SchoolPix

School Photo Day is next week, Thursday 20th March, if you are ordering sibling photos please make sure this is done before 8am on the day. (See flyer at bottom of page).

End of Term Picnic – Wednesday 26th March 3.30 – 5.30pm

Bring your own picnic, enjoy entertainment from our school choir, interactive games with our senior students and students from East Keilor College, along with a coffee van and free popcorn from Big Childcare.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Victoria Graham

ANNUAL PRIVACY REMINDER FOR 2025

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' privacy policy: information for parents \(education.vic.gov.au\)](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/schools/privacy-policy-information-for-parents)

Please take time to read our school's collection notice, found on our website: <https://kheights.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/KHPS-School-Privacy-Policy-2023.pdf>

We ask parents to also review KHPS's Digital Learning Profile <https://kheights.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Digital-Learning-Policy.pdf> that outlines how students safely use technology at school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information.

For more information about privacy, refer to: [Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents](#). This information is also available in ten community languages:

Amharic	Arabic	Dari	Gujarati	Mandarin
Somali	Sudanese	Turkish	Urdu	Vietnamese

Keilor Heights Primary School, KEILOR EAST

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:

Thursday 20th March

Sibling orders must be placed prior to 8am on Thursday 20th March

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KEILOR HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL FAMILY PICNIC

**BASKETBALL
GAMES
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BY ESSENDON
KEILOR COLLEGE**

**Wednesday
26th March**

**CRAFT STALL LED
BY KHPS SENIOR
STUDENTS**

**3:30-
5:30PM**

**Fun
activities
led by KHPS
senior
students**

**SCHOOL CHOIR
PERFORMANCE**

**COFFEE
VAN &
POP
CORN**



**BYO
PICNIC**

LOCAL KINDER CHILDREN AND FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE KHPS COMMUNITY FOR THIS EVENT



BOOK CLUB

Book Club **Issue 2 Catalogue** has been distributed,

If you are interested in placing

an order please do so by

Friday 21st March, 2025

Using Scholastic Book Club LOOP online

ORDERS ARE NOT TAKEN THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE

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CHILDCARE

Term 1 Week 7

🚀 School holidays made easy! Big Holiday Care is where kids want to be! With epic Easter egg hunts, sports carnivals & non-stop fun! Your child will love every second, and CCS makes it affordable! Enquire today and find out how much you'll pay!! Book now! [BOOK NOW]



EASTER RAFFLE



**WIN YOURSELF A CADBURY EASTER
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LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON!**

Prizes are located in the office
for you all to see



\$2 each or 3 for \$5



*All tickets must be cut up and placed in an
envelope with the money and returned to
school by 4pm on Thursday 3rd April*

**Tickets will be drawn
Friday 4th April
at a special Easter Assembly**

If you are unable to print out the tickets from the newsletter, please contact the office

Learn Italian with Signora Di Sipio



Ciao, this week students in F-4 have been learning about 'La Famiglia'.



Here is some of the vocabulary explored this week:

il padre- father

la madre- mother

il fratello- brother

la sorella- sister

il nonno- grandfather

la nonna- grandmother

la zia- auntie

lo zio- uncle

la cugina- cousin (female)

il cugino- cousin (male)

KEILOR HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Invites you to...

**TERM 2
2025**



STORY TIME



&



Music Makers

**Fortnightly
in our Library!**

Story Time:

Mondays @ 10:00

April 28th, May 12th, May 26th,
June 9th, June 23rd

Music Makers:

Thursdays @ 11:30

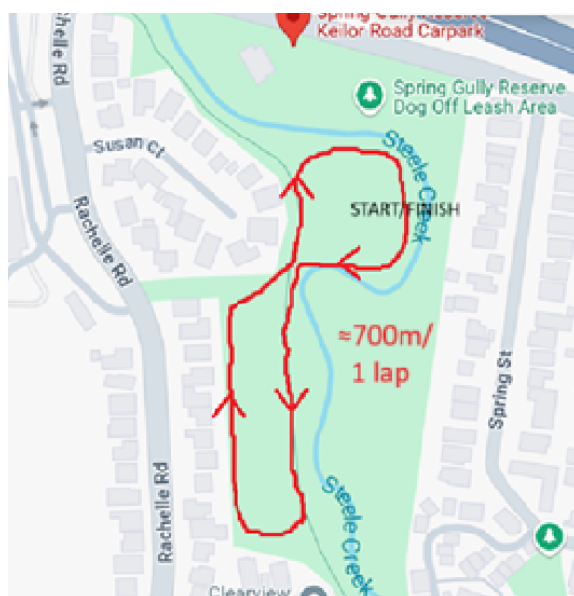
May 1st, May 15th, May 29th, June
12th, June 26th



KHPS House Cross-Country/Buckley District Interschool Cross-Country Trials (Years 3-6)

This year's **KHPS House Cross-Country/Buckley District Interschool Cross-Country Trials** for students in years 3-6 will take place on Tuesday, April 1st. On this day, all students and teachers in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will walk down to Steele's Creek/Spring Gully Reserve in Keilor East (near Valley Lakes) to run/walk either $\approx 2\text{km}/3$ laps (10 years old this year and younger) or $\approx 3\text{km}/4$ laps (11 years old this year and older). Every lap completed of the circuit will earn house points, in addition to extra points being awarded for the top 10 finishers, which will go towards awarding the House Cross-Country Shield for 2025.

The event is also a qualification opportunity for students (top 8 in each age group/gender) who are keen runners and have ambitions to represent KHPS at the Buckley District Cross-Country Event which will be held in Term 2, Week 3, at Brimbank Park.



Students may have different goals on the House Cross-Country day but the focus will be on having fun, being active, and doing their best to run/walk as many laps as they can in the allocated time.

On the day, Year 3/4 students (10 years and under) will walk down with their teachers promptly at 9.10 am and return to school at approximately 11.15 am. Year 5/6 students (11 years old and older) will walk down with their teachers at 10.10 am and return to school by approximately 12.30 pm.

In the case of students in Year 4 who are turning or have turned 11 in 2025, or Year 5 who are turning or have turned 10 in 2025, students will be asked prior to the day to choose whether they want to run for fun (and walk down) with their class/peer group, or run to compete and trial for interschool cross-country (and walk down) with their age group.

You will previously have consented to the 2025 General Incursion/Excursion form on Compass which is sufficient for students attending this event. Parents/guardians who have not given consent will receive a reminder via Compass. Please ensure this is actioned prior to the day so that your child is able to attend.

Age	Start/End time
10 and under girls (Generally Years 3 and 4, students born in 2015 or later)	9.40-10.10
10 and under boys (Generally Years 3 and 4, students born in 2015 or later)	10.15-10.45
11 years old- girls and boys (Generally Year 5, students born in 2014)	10.55-11.25
12/13 years old- girls and boys (Generally Year 6, students born in 2013 or earlier)	11.30-12.00

Students are encouraged to wear appropriate clothing for physical activity that also displays their house colours. If your child does not have anything to wear, face paint, headbands, hair accessories etc. are alternative ways to demonstrate house pride. Students will need to take a water bottle and sun smart hat along to the event, and are encouraged to apply sunscreen prior to coming to school.

Parents and guardians are welcome to come down and spectate but will need to remain at the assembly area/start & finish line while students are competing in their events.

Some parent helpers will be required so if you are able to provide assistance throughout the morning then please let Mr Matton know in person or via Compass beforehand.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in contact with Mr Matton.

TECH SAFE PARENTS

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TUE 18
MAR

ONLINE SAFETY ESSENTIALS: KEEPING YOUR KIDS SAFE IN THE DIGITAL WORLD
Tips and techniques to protect your family from online threats—learn about parental controls, safe browsing habits, and essential digital safeguards.

WED 2
APR

CYBERBULLYING UNCOVERED: EMPOWERING PARENTS TO PROTECT KIDS' WELLBEING
Learn to identify signs of cyberbullying, start meaningful conversations, and create a safer online environment for your child.

TUE 3
JUN

THE SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDE: WHAT EVERY PARENT NEEDS TO KNOW IN 2025
From privacy settings to healthy habits, we will arm parents with tools to help children use social media responsibly, including navigating the impact of Australia's social media ban.

WED 13
AUG

AI DEEPFAKES & MISINFORMATION: UNDERSTANDING AI'S IMPACT ON YOUR KIDS
Explore how AI is influencing young minds, its benefits and risks, and learn how to teach children to use AI tools responsibly.

THU 23
OCT

SAFE GAMING FOR KIDS: BUILDING BOUNDARIES FOR POSITIVE PLAY
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AVONDALE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY GARDEN

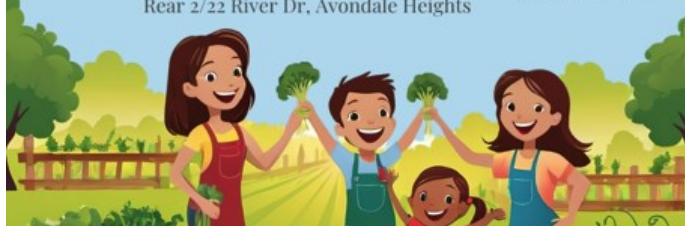
**Summer
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Fresh Organic Veggie Market	Live Music
Kids Activities	Food & Coffee
Craft Market	Workshops

Sunday 16th March
 9am - 2pm

Rear 2/22 River Dr, Avondale Heights

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**OPEN
2025 NIGHT**

**Monday
28th April 6pm**

Niddrie Campus 19 Peters Street, Airport West

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- High Achievers Program
- Sporting Academies
- The advantages of multi campus education

Weekly School Tours

Please contact the appropriate campus to book in a tour.

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 Airport West VIC 3042
 P 9375 8400

ESSENDON Campus
 (Years 10-12)
 286 Buckley Street,
 Essendon VIC 3040
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EAST KEILOR Campus
 (Years 7-9)
 82 Quinn Grove,
 East Keilor VIC 3033
 P 8331 0109



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KHP'S EASTER RAFFLE

TICKETS \$2 EACH OR 3 FOR \$5

Please cut each ticket purchased and place them in an envelope along with the money and return to school

Tickets MUST be returned by 3rd April at 4pm

Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:
Phone number:	Phone number:	Phone number:	Phone number:
Grade:	Grade:	Grade:	Grade:
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