



Aiming for Excellence

KEILOR HEIGHTS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Thursday 6th February, 2025



**Term 1
Hats must
be worn**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 1

Friday 7th February
Year 5/6 Inter School Sport
HOME v St Peters

Wednesday 5th, 12th, 19th,
26th February
NO FOUNDATION STUDENTS AT
SCHOOL

Friday 7th February
Whole School Assembly 3pm

Tuesday 11th February
Meet the Teacher
CAFE2U Coffee Van Onsite

Wednesday 19th February
Parents & Friends Meeting
5.15PM @ School
ALL WELCOME

Monday 17th February—
Swimming Trials @ EKLC

Monday 10th March—LABOUR
DAY—NO SCHOOL

Wednesday 12th March—
Monday 31st March—NAPLAN

Thursday 20th March—
SCHOOLPIX—SCHOOL PHOTOS
Friday 4th April—Last Day of Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

First Assembly – tomorrow

Tomorrow we will have our first assembly for the 2025 school year, hosted by our new School Captains, Amy, Toby, Hibiki and Inara. Assembly will commence at 3.00pm and we look forward to having parents and extended family members attend to share the celebrations and awards with our students. Last week I was hearing about the numerous awards past KHPS students received at the end of last year at their Secondary Schools. It is always really nice to hear news and achievements that our students continue to have, congratulations to all.

Early Arrivals

I have noticed that quite a few students are arriving very early to school and ask that students do not arrive before 8.30am please.

Supervision begins at 8.45am. Teachers are busy before school preparing for the day or in meetings. If you need to drop off your child before 8.30am please book them into Big Childcare by calling 0401 152 851.

Electronic Sign

Thank you for your patience while we are working through some technical issues with our digital sign. We hope to have this back on track and update you with upcoming events, important dates and celebrations very soon.

These Upcoming Events/Dates to Remember can also be found on the website using the following link: [Upcoming Events | Keilor Heights Primary School](#)



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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School Council Elections – Annual General Meeting March 11th

School Council is a great opportunity for you to be involved in your child/ren's schooling. Next Tuesday will be our final meeting with our current councilors and are looking for any parents/carers who would like to join for the upcoming year. We hold meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 6.00pm. We appreciate that everyone is quite busy so happy to have you attend via Webex if it makes it easier. School Council oversee policies, help to drive goals from the four year Strategic Plan and represent families so they have a voice in the future direction of the school. If you would like to know more about the role or would like to nominate yourself, please come and see me or collect a form from the office. Nominations will close Friday 7th March.



Parents and Friends – PFA

Parents and Friends (PFA) is another important group and way that families can be involved with their child/ren's schooling. PFA is largely responsible for organising a variety of fund raising events and activities that run throughout the year. PFA meetings are usually held the Wednesday before School Council. If you are interested in becoming involved in PFA please contact me or leave your details with Kelly in the office.



Meet the Teacher – Tuesday 11th February

Please make sure you book your session time to meet this year's teacher through Compass. If you are having trouble please call the office. We really value these meetings, as they can establish a strong communication link between school and home. It is an opportunity for teachers to let you know how your child has settled in, but for you to provide us with any additional information you might feel important. It also provides you with an opportunity to discuss goals for your child.

We will have CAFE2U onsite providing FREE coffees between 1pm—5pm.



Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to families who have paid voluntary contributions as part of their book packs. We really appreciate these contributions as they help us to run additional programs and supports for our students, such as lunch time clubs, STEM program, cooking and gardening, additional resources and equipment. If you would like to make a voluntary contribution, please contact the office.

Thank You...

School Uniform

Just a reminder that as part of the school uniform we ask that all students wear a wide brimmed hat or Legionnaires hat for protection from the sun and that hair longer than shoulder length is kept tied back for safety and to avoid the spread of hair lice. Please see the KHPS policy for further information.

<https://kheights.vic.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Student-Dress-Code-2023.pdf>

CSEF Forms

Any family that holds a current health care card are eligible for this payment of \$154 per student, please see form at the end of this newsletter for more information and to complete if you are eligible or pick up a form from the office.

Have a nice weekend

Victoria Graham

KEILOR HEIGHTS PRIMARY SCHOOL



Arts & Craft Morning!

for current and prospective Preps, and their friends!



*Come along and join us in some fun
Arts and Craft Activities!*

*Meet our School Captains and other
students*



*Meet our Principal, Assistant
Principal, and Foundation Leader.*



*Bring a buddy and have some fun
with us!*



See you at...
Milleara Mall
Sunday Feb 23rd
&
Sunday Mar 2nd
10:00am - 12:00pm

Principal: Victoria Graham
Email: keilor.heights.ps@education.vic.gov.au
Website: www.kheights.vic.edu.au
Phone: 9336 1739

FA

This week our Foundation students have been enjoying exploring their classroom, forming new friendships and becoming familiar with our school routines.



Learn Italian with Signora Di Sipio



Ciao Parents and Carers,

A Happy New year to you all (Buon Anno)

Thank you to all of you who have given me positive feedback about my Italian lessons in the newsletter. So.... I am back again this year 😊

Every newsletter I will be putting a new lesson for you to learn. This is a great way for your children to also practise the language at home.

This week we revisit greetings.

How many of these do you remember?

English greeting/phrase	Italian greeting/phrase
hello	ciao/salve
good morning	buongiorno
good afternoon	buon pomeriggio
good evening	buonasera
good night	buonanotte
see you/goodbye	arrivederci
see you soon	a presto
how are you?	come stai?
answering the phone	pronto
what's your name?	come ti chiami?
my name is...	mi chiamo





Inter-school Swimming 2025 (Years 3-6)

This year's Buckley District Interschool Swimming Carnival for students in years 3-6 will be held on Wednesday 26th of February, at Oak Park Sports and Aquatic Centre, Pascoe Vale.

On that day, participants will be required to make their own way with a parent/guardian as there will not be any staff from KHPS attending.

In order for students to qualify for this event, we will need to hold KHPS 50m swimming trials at the East Keilor Leisure Centre, Quinn Grove, Keilor East, on Monday the 17th of February after school between 3.45-5.00pm.

It is expected that students wishing to trial are competent in their stroke and are capable of swimming a competitive time. Generally these are students who swim in squads or have many years of swimming experience.

There will be a pool entry cost for students to participate in the trials. If you wish for your Year 3-6 child to take part in the trials, please contact either the office or Mr Matton, through Compass no later than 5.00 p.m, by Wednesday 12th of February to express your child's interest. At that time, you will then be sent a permission form for the trials via Compass.

All events at the carnival are 50m and students are able to qualify for two individual events (out of Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Butterfly) as well as the Freestyle relay (this is the only relay option available and is subject to having enough swimmers to put a team together) in the age groups as follows:

Boys 8/9/10 year olds (born 2015/2016/2017)

Girls 8/9/10 year olds (born 2015/2016/2017)

Boys 11 year olds (born 2014)

Girls 11 year olds (born 2014)

Boys 12/13 year olds (born 2012/2013)

Girls 12/13 year olds (born 2012/2013)

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any queries about either of these events.

Mr. Matton

PE and Sports Co-ordinator

Join KHPS Parents & friends



**HELP TO CREATE WONDERFUL MEMORIES
FOR YOUR CHILD AND THE SCHOOL
COMMUNITY BY JOINING KHPS PARENTS AND
FRIENDS ASSOCIATION**

**ORGANISE
SCHOOL
EXPERIENCES**

**RAISE
FUNDS**

**CREATE
SOCIAL
EVENTS**

***Next meeting
Wednesday 19th
February
5:15pm***

**SEEK
SPONSORS
&
PRIZES**

**SHARE
SKILLS**

**CONNECT
THE
COMMUNITY**

**ATTEND
MONTHLY
MEETINGS**

**If you have any questions or would like to join, please
contact Tania on 0426176980**

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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

Purchase school items

Select a menu from our school

Select child you are ordering for

Select your items

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.

The drop off and pick up zone



You might have noticed our pink signage and line markings for our drop off and pick up zone. This zone is not for waiting in.

Carers should always drop off or pick up their child/ren from the designated area and, in this zone:

- ask your child to head straight to the pick up zone once the bell rings – they will then be ready and waiting once you arrive
- plan to arrive after the bell rings, not before, as you cannot wait in the zone
- remain in your vehicles at all times
- move forward to join the queue so that other vehicles can get into the zone
- use the hand brake and put the vehicle in park when it is stationary
- do not double park
- do not park across a pedestrian crossing
- do not undertake a U-turn in close proximity to the school.

Students should:

- keep your seat belt on until the vehicle has stopped in the zone
- have your school bag and other items in a safe position on the floor and ready for you to take with you when the vehicle has stopped
- always get in and out of the vehicle through the safety door (the rear footpath-side door).

What does the no parking sign mean?

It means that you cannot park in the zone during the times identified on the sign as it is to be used only as a pick up or drop off zone during those times.

You can only stay in this zone for two minutes. If you overstay this time limit, you could receive an infringement.



*At all times, please



Moonee Valley Language Line

العربية	Arabic	9280 0738	عربي	Greek	9280 0741	Español	Spanish	9280 0744
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Хрватски	Croatian	9280 0740	Somali	Somali	9280 0743	Việt-ngh	Vietnamese	9280 0746

All other languages 9280 0747

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Student	Class	Being For
Marion M	F	Her Wonderful Start to Foundation & Showing Kindness to Others
Amali N	12A	Showing Responsibility by Being Ready to Learn & Taking Care of Her Belongings
Arvin T	12B	Displaying All the School Values in All that He Does, Both in the Classroom & in the Yard
Harlow P	12B	Approaching New Tasks with a Positive Attitude & Displaying our School Values
Marigold K	12C	A Positive Start to Year One
Frankie C	34A	Responsibility—Frankie has Made an Excellent Start & is Demonstrating Many Leadership Skills
Isla A	34A	Responsibility—Isla has Made an Excellent Start & is Demonstrating Many Leadership Skills
Archie B	34C	Being a Responsible Learner
Adrian S	56A	His Enthusiastic & Positive Attitude in Becoming a Member of the KHPS School Community
Batu B	56B	Being an Excellent Role Model
Chiara C	56B	Being a Responsible & Aspirational Learner
Lucy R	56C	Displaying Excellence During Independent Reading
Ishani N	56D	Being a Responsible Member of 56D & Helping New Class Members Feel Welcome to KHPS
<u>SPECIALIST AWARDS</u>		
Whole Class	F	Excellence in Italian
Whole Class	12C	Excellence in Performing Arts



BOOK CLUB

Book Club **Issue 1 Catalogue** has been distributed,

If you are interested in placing
an order please do so by

Friday 14th February, 2025

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February 2
February 9

8.30am to 12.30pm



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Department
of Education

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund APPLICATION Form

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname

First name

Address

Town/suburb State Postcode

Contact number

Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)

- - - OR

☐ Foster parent* OR ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)**

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Victorian Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH).

**Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card.

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Victorian Department of Education (DE) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry about my Centrelink customer details and concession card status to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Victorian Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of any enquiry to DE regarding temporary care orders.

I understand that:

- DFFH or Centrelink will use information I have provided to DE to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DE personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
 - This consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
 - I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to my child's school so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
 - If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DE.
 - Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to DFFH and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.
- You can request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant Date / /

Camps, Sports and Excursions fund eligibility

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a mature minor of sixteen years of age or over, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one; or
 - on the first day of Term two.
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder; or
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent; and
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Eligibility | education.vic.gov.au](http://education.vic.gov.au/Camps_Sports_and_Excursions_Fund_CSEF_Eligibility)

Mature minors or parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and seventeen years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and eighteen years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooling, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders, CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink (see [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Policy | education.vic.gov.au](http://education.vic.gov.au/Camps_Sports_and_Excursions_Fund_CSEF_Policy)).

Payment amounts

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

The CSEF is paid directly to the school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child. Please refer to the policy for the current rates.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Payment amounts | education.vic.gov.au](http://education.vic.gov.au/Camps_Sports_and_Excursions_Fund_CSEF_Payment_amounts)

Foundation and Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents, so please register your interest at the school.

How to complete the application form

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.



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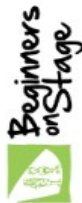
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