



# Kongwak Primary School Newsletter

We Give Our Best, To Be Our Best

*Our Vision: To enable all students to achieve their full potential and to develop into confident, well-rounded citizens.*

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The Great Fete is nearly here and it should be a great day based on the planning, preparation and vision of the Fete Committee. Thanks to all the KPS parents who have rallied behind the KPS book stall.

Congratulations to Sally, Fiona and Damian who have settled in so quickly to Kongwak PS. They have brought their own talents and interests to the school whilst appreciating our Kongwak ways. Fiona's leadership role at IKPS is the Kongwak PS Site

Manager-my eyes and ears at Kongwak PS.

She looks after the day -day tasks and readily seeks advice or assistance from the IKPS Principal Team when needed. This could be projects, wellbeing, events, fundraising or facilities. She will refer to Mel or myself when needed.

Next week I will outline some improved communication practices for KPS due to changing needs and staffing.

In the short term,

- avoid ringing during class time (The teachers are teaching)
- urgent phone calls to be made to Inverloch PS (56 741 253)

**Brett Smith**

## CURRICULUM DAY

There will be no school next Tuesday 14th March.



## ANNUAL CAR PERMISSION NOTICE

Thank you to the families who have already returned the Car Permission Notice. Please return this form asap if you haven't already done so.

## CONTACTING

Do you love to contact books? We have a stack of books which we would like to contact before they go into our school library. Let us know if you would like to help out and we will send your child home with the supplies!

## ATHLETICS TRAINING YEARS 3-6

If you are on our Annual Car Permission Notice and are available to transport children to Inverloch for Athletics Training next Friday please let Fiona or Janelle know. We are still needing a couple of drivers. We will leave Kongwak at 1.30pm and leave Inverloch at 3pm.

Will, Jerry & Teddy will need to be collected from Inverloch.

Our drivers each week are:

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| 17th | Fiona Moldrich<br>Prue Fenwick<br>Virginia Hunt<br>Natalie Griggs   |
| 24th | Fiona Moldrich<br>Belinda Jeffries<br>Natalie Griggs<br>Terri Ann Mitchell<br>Virginia Hunt<br>Kirsty or Simon Richardson |

10th March 2023

## TERM 1 DATES TO REMEMBER

### March

14th Curriculum Day

17th Aths Training

24th Aths Training

[The Great Fete Dates  
March](#)

**18th THE GREAT FETE**

## Parent Payments Contributions

Parent payment contributions for 2023 is \$230. The policy can be found on the school's website.

COMPASS see Course Confirmation in the app

Direct deposit

**Kongwak PS** - BSB: 083001  
Account Number:  
264692397

Please state 'Surname'  
'Parent Payment' in the  
description.

*"We at Inverloch and Kongwak Primary Schools, acknowledge that we live and learn on the traditional lands of the Boonwurrung and Bunurong people. We pay respect to the Elders past and present and emerging in our schools."*

### NAPLAN

Our Grade 3 and 5 students will complete their NAPLAN tests in Week 7 and 8. We have done some familiarisation with the test format over the last few weeks so that we know what to expect, and it has been great to see everyone approaching challenges with a can-do attitude! If you have any questions about the testing process, please

### HATS

We have a few hats which seem to have wandered from their rightful places at school. If you have any school hats at home, please check you haven't accidentally taken home anybody else's! Let us know if you need to borrow a Sharpie to clearly write your name on your hat so that it is easy to see.



### BULB FUNDRAISER

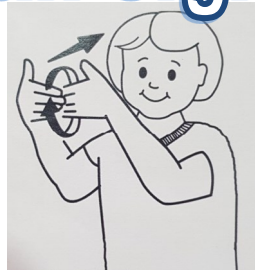
Don't forget to order your bulbs through the PFA fundraiser! See Prue Fenwick (April and Violet's mum) with any questions. **The first bulk order will be placed next Thursday 16th March so please have your order to Prue prior to this date if you wish to be included in the bulk order.**

## Leadership report: Sports Captains

Hello it's Luhanna and Jerri and we are the Sports Captains. Our regular jobs are to open the sports shed in the mornings, choose the HuffnPuff games for the week and to close the sports shed at the end of lunch. Upcoming events are House Athletics in week 9 and athletics practice on Friday afternoons (more information coming soon). We would like to leave a friendly reminder to bring runners on Monday for PE:)



## Our Auslan signs for this week....



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# our day at Inverloch

Last Friday, KPS went to Inverloch for the day. All students participated in a cyber-safety session with their year level peers. The Preps and Year 1 students spent the day with Damian and the P/1N class. The year 3-6 students were spread amongst 6 classes.

Well done to the Kongwak students for being flexible and stepping out of their comfort zones. Some of the wonderful experiences had on Friday were to have a bonus specialist class, see old friends, make new friends, help out with Prep buddies, explore different play spaces and for our Year 3 students to experience Aths practise with the whole school for the first time.



## Recycle now... OR ELSE!!

Streets are ruined with litter. Steam and smoke fills the air. Every year the earth gets more and more polluted by our stupid, idiotic actions. Let's change that by making it a legal requirement!

First off, let's talk about all humans' favourite thing. Money ! If this is a legal requirement (which it is), people are going to get fined for not following the law. So what do we do with all that money? Some people don't have the money for recycling bins, so that should be our first priority. What's the point in making a law if nobody can follow it? That's just taxing the poor to give to the rich! We could spend some of that money on recycling bins to give people a chance. Of course, you'd have to spend the rest of the money on something else, so why not plants? After all, the main point of recycling is to save the environment, right?

Now, tying into the environment, everyone loves money, so they'll be too afraid to lose money to inflation. So they'll do more recycling which will help the environment! Once again, you could spend some money on plants. With all the trees getting cut down we're destroying animal homes, and usually we use machines to do so which contributes even MORE to climate change! Sadly people have already adapted to life with these materials at hand. So the least we can do is plant those trees back, right?

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And, if you don't mind living in a total dumpster fire, you need to think of the children! Imagine being born into a world full of dead trees and smoke filled air and constant natural disasters! That's what climate change will do! If we don't start now, our children will be DOOMED!!! All because their parents were too lazy to put stuff into the right bin. By planting trees, we're helping give animals homes. Slowly, the animal population will grow back which will help the food chain which will then help the ecosystem! If we help the environment, the earth won't turn into one big dumpster fire! By recycling and helping the environment we're keeping the air fresh and the sea clean!

So let's make sure we don't go down that path. Lets secure a safe world for our children.

- April, Grade 6



Playing "exquisite corpses".

A surrealist drawing game to encourage collaborative works.

# Senior Room News

In the Senior Room:

- We have continued our work on summarising and finding the main idea of different texts in **Reading**, including poetry and short film clips.
- We have continued to refine our persuasive **writing** through editing and revising.
- In **Maths**, we have looked at strategies for solving worded problems by looking for additional information left there to distract us, and continued to develop written and mental strategies for addition and subtraction.

It was wonderful to have Jane and Hugo join us for Drama for the first time on Wednesday! We had so much fun playing drama games.

# Junior Room News

On Tuesday the students explored different ways to group a collection of animals.

Some of the ways they discovered were by sorting by colour, type of animal, habitat, amount of legs and diet.

Later in the afternoon they used the animals to create sanctuaries and zoos for the animals. They used their creation to inspire a piece of writing.



This week for Maths our warm up game was 'Shake and Spill'. The focus of this game is to find numbers that add to 10.

On Wednesday we used dominoes to investigate how numbers can be made differently.





# COMMUNITY NEWS

The following Community News articles promote community connections and communications. They are not considered school activities

## INVERLOCH AUSKICK



Hi Families and Carers ? ?

Our 10-week program kicks off on Friday 28 April at 5:30pm at the Inverloch Kongwak Football Netball Club (IKFNC). We encourage you to register your child asap to ensure they receive their awesome AFL packs. Auskick is for boys and girls turning 5 this year and up to 12 years of age. The groups start at kinder and go right through to grade 3 plus. There is an 'all girls' group as well or the girls can participate in any group they choose.

Each week a range of activities take place centred around AFL football to ensure maximal engagement and most of all have fun. Come and Try sessions are currently being negotiated with both primary schools in Inverloch and Kongwak late March.

For anyone who may find the registration payment ((\$91 for the 10 week program, plus a presentation celebration) and or purchasing uniforms (footy boots etc) difficult please contact me for assistance. This will be kept confidential and is all about giving the kids the opportunity to be involved in local sport.

If there are any questions, please contact me on 0408 281953 and also 'check and like' our Inverloch Auskick Facebook Page as all of our communication is here.

Please register at [www.playafl.com.au](http://www.playafl.com.au)

**Cheers Big K**  
**Coordinator**  
**Inverloch Auskick**

**FISHY STORIES GOES TO THE PROM COAST FESTIVAL 2023**  
FISH CREEK HALL. MARCH 12TH. 11AM-2PM. FREE EVENT.

**Craig's Illustration Workshop**  
**DRAWING A STORY**  
12.30pm to 2pm

The illustration workshop is about the questions and choices an illustrator faces when composing a drawing, and modeling a way to start working it out. Where to begin? What to keep in mind? What to include? What to conceal? Plus tips for bringing a picture to life with movement and expression, humour and drama.

**Michael's Writing Workshop**  
**HIDDEN STORIES**  
11am to 12noon

When we start looking for our story we often wonder how to find it. This workshop will give you ideas on how to find that spark. Then we'll take that spark, and by asking questions about that idea, we'll take you to the beginning of your story. You'll leave the workshop busting to get home and finish it!

**READINGS FROM 2022 WRITING CHALLENGE WRITERS**  
To inspire those who will enter the 2023 Writing Challenge.  
12noon to 12.30pm.

11AM - 2PM  
SUNDAY 12TH MARCH 2023