



# 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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Wominjeka!

## PLANNING WEEK

Next week is Planning Week for IKPS. This means that we won't have our normal specialist classes (except for MARC Van on Thursday). Fiona and Sally will spend a day each planning for Term 2 with colleagues at Inverloch PS- we look forward to welcoming guest teachers on these days.

## AUSKICK VISIT

Our Junior Class will be participating in an AusKick session this coming Monday.

## SENIOR ATHLETICS

Grade 3-6 Athletics Day at Inverloch PS Friday 31st March. Children will need to be dropped off at Inverloch PS and collected again at the end of the day. Please wear house colours, sunscreen, hat, runners and bring plenty to drink. Parents are welcome to come along and enjoy the day with their children.

## VISITING INVERLOCH

On the days that we go to Inverloch, children are to meet Kongwak staff at the Learning Stones at the beginning and end of the day.

## MULTI AGE DAY

Our whole school will be going to Inverloch PS for Multi Age Day on Tuesday 4th April (wear superhero themed clothes - a mask, cape, anything you have at home!) Children will need to be dropped off in the morning and collected again at 3.30pm.

## LAST DAY OF TERM

Thursday 6th April—early dismissal at 2:20pm.

24th March 2023

## TERM 1 DATES TO REMEMBER

### March

27th Milkshake Monday  
Junior Class AusKick Visit

31st Senior Athletics

### April

4th Multi Age Day  
6th Last Day Term



## 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."*

## Bulb Fundraiser

**It's getting close to the last days to get your orders in!**

Prue will be doing her last bulk order next Thursday. All online orders to be in no later than Wednesday 29th March. Don't forget to ask grandparents, aunts, uncles or neighbours! Obviously the more orders, the more money we make for our fantastic school. So far we have raised \$316 from only 6 orders placed.

A big thank you to Prue Fenwick for organising the fundraiser.



## KONGWAK P.S

Easter Raffle

**Tickets Only \$1 Each**



### Donations Required:

Any donations will be greatly appreciated. All funds raised from the Easter Raffle will go towards purchasing new Sports Equipment.

## CUSTOM MADE BOOK STANDS FOR SALE

Size: 945x300x600

\$75 each

Pickup at Kongwak Primary School

Enquiries: Kate Davis (0432 521 945)



## Our Auslan signs for this week...



Respect



Everyone

**Kongwak P.S Book Stall  
Coloring Competition**

"Winner"

\*Violet

\*Prudence

\*Fletcher

"Runner up"

\*April

\* Jordan

\*Holly



Special Thanks to Our Sponsor  
Scents By Sharon

*Artist of the Week (as shown in the Coasthill Newsletter..)*



Our Artist of the Week is Poppy Richardson in Grade 5 at Kongwak with her surrealist transformation oil pastel drawing. Poppy enjoyed transforming a cake slicer and tongs into this expressive eye image.



*Congratulations Poppy!*

# JSC News

The successful candidates that made it into J.S.C for this term are Will, April, Mikayla, Eva and Lincon. So far all of them have made an amazing contribution to the school and hopefully so will everyone who joins.

On Monday, we had our first fundraiser called Milkshake Monday where J.S.C made milkshakes for the entire school. We raised \$28.50 to share between Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund, (or G.E.R.F for short) and the school sports shed (maybe including rubber chickens).

Our next event will be held on Monday once again, so make sure to bring your two dollars!

Will Radcliffe



On Thursday we welcomed back Jane Taylor for the day in the senior room. Congratulations to Jane and her partner Nylil who are expecting their first child due in May. We gifted her a book called Busy Beaks. Busy Beaks is a board book with vibrant pictures of some Australian birds and their scientific names.



# SUSTAINABLE KONGWAK

After our big school cleanup for Clean Up Australia Day, we have been getting our garden beds ready and planting our winter crop. The students have been busy mulching and cleaning out the hot house ready for seed planting. We are actively pursuing funding to put in an drip watering system for our garden beds ensuring sustainable use of water across our school.



We have been auditing our rubbish and I must say how impressed I am with our students commitment to recycle and ensuring waste goes in the right bins.

Today and tomorrow is Earth Hour. As a school we recognise the challenges of climate change and are working to reduce our carbon footprint on our world.

A promotional graphic for Earth Hour. It features a person wearing a hat and a backpack, standing in a lush forest with their arms outstretched. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent digital interface. At the top, the text "Take time out for nature" is displayed. Below it, there is a blue button with a white "switch off" label and a small black circle to its left. At the bottom of the graphic, there is a QR code, the text "Friday March 24 We're an Earth Hour school", the website "earthhour.org.au", the "60 EARTH HOUR" logo, and the WWF logo.

Take time out for nature

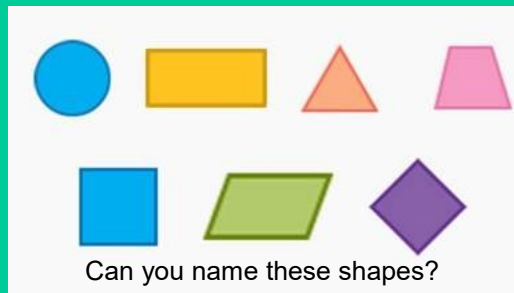
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# Junior Room News



We have been investigating what makes a shape a shape. We have been using language such as sides, angles to classify shapes. We went on a shape hunt to look for different shapes around our school.



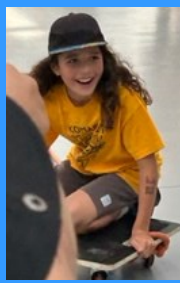
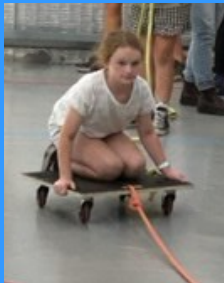
We have read two books for Harmony Day: *Whoever You Are* and *I'm Australian Too* both by Mem Fox.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VSCbCuGxkVc> Whoever You Are

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dBFTMuuQLxk> I'm Australian Too

# Senior Room News

- Our Grade 6 students headed off on camp at Lyrebird Lodge on Wednesday! Our Grade 5 students stepped right into their leadership responsibilities by ringing the school bell, organising morning HuffNPuff, opening and closing the sports shed and helping others solve ICT issues. The future is bright with these leaders coming up through the school!



- We have begun **reading** focus groups based on our goals, such as reading with expression, decoding longer words and monitoring comprehension by asking "does this make sense?".
- We have continued our work on persuasive **writing**.
- In **Maths**, some Grade 5/6 students selected and began work on University of Melbourne Research Projects in groups. We've explored the **Mathletics** program and continued to build fluency in our multiplication facts as well as exploring problem solving and reasoning with shapes.

# 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**