



Kongwak Primary School Newsletter

We Give Our Best, To Be Our Best

Our Vision: All students to achieve their full potential and to develop into confident, well-rounded citizens.

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Wominjeka!

Communication Protocols

We have introduced the following communication protocols at Kongwak PS due to:

- many phone calls during teaching and learning time.
- limited admin hours to field phone calls
- change of staffing levels at Kongwak PS
- improving efficiency and response time
- improving service delivery
- and mainly to manage staff time demands to allow planning, preparation and teaching time-their core business

Brett Smith

SENIOR ATHLETICS

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

MULTI AGE DAY

Multi-age day P-6 at Inverloch PS Tuesday 4th (wear superhero themed clothes - a mask, cape, anything you have at home!) Children will need to be dropped off at Inverloch PS and collected again at 3.30pm.

31st March 2023

TERM 1 DATES TO REMEMBER

April

- 3rd Senior Aths
- 4th Multi Age Day
- 5th Kongwak's Got Talent
- 6th Last Day Term
- 7th Good Friday
First Day of Holidays!

Please check Coasthill News for dates.

	EXAMPLES	ACTION
INCOMING		
Before/after school 10:40-11:10 recess 12:50-1:50 lunch	Message for child about pickup Question for teacher	Ring KPS
Urgent during class time • 9:00-10:40 • 11:10-12:50 • 1:50-3:20	Running late emergency	Ring IPS 56 741 253. IPS contacts Site Manager directly
Non urgent	"Letting you know" "Ring me when you can" Items for newsletter	email inverloch.ps@education.vic.gov.au and it will be forwarded on to the relevant person
Illnesses		Indicate so through Compass
OUTGOING		
Consent forms	Camps, excursions, sports etc	Complete on Compass using Compass Pay preferably
Newsletter		See Compass Newsfeed
Reports		See Compass app or browser
Positive Chronicles		See Compass app or browser
Parent Payment Contributions		See Compass app or browser. Course confirmations
Emergencies / Urgent		Compass SMS

"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."

KONGWAK'S GOT TALENT

Kongwak's Got Talent (+ Easter Raffle Draw)- beginning at 1:45pm in the Multipurpose Room. Wednesday 5th April.

LAST DAY OF TERM

Thursday 6th April—Last day of term. Early dismissal at 2:20pm.

DAYS AT INVERLOCH

A reminder to meet Kongwak staff at the Learning Stones at the beginning and end of the days at Inverloch PS.



**KONGWAK'S
GOT
TALENT!**

**JOIN US FOR A FUN AFTERNOON
WITH OUR TALENTED STUDENTS!**

*Singing, dancing, musical instruments, magic,
skits, costumes...we've got it all!*

Wednesday 5th April (last week of
term) at 1:45pm in the Kongwak PS
Multipurpose Room

Easter Raffle drawn at 3:10pm!

Senior Room News

- We have continued our **reading** focus groups, working on skills such as decoding longer words, defining unknown vocabulary and unpacking strategies that authors use to engage readers.
- We are applying our persuasive skills to **write** advertisements for Kongwak Primary School as posters, essays, skits and even songs!
- We have continued exploring our free trial of Mathletics and becoming more fluent in our number fact knowledge in **Maths**.
- We have looked at Personal Strengths such as honesty, leadership, humour and curiosity in **Respectful Relationships**, looking at how these look in our classmates and each other.

Kongwak PFA Meeting

Tuesday 4th April 2023—2.30pm

At: Inverloch Primary School (meet in foyer)

** Our Kongwak children will be at Inverloch on this day for the Multi-Age Day; hence the meeting



CUSTOM MADE BOOK STANDS FOR SALE

Size: 945x300x600

\$75 each

Pickup at Kongwak Primary School

Enquiries: Kate Davis (0432 521 945)



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.

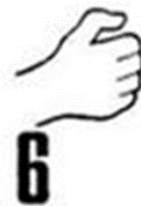
Our Auslan signs for this week...



REMEMBER



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ATHLETICS



MONDAY

Junior Room News

We have investigated 3D shapes this week. The students are learning to use mathematical language such as faces and edges to describe parts of the 3D shape.

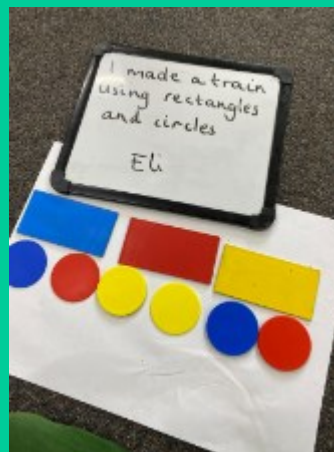
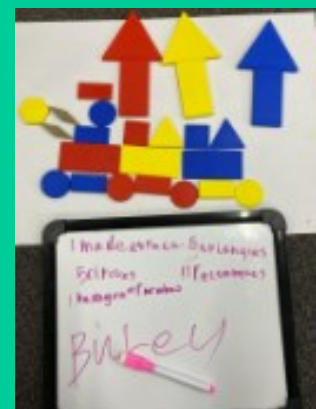
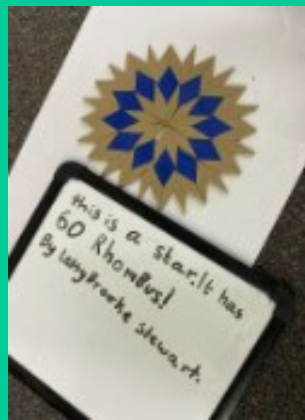
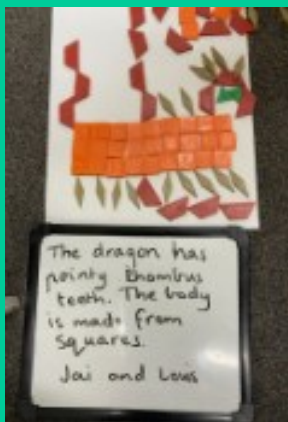
Quote of the week from Eli in prep: "The shapes come alive."



We found lots of spheres and cubes around our school.

After watching 'Mouse Shape' by Ellen Stoll Walsh, we used the images for inspiration to make our own shape pictures. We went on to count and record all of the different shapes we used.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wL6xkCQMPB8>

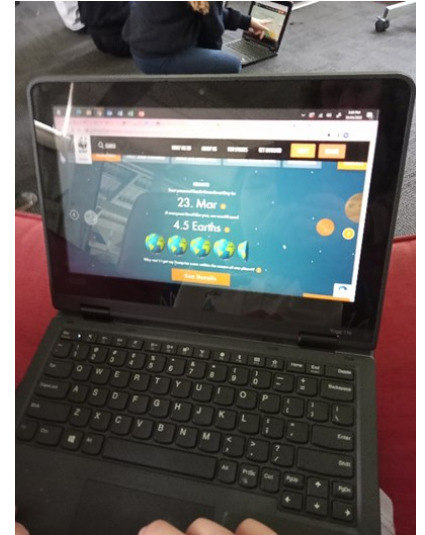


SUSTAINABLE KONGWAK

Last Friday Damian brought in his bee keeping equipment into school and we learnt about how bees make honey in a hive. We compared empty bee frames with frames full of honey, sliced the wax with a “capping knife” and spun honey in an extractor. We were able to taste honey comb and take a sample home. (Fiona/Vicki have photos).

This week the seniors have learnt about snakes in our area and how to apply first aid with a compression bandage if bitten.

We also examined our “Ecological Footprint” and how many earths we would need if everyone on our planet lived the way we do.



Friday: Damian taught us about his bees on the farm. It was so fun to be educated in this particular way. We spun our OWN honey but before that we felt how heavy the honey was with and without honey-comb inside it. The heavier one was definitely the one with the comb inside it. And then we sucked all the honey from the comb. We had to spit out the wax. We sifted the honey to get any stuck bees out and all of the wax out. We all got some honey and when it was lunch our chefs made us CUPCAKES with cream cheese frosting.(Yum yum).

Eva

On Friday with Damian we turned honey in the turner. We each got honey in a container to take home. We stirred the honey and put the honey in a container.

James

Eco report

Hello, Kongwak School community! We are the Eco Leaders, Samu and Lily.

On Fridays, Damian goes through our bins to check if everything is in the correct place. If an item is found in the wrong bin he adds to the counter of 30 pieces. If we get to the end of the term with less than thirty we will get a whole school reward.

Recycle bin: paper, cardboard, clean plastic containers, aluminium cans and glass.

Landfill bin: soft plastics, citrus peels

Chicken bucket: food scraps, bread, most vegetables and fruit

Compost: pips, banana peels, citrus, raw potato, avocado.

Introducing chickens



Yang, Breed: Plymouth rock.



Midnight, Breed: Australorpe



Brittney, Breed: Barnevelder



Yin, Breed: Plymouth rock.

At Kongwak we encourage less wrappers! It is eco friendly and good for the environment. Try beeswax wraps, paper bags or containers.

Kind regards, Lily Stark and Samu Stewart.

Grade 6 Camp Highlights

By Jerri and Kieran

Last week all the Grade 6s went to camp and we went to Lyrebird Lodge. We went with the Inverloch students and there were 70 kids. The bus ride was long but we made it fun by singing Rick Roll. Some of the highlights were:

- The first activity was 4 way tug war and we found out who was in our cabins
- We had lunch and we played another game. We had to go on a board and get to the other side. When you get to the side you get off and pull the board back and then another person gets on. We went to our cabins and went to sleep.
- The second day was hectic! We did a game where you had to go get the ball into the buckets. And we did a zipline, rock climbing and orienteering. We made new friends and enjoyed spending time with friends we already knew.
- On the third day we packed to get ready to go home
- Archery was the best!

We would like to thank Warren and his staff and his dog, Mr Smith and the teachers for organising the camp and the parent helpers for coming along. We are looking forward to our next camp which is in Melbourne!



JSC Report

Come get your Milkshakes, \$2's Only! \$2's

What a rippa day! We sold 27 milkshakes in one day!

From one day we made \$46 to be shared between school sports, maybe some rubber chickens as well as the Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund!

After a survey we also found out that 100% of students who had a milkshake loved it and said it was delish! Quote from Lily and Norah, "I loved it and it was very tasty!"

What a great success from all JSC members!

By April & Mikayla, JSC members



Happy Birthday

for

Monday

Damian!



COMMUNITY NEWS

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

