



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!

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UNIFORMS

We are just formalising the licensing and arrangements with the new supplier. Hopefully finalised next week.

NAIDOC WEEK

Naidoc Week is held every year from the 2nd-9th of July. This year, the theme is 'For Our Elders'.

On Friday 21st July, we will virtually join Inverloch PS for a Welcome to Country with Bunurong Elder Jill West. On Monday 24th of July, we will be holding a special NAIDOC assembly at 9am to showcase the learning we have done over the past two weeks. Families are warmly invited to attend. Following the assembly, we will be having an open morning where you are welcome to join us in our classrooms for the morning session.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS TREE PLANTING DAY

A reminder that Kongwak PS in partnership with Landcare will be participating in National School Tree Day next **Friday 28th July** at the Pioneer Reserve. Families are welcome to join us from 11:15am—12.50pm. Lunch will be provided for students and families between 12.50—1.30pm. Please let us know by Monday 24th July if you will be joining us. We also plan to continue planting in the afternoon from 1.30-2.30pm. Children will need to bring appropriate footwear and a warm jacket. **Local excursion consent is required for this event and other local excursions. Please see below.**

2023 LOCAL EXCURSION CONSENT

The Department of Education has updated the Camps and Excursions policy. Schools are now required to have **annual** consent for local excursions which are usually local and within walking distance (e.g. parks, shops, Hub, community walks etc.)

We are using Compass Events to collect such permissions. Could you please log in to the Compass event to consent to 2023 local excursions.

TERM 3 DATES TO REMEMBER

July

24th KPS PFA AGM 2.45pm Staffroom

NAIDOC open morning & Assembly 9-10am

26th Yr 5's Korumburra SC with Vicki

KPS School Council 7.30pm

28th Landcare Visit: National Tree Planting Day! Families Welcome

Yr 5 Camp Expression of Interest & Deposit Due

August

1st AFL Primary Play Visit—Juniors

2nd Prep 100 Days of School Dress Up All Students

4th Prep Excursion

17th&18th IKPS School Performance (Evenings) - Details TBC

Week of 21st Book Week

28-30th Year 5 Camp

31st Division Aths (Kieran & Samu)

Please check Coasthill News for dates.

"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."

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

It was great to see students and families this week for Parent Teacher Interviews to chat about their reports and learning!

THANK YOU

Thanks to Belinda Jeffries for taking our old printer cartridges to Korumburra this week!

NAIDOC ASSEMBLY & OPEN MORNING

Today we joined Inverloch Primary School via Webex to hear Uncle Josh welcome us to Country.



Families are warmly welcome to join us for our NAIDOC assembly and open morning on Monday 24th July between 9am-10am.

COMPASS EVENTS

There are lots of events on Compass for parents to consent/pay for at the moment, including:

Everyone: Local Excursion Consent

Gr 5: Korumburra Secondary Day (ASAP)

Gr 5: The Ranch expression of interest and deposit (due 28/7)

Prep: Prep Celebration Day (due 1/8)

If you're having trouble accessing Compass, drop in and see Janelle on a Friday morning or see Sally/Fiona and we can help.

REGIONAL SOCCER

Congratulations to Jerri, who played in the IKPS team at Regional Soccer in Sale on Wednesday. Unfortunately the team was unsuccessful on the day, but what a wonderful experience to nearly make it to State level!

PUBLIC SPEAKING

It was fantastic to see our Grade 3,4 and 5 students write, practise and present their Lions Club speeches this week! Our Grade 6 students have been wonderful mentors, giving feedback and supporting younger students in their speeches. Congratulations also to Charlotte and Eva, who represented Kongwak in the year level final at IKPS on Thursday afternoon. We are so proud of everybody who stepped out of their comfort zone and gave public speaking a go!



HOT FOOD THURSDAY

This week saw the return of Hot Food Thursday! Students are welcome to bring food wrapped in foil (named) on a Thursday and we will put it in the pie warmer for lunch time.

PREP 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL

ALL students are welcome to join us in celebrating the 100th day of Prep on Wednesday 2nd August by dressing as a 100 year old person.

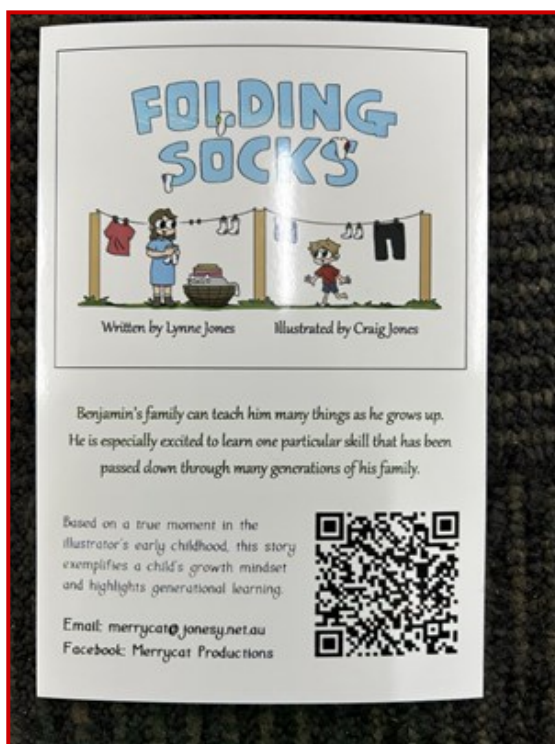
Skipping in PE on Monday in the glorious Winter sunshine.



Author Visit

On Wednesday we had Lynne and Craig Jones visit us to share their first published story 'Folding Socks'

If you are interested in owning a copy, scan the QR code and you will be able to purchase it directly from them. It is also available at the bookshop in Korumburra.





Happy
Birthday
April
&
Violet



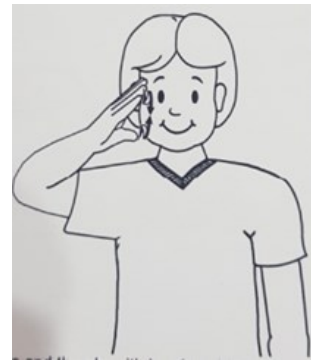
Our Auslan signs for this week...



EXCELLENT



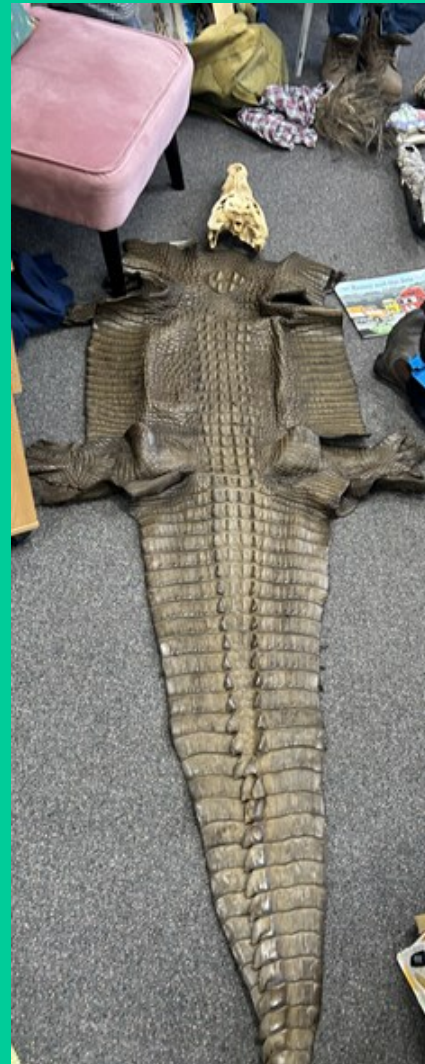
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SPEAKING

Junior Room News

In the Junior room this week Daisy and her dad Tom brought in some very special sharing. Daisy and her family lived in the community of Gapuwiyak, Arnhem Land, NT. She told us stories about how she lived and how they collected their own food and shared it with the community.



*** All animals were caught with permission and skulls/skins are registered with the appropriate governing bodies.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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



JOIN US!

LOVE YOUR RESERVE

PLANTING DAY!

Kongwak Hills Landcare Group

HAVE YOU GOT LOVE TO GIVE?

Kongwak Hills Landcare Group is coordinating a community tree planting event in the Kongwak Pioneer Reserve to celebrate "National Tree Day".

And, the Reserve is in need of some love from its community! We'd love for you to join us to get plants in the ground.

Dry years have diminished the north/west section such that a critical mass of understory and trees have died back.

Replacing the understory, midstory and trees will restore our beautiful reserve, protect it from dryness and weeds and support animals and birds.

We want you, our community, to learn about landcare, loving your forest and giving it the care it needs.

Project supported by 2022/2023 South Gippsland Shire Community Grants Program and Planet Ark Seeding Bank.

national tree day
PLANETARK  TOYOTA

DATE & TIME
Saturday, 29 July 2023
10:00am to 4:00pm

DETAILS
Location: Kongwak Pioneer Reserve
Williams Street Kongwak VIC 3951.

Parking: R.N. Scott Memorial Park, 1455 Korumburra Wonthaggi Road.

Planting area: immediately beyond the entrance.

BYO: gloves, sturdy footwear, suitable outdoor clothing, drink bottle, snacks, planters (if you have).

Lunch: gourmet "bush foods" feast provided.

RSVP: confirm your attendance at > (scan QR code)
or email:
kongwakhillslandcare@gmail.com

MORE INFORMATION
Site Organiser: Grace Couchman 0419 691166
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Lardner Park
Garden + Home Expo
Saturday October 14 + Sunday October 15
9am to 4pm daily

Come and join us, be a part of the biggest Garden and Home Expo to come to Lardner Park

Tickets at the gate or online at
www.lardnerpark.com.au/garden-home-expo/

Exhibitor site applications open July 10.

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