KONGWAL PHINARY School Newsleffer We Give Our Best, To Be Our Best EMARY SCH Our Vision: All students to achieve their full potential and to develop into confident, well-rounded citizens. Korumburra Wonthaggi Road Kongwak 3951 ph.: 56 574 224 e:kongwak.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au **Principal: Mr Ben Soumilas** Wominjeka - come with a purpose 15th March 2024 **CAN YOU HELP?** TERM 1 We are on the lookout for bigger sized art smocks or aprons (we DATES TO REMEMBER have lots of ones to fit our juniors!). These could be old adult sized polos or button up shirts which are thick enough to not March have paint soak through. We would also happily take donations of magazines for collage **IKPS Great Fete** 16th in the SMART Room if anybody has some lying around. https://volunteersignup.org/RQX9D DAILY SCHEDULE 21st Rainbow Day @ KPS Our day runs to this schedule: 22nd Farm World Excursion 8:30am Students are welcome to arrive at school from this time, to get set up for the day, play outside or do a quiet activity inside 18th-25th NAPLAN Testing Window the classroom. (Yrs 3 & 5) 8:50am We encourage families to aim to arrive no later than this time, allowing students to get set up for the day and to ask any questions of staff before the day begins. 28th Last Day Term 1, 2.20pm 9:00am Bell rings, first session begins. Finish **9:45am** Huff and Puff (10 minutes) 9:55am Second session TERM 2 10:40am Recess DATES TO REMEMBER **11:10am** Third session **12pm** Fourth session 12:50pm Lunch May **1:40pm** Fifth session 2:30pm Sixth session Yr 4 Camp-Phillip Island 15-17th 3:20pm Dismissal CYC Staff attend meetings at Inverloch PS after school on different days, and we appreciate your patience when we are quickly locking up the school at 3:25pm! We're always happy to make the time to talk about our students, but sometimes will need to For your calendars, to plan ahead! make a time for the next day if we have a meeting.

### **RAINBOW DAY**

Inverloch and Kongwak Primary Schools celebrate Rainbow Day each year to remember IPS' crossing supervisor, Judy Hughes. This will be an out of uniform day- dress in bright colours! Our Rainbow Day will be **Thursday 21st March**. (*Please note this is different to Inverloch PS due to a clash with our Farmworld excursion, we will celebrate a day early!*)

*"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."* 

November

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6-8th

### FARMWORLD EXCURSION

We are excited to go to Farmworld next Friday 22nd March. A few notes:

- Students are welcome to bring \$10 spending money if they would like (not compulsory)
- Please pack your lunch, snacks, drink bottle and hat
- Please make sure you have paid and given permission for the event on Compass

## **NAPLAN** edition

This week, Grade 3 and 5 students have completed four NAPLAN tests- Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language (Spelling and Grammar) and Maths. I have been so proud of how all of our students approached this testing, and I am telling the honest truth when I say that I love seeing students writing during NAPLAN and showing off all of their skills and knowledge!

Ask your Grade 3 or 5 student:

- What do you think was the best part of your narrative about a boat? What interesting words did you use?
- Was there anything which surprised you on any of your tests? What did you find easy?
- What did you find challenging? How could we find out more about that?

In our Soundwaves (spelling and grammar) sessions each week, we have been learning about different spelling rules to apply when we add prefixes (like -ing and -ed), prefixes which have a meaning (like dis-, in- and milli-), and Greek and Latin root words (like tract or astro)

### Ask your Grade 4 student:

- Do these words need a double letter when adding -ing? Win, swim, swing, chat
- Do these words need a double letter when adding ed? Ask, jump, spot, ban

#### Ask your Grade 6 student:

- What words do you know with the ped or pod root word? (Hint: ped or pod means foot)
- What words do you know with the duct/duce/duc root word? (Hint: this root word means 'to lead')



Over the last couple of weeks our students have been cooking up a storm. We made passata from tomatoes from Nats garden using the tomato sauce separator with all the kids designing a label to attache to a bottle in which they could take home.

Last week we had corn on cob roasted on our fire pit, and the students along with Nat and Kelly made muffins and quiche, along with a wheel of brie and blue cheese donated by Poppies mum. A massive thanks to Nat for bringing in her cooking equipment, her produce, and giving up her time to provide our students with wonderful cooking experiences.











# Visual Art @ Kongwak

This week we learnt about American artist Georgia O'Keefe, and were inspired by her work 'The Ladder to the Moon'. We explored different colours for the sky using watercolour paint and collage from magazines. Check out our work on the windows of the SMART Room!





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Literacy

This week we have been focused on the phoneme (sound) 'ie' and the many ways the phoneme is represented in words.

Ask you child:

What is a trigraph? What trigraph (three letters make one sound) represent the sound 'ie'.

When we hear 'ie' at the end of a word, what letter (grapheme) do we use to represent the 'ie' sound?

In writing we have been adding adjectives to describe nouns, this week we have further our knowledge by using *adjective phrases to make our writing more descriptive*.



What wonderful adjective phrases could we use to describe this picture?

# Visit to see Lee Storti & her Pigs

We have now understand the sayings:

'As happy as pig in mud'

'To eat like a pig'

'Squeal like a pig'

Thank you Lee for taking time out of your busy day so we could visit your pigs and newly born piglets. The pigs loved the acorns we took them and we loved the muffins you baked us.

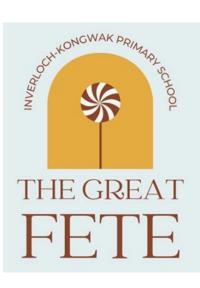












### Great Fete - Drink Stall

Can you help?

https://volunteersignup.org/RQX9D

We still need some help manning the drink stall between 12-1pm & 1-2pm. Money raised from this will go back into our school. If you can help man the stall for an hour it would be much appreciated.

## **Wellbeing News**

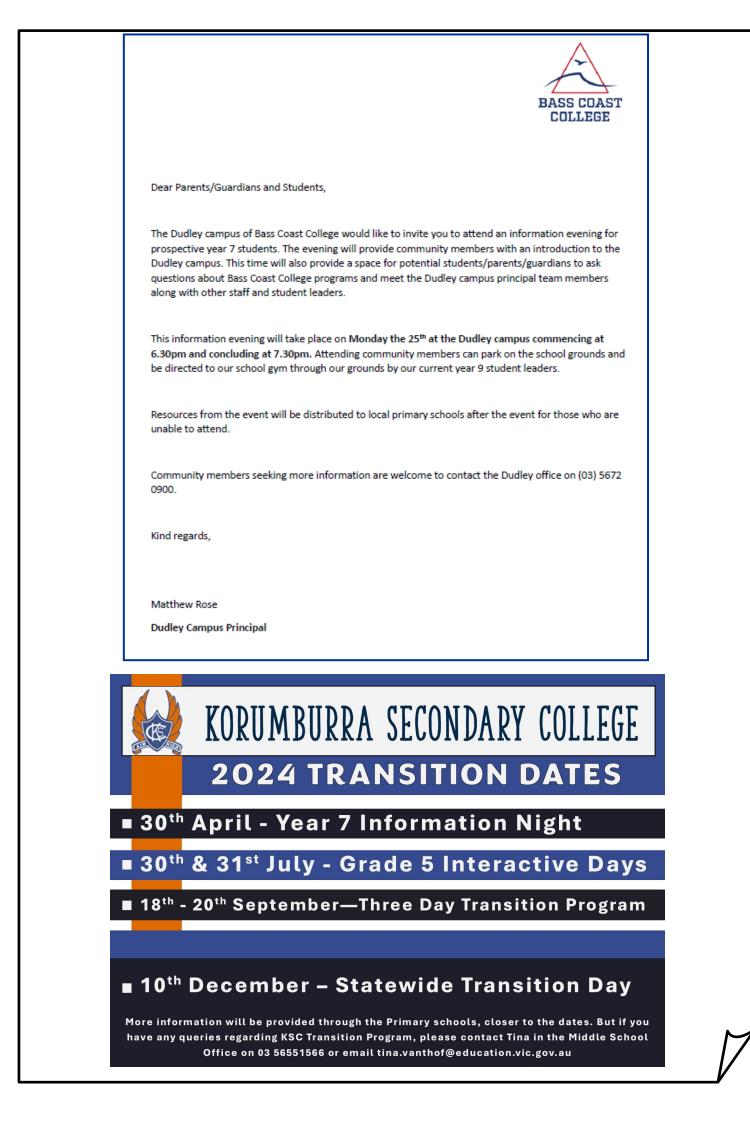
Not long now until the fete! One of the things to look forward to is the Welcome to Country.

A Welcome to Country is a ceremony performed by Traditional Custodians to welcome visitors to their ancestral land. It can only be done by Traditional Custodians of the land that you're on.

A Welcome to Country usually takes place at the beginning of an event. The ceremony can take many forms, including singing, dancing, smoking ceremonies or a speech, depending on the particular culture of Traditional Custodians.

At the fete, Sonya Weston will be delivering a Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony to officially open the day.

Make sure you get to the fete nice and early to participate in this wonderful cultural experience.





# "The memories of school fetes are the ones that make our hearts smile."

We would be grateful if every family would sign up to do "just one thing" for the 2024 event. This event cannot exist without enough volunteers to help it run.



Please Sign Up

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2024 Inverloch Primary School 10am – 2pm

SIGN UP

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# **COMMUNITY NEWS**

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

