## Kiewa Valley Primary School

## Newsletter





OUR VISION

COMMUNITY

GROWS TOGETHER

THROUGH KINDNESS

AS EMPOWERED,

CREATIVE LEARNERS

WHO BELIEVE

WE CAN ALL

MAKEA

DIFFERENCE

OUR VISION

Week 9 15 <sup>th</sup> Sep to Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Mon 15th	Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wed 17th	Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> Parent SURVEY CLOSED	Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Assembly 2.00pm LAST DAY OF TERM 2.30 finish	Sat/Sun
Week 1 Term 4 Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct to Fri	Mon óth Oct Swimming F-2	Tues 7th Swimming F-2	Wed 8th Swimming F-2	Thurs 9th Swimming F-2	Fri 10th Swimming F-2	Sat/Sun

#### PRINICIPAL UPDATE:

#### Attendance Update:

For the month of August ONLY 37 students attended school for 95% or more days. We will continue to encourage our families to increase attendance due to the significant impact attendance can have on learning growth and social and emotional growth. There are many supports available to any student who is struggling with their attendance – first step is to reach out to classroom teachers.

#### Parent Opinion Survey:

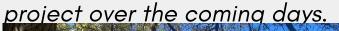
**Thank you** to the 17 families who have completed the survey – this week is the final week for the survey.

#### Parents on School Council:

We currently have 2 parent vacancies on school council for the remainder of this year and first term next year. These positions have been vacated due to Jess Hutchinson moving on to School Council as a staff member – now that she is employed in the Kindergarten and another parent resigning. If anyone is interested in joining please contact the office.

#### **MURAL UPDATE:**

I hope you have all been admiring the wonderful art work by Kirrily Anderson on our curved wall. It has been amazing to see this student voice project coming together as a whole. Families and the community have supported the achievement of this project with school funds and fundraising making this possible. Kirrily will continue to work on this









#### Term Three Wrap:

This term has been the term of data. We have had our NAPLAN data and Attitudes to Schools data come through. Our overall school performance on both assessments and surveys has been fantastic. I am extremely proud of the hard work that is going on in the teacher practice space that is enabling this strong upward growth. Our strategic plan tracking is being met and given the interruptions to this term and this year, it is evident the strong expectations, routines and instructional models KVPS is committed too is MAKING an IMPACT on learning. In the wellbeing space the amounts of interventions we can offer for improving the overall wellbeing of every child, whether it be lunch clubs, SRC run events, TSC sport sessions, morning walk around, are all LITTLE THINGS that make the BIG DIFFERENCE.

NOTE: ASSEMBLY this week from 2pm to 2.30pm - IT IS A 2.30pm FINISH for ALL STUDENTS this

week

I would like to begin by acknowledging the traditional custodians of the lands on which we live, learn and play. We acknowledge and show our respects to elders both past and present and we come together on the lands, the hills, the valleys and rivers to join in community, to share knowledge and culture and contributions of all first nation peoples on this land



## Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy REVIEW

KIEWA VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

STUDENT WELLBEING AND ENGAGEMENT POLICY

#### Help for non-English speakers

If you need help to understand the information in this policy, please contact the Office on 0260273275.

#### **PURPOSE**

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The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all students and members of our school community understand:

- (a) our commitment to providing a safe and supportive learning environment for students
- (b) expectations for positive student behaviour
- (c) support available to students and families
- (d) our school's policies and procedures for responding to inappropriate student behaviour.

Kiewa Valley Primary School is committed to providing a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment for all students. We understand that students reach their full potential only when they are happy, healthy and safe, and that a positive school culture, where student participation is encouraged and valued, helps to engage students and support them in their learning. Our school acknowledges that student wellbeing and student learning outcomes are closely linked. The objective of this policy is to support our school to create and maintain a safe, supportive and inclusive school environment consistent with our school's values of RESPECT, INCLUSION, KINDNESS and INTEGRITY.

#### **SCOPE**

This policy applies to all school activities, including camps and excursions.

#### CONTENTS

- 1. School profile
- 2. School values, philosophy and vision
- 3. Wellbeing and engagement strategies
- 4. Identifying students in need of support
- 5. Student rights and responsibilities
- 6. Student behavioural expectations and management
- 7. Engaging with families
- 8. Evaluation

#### **POLICY**

#### 1. School profile

Kiewa Valley Primary School was established in 1953 and is located in the small township of Tangambalanga, approximately 20 kilometres from Albury/Wodonga. We have 190 students

### **Feedback**

will be collected with students through our whole school student forums and survey's.

Parent's can
email feedback
to

kelli.jacobsen@education.vic.gov.au

You can VIEW the whole policy on our website on this <u>link.</u> We are accepting feedback until end of week 1 Term 4. And then the Learning Environment Sub-Comm will be finalising the updated policy – being lead by Ms Grogan.

## Acceptable Use Policy - UPDATED

We have an updated the Acceptable Use Policy that ALL students who use a school computer or have a BYOD MUST read and sign the updated. These will be sent home early Term 4.



## Student Dress Code has been Updated

#### APPENDIX A: KIEWA VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM ITEMS

- Students can wear any uniform item regardless of season.
- Approved commemorative uniform items such as the Year 6 top are accepted as part of the uniform.

#### **COMPLUSORY UNIFORM ITEMS**

Sky Blue short or long sleeve polos with school logo

Plain Royal Blue shorts, track pants or skort without decoration or retail brand name\*

Royal Blue polar fleece, bomber jacket or windcheater with school logo\*

Blue and white checked dress or navy checked tunic\*

Royal Blue broadbrim hat in terms 1 and 3\*

Navy blue tights

#### **OPTIONAL UNIFORM ITEMS**

Plain sky-blue skivvy

Royal blue beanie and scarf

#### **FOOTWEAR**

Appropriate footwear is to be worn including:

- Closed-toe sandals
- black school shoes
- runners

No thongs or open-toed sandals are permitted.

#### **JEWELLERY**

Stud earrings and sleepers worn in ears are acceptable. Watches (may NOT be smartwatches) and medical bracelets are acceptable. Necklaces and chains that worn underneath clothing are acceptable

#### **HAIR**

For hygiene reasons and safety reason hair that is shoulder length or longer must be tied up. No coloured hair, except for special events, such as crazy hair day, or Book Week, Arts Festival.

\*These items are available from Beleza in Wodonga, or we have good quality Second-hand items available from the Office. Items without the school branding can also be purchased from other retailers.

# Where has the FUNDRAISING money been spent?

The beautification of our yard has been prioritised with the following projects:

- Lawn at the front of the school and a watering system
- Putting rings around the trees
- Yarning circle with sandstone seating
- ROCKWIZ money will go towards new water stations as we look to replace all bubblers across the school with these systems.

## R U OK? Day

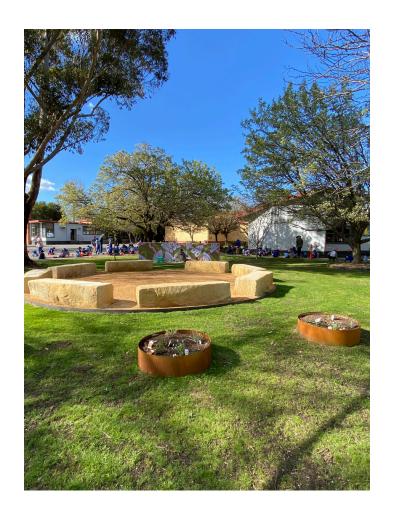
Last Thursday was R U OK? Day. Miss Grogan, Kass and Chloe and a small team of dedicated helpers organised a lunch time activity in the library where students could pop in, complete a colouring/craft activity, reading or Lego and check in with one another.





## Multi-Age Activity Afternoon

Last Friday, our whole school came together for a vibrant multi-age activity afternoon. In connection with the mural currently in progress by artist Kirrily Anderson, students explored the habitats of the mural's two feature animals - the white-clawed lobster and the Bogong moth. They then worked collaboratively to create a colourful chalk mural on the pathways surrounding the mural site. Each artwork highlighted these unique habitats, reminding us of the importance of caring for and protecting our local environments.

















# Tallangatta Secondary College!

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of September we played with a parachute. We played cat and mouse by lifting up the parachute and one person on top and one person under neath. Then we were lifting the parachute up and running under. Josh called out the colours and we run under when he called your colour and he sometimes called two colours to go under. It was so much fun. The Tallangatta Secondary peoples names were John and Brett Scholtes.













Enjoy a night with **ROCKWIZ legend Brian Nankervis** and put your music trivia to the test at the KVPS Music Trivia night. Bring your gold coins for games. Ticket price includes an after dinner platter. BYO drinks. **Over 18's ONLY**. Tickets available from KVPS Office or by calling 0260273275.

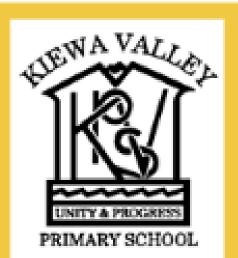
## **FUN GAMES - COULSTON PARK COMMUNITY HALL**

Tables of up to 10 available for \$250 a table - or single tickets available for \$30 a head and join other like minded people

## Kiewa Valley Primary School

Prep

'PREPARE YOUR CHILD FOR SCHOOL'
PARENT INFORMATION SESSION
25TH OF NOVEMBER 9.10AM



## **Transition 2026**



1 KINDER STUDENTS
TRANSITION DAY
ONE
25TH NOV
9AM TIL 11AM

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KINDER STUDENTS
TRANSITION
DAY TWO
2ND DEC
9AM TO 1PM

TRANSITION
DAY THREE
09TH DEC
9AM TIL 3PM

## INFORMATION

At Kiewa Valley Primary School we recognise the importance of making sure that your child is happy and secure in our school environment before they commence their first year of school.

We invite your child to participate in three visits to school, beginning Tuesday 25th of November.

If you have any worries about your child and their transition please contact Kelli Jacobsen (Principal) at the Office 0260273275.

## **Upper Murray Speech Pathology: Term 4 Groups**

Upper Murray Speech Pathology is excited to be offering two group programs in Term 4 2025. Kindergarten and school age sensory feeding groups. These groups will support children to learn about the different steps of eating and how to increase their variety of foods in a safe and playful manner.

Alissa Gigliotti has over 13 years supporting children and adolescents in sensory feeding and has undergone multiple postgraduate trainings to increase her knowledge and expertise including the Sensory Oral Sensory (SOS) Feeding Program.

Interested in joining? Email Alissa at <u>alissa.gigliottil@bigpond.com</u> – hurry, spots are limited! NDIS plans welcome.





## Kindergarten sensory feeding group

## Is your child a Sensory eater?

They may benefit from accessing a Sensory Feeding Group with a certified SOS feeding therapist.

**Ages:** 3 years to 6 years

When: 8 weeks

Wednesday October 29 - Dec 17 2025

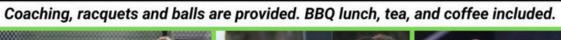
12pm - 1pm

**Location:** Upper Murray Speech Pathology 69 Towong Street, Tallangatta, Victoria, 3700

Contact: alissa.gigliotti1@bigpond.com 0490 544 512

### Come and try Blind & Low Vision **Tennis in Wodonga**

Wodonga Tennis Centre, Dalgleish St, Wodonga. Victoria. 3690.





**Sunday 5th October** 

Bookings: www.trybooking.com/DFGAN

10am - 1pm

Contact Tegan: 0478 626 393

A perfect opportunity to learn about blind tennis, play blind tennis, get active and socialise!

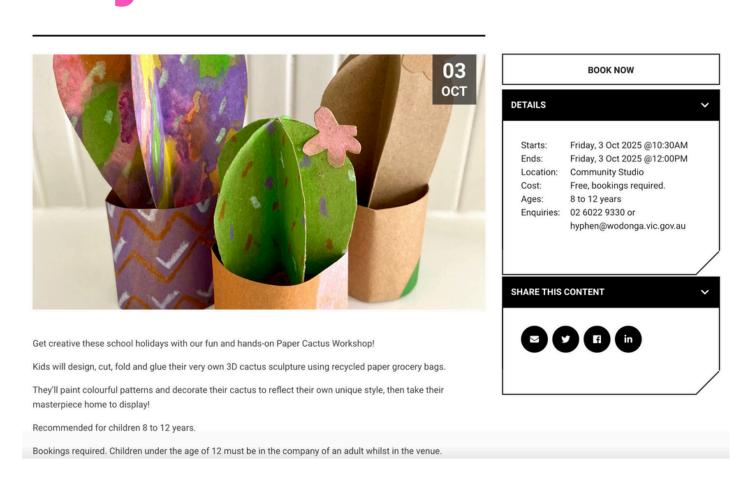
Blind Tennis is a fun and inclusive game. All welcome.







## **Holiday Ideas for families** see HYPHEN and Wodonga **City Council websites**





#### COMMUNITY ORGANISATION OF THE YEAR - NOMINATIONS OPEN

#### Recognise those driving your community

Every year we recognise the organisations that are going above and beyond in their community.

They are the lifeblood of the community in myriad ways. Nominate them for the Indigo Shire Community Organisation of the Year Award.



Nominate online or at a council office.

Nominations close 4pm October 12.

Awarded January 26, 2026.





### YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD - NOMINATIONS OPEN

#### Let someone know they are making a difference

Every year we recognise the people that are going above and beyond in their community.

Young people inspire us through leadership and drive positive change. Celebrate them by nominating for the Young Citizen of the Year Award.



Nominate online or at a council office. Nominations close 4pm October 12. Awarded January 26, 2026.





## **Hip Hop for Kids**

Love to move and groove? Hip Hop for Kids is the perfect way to express yourself, build confidence, and stay active, all while having a blast! Come to the library and have some fun while learning some cool moves. Presented by Merge Dance Company

Suitable for ages 6-12 Bookings essential

#### Yackandandah Library

Monday 22 September 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM



indigoshire.vic.gov.au/Libraries



St Mark's Anglican Church Hall, Tangambalanga Tuesday 23 September 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Spaces are limited, so reserve your spot today!

indigoshire.vic.gov.au/Libraries

