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## CALENDAR 2023

<b>WEEK 3</b> <b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MON 6</b>	<b>TUES 7</b>	<b>WED 8</b> Foundation rest day	<b>THURS 9</b> Lunch Orders due 8.30pm - Quickcliq	<b>FRI 10</b> 56 Swimming 2-3.30pm	<b>SAT/SUN</b>
<b>WEEK 4</b> <b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MON 13</b> Lunch Orders	<b>TUES 14</b>	<b>WED 15</b> Foundation rest day	<b>THURS 16</b> Lunch Orders due 8.30pm - Quickcliq	<b>FRI 17</b> Div. Swimming Waves Wod.	<b>SAT/SUN</b>
<b>WEEK 5</b> <b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MON 20</b> Lunch Orders	<b>TUES 21</b> SC Meeting	<b>WED 22</b> Foundation rest day	<b>THURS 23</b> Lunch Orders due 8.30pm - Quickcliq	<b>FRI 24</b> 56 Swimming 2-3.30pm	<b>SAT/SUN</b>
<b>WEEK 6</b> <b>FEB/MARCH</b>	<b>MON 27</b> Lunch Orders	<b>TUES 28</b>	<b>WED 1</b> Regional Swim Shepparton	<b>THURS 2</b> Lunch Orders due 8.30pm - Quickcliq	<b>FRI 3</b> 56 Swimming 2-3.30pm	<b>SAT/SUN</b>
<b>WEEK 7</b> <b>MARCH</b>	<b>MON 6</b> Lunch Orders	<b>TUES 7</b>	<b>WED 8</b>	<b>THURS 9</b> No Lunch Orders Next Monday.	<b>FRI 10</b> Regional Bowls 56 Swimming 2-3.30pm	<b>SAT/SUN</b>



### PRINCIPALS REPORT

It has been an amazing start to the school year. The students are settled and calm and thoroughly enjoying connecting with their peers and teachers after the Christmas holidays. I hope you all had a wonderful break and were able to reconnect with your families and friends. I know I certainly enjoyed some time off to recharge and set myself up for a wonderful year. I would like to welcome all of the Foundation students and new students and their families to the School. I have had many chats with students over the last week sharing our feelings about what is like to be in a new school environment. All of our classroom teachers have been spending the first week setting up their rooms for success. They are going through the expectations of their classrooms and also the selected instructional model for writing.

### POSITIVE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF STUDENTS

This year we will continue with our CWA awards. The dates and guidelines around attendance will come out in the coming weeks. We will also continue with our postcards "No one is invisible at KVPS" to give immediate recognition of students who are displaying our values or doing the right thing. Students will be bringing these home, please celebrate this acknowledgement with your children.

## **CALL for CLASS VOLUNTEER REPS**

In 2023 we will be trialling a new initiative to encourage more parents and carers to be involved in many of the activities, events and programs at KVPS and support our Community and Promotions Sub-Committee of School Council. The Class Volunteer Rep will communicate and organise parents and carers from their child's class to assist with our events and programs - for example the FETE class roster, Disco, FUN RUN, Mother's and Father's Day Breakfast. The role will also require the Rep to attend one Community and Promotions meeting a term to provide feedback and also be aware of the events that are coming up. These are on Web Ex with the day to be decided. We are hoping that this will help to encourage more parents and carers to be involved in our events with their child/ren. If you would like more information please contact the Office or email me [Kelli.jacobsen@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Kelli.jacobsen@education.vic.gov.au)

We would love to have 8 parents take this role on in 2023, but we also understand that everyone is very busy so if you want to team up with another parent from the class to share the role that would be great too.

## **INDIGO SHIRE LIBRARY**

Every second Thursday (started this week) families may borrow from the Indigo Shire Library. You can collect a registration form for a membership at the Office. The books are collected and dropped off at our Office. This is a great service that is provided to our community and enables students greater access to reading materials that might not be in our Office.

## **CAR PARKING**

Our annual reminder that our speed limit is 10km per hour. Parking is REVERSE parking only in the carpark closet to the oval. Kinder carparking should be left for Kinder families if you can manage it.

**Please indicate LEFT if you are going into the carpark near the oval and right if you are going around to the Kinder. This does help to improve traffic flow.**

## **Second-Hand Uniform**

Before you purchase new uniform items please come to the office and see what we have available for your required sizes in our second-hand uniform. These items are selling for a gold coin donation per piece.

## **Welcome Back Breakfast**

We will be hosting a small breakfast and get together on **Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> Feb from 8am** to bring our old and new parents and carers together. Come and join us for a plain croissant and some fruit and support our local coffee barista Mouse Tails Espresso who will be onsite for tea and coffee purchases. We would like all parents and carers who can make it to please return an attendance slip so we can cater appropriately. It will be a great way to reconnect and make our new parents and families feel welcome.

## **LEARNING UPDATE**

I can confirm that we have been able to gain a Teaching Partner in 2023. Shelley is located at Regional Office and will be working directly with our teachers to support the implementation of our new instructional model in Numeracy. We really are leading the way in our region with changes to how we teach Mathematics and this has been recognised and supported by the Department. Shelley will be working from KVPS on Thursday's. In other great news, Megan Teefey will continue to work in our school as well, further enhancing our teacher practice and reflections.

## **Wellbeing and Student Support Services Update**

I have been in contact with Gateway Health and can confirm that Kim will be again delivering the Child Health Intervention and Parent Support or CHIPS program on-site every second Thursday. This program is for:

- Children 0-12 years requiring support with social, emotional or behavioural challenges.
- Children must have a parent or significant other willing to be involved and provide consent.
- Children or families do not require a diagnosis to be eligible for support.

The support can be:

- Intensive, long term, early intervention support for children and their families.
- Short-term assistance for families which includes assessment of needs, provision of information or referrals.
- Community outreach, mental health education and community development activities.

## **Beyond 4 Walls – Social Work**

I am pleased to announce that Kurt Neville from Beyond 4 Walls will be providing a service to KVPS in 2023. Kurt comes to us with years of experience and will be working with identified students 1 on 1 on school site on Friday mornings. Kurt's therapy is a modern approach, in that he gets young people engaged in activities and individual interests and uses this to launch conversations. Kurt will be able to work with 6 students at a time on a three-week rotation.

I will be in contact with families over the next week of students we have identified that would benefit from individual or small group support so please keep an eye on your inbox.

If you would like to discuss a possible referral for your child please contact me via email at [kelli.jacobsen@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:kelli.jacobsen@education.vic.gov.au) or phone via the Office or email the Classroom Teachers.

## **Anaphylaxis Policy for 2023**

### **PURPOSE**

To explain to Kiewa Valley Primary School parents, carers, staff and students the processes and procedures in place to support students diagnosed as being at risk of suffering from anaphylaxis. This policy also ensures that Kiewa Valley Primary School is compliant with Ministerial Order 706 and the Department's guidelines for anaphylaxis management.

### **SCOPE**

This policy applies to:

all staff, including casual relief staff and volunteers

all students who have been diagnosed with anaphylaxis, or who may require emergency treatment for an anaphylactic reaction, and their parents and carers.

### **POLICY**

#### **School Statement**

Kiewa Valley Primary School will fully comply with Ministerial Order 706 and the associated guidelines published by the Department of Education and Training.

#### **Anaphylaxis**

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction that occurs after exposure to an allergen. The most common allergens for school-aged children are nuts, eggs, cow's milk, fish, shellfish, wheat, soy, sesame, latex, certain insect stings and medication.

#### *Symptoms*

Signs and symptoms of a mild to moderate allergic reaction can include:

swelling of the lips, face and eyes

hives or welts

tingling in the mouth.

Signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis, a severe allergic reaction, can include:

difficult/noisy breathing

swelling of tongue

difficulty talking and/or hoarse voice

wheeze or persistent cough

persistent dizziness or collapse

student appears pale or floppy

abdominal pain and/or vomiting.

Symptoms usually develop within ten minutes and up to two hours after exposure to an allergen, but can appear within a few minutes.

To read the full policy please request a copy from the Office.

#### **Annual privacy reminder for 2023**

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the Schools' Privacy Policy.

Please take time to remind yourself of our school's collection notice. You may request a copy from the Front Office. For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents on the DET website.





### **Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund**

The Camps, Sports and Excursion fund (CSEF) is available to families who hold a eligible concession card (ie Health Care Card). This fund is to assist in paying for students Camps, Sports and Excursions through out the year. The amount is \$125 per Primary aged student. Please complete the attached form and return to the office for processing ASAP.

### **Lunch Orders 2023**

Lunch Orders will again be on Mondays during 2023. Orders will need to be submitted through Quickcliq by no later than 8.30pm the Thursday prior. Instructions on how to setup a Quickcliq account are later in this newsletter.

If orders are submitted and students are absent on the Monday we ask that families call the Kiewa Store on 60273325 and ask them to remove the order for that week. It can be then included in the following weeks orders.

Please contact the school office if you need any further instructions.

**Lunch order list items will be sent out via Compass before Thursday. Please do not place any orders until this list is issued.**



## Foundation Class of 2023



Wow, the first week of school is finished. On Monday last week, 19 Foundations entered their first year of school, excited but also a bit nervous. By the end of the week, we had very tired but still excited Foundations. They had all mastered the morning routine and most were quite happy to wave good-bye to their Mum or Dad to head off to play with their friends.

Our first week was focused on learning the routines of school and what is expected in the classroom. In reading, we read books and sang songs about being Kind to others and finished our week making Kind Mice with Ms Grogan. For writing, we drew pictures of our holidays and began writing our first word 'mat', practising the sounds and writing it on our whiteboards. In Mathematics we have been practicing our counting while also collecting data about our class. We have found out when everyone's birthdays are and that we have 3 months with 3 birthdays in them. We also found out how many boys and girls, the pets everyone has and how many siblings we all have.

All the Foundations have had a great time with their Buddies and have been excited to play with them in the yard and eat lunch with them. The Buddies have been wonderful at helping to keep the Foundations safe, help them settle into school and make it back to line at the end of each play.

This week we will continue to learn more sounds learning the word 'sat' today, continuing to improve our counting and learning about the workshop model in reading, writing and mathematics and of course continuing to be kind.

## CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

### Parent/carer details

Surname \_\_\_\_\_

First name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/suburb \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

-  -  -  **OR**

☐ Foster parent under a temporary care order\* **OR** ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)\*\*

\*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH).

\*\*Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card

Is this an application for special consideration (no CRN needed)? Yes ☐ No ☐

### Student details

Student's surname	Student's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DFFH will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- if I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the DFFH and /or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date    /    /

## CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below are the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

### Criteria 1 – General eligibility

To be eligible for the fund, a parent or carer of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one
  - on the first day of Term two
- a) be a holder of one or more of the eligible financially-means tested cards **OR** be a temporary foster parent, and;
- b) submit an application to the school by the due date.

For the list of eligible financially-means tested cards refer to the CSEF Policy:

<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pai/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/policy>

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with the above.

### Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

### Special Consideration

A special consideration category exists for

- Families on a bridging visa, temporary protection visa, in community detention or are asylum seeker families
- Students in temporary out of home care arrangements, including statutory kinship care

For more information, see <https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pai/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund/guidance/eligibility>

### Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer concession card being validated successfully with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (31 January 2022) or term two (26 April 2022).

## PAYMENT AMOUNTS

### CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see:

[www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx)

**Year 7 government school students** who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents/carers so please register your interest at the school.

## HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

### NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/CARER DETAILS section.

Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.

If you are claiming as a temporary Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.

If you are seeking special consideration, mark this in the form and provide a copy of the relevant documentation.

2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2022 closes on the 24 June 2022.





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  - The surcharge for PayPal is 3.8%
  - When placing an order there is a small booking fee per transaction per student.

Our Call Centre is here to assist your families with ordering online **Call 1300 11 66 37**



## COMMUNITY NEWS



### KIEWA SANDY CREEK FBNBC

Unfortunately we cannot take any more midgets or 13s, due to the high number of current players.

There will be a compulsory training on Thurs 16th Feb at 4.30pm for 13s and 15s.

Parents are invited to attend this training.

NET SET GO

Please NOTE change of day.

Programme will commence on TUESDAY 18TH APRIL 4.15pm at the new courts.

Enrolments are now being taken with Di Kerr 0408 296 578.