Kiewa Valley Primary School

Newsletter





Week 7	Mon 21 STARS Cricket Clinic District Athletics	Tues 22 Somers Camp	Wed 23	Wed 24	Fri 25 Book Week Dress Up	SAT/SUN
Week 8	Mon 28	Tues 29	Wed 30 Somers Camp Return	Thurs 31	Fri 1 Sept Fathers Day Stall & Breakfast	SAT/SUN FATHERS DAY
Week 9	Mon 4	Tues 5	Wed 6	Thurs 7	Fri 8	SAT/SUN

PRINCIPAL UPDATE:

NATIONAL DAY of ACTION AGAINST BULLYING

Last week we ran a range of activities in class and at Lunch Time to build the awareness of the impacts of Bullying. Although Bullying is not something we hear a lot about at this school, as students are really proactive in seeking help in times of stress and openly communicate with us, we want to ensure that everyone is aware and knows what to do if they have concerns of bullying.

Our poster competition was a huge success. We had over 50 entries and in the end, it was too difficult to pick just one entrant so we ended up with a few. The prize winners will sit down to a hot lunch with Ms J and Ms Grogan on Friday.



The thing that pleased me most was around the students who chose the message of belonging and connection. I have been doing a lot of research based reading this year on the importance of belonging and it was great to see students know the benefits of making sure everyone feels like they belong is and importance of it.

WINNERS: Grace J and Holly B, Olivia R, Charlie G, Evelyn L, Syenna L and Pepper H, Val D, Clare T, Raine F and Victoria W.



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.

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PRINCIPAL LEARNING

I know it seems that some weeks I am out at Principal meetings . I just want to shasre with you the VALUE i get from visiting other schools and participating in learning. Last week I visited Eskdale and on our learning walk we got to speak with students who were completing their Information Report. Students were deeply engaged in developing unique reports based on the mentor text of "Fauna" by Tania McCartney. Students were challenged to develop unique sub-headings and present their reports in interesting ways to better engage their audience.



To the left is an example of these texts created by students. They loved sharing with me their facts and also the structures they used to draw in my attention. I also loved this Reading wall, students were encouraged to read each and every night and track their commitment to be recognised byt he whole class. I hope some of our teachers take this on, when I show them a great way to encourage your whole class to read.





I also loved the vegetable garden and the Paddock to Plate program they run at Eskdale Primary where students cook with produce from the garden. They also have their very own bee hive which is nearly ready to honey collecting. Certainly a great way to encourage bees and improve the environment but also enjoy the sweet rewards of toil and soil.

SPECIAL STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT for this week - Joe GOODWIN

Joe and his freinds have been playing this self-created frisbee game similar to quoits. But it gets better, below are the little medals Joe made for the first, second and third place getters. He has made these out of wood on the weekend with his dad. What a great effort Joe. You might have found your calling in terms of an expert wood crafter.





Father's Day Breakfast

On Friday September 1st we will host our annual Father's Day Breakfast, the Office are now taking RSVP's, so if you havent already please let us know if you will be joining us. We will be serving Bacon and Egg Rolls, have a barista onsite and will have tea and juice available. We will also have a lucky door prize we are also still looking for helpers in the morning to help prepare.

FATHER"S DAY STALL

Whether your dad needs some socks (which are available at the Office) or you are waiting for the Father's Day Stall, Marni and the Senior SRC will be hosting the stall on Friday 1st of September from 12pm. Please don't forget to bring your money.

SWPBS Update:

Last week we spoke with all the students about our yard and places they may feel unsafe. The Foundations gave me a giggle last week when they said they only feel unsafe "when there are venomous worms in their classroom". I am glad to report that we dont have any of these. But students identified the toilet area and the gutters are places where they can feel unsafe. This will now allow us to have "guidelines" for play and use of these spaces when forming our school wide behaviour expectations as our non-classroom spaces.

REMINDER OF BOOK WEEK

Friday we will host our Book Week celebration by coming dressed up as our favourite book characters. Parents and carers are more than welcome to attend as we are also hosting our CWA Awards int he morning. We will commence the activities from 9am.



Growing Connections with our Buddies

On Friday the 18th of August we recognised the National Day Against Bullying and Violence with a focus on "Growing Connections". When students have connections at school they feel a sense of belonging, so what a better way to encourage and foster this...spending quality time with our Buddies. The year 5 students came to our classroom and helped their foundation buddy explore a wonderful website called RoomRecess. The foundation students enjoyed many engaging maths activities. We couldn't have done it without the year 5's!!! The feedback from all the students was very positive and there were many requests to do it again.

Parents and carers, RoomRecess is a valuable online (free) website to use at home.









RECYCLING NEWS



With your support, Subpod will donate a complete composting system, raised garden bed, and aerator to Kiewa Valley Primary School, empowering students to learn about sustainable food production and reducing waste.

We need 300 sign ups, so please share this with your family and friends...if you have multiple emails, please consider signing up multiple times to help us reach our target sooner. It's FREE!

All you have to do is sign up to show your support at... https://subpod.com/pages/kiewa-valley-primary-school





Get involved in something GREAT



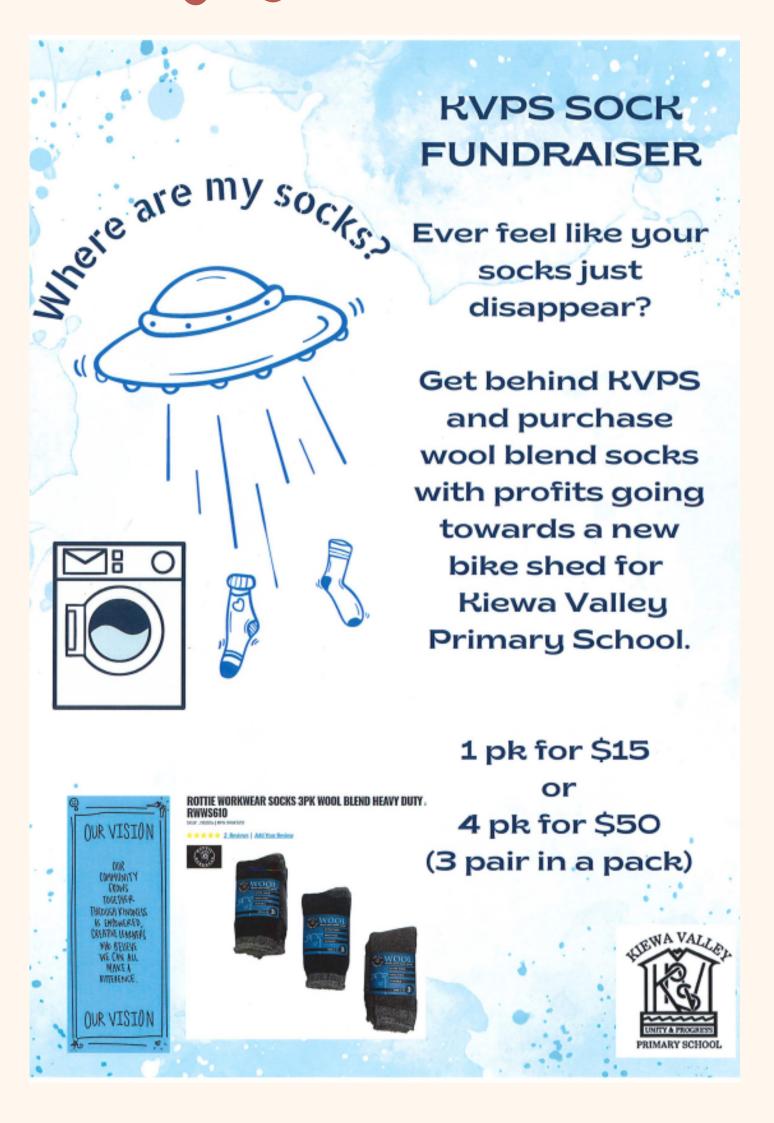
Any students wanting to join the MS ReadATHON please visit the following link.

All funds go to help families living with MS and other Neurological conditions

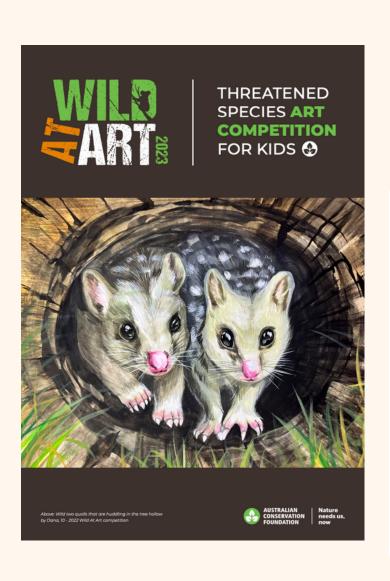


https://www.msreadathon.org.au/join/KiewaValleyPrimarySchool









BUDDING ARTISTS or CREATIVE MINDS

About the competition

Wild At Art: threatened species art competition for kids helps children unleash their artistic creativity while learning about Australia's incredible plants and animals.

Children are invited to submit an artwork of one of Australia's many threatened native animals or plants, along with a short written description of why they chose that species.

The competition is open to all children aged 5-12 who live in Australia. Online submissions will be open from Monday 17 July 2023 to Thursday 7 September 2023, Threatened Species Day.

Finalists and winners will be announced in October.



SPRING MARKET SUNDAY 10TH SEPT



COULSTON PARK RECREATION RESERVE

9AM - 1PM

NEXT TO TANGAMBALANGA BOWLS CLUB ENTRY VIA KIEWA EAST ROAD

MARKET STALLS FOOD
COFFEE GIANT LAWN GAMES



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