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HOUSE POINTS WEEKLY WINNER
None



Stars of the Week Term 4 ~ Week 2

This week's Assembly is being held on Friday as all students and staff are back at school. Therefore, we will have 2 lots of Stars of the Week in next week's newsletter



DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 22nd October
All students return to school full time.



Monday 1st November
Curriculum Day
Students are not required to come to school



Tuesday 2nd November
Melbourne Cup
Public Holiday



Wednesday 3rd November
MACC ~ Art ~ All Grades



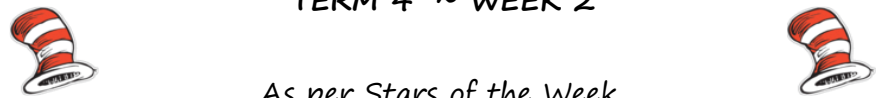
Activities on hold until further notice from the Department of Education and Training include:
- School Photos
- Whole School Excursion
- Camps



Principal's Award

TERM 4 ~ WEEK 2

As per Stars of the Week.



Good Sport Award

TERM 4 ~ WEEK 2

As per Stars of the Week.



Term 4 ~ Calendar of Events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
18th 7.00pm School Council meeting	19th	20th MARC - Library (All Grades at school)	21st	22nd All students return to school fulltime
25th	26th	27th No MACC/MARC	28th	29th 9.30am Playgroup TBC
1st November Curriculum Day No students required at school	2nd Melbourne Cup Public Holiday	3rd MACC - Art (All Grades)	4th F/1/2 Camp Program TBC	5th F/1/2 Camp Program TBC
8th	9th	10th MARC - Library (All Grades)	11th	12th
15th	16th	17th No MACC/MARC	18th	19th

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Earlier this week we received fantastic news that all of our students and staff will be back at school this coming **Friday 22nd October**. We can't wait to return to onsite learning with all of our students here together!

Schools are waiting on the next updated Operational Guide, from the Department of Education and Training, to find out what COVID restrictions will still be in place. Until this information is available, we will continue with our current drop off and pick procedures, including Outside School Hours Care. Only our students and staff are permitted to be on the school grounds, unless there is an emergency.

IMPORTANT VACCINATION INFORMATION

The Victorian Chief Health Officer has issued directions that require COVID-19 vaccinations for people who work and volunteer in schools, to help slow the spread of COVID-19 and prevent future outbreaks in our schools.

Schools will be required to collect, record and hold vaccination information for all other visitors and volunteers working on school sites who will or may be in close proximity to children, students or staff. This includes, but is not limited to:

- casual relief teachers
- providers of incursions
- IT personnel (not engaged by TSSP as they will be managed centrally as per above)
- students on placement
- services or works carried out by contractors not working within a designated construction site secured separately (for example, by fencing or hoarding) from the rest of the school site (for example for maintenance services or works)
- external therapists, National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) providers or other allied health staff
- bus drivers and supervisors (if they enter the school premises)
- auditors
- **volunteers performing volunteer work at**

the school (for example, parent helpers)

- all other persons contracted, engaged or requested to perform work at a school site, regardless of their employer (with the exception of those whose vaccination information will be collected by the department).

It **does not** include:

- delivery personnel
- visiting parents and carers (once visitors are permitted), unless they are visiting a school to perform volunteer work (for example, parent helpers).

All volunteers and visitors working on school sites listed above must provide vaccination information when attending onsite. If they are unable to provide evidence of vaccination, they must be directed to leave the school.

This is only a snapshot of the new vaccinations policy and guidance but most relevant to our families. I have included this information to let our helpers know what the current requirements are and to avoid awkward situations at school.

Please note: all of the staff at Kialla Central PS have satisfied the Department's mandatory vaccine requirements and documentation.



FACE MASKS TO BE WORN AT SCHOOL

As you are aware from the email I sent to families last Friday, as of **Monday 18th October** students from Grade 3 and above are required to wear a face mask indoors, including at **Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)**, unless a lawful exception applies. They are also strongly recommended for Foundation to Year 2 students. **Face masks can be removed while outdoors at school for primary students.**

We are doing our best to keep you updated with any changes to how we are required to operate, as advised from the Department of Education and Training. Please remember that we are not making these rules we are simply implementing what we are told to do in order to keep our school community safe. Thank you for your support and understanding.



Last term we submitted a Minor Capital Works Grant (Round 2) for the development of our off-road car park. I am pleased to inform you that we have moved to the next stage of being shortlisted to be funded. It is going to be costed by Rider Levett Bucknall Surveyors. Then the Victorian School Building Authority will then determine if we are successful with our submission. Fingers crossed we will be!

I also applied for a \$25,000 grant through the Schools Shade Sail Program to have shade sails installed over our playground areas. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful due to the popularity of such a grant. There is an additional shade sails grant for outdoor learning areas that I am currently applying for.

Niamh Lowe who assists Patsi with our Outside School Hours Care Service is on pre-service teacher placement at Tallygaroopna Primary School. She will be back on Tuesday 16th November. We wish Niamh all the best for her placement. In the interim, we will manage her absences internally to support and help Patsi.



A big welcome back to **Mrs Nicole O'Donnell** who enjoyed a very exciting adventure around Australia with her family last term. She returns to continue as the tutor of our Tutor Learning Initiative. It is great to have you back Mrs O'Donnell!

Our favourite bus driver, **Mr Dale McCully**, returned this week after having leave. It is great to see you behind the wheel again Mr Mac! A big thank you to **Pete**



and **Greg** at the Dyson Group who looked after Kialla Central PS during Dale's absences.



I am in the midst of finalising our grade structures and staffing for 2022. If you are intending on leaving at the end of the year could you please let me know asap.

At this stage, we have 82 students to start the new school year which is fantastic and the most students we have had at K.C.P.S. since I started here as Principal 13 year ago. We are starting to benefit from all of our hard work of our students success, the culture of our school, promoting our school and of course residential development.



To **Luke McIntosh, Tim Daws & Brenton (Bluey) Rae** for tidying up and spraying the grounds recently. **Luke** also mowed all of our grounds last weekend. Also thanks to **Peter Blake** for starting our fire break on Dalton's fence line.

As of Monday **Junior School Council** will have **Quelches** available for students to buy at lunch time for **50 cents** each. All money raised from sales goes to J.S.C.

We can't wait to have everyone back at school on Friday.

Debbie Humphries
Proud Principal of K.C.P.S.

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