A very warm welcome back to what generally is a very hectic and busy time for our students and staff as we enter into the fourth and final term for 2016. School camps for Years 3, 4 and 5, excursions, Prep transition, preparation for the Carols Evening and our Year 6 students working on their performances as well as academics in readiness for their transition into the next phase of their education, are just some of the events occurring this term.

As we work together through this term we will be focusing on continuing our review of the PYP Attitudes which we trust you embody with your children both at home and in their journey to school. The PYP Attitudes for this fortnight are:

**Creativity** - We focus on being creative and imaginative in our thinking and in our approach to problems and dilemmas. We focus on being solution minded and open to try new things.

**Open-minded** - We understand and appreciate our own cultures and personal histories, and are open to the perspectives, values and traditions of other individuals and communities. We are accustomed to seeking and evaluating a range of points of view, and are will to grow from the experiences.

**School Hats**
School Hats are compulsory from September to April each year in line with our SunSmart Policy. Hats are available from the office at a cost of $10.00 each. PSW are not supplying school hats but are continuing to supply the rest of our school uniform.

**Whole School Photo**
We will be having a whole school photo taken on Friday 14th October. All students are required to wear their summer uniform.

**Compass**
Please ensure that you continue to log into Compass so that you can access the latest alerts and news from school. If you are having difficulty logging in please contact the office who will support you and ensure that you can access the site.

**Help!**
If you are able to support us in labelling and stamping a range of resources you would be warmly welcomed by Blayne our Leading Teacher. If you have some time to spare, please contact Blayne by calling the school on 8358 0600.
Kororoit Creek Primary School has a zero tolerance for any form of child abuse.

Class Captains

Our Class Captains for Term 4 stood proudly as they were presented with their badges during the end of term assembly. We are looking forward to them representing the school through demonstrating the PYP Attitudes and dispositions including: Appreciation, Commitment, Confidence, Cooperation, Creativity, Curiosity, Empathy, Enthusiasm, Independence, Integrity, Respect and Tolerance.

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Science in Action

Our Year 6 students have just begun their unit with the Central Idea ‘Energy may be converted from one form to another and stored in various ways.’ As a part of this unit, and to connect with the Key Concepts of Form (what is it like?) and Connection (how is it connected to other things?), the students have begun to explore the idea of transformation, as well as conducting experiments that involve exploring the different categories of energy.

Gardening Club

Kororoit Creek Primary School currently holds a Gardening Club each Wednesday at recess. The broad bean seeds planted before the holidays have burst into life – the children have measured the tallest plant to be 97cm tall! We are also nearly ready to harvest our celery stems – the children have requested that we wash them and eat them for morning tea!

Our current crop includes:
- Rosemary
- Celery
- Cauliflower
- Lime
- Broad Beans
- Mint Basil (hybrid)

The students participating in the gardening club are eager to learn more about planting, growing and caring for vegetables, and with our gardening boxes, have the potential to do so. If there are any parents who feel that they can contribute their expertise and knowledge to the club, or would like to help with the club during a Wednesday recess, please contact Andrew via the school email at: kororoit.creek.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au, with Gardening Club in the title of the message.
Fun Science Fact of the Fortnight:
Two fun facts this fortnight –

The numeric date on Thursday 6th October 2016 was a PALINDROMIC Number – 6.10.2016

The official highest recorded temperature ever is 56.7 Celsius which was measured on 10 July 1913 at Greenland Ranch, Death Valley, California, USA.

Andrew Comley
Assistant Principal – Pathfinders
**Dates to Remember**

- **12th October** – Year 6 Electrical Buzz Incursion
- **12th October** – Year 2 Excursion to Melbourne Museum H18, H19 & H20
- **13th October** – Year 2 Excursion to Melbourne Museum H22, H23, H24 & H25
- **14th October** – Whole School Photo – All children must wear full summer uniform
- **31st October** - Curriculum Day (*Students not required at school on this day*)
- **20th December** – Last day of 2016 School Year. Students finish at 1:30 pm

Dates to remember and camp dates are also listed on our website [www.kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au](http://www.kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au) under the **PARENT** menu.

**Community Notices**

Please visit our website [www.kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au](http://www.kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au) to view community notices which include news from YMCA (including, School Holiday Programs), Sporting Clubs, Melton City Council and many worthwhile events.