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RISK-TAKERS
BALANCED
REFLECTIVE

Welcome back to a new school year. It was so lovely to have parents back onsite this week and be able to chat to you all face to face again. The students have had an incredibly settled start to the year, they have already begun establishing their routines and getting into the learning zone with our 2021 Start Program! Thank-you to everyone for adhering to our 'COVID safe' measures, it has meant we have a safe start to the year.

We are welcoming many new preps into the school this year, I encourage you to greet and support our new parents and their children in joining our wonderful school community. Although the reputation of the school tends to focus on the children and staff, it is you, our community members that often make the difference.

I am fortunate to be working alongside my dynamic Leadership team this year. Each area of the school is led by an Assistant Principal, Leading Teacher and Learning Specialist that will work closely with the teachers, students and families in their team to foster a safe, fun and rigorous learning environment for all of our students' whilst ensuring that we all stay connected as one big learning community. Please remember if you need to contact a member of our Leadership team please do so via the school email address kororoit.creek.ps@education.vic.gov.au or alternatively you can contact the Assistant Principals on the area support email addresses below.

Prep	prep@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
Grade 1	grade1support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
Grade 2	grade2support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
Grade 3	grade3support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
Grade 4	grade4support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
Grade 5	grade5support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
Grade 6	grade6support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au

I am looking forward to an exciting year, I hope 2021 brings great things for you and your family.

HATS HATS HATS!

All students MUST wear a hat when playing outside or participating in PE outside.

Please make sure your child has a labelled hat. These can be purchased at the office for \$10.00

School Access via the YMCA

As we start the school year please remember that you cannot enter the school grounds via the YMCA and Kingswim entrance. This creates congestion and safety issues for families with small children going into the YMCA, ELC and Kingswim at both drop off and pick up times.

It is also important that parents **do not park** in the designated staff parking spots in the Kingswim carpark- these parking spots are reserved for Kingswim and YMCA staff only. Thank-you for your understanding.

School Uniform

Your support and cooperation is critical in ensuring that our children represent the school in a positive way by wearing the full and correct school uniform.

Please note that all school uniform should have the school logo and shoes MUST be black.

We are asking for your support in ensuring that children are wearing the correct uniform including black shoes- if black runners are worn they must be all black (no stripes or colour).

For further information about our school uniform, please view the following link on our website:

<https://kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au/parents/#uniform>

Meet the team!

Leadership Team



Principal
Bethany Riseley



Assistant Principal Prep-1
Allira Wallis



Assistant Principal Year 2-3
Habiba Duroni



Assistant Principal Year 4-5
Drita Demiri



Assistant Principal Year 6
Alan Noye

Leading Teachers



Sarah Weeks



Emma Holmes



Leesa Cilia



Aaron Wood



Stephanie Leonard

Learning Specialists



Andrew Comley



Hannah Simmons



Megan Turner

Team Leaders



Prep
Norel Sawan



Year 1
Jordyn Sacco



Year 2
Melissa Nelson



Year 3
*Bridgette
Fraser-O'Donnell*



Year 4
Bryoni Ramsey



Year 5
Cassie Chappell



Year 6
Beth Warne



Specialist
Curtis Goodfellow

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2021 Student Leaders



Lenix - H48



School Captains



Mikayla - H48



Filip - H47



Sport Captains



Abby - H58



Cruz - H48



Aaisha - H63



Angelo - H52



Inci - H58



Lucinda - H51



Cooper - H47



Krishay - H47



Ella - H48



Amelie - H53



SRC Captains



Santosh - H49



Mia - H53



Environment Captains



Nihal - H49



Trusha - H53



French Captains



Jordan - H58



Zoe - H49



Art Captains



Olivia - H48



Abe - H51



Music Captains



Joshua - H60



Introducing our new Assistant Principal...

My name is Drita Demiri and I am very excited about my new role as Assistant Principal within the KCPS community. I have worked in Education for 14 years and I come to KCPS from Creekside K-9 College in Caroline Springs where I worked in various roles across the areas of Teaching and Learning as well as Engagement and Wellbeing.

I am passionate about preparing children to be successful, productive, resilient and fulfilled citizens and aim to contribute to the continued success of KCPS.

I look forward to getting to know students and families and creating partnerships with them in their child's education.

Drita will be leading our Grade 4 and 5 areas.

Classroom Routines

A reminder that the 8.50am music is the time when children come into our classrooms so they can organise the things we need for the day. To promote independence and resilience please encourage your child to carry their own bag in to the classroom and unpack it by themselves. Our learning time begins at 9.00am every day, please ensure that you have said goodbye to your child and they are in their classroom by 9.00am. Classroom teachers are available to discuss any concerns you may have before and after school by making a time with them directly.

Attendance

Children arriving late to school, after the official start of the day (9.00am) must enter the school via the front office where they will be marked on Compass as a late arrival. If they are unaccompanied, parents will receive a follow up phone call or SMS. Unexplained absences will be followed up with a phone call after 10.00am. Remember, you can enter absence details on Compass yourself, this will help keep your child's teacher informed. Please enter absences by 10.00am to avoid follow up calls. If you know your child will be absent in advance (holidays or medical appointments) please enter dates into Compass prior to the date of absence. Thank-you for your ongoing support.

Collection of Children during the School Day

We understand that children may have to be collected from school to attend medical or dental appointment etc. To ensure the least disruption to classes and to enable the smoothest transition of the child to the parent, ALL children who are leaving prior to the official end of the school day (3:15pm) must be collected from the office and will not be released from the classroom. If the person picking up the child is not known to office staff they will be required to provide photo identification and, if prior arrangements have not been made, office staff will contact the parents to ensure they have permission to remove the child from school.

When collecting children during the school day please ensure they are not collected during recess or lunch times. As you can imagine, the children become so engrossed in their play that they are not focused on listening for their name to be called which often results in lengthy delays. Recess and lunch time occurs across the school from: 11.00 – 11.30am (Recess) 1.45 – 2.15pm (Lunchtime)

Mobile Phone Policy

As you may be aware, the Victorian government has introduced a mobile phone policy that took effect in Term 1 2020. Students who choose to bring mobile phones to school must have them switched off and securely stored during school hours, including recess and lunchtime. The policy is designed to support teaching and learning in an environment that is free from distractions, disruptions and student inattention caused by the urge to check their phones. Please know this also includes 'smartwatches'. At recess and lunch times, students are encouraged to communicate with each other face to face and/or be involved in activities rather than being focused on a device or on social media.

Assembly

This term we will continue with our online assembly each fortnight. These will be recorded for parents, for those of you that would like to view at a later date. Further information will be provided shortly.

Swimming

We are excited that our 2021 swimming program will recommence this year. Year 3-6 students will have swimming in Term 1 and Term 3 and Grade P-2 students will have swimming in Term 2 and Term 4. All Grade 3-6 will have a weekly swimming lesson commencing in Week 3 on Monday February 8th. Your child's teacher will provide further information regarding specific days and times. Please ensure your child comes to school with their swimming bag packed on their swimming day.

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