



Kororoit Creek

20 November 2023

IB LEARNER PROFILE ATTRIBUTES

INQUIRERS KNOWLEDGEABLE THINKERS COMMUNICATORS PRINCIPLED OPEN-MINDED CARING RISK-TAKERS BALANCED REFLECTIVE Kororoit Creek Primary School respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Victoria and pays respect to the ongoing living cultures of First Peoples.

School Magazine Front and Back Cover- Winners Announced!

Firstly, I would like to say a big thank-you to all of our students who entered their school magazine front and back cover designs. We were amazed at the incredible talent and creativity of our students, and it was VERY difficult to pick just two winners. Our School Improvement team spent a long time deliberating and choosing the final two designs.

The winners were announced today during lunch eating time. Congratulations to **Chloe from H19**, Chloe's design will be the front cover of our magazine, and congratulations to **Yara from H58**, Yara's design will be the back cover of our magazine. We are so excited to see your designs on our school magazine this year! A big congratulations also to our shortlisted designs, we have displayed these at the front of the school opposite the admin office area. If you are in the office area please take a look, they are all incredible!



Kindergarten Assessment and Rating Visit

As some of you would have seen via Instagram, our kindergarten recently received the results from our recent Assessment and Rating visit. We are very proud to have achieved 'Exceeding' in all areas, resulting in an overall rating of **EXCEEDING**, this is an amazing achievement and one that we are incredibly proud of. This is a reflection of all the hard work of our entire Kindergarten team!

Book Fair

Thank-you to our wonderful volunteers that supported with the Book Fair this year. Thanks to all of the purchases made, we will receive some funds to purchase new books for our school and classroom libraries.

French Week

Thank-you to our amazing French team for putting together such a wonderful celebration for us recently, and a big thank-you to our wonderful students and families for getting involved. From completing the French homework, to building Eiffel towers, to creating amazing French costumes, it really was a wonderful week.

Kororoit Creek Primary School has a zero tolerance for any form of child abuse

Stop and Drop

The traffic during peak times continues to be a challenge for our community. As always, I encourage you and your family to walk to school wherever possible, and with the warmer months ahead please consider parking several streets away and walking to school from alternative points to try and reduce the traffic congestion in the surrounding streets.

Our 'Stop and Drop' zone continues to help us support the flow of traffic, however, please remember that you **cannot** stop and wait for your child/ren in the 'Stop and Drop' zone for longer than 2 minutes. If your child is not there when you arrive you should continue driving and circle between the roundabouts to keep traffic moving. *Everyone* needs to do the right thing to support the flow of traffic for *everyone*. If you are asked to move along by a member of staff, please do so- thank-you!

A reminder on how to use the 'Stop and Drop' zone

The 'Stop and Drop' zone is clearly marked, and large bright yellow signs are displayed along the length of the zone. It is monitored by a member of staff between 8:45-9:00am and 3:15-3:30pm.

To ensure the flow of traffic and ease of drop-offs and pick-ups, please:

- Do not park in the 'Stop and Drop' zone for any longer than two minutes.
- Do not leave your car whilst you are in the 'Stop and Drop' zone.

• Ensure that your child is ready to leave or enter the car when the car has COMPLETELY STOPPED. Before School:

• Make sure you have given your child any instructions, messages or notes at the start of your journey to school, not when they are exiting the car.

After School:

• The 'Stop and Drop' zone will be monitored by two staff members after school. One staff member will ask the name of your child so that it can be relayed to a second staff member who will be monitoring the children waiting to be collected from the 'Stop and Drop' zone. If your child cannot be located, you will be asked to leave the 'Stop and Drop' zone and return by circling the two roundabouts on Tenterfield Drive. This will allow a smooth flow of traffic and minimum wait time for all parents.

Please be understanding if you are asked to move – the zone is just that – a 'Stop and Drop' zone. If you wish to park and walk your child to or from school, please use one of the alternative spaces. There are clear parking restrictions in place which are being monitored by our local Council. Please ensure you adhere to the parking restrictions and DO NOT park in the 'Stop and Drop' zone which has 'No Parking' signs very clearly displayed.

A reminder to cross at the designated School Crossings

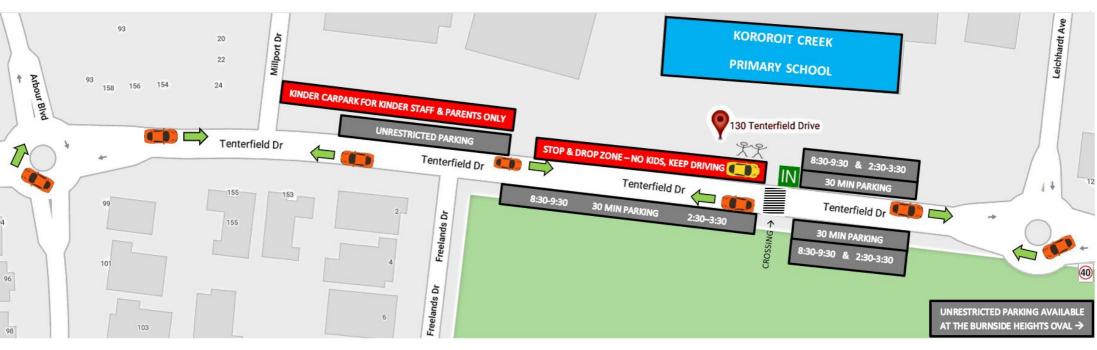
In the past we have had some concerns from parents as well as local residents regarding students crossing the road unsafely, particularly on the bend on Leichhardt Ave (refer to image on the next page). There was an incident earlier in the year where a child had run out across the road and was almost hit by a car, fortunately this was a near miss.

It is very important for students use the designated school crossings at all times. I am asking for your support with this by reminding your child/ren about the importance of using the school crossings and making sure you are modelling the correct behaviour and using the school crossings yourselves.

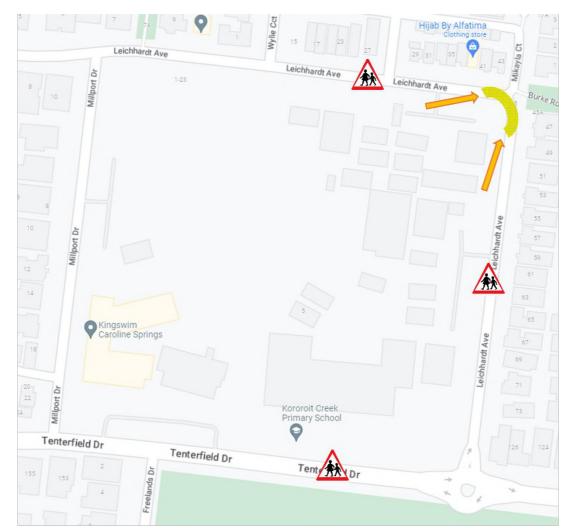
The safety of our students is paramount, and saving a few steps is not worth the risk involved. We all need to work together to ensure children are safe when travelling to and from school.

I thank-you for your cooperation with this.

STOP AND DROP ZONE



SCHOOL CROSSING LOCATIONS



Grade 2 Day Camp

It is safe to say that our Grade 2s had a wonderful day on their day camp last Monday at Lady Northcote Discovery Camp. Students were able to participate in a variety of outdoor activities and games and were able to experience 'a day in the life' at school camp. A huge thank-you to our Grade 2 team for all their planning and organisation and ensuring that our students had a wonderful day.



End of Year Reminders

We only have 4 ½ weeks of Term 4 left to go, however, there are still lots of exciting events coming up! Please remember to pop the following important dates into your calendar. ③

Friday 8th December- Celebration of Learning:

Our final Celebration of Learning for 2023 will take place on Friday 8th December.

Students and teachers have been working hard on their PYP Units of Inquiry and they are thrilled to invite you into their classrooms to see the incredible work that has been happening around 'Student Agency and Action'.

- Prep, and Grades 2-6 will conduct their celebrations in Session 1 from 9:00 9:45am.
- Grade 1 will conduct theirs in Session 5 from 2:30 3:15pm.

Friday 15th December- Step Up Day

Students will meet their 2024 homeroom teachers and classmates.

Monday 18th December- Christmas Concert:

Our Christmas Concert will take place on Monday afternoon from 4.30pm-6.45pm The concert will be split into two concerts, a junior and a senior concert.

- Junior concert (Prep Grade 3) will be from 4.30pm- 5.40pm
- Senior concert (Grade 4 Grade 6) will be 6.00pm-6.45pm

All families are welcome to attend both concerts, however, there will be a small break between the concerts for families with younger children that may want to leave after the junior concert.

Tuesday 19th December- Last day of school for students

On this day students will have their class parties and will spend their last day together with their class and teacher. **Students finish at 1.30pm**

Wednesday 20th December- Teacher Professional Practice Day:

Students are not required at school on this day.

Have a wonderful fortnight everyone, Bethany



PE Recently, students in Grade Five and Six have been practising and using their fundamental motor skills within different sports. They have had a focus on using different skills such as passing, catching and striking to help them achieve success within a team and as an individual. The students have been rotating through various sports such as Volleystars, Tennis and Badminton. Net sports hold significant value, fostering teamwork, coordination, and sportsmanship. Engaging in activities like Volleyball, Badminton, and Tennis not only hones skills but also instills the importance of collaboration and fair play among students at this crucial stage of development. They have had a great focus on applying tactics and strategies within their gameplay to achieve success.



ART This term, students in Prep have been inquiring into how to create a pinch pot out of clay. They started off by practicing the different techniques with plasticine, such as rolling, flattening and pinching, in order to get used to the feeling of manipulating clay. They then followed the process of making their pinch pot, carving patterns onto it, and



painting it with glazed paint. While their pinch pots were off to dry and get kilned, students created little objects to place in their pot, such as little bugs. They chose which

materials and colours to use for their bugs and had to reflect on how to use sustainable materials to create them, such as bottle tops and scrap paper.

MUSIC

The grade one students have been linking with their homeroom central idea of, 'People Express Their Culture in a Variety of Ways'. As a provocation, students were invited to share their cultural origins and talk about what their culture does that is special to them. So far, the students have practised and performed two cultural songs from the Torres Strait Islands, 'Sesere Eeye' and 'Taba Naba', learning to sing the lyrics in the Torres Strait Island language and perform the actions when singing the songs. The students have also learnt why these two songs are performed within this culture. Moving forward, the students will learn and perform a final song, 'Pinxo Pinxo' from the Basque region and will learn how to perform the song in the Basque language.



FRENCH WEEK

During Week 5, KCPS students and staff cheerily embraced French Week. They explored learning about Bastille Day, a significant event in France. Enthusiastic



students eagerly shared their French homework, engaging in

various enjoyable learning activities. An after school activity was provided for students and parents to play French games together. Face painting took place on Thursday lunch where students got different designs painted on their cheeks! The peak of French Week was reached on Friday, the 10th of November, with a dress-up day and a French disco during lunch. The French team was delighted by the creativity displayed in the beautiful costumes crafted by students and staff. Bravo to all! A heartfelt thank you goes to Principal Beth, Assistant Principal Alan, and the supportive KCPS community for making French Week a success. Merci beaucoup! C'est super! Anticipation is already building for next year's French Week!









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DATES TO REMEMBER

21 November – H02, H04 & half H09 Transportation Excursion

27 November - Assembly at 9.10am. Prep-3 in the Gym

27 November - Year 3 STEM iFly Excursion (selected students)

27-30 November – Year 6 Camp at Lord Somers

30 November - H05, H06 & half H09 Transportation Excursion (new date)

30 November – Year 4 STEM iFly Excursion (selected students)

1 December – H01 & H03 Transportation Excursion (new date)

6 December – Victorian High-Ability Program (VHAP) Masterclass

8 December - Celebration of Learning

Prep and Years 2-6 at 9.00am-9.45am

Year 1 at 2.30pm-3.15pm

- 12 December Year 6 Graduation
- 15 December Step Up Day
- 18 December KCPS Christmas Concert

Junior concert (Prep – Year 3) will be from 4.30pm- 5.40pm

Senior concert (Year 4 – Year 6) will be from 6.00pm-6.45pm

- 19 December End of Term Assembly
- 19 December Last day of Term 4 for students. 1.30pm dismissal
- 20 December Staff Professional Practice Day. Students are not required at school on this day

For more dates, please view our School Calendar via Compass or the homepage of our website <u>https://kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au/</u>

Please check our Parents Page for our weekly year level updates, swimming timetables, camp dates, Curriculum Days, and more! <u>https://kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au/parents/</u>

Visit our Community Page for local community events and business flyers https://kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au/community/



Support Services

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander specific support services can be found at the following link: <u>https://www.vacca.org/page/contact/needing-help-now</u>



Lifeline

13 11 14 (24 hours, seven days a week)

Online Chat: www.lifeline.org.au

Lifeline is a national charity providing all Australians experiencing a personal crisis with access to 24 hour crisis support and suicide prevention services.

Region: National



Kids Helpline

1800 551 800 (24 hours, seven days a week)

Online Chat: kidshelpline.com.au

Kids Helpline is Australia's only free, 24/7 phone and online counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25 Region: National



1800RESPECT

1800 737 732 (24 hours a day, seven days a week)

Online Chat: www.1800respect.org.au

A confidential information, counselling and support service for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic or family violence and abuse.

Region: National



Beyond Blue

1300 224 636 (24 hours, seven days)

Online Chat: www.beyondblue.org.au

Beyond Blue provides information and support to help everyone in Australia achieve their best possible mental health.

Region: National



ParentLine Victoria

13 22 89 (8am - midnight, seven days)

Parentline is a phone service for parents and carers of children from birth to 18 years old. They offer confidential and anonymous counselling and support on parenting issues.

Region: Victoria



Intensive Holiday Swim Program 8 - 11 Jan & 15 - 18 Jan 2024

Our 4-day intensive program gives children the perfect opportunity to accelerate their swimming skills in a supportive environment.

To enrol please call 1300 054 647



4 days only

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New families welcome!