19 October 2026

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.

Grade 4 camp
Our Grade 4 students are attending camp this week! The first group of campers arrived safely at Camp Wyuna late this morning and have had a wonderful day settling in and beginning their camp activities. I hope all of our campers have the best time away. Please keep your eye on our Instagram account to see all the wonderful things they get up to while at Camp Wyuna. https://instagram.com/kororoitcreek.primary.kinder

2027 grade placement
As we are heading into the end of the year and we are starting to plan for 2027, I would like to take this opportunity to address an important aspect of our school's philosophy. One of the fundamental principles that guides our approach at KCPS is our commitment to providing a well-rounded and inclusive experience for every student and we firmly believe that each child's academic growth and wellbeing is nurtured best when we make thoughtful and considered decisions regarding their grade placement.

I understand that as parents you may have specific requests and preferences regarding your child's future classes and friends, however, while we value your involvement, I want to emphasise the importance of trusting our dedicated teachers to make the right decisions about what's best for their students and their learning. With this in mind, I would like to inform you that **we will not be accepting any parent requests** for grade placements including friends you would like them to be paired with or alternatively, separated from. There are many factors that are considered when building grades from gender, academic achievements, friendships, behaviour considerations- it is a very thorough and complex process. I firmly believe that our teachers are best equipped to make these decisions, knowing their students, how they learn and their social interactions.

Our Assistant Principals will also be supporting with the process and will be able to provide an extra level of detail and consideration of historical requests and events. Please remember, teachers always want what is best for their students so will be making these decisions with a great deal of thought and consideration. We still encourage you to maintain an open line of communication with your child's teacher and with our Assistant Principals.

Later in the term, as always, students will have an opportunity to nominate five friends that they would like to be placed with and will be guaranteed to be placed with at least one of those friends in their 2027 class. We will also be having our Step Up Day at the end of the year where students have an opportunity to meet their new teacher and their new class.

If you have any concerns, please reach out to either me or one of the Assistant Principals. I thank-you again for trusting us with this process.

Prep Transition
We are excited to welcome our 2027 prep students for their first transition session next week!
New preps will be visiting us to get used to their new school environment and to meet some new friends.

Curriculum Day and Melbourne Cup Day
A reminder that Monday 2nd November is a Curriculum Day, and Tuesday 3rd November is the Melbourne Cup public holiday. **The office will be closed both days, and students are not to attend school.**

World Teachers' Day
Next Friday, 30 October is World Teachers' Day, a day to recognise and thank our fabulous teachers for all the incredible work that they do. We look forward to celebrating with a morning tea on the Wednesday beforehand.

Please avoid picking up students early
I kindly request that parents and carers please try to avoid collecting students early where possible. Recently, we have had lots of students being picked up from school early which is not only disruptive for learning but also for our administration team.

Nut allergies and anaphylaxis
We have quite a few students across the school who have very serious reactions to nuts and nut products. Please avoid sending nuts or nut products in your child's lunch box where you can, and please remind your child to not share food with other students.

School hats
Thank-you for your support with ensuring your child has their hat at school each day. Please remember that if your child does not have their hat, they will be directed to play in a supervised shaded area at break times.

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, we have introduced some new and improved hats which are available to purchase from PSW for $22.50. We still have very limited stock of our current hats available for purchase from the school office for $12.00.

Don't forget to clearly label your child's hat with their full name!

Wishing you a lovely fortnight,
Bethany

Mental Health in Primary Schools Program

Confidence and self-worth

A child's confidence and self-worth grow through everyday experiences, encouragement and positive relationships. Families have a powerful influence on how children see themselves. Last term we started the conversation around how to best support children in developing these areas. Most recently, we highlighted celebrating who you are. Read on to see what we are focusing on this fortnight.

Confidence and self-worth building suggestion #4: Celebrate progress
Take time to recognise the small wins — learning a new skill, showing kindness to a friend, being brave enough to ask a question or persevering through a challenge. Progress deserves celebrating just as much as big achievements.

Further reading is also available online from Raising Children Network:
Self-esteem in children: 1-8 years old
Confidence in pre-teens and teens: 9-18 years old

If you have any queries, please reach out to Sarah Garcia. If you have ongoing worries about your child, please see your GP.

Colour Run

Congratulations to our spot prize winner Jasmine, for starting to raise money for our school goal! Remember to register for the Colour Run AND also begin fundraising to go into the running for our next spot prize, which will be drawn on Tuesday the 27th of October.

As a reminder, the Colour Run will take place on the 13th of November.

House Pride at KCPS

Meet some of our housemates earning points for your house!

Banksia House

Name: Hashim
What you got a house point for:
Doing my homework.
What you love about being in Banksia house: You love the house pride and how you can win points for your team. The team collaboration.

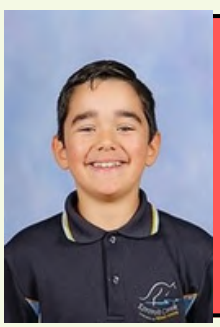
Buxton House

Name: Hadi
What you recieved a house point for:
Staying focused in class.

What you love about being in Buxton house: That we have good house spirit and are the undisputed best house.

Jarrah House

Name: Grace
What you recieved a house point for: Donating stickers.
What you love about being in Jarrah house: The energy and the team spirit. The way the captains create the atmosphere for our team.



Waratah House

Name: Cooper
What you recieved a house point for: Getting lots of AIA points for being kind to my classmates.
What you love about being in Waratah house: The captains that lead our house.

Dates to Remember

19-21 October 2026 – Year 4 Camp Wyuna – H34, H35 & H39

21 October 2026 – Dog Therapy

21-23 October 2026 – Year 4 Camp Wyuna – H36, H37, H38 & H40

22 October 2026 – Year 1 Disco

27 October 2026 – Assembly at 2.30pm, Years 4-6 in the Gym

28 October 2026 – Dog Therapy

29 October 2026 – Year 1 Reptile Encounters Incursion

29 October 2026 – Year 5 & 6 Melton Secondary Maths Games

30 October 2026 – Year 2 Day Camp

30 October 2026 – World Teachers' Day

2 November 2026 – Curriculum Day. Students do not attend school

3 November 2026 – Melbourne Cup Public Holiday. No school

4 November 2026 – Dog Therapy

5 November 2026 – P-2 Athletics Day

5 November 2026 – Year 3 Sea Life Aquarium Excursion

6 November 2026 – Prep Breakfast

For more dates, please view our School Calendar on Compass and our website
https://kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au/parents/#calendar

Please view our Parents Page for weekly year level updates, swimming timetables, camp dates, curriculum days, canteen information, information on available support services and more!
https://kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au/parents/

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

Follow us on Instagram! https://www.instagram.com/kororoitcreek.primary.kinder/

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Grade 3 email	Grade3support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
Grade 4 email	Grade4support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
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Grade 6 email	Grade6support@kororoitcreekps.vic.edu.au
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Kororoit Creek Primary YMCA OSHC

Date: 19/10/26

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO

Over the past two weeks, children celebrated World Habitat Day by learning how to care for the environment and protect natural habitats.

They also explored space through creative art experiences, making rockets, planets and aliens. Children took part in activities that supported physical wellbeing, healthy habits, and positive mental health.

WHAT'S COMING UP

Our Weekly STEM program has started and will run every Monday until the end of term, giving children hands-on opportunities to explore, create, and build problem-solving skills.

Try Y OSHC for Free! YMCA is offering a free trial session, giving families the chance to experience our OSHC program, meet the team, and discover the fun, learning, and care we provide.

REMINDERS

Please sign your child in and out each day.
Notify the service of any absences as early as possible.
As part of our Sun Smart practices, children are encouraged to wear hats during outdoor play.

WWW.OSHC.YMCA.ORG.AU

the Y

Curriculum Day

Brain Builders Day

Put your thinking caps on and join us for Brain Builders Day, packed with fun problem-solving activities and brain-teasing challenges!

Date: 02/11/2026
Time: 6:30am-6:30pm
Location: YMCA Kororoit Creek
Session fee: $99.00

W: oshc.ymca.org.au

the Y

FREE OSHC TRIAL

We know the juggle is real. That's why the Y offers flexible, safe and engaging Outside School Hours Care that helps make busy family before and after school routines easier.

Enrol now and enjoy a free trial session so your child can experience the Y for themselves*.

Why families choose the Y

- Welcoming, experienced educators
- Programs designed around what the children are passionate about
- Opportunities to build confidence, friendships and new skills
- Flexible booking options for busy families
- Safety and wellbeing of every child is our highest priority

Book your free trial

Scan the QR code to register

Simply complete a few details and our team will help you get started.

the Y | OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

*Available for new families only. Subject to availability.

INVENTORS PROGRAM

STEAM Education

Invent. Create. Make it Move!

About the Program:

Step into the workshop for seven weeks of designing, building and testing! Children will explore flight, gravity, gears, movement and structures as they create working inventions. Each challenge encourages them to try an idea, make improvements and celebrate creative problem-solving together.

- ✓ Hands-on learning
- ✓ Builds problem-solving skills
- ✓ Encourages creativity
- ✓ Explore real-world engineering concepts

What's Inside?

1. Marble Run
2. Robotic Hand
3. Cardboard Elevator
4. Moving Gear Art
5. Spool Racers
6. DIY Plane
7. LEGO Construction Challenges

When:

Where:

Support Services

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

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