TKIS Hosts Mother’s Day Morning Tea

TKIS hosted a Mother’s Day Morning Tea on Friday 9th May to Mums, Grandmas and Mother Figures of students in TKIS. We’d like to thank everyone for their overwhelming support - over 40 Mums and Grandmas attended the event.

Guests were treated to a delectable spread of cakes and cookies and allowed the luxury of a peaceful chat before their children made a guest appearance to present them with the cards and gifts they had made in class.

“We wanted to thank you for the support that you give the school ... 30% of a student’s academic learning happens outside of school hours ... Mums are the unsung heroes behind successful students, and we wanted to give you an opportunity to find support amongst, and trade stories with, other Mums.” Mr Mills told the guests at the Morning Tea.

Mums, Grandmas and Mother Figures of Kooralbyn, we hope you had a very happy Mother’s Day.

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TKIS Marches on ANZAC Day

Local veterans leading the Kooralbyn ANZAC Day March.

Easter Fest at TKIS

Alex (Year 2) wins 1st prize in the Easter Raffle.

See page 5 for more Easter pictures and page 6 for more ANZAC Day pictures
**Prep - 1 with Ms Jefferson**

Welcome back to Term 2.

I hope you all had a relaxing and safe Easter break. Students in Prep and Year 1 have started straight back into their work for this term. Prep students have been continuing to focus on learning their letters and are working extremely hard to begin learning sight words. They are also enjoying using their sight words to construct sentences. Students in Year 1 have begun writing information reports based on the insects we are studying during Science each week. They are also working hard to improve their reading and are learning the comprehension skill of retelling.

Last week students in Prep and Year 1 were surprised by a visit from the local Fire Brigade. The fire fighters taught our class about fire safety, the four important fire safety rules, and some students were lucky enough to try on a fire fighter’s uniform. This week our class has completed follow up activities after our fire safety lesson, creating posters to help us remember the four rules and also creating fire evacuation plans for our homes. Students were asked to draw their house, identify the exit points including doors and windows, draw two escape paths and locate a safe meeting place in the case of a fire. Prep and Year 1 are now eagerly awaiting the return of the firemen to show them our evacuation plans and have a look inside the fire truck.

Your child’s fire evacuation plans will be sent home in the coming weeks, which will be a great opportunity for you to discuss your families’ evacuation plan and a meeting point.

Congratulations to Zaliah, our Student of the Week for Week 2. Zaliah is new to Kooralbyn and has settled into our class extremely well. She is to be commended on her positive attitude and the fantastic effort she puts into her work.

A reminder to all parents that homework is due back to school on Mondays and students have Show-and-Tell on Tuesdays.

Ms Jefferson Prep - 1 Teacher

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**Year 1 - 2 with Ms Cahill**

Hello everybody, my name is Miss Cahill and by now I am sure I have either met with you, or your child has told you all about me. I have been working in the Year 1-2 classroom while Mrs Baldwin has been away.

Over the past fortnight Year 1-2 have been working hard learning all about Poetry. We even wrote our own class poem!

**Year 1-2 Class Poem**

Ruby-Jayne likes to skip and Lily-Rose can do a flip. Stella likes the monkey game and Kobi likes to do the same.

Our class can give you a tip.

Summer can do a handstand and Matthew likes to play with sand.

Daniel likes spider-man and Ethan can do the can can.

Our class can give you a hand.

Alex’s favourite animal is a horse and Anastasia can do a gymnastics course.

Isabella likes to laugh and Annika likes to take a bubble bath.

Our class likes tomato sauce.

Philip likes to run and Charlie always has fun.

Oopsies we have to go, the bell has just rung!

We have also been looking at water in our Science lessons.

With the large down pour of rain last Friday, it surely made for an exciting lesson.

Last Thursday, we were lucky enough to have the Kooralbyn fire fighters come out and talk to us. We learnt all about what to do in a fire, how to stop, drop and roll and Stella even got to try a fire fighters suit on!

Congratulations to Lily-Rose for receiving our Week 2 Student of the Week award. Lily-Rose has started the term enthusiastically and ready to learn. Well done Lily-Rose!

Miss Cahill Year 1-2 Relief Teacher

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**Year 3 with Mrs Johns**

This term in Year 3 we are talking about Costa’s ‘Habits of Mind’ to become successful and effective learners. Each week we are introduced to a new ‘Habit of Mind’ and discuss how we can develop this habit in each of the key learning areas. We then have 30 minutes over the week to make a poster using Microsoft Word about that ‘Habit’ to take home and share with our families.

So far this term, we have met the ‘Habits’ of “managing impulsivity” and “applying existing knowledge to new situations”.

In Maths, we are focusing on learning a range of strategies that will help us with our problem solving. With expert advice from Ms Bradley, we have learned the strategies of “part, part, whole” and “drawing a diagram or a picture”. Both of these have been really helpful in solving a range of problems that we have met in Maths.

Our focus in Geography is taking us across the Pacific to visit Australia’s neighbours. We are looking closely at similarities and differences over a range of aspects for Australia and its neighbours. We will make a poster on our chosen country to share with the class as part of our English tasks. So if you are planning a holiday to one of Australia’s neighbours, come visit Year 3 to find out the ‘ins’ and ‘outs’ of the various destinations.

There are many other exciting adventures planned for Year 3 this term, but you will have to wait until the next newsletter to learn more.

Eva, Agiba, Annabelle and Brady learning fractions with Mrs Johns

Mrs Johns Year 3 Teacher
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CLASSROOM ROUNDUP

Year 4 - 5 with Ms Close

The start of Term 2 has seen Year 4-5 starting on some new projects to carry out throughout the term. Our first project is a journal which will have students practising various writing techniques each week. This week the class is trying to persuade Ms Close to change school subjects like Maths for a cooking class; we’ll see how persuasive the students can be.

We have set up a biodegradability experiment and our class eagerly awaits Weeks 8 & 9, when we get to take our first look at the items we have buried to check their rate of decomposition and decay. Our photo is from a Science class where we investigated the properties of the materials before burying them for our biodegradability experiment. We looked at properties like density: did it sink (high density) or did it float (low density)? We have been lucky to have Ms Bradley coming into our class from the Senior School. Her knowledge and assistance in all our learning areas including our Science investigations have been greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Our class is about to introduce diaries into our week to help with organisation and planning, and in preparation for moving up Middle School into Secondary School. This term is shaping up to be a very busy one; we’ve got some really exciting projects coming up in English and Geography. I’m looking forward to filling you in on more Year 4-5 happenings next time.

Ms Close
Year 4 - 5 Teacher

Year 5 - 6 with Mrs Fanning

Welcome back! Term 2 has begun and we are back working hard. This term we are looking at a novel called Surviving Sydney Cove. It is a diary of a convict in an early colony in Australia, just after the arrival of the First Fleet. We will be using this as a basis to write our own convict diaries later in the term.

In the area of Sport and Physical Education, we will be practising track and field events in preparation for our school carnival and beyond. We have many athletes amongst our group who will begin their preparation for these events.

We are looking forward to a new term of hard work and fun.

Mrs Fanning
Year 5 - 6 Teacher

Year 7 with Mr Herbert

A report from Brendan Ward & Sean Collins, Year 7 students.

This term, Year 7 practised the area of a square, the area of a triangle and we also did cross country. Daniel came first, PJ came second and Dylan from Year 6 came third. We are currently doing an assessment where we have to study the moon and its phases as well as doing lots of NAPLAN testing. We have finished a Maths and an English test. They were both very hard. We have also done trivia questions every Friday. So far it has been about history, general knowledge and nature. We have also been doing Japanese. It is pretty awesome because the teacher is a good teacher.

We are both very honoured to have been named Captain and Vice-Captain for Primary this term, and we will do our best to uphold the traditions of the school.

We have had a lovely start to Pre-Prep this term. I have been very impressed with how much the Pre-Preps have learnt in the first term. They have come back to school recognising just about all of their colours, recognising more of the alphabet, writing their names more clearly and confidently and with a beautiful attitude to being at school.

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Ms Lauren
Pre-Prep Teacher

Next Door at Pre-Prep

Alara and Kendra playing Doctor-Patient

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Ms Lauren
Pre-Prep Teacher

Year 4 - 5 measuring density of objects for their biodegradability experiment
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TKIS HOSTS MOTHER’S DAY MORNING TEA

From left to right: Peni, Michelle, Geoff, Sheree, Deborah, Lorraine, Karen and Sharon

Stephanie wins 1st prize in the lucky draw at the Mother’s Day Morning Tea

Childcare corner at the Mother’s Day Morning Tea

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Natalie receiving a rose from our Year 12 helpers, Carrington and Tahlia

Tara, Elise and Jodie enjoying a good chat

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(From left to right) Heidi, Sharon, Geoff, Naomi & Wendy

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Kareena delighted with her lucky draw prize
TKIS would like to thank all the parents who joined in our Easter Festivities on the last day of Term 1, and supported the Year 12 fund raising activities for their End-of-Year Formal. We also wish to congratulate all the prize winners that day, amongst which were Alex (Year 2) who won the 1st Prize in the Easter Raffle, Gabrielle (Year 11) who won the jar of lollies in “Guess the Number of Lollies” game, and Bianka (Year 6) who won the bunny in the “Name the Bunny” contest.

A small sample of our celebrations from Easter at the end of Term 1...

TKIS Primary School students in their Easter bonnets, together with their teachers, Mr Mills, and parents who came to support the Easter festivities.

TKIS Primary School performing a Mary Poppins medley for their parents and TKIS Secondary School.

TKIS Junior Dance Group performing their dance routine “Warrior”.

Ms Millwood (left) at the face-painting station.

Hunting for Easter eggs.

Chelsey (Year 1) and Reece (Prep) in a 3-legged race.

Eva, Lachlan, Brady, Billie and Beau (Year 3) in the Easter Bonnet Parade.

Cheyvonne, Rebekah and Claudia (Year 5-6) in the Easter Bonnet Parade.

Tejas and Brendan (Year 7) in the Easter Bonnet Parade.

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PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

PRIMARY SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all students who ran the Cross Country!

Jesse (Year 1)

Tayla and Laa-Teisha (Year 4)

Fortius house, led by Addis, Holly & Rebecca, doing their war cry

All juniors were rewarded with an ice block after running the cross country

Year 7 students assisting in the Junior Cross Country events

The 8 & 9 year old boys event

The 7 year olds’ event

The 8 & 9 year old boys event
Prep to Year 3 had a visit from our local fire fighters on Thursday 1st May. Captain Adrian Brinkworth, Fire Fighter John Juett and Fire Fighter Bryce Lockett taught them the four safety rules and the students then had a go at enacting the rules.

The four safety rules are:
• Don’t hide – Scream and Shout
• Get Down Low and Go Go Go
• Stop, Drop and Roll
• Get Out and Stay Out

The fire fighters then showed them the special suits they wear when fighting a fire, and some of the students got a chance to try them on. They were then given the important tasks of making a fire evacuation plan for their homes.

Captain Brinkworth and his men will be back Thursday 15th May to do a follow up visit, where they will inspect the students’ fire evacuation plans. They promised the students that they would then be able to look around the fire truck, and even get a chance to play with the fire hose and sit in truck.

Needless to say, the Preps to Year 3s are all looking forward to that visit.

 Donate Your Used Items
Year 4-5 are creating unique bags from recycled materials this term. It would greatly assist the students if you could contribute prevolved materials such as:
• Coloured plastic bags, strong plastic packaging, silver foil packets
• Lids from bottles and jars
• Can pull, beer caps
• Strong printed plastic containers eg. yoghurt, margarine tubs
• Printed cards
• Used fabric/clothes

Please send these great cleaned materials to the 4-5 class or the office. Thank you very much for your assistance.

Junior School Learns Fire Safety