CALENDAR

MARCH

Thu 9

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G6 Leadership day

Prep/1/2 Literacy info session

Curriculum day-no school for students	Fri 10	
Labour Day holiday	Mon 13	
Meet the Teacher	Wed 15	
School council meeting	Mon 20	
APRIL		
DRIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT	Wed 5	
LAST DAY OF TERM 1 Dismissal 2.30pm	Thu 6	
FIRST DAY OF TERM 2	Mon 24	
ANZAC Day	Tue 25	
MAY		
School council meeting	Mon 1	
School photos	Mon 8	
JUNE		
PRODUCTION	Mon 5	
Report-writing day-no school for students	Fri 9	
King's Birthday	Mon 12	

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From the Principal

NEWSLETTER 2/3/2023

GREAT EFFORT DIVISION SWIMMERS

A swimming team of 25 KG children attended the Nillumbik Division swimming trials at WaterMarc on Wednesday. I would like to thank all our drivers and congratulate our competing swimmers for their efforts. Well done to all children who reached the Division level of competition, a fantastic effort.

Good luck to Heidi who now will head off to compete in the 11 year breastroke event at the Regional competition, go Heidi!

2023 SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our 2023 KG School Council has already completed their first meeting. I would like to welcome Rebecca Landy and Simon Berton who have joined Council for the year. I would also like to thank Amber Hawkins for taking on the School Council President's role.

It is important to recognise the contribution of retiring members of Council, Brad McBride, Paul Jacovcic, Rochelle Tootel and Alasdair Grigor. The insight and contribution of our Councillors is always appreciated so we again look forward to working with our 2023 Council.

2023 KG AUSKICK UNDERWAY

We had a group of 16 children commence their Auskick program on Tuesday after school. We do have others set to join so children are still welcome to join our group on the basketball court next Tuesday.

Parents can follow this link to register.

https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/877e94

DRIVE-IN - WEDNESDAY 5TH APRIL

The children always forward to our annual Drive-in movie night, scheduled for the second last day of term, Wednesday 5th April.

Thanks to Rachelle for taking over the management of this year's event. Please check her message included in today's newsletter.

GRADE 6 LEADERSHIP DAY

Our grade six students will head off to Panton Hill next Thursday for their first Leadership day for the year. The children take part in activities including running a meeting, planning a project and public speaking. A guest speaker is booked to give insight into a range of different leadership experiences. Student feedback about our Leadership day excursion is always positive so we are looking forward to the event.

The venue has changed to the Panton Hill Hall so we have booked a bus for the children.

2024 PREP ENROLMENTS

Thanks to everyone who has already enrolled their Prep

child for 2024. We are already close to filling our two Prep grades so there are limited places remaining. Please remind anyone who may be interested that we offer places to our KG Pre-school and enrol other students on a first come, first served basis, so once the two classes are full we will be unable to take any further enrolments.

NESST CURRICULUM DAY FRIDAY 10TH MARCH -NO OSHC AVAILABLE THIS DAY

The second of this year's School Council approved Curriculum Days is set for next Friday 10th March. Our staff will be joining teachers from other local schools for professional development activities. Please note this is a pupil free day and OSHC will not be available so parents will need to make other arrangements for children's super=vision this day.

Don't forget that **SKATERZ** in **Eltham** has offered our school a special discount rate on the Curriculum day from 10:30am to 1:30pm. Entry will be \$10 including skate hire will be free (normally \$20) Supervising parents are free. Please mention that you are from Kangaroo Ground Primary to access our special discount rate.

MEET THE TEACHER DAY WEDNESDAY 15TH **MARCH**

Our **OSHC program will be available** from 7:15am to 6:00pm for 'Meet the Teacher' day on Wednesday 15th March. If you intend using this program on 'Meet the teacher day', please let Marita know. The cost is subsidised at \$45 for this day.

Thanks again,

Laurie Murray

Save the Date for our annual Drive -In Movie Fundraiser!

Wednesday 5 April, 2023

As always, we will be calling for assistance for our biggest fundraiser. If you can spare even an hour or two to help out with tasks such as collecting donations for the silent auction, collecting sponsors, creating hampers, organisational tasks or helping on the night with sausage sizzle and other stalls please send your contact details to Rachelle 0414 434 715! Many hands make light work!

Advertising and silent auction donations are a crucial component of our fundraising effort! If you or any contacts would like to advertise on the big screen or are able to donate to the silent auction please get in contact for more information.

We are looking forward to a fun and successful night! Rachelle Cuthbert-Sayers

CONTACT

Address: 10 Graham Rd, Kangaroo Ground, 3097 Phone: 9712 0292 kangaroo.ground.ps@education.vic.gov.au www.kangaroogroundps.vic.edu.au Out of School Hours Care (OSHC): 9712 0124 / 0419 893 272 kgpsoshc@bigpond.com VALUES OF THE WEEK



Front-Raphy, Jack, Lizzy, Archie and Elliot Back-Daniel, Kahlan, Eve, Sienna, Yolanda, Maddy and Corbin

District Division Swimming

Yesterday 25 students from our school went to the division swimming at WaterMarc in Greensborough. I was lucky enough to come second in Breaststroke and make it through to the next round, which is regionals.

Congratulation to everyone that went yesterday and gave it a go.

Everyone did really well and had lots of fun representing the Sugarloaf district.

Heidi Stephens







HELP US RAISE SOME DOUGH WITH DELICIOUS HOT CROSS BUNS!

Fill out the form below with your fundraising order:

First Name	Last Name	Phone Number
Group (i.e. Class/Team)		
Please enter the number of Hot Cross Bun 6- Traditional Hot Cross Bun 6-Pack	Apple & Cinnamon Hot Cross Bun 6-Pack	Choc Chip Hot Cross Bun 6-Pack

Additional comments:

Help us raise some dough with delicious hot cross buns!

They are \$9.50/pack and \$2 from each purchase goes to the school!

<u>Delivery/pick up of the buns will be after school on Monday April 3</u> or alternatively can be delivered to your child's class (please note this on order form)

Return order forms to the office by Friday March 24.

Payment can be made via eftpos at the office or BPAY (please note "hot cross buns" in your reference

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Payment can made at the school office

Eftpos, credit card, cash and BPay are acceptable



Chess Tournaments for Schools

Equipment Sale and Hire

Group and individual coaching

Special Chess Events

School Chess Club Assistance

Enquiries: info@northernstarchess.com

NSC Chess Tournaments at Kangaroo Ground Primary School

Northern Star Chess has been running chess tournaments, one per term, at KGPS for more than 15 years! We welcome KGPS students to join in at any of the 4 events this year. Online registration is essential, we offer this using Trybooking. Please see below for the link which has been set up especially for KGPS parents.

Register before the event

Due to the nature of this process, your child needs to be registered online before the event. We can only accept KGPS students on the day if they are registered. (unless a parent comes with the child at the start of the tournament to give permission and make a cash payment)

Term 1:	Wednesday 5 April 9:30am to 2:00pm (approx)
Term 2:	Thursday 15 June 9:30am to 2:00pm (approx)
Term 3:	Thursday 31 August 9:30am to 2:00pm (approx)
Term 4:	Friday 3 November 9:30am to 2:00pm (approx)

Format:

- Individual based tournament
- Every student plays 7 games against players of similar skill, regardless of how many games they win or lose (Swiss pairing method)
- Students experience proper tournament rules
- Gold/Silver/Bronze medals awarded to various grade/year level categories
- "Star of the tournament" trophy for top scorer of the day
- Table prizes/giveaways.
- Cost is \$25 per student per event

How to register - KGPS chess tournaments:

Register and pay online with Trybooking.com using any of the methods below:

- Scan QR code for booking page
- Click on this link for booking page (if you see a clickable link)
- Type the URL below in your browser for booking page

https://www.trybooking.com/CBUAJ

Enquiries: info@NorthernStarChess.com

Northern Star Chess ABN: 11 007 060 504



KGPS School Production 2023

This Year K.G. is turning GREEN as we perform Shrek Jr on Monday 5th June at the George Wood Theatre (Yarra Valley Grammar School, Ringwood). All students will have the opportunity to be involved in the production – singing, opportunity to take on additional responsibilities and help backstage with tasks dancing and acting on stage. Some of our senior students will also have the like lighting and sets and props.

Auditions were held late last year and our Main Cast is now confirmed. As I say to the students -every role is essential to the success in our show, big or small! Rehearsals have started this week for all classes and the enthusiasm from our students has been incredible.

Parent Helpers

assistance from parents or members of the school community would be greatly Putting together a production with 250 students is quite a mammoth task! Any appreciated.

out the Parent Helper form below and return to the Office. Or feel free to send If you are able to help out (even taking on a small job is a big help!) please fill

me a message via XUNO.

Thanks,

Sarah Carruthers,

Performing Arts Teacher & Production Director



Parent Helper Expression of Interest Form

Name:

Email:

Contact Phone Number:

Child's Name:

Grade:

I would like to assist with the following:

(Tick all that apply)

- Costuming (Sewing)
- Costuming (Non-Sewing)
- Building Sets/Props (Carpentry Skills)
- Sourcing Sets & Props (Op-shopping)
- Decorating Sets & Props (Painting, Gluing, Papier Mache)
- Transporting Sets & Props (Truck/Van/Horse Trailer)
- **Program Design**
- Photography o
- Videography

Lighting

- Audio
- Other:

Please return this form to the KGPS Office.

We will reach out to you in the coming weeks to discuss the ways in which you can help! Thank you.





New Players Needed





Diamond Creek Basketball Club are looking for a few subs for their newest U8 Girls & U10 Girls & Boys teams.

If your child is looking to play in one of these age groups, please email us at coordinators@dcbasketball.com.au















What is feeding therapy?

The feeding therapy program offered at Little Footseps follows the SOS (Sequential Oral Sensory) approach to feeding. This evidence-based program focuses on helping children with a limited diet become comfortable trying new & different foods, as well as how to eat - if they don't know how to chew or manage food in their mouth.

The program integrates posture, sensory systems, motor skills, behavioural skills, social/emotional development, and nutritional impacts The SOS approach is a fun, family-centred program that involves exploration and creative play.

Can feeding therapy help my child?

Most children go through fussy phases. But, if mealtimes are an ongoing cause of stress your child may have a feeding problem.

Feeding therapy can help if your child:

- Eats less than 20 different types of food
- Has meltdowns over new foods or changes to favourite foods
- Completely refuses food categories or textures

The Feeding Clinic provides support for:

- Fussy eaters
- Difficulty transitioning to solids
- Growth concerns
- Chronic constipation
- Autism
- ADHD

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Edendale Farm 30 Gastons Road Eltham

Farms and businesses across the region will be on site showcasing their products and services.

On the day you can:

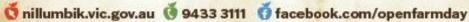
- Meet local farmers, sample and purchase produce
- Meet farm animals
- Enjoy entertainment on the day including face painting and live music.

For an overview of the day's workshops and activities and a list of businesses and organisations involved on the day visit:

nillumbik.vic.gov.au/open-farm-day

















Social rides and events

Dirt Devils kids' club





Women's rides

Plus skills & bike maintenance clinics

www.warrandytemtb.com.au



Season Launch

Meet your coach & teammates, inflatables, fun games, sausage sizzle & drinks, boot swap, uniform shop open!



New players welcome, invite your friends to enjoy the fun! Free uniform for all new players

When: Sunday 26th Feb

Where: Warrandyte Football Oval

Time: 10am-12pm

Who: U8 to U18 Boys & Girls

Please wear your runners - no footy boots on the oval please!

Register now for the 2023 Warrandyte Junior Football

Club season https://www.warrandytejfc.org/