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KNOX CENTRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Learning @ Heart

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THE pulse



Dates for
the Diary:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Who is involved?</i>
Tuesday 15th February	Getting to Know You Interviews – 3.40pm – 6.30pm - webex	<i>Year 1 – Year 6 parents</i>
Thursday 17th February	District Swimming Carnival	<i>Selected students from year 3-6</i>
Tuesday 22nd February	School Nurse visit	<i>Foundation students</i>
Friday 11th March	Athletics Day	<i>All students</i>

VALE TONY



It is with great sadness that we advise the passing of Anthony (Tony) O'Loughlin.

Tony was a much-loved member of the Knox Central Primary School community. He was the school crossing supervisor (lollipop man) for more than 10 years. Tony would greet all the children and families by name and with a smile – students would be very concerned if Tony was away for one day – always asking us "Where's Tony? Is he OK?" Especially if it was a hot day – you see in the warm weather he would bring Zooper Dooper's for the children. Those were Tony's busiest days as even the kids who didn't need to use the crossing would be lined up to cross the road and get an icy pole!

Tony attended all our school functions – Welcome BBQ's, athletics days, Book Week parades, working bee's, Christmas concerts – and he was always seen chatting to all the families and children. He could always be relied upon to purchase raffle tickets and was there was an extra loud cheer when his name was drawn out!

Tony was also a member of the Boronia CFA for over 53 years.

It was such a joy, once Tony had retired, to see him continue to come to the school to listen to the students read. Knox Central's motto is "Small school, Big Heart" and Tony definitely lived up to this – we will miss him! Rest in peace Tony.

Student of the Week

Term 1 Week 1 & 2 2022

Foundation

AJ for an excellent start to school and being so kind and considerate to classmates and his teacher.



Tyler for a wonderful start to prep.

Year 1

Barbara for being a fantastic classmate and supporting her peers with their tasks. Great work Barbara!

Year 2/3

Hudson for being an excellent class member who always tries his best and strives to do better. Very proud, keep up the great efforts Hudson!

Year 4/5

Will G for putting in an enormous effort with his learning and problem solving over the last two weeks!

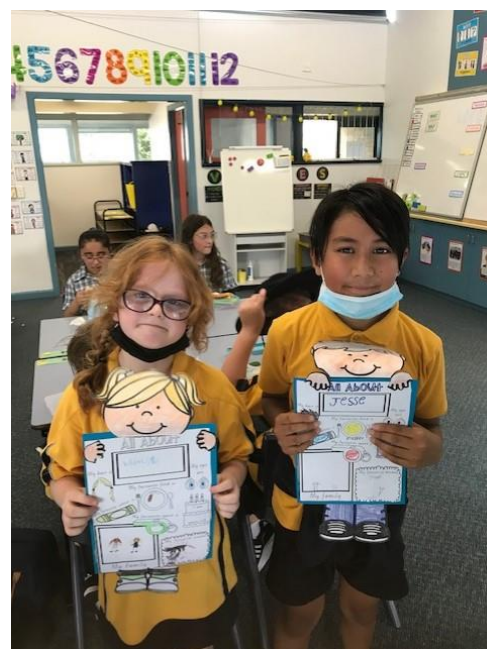
Lola for being a kind friend who always looks out for others!

Year 6

Gypsy for stepping up and welcoming our new classmates with kindness! Well done!

Cheryl for making it through your first 2 weeks at Knox Central!

Baran for making it through your first week at Knox Central, well done!



Mathletics Readiwriter

Mathletics Silver Award Winners

Grade 6
Maddy K

Grade 4/5

Grade 2/3
Jerry

Grade 1

Prep

Mathletics

Readiwriter Silver Award Winners

Grade 6
Marlie

Grade 4/5

Grade 2/3

Grade 1

Prep

Readiwriter
Spelling

Happy Birthday



We would like to wish the following students
a very happy birthday since the beginning of the year:



Shlok, Sahib, Sehaj, Coryn, AJ, Shelby, Mikayla, Cristopher

It has been delightful to see our Foundation and Year 6 students enjoying the buddy program over the past 2 weeks!



From Lisa

Welcome back to all of our students who are returning to KCPS and a very special welcome to all of our students and families who are starting at Knox Central in 2022, especially our Foundation students who have made a brilliant start to primary school. It has been great to visit all of our classrooms each day this year and see how settled everyone is already! The staff and I are looking forward to another busy year filled with learning and fun.

We also warmly welcome our new teacher – Miss Jennings and welcome back Mrs Hyams into the office.

A reminder that we have the Getting to Know You Parent Teacher interviews for students from years 1-6 on Tuesday 15th February. This is an opportunity for the parents to inform class teachers of any learning, medical, social needs that your child may have. Due to current COVID restrictions the interviews will have to take place over Webex. Please contact the class teacher or the office to book in a time!

Lunch orders have started again! You can order online <https://classroomcuisine.com.au/> before 8.30am on Wednesday and Friday.



Healthy, Interesting, Affordable Lunches Delivered to School!
AT KNOX CENTRAL PRIMARY
Wednesday
& Friday

Order ONLINE until 8.30am on the DAY LUNCH IS REQUIRED

The Parents and Friends committee are looking for new members. The PFA organises a number of fundraising and social activities throughout the year and are always looking for new ideas. If you would like to join the committee please come along to the AGM on Friday 18th February at 3.30pm in the Staffroom or send me an email – lisa.burt@education.vic.gov.au

From the office

- **If you have a Health Care card you may be eligible for CSEF. The CSEF entitles you to \$125 per year for each child to go towards camps, sport and excursion costs at school. Please see information below.**
- **A reminder that all parents and visitors are currently required to wear a mask while indoors at school and must be vaccinated to attend Assembly in the hall.**
- **The second delivery of Rapid Antigen Tests have arrived and are available to collect from the office. The recommendation is that children are tested twice a week and the school notified if a student tests positive.**

2022 CSEF PROGRAM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx>

If you are eligible for CSEF but have not yet applied, please call the office – 98013289.

CSEF eligibility

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one
 - on the first day of Term two
 - on the first day of Term three.
- a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see:

www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/Pages/csef.aspx

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (27 January 2021) term two (19 April 2021) or term 3 (12 July 2021).

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SHOP

We have our Pre-Loved Uniform Shop up and running again. All the second hand uniform has now been sorted and is on shelves according to size and it's easy to see what items are available. We'd love to add to our supply of pre-loved uniform to help our families, so if you have any good quality, clean second hand uniform that no longer fits and would like to donate it to our shop, it would be greatly appreciated. Just drop it off to Jan at the office.

If you would like to purchase pre-loved uniform, call Jan (not available on Wednesdays) to make a time on 9801 3289.

Price List

Dress – Summer or Winter	\$5
Hoodie / Bomber Jacket	\$5
School Bag	\$5
Shorts / Skorts	\$2
Polo Top – Short or long sleeve	\$2
Hats	\$2
Track Pants	\$2
Winter Warmers	
Girls Winter Tights (new)	\$2
Skivvies – (no logo)	\$1



What's on in our community...

Please support our local businesses

Upcoming special event at Orana Neighbourhood House
62 Coleman Road, Wantirna Sth

WOMEN'S CAREER FORUM

Are you looking at returning to work, perhaps starting up your own business or changing career?

Register now for this informative afternoon in a relaxed environment with guest speakers, short course ideas on updating your skills and an opportunity for a one on one consultation with representatives from the Swinburne Skills & Jobs Centre.

Wednesday, 23rd February

7.00pm-9.00pm

FREE with light supper provided

Please call 9801 1895 to book your place

Please look at our website for all our other low cost or free classes and workshops

www.orananh.org.au

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