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Gumnut Neighbourhood Newsletter

Room 5, 6 and 7

Our Values – Respect, Responsibility, Being your Best and Teamwork

At Kangaroo Flat Primary School we maintain a positive learning environment, where we can achieve academic, social and behavioural excellence. All students have the right to learn and feel safe in an inclusive environment.

Imagine, Achieve, Believe @ KFPS

Room 5 with Mrs Cole and Jo





Room 7 with Mrs A and Miss R and Amanda



Reading

We have used a Mem Fox Mentor text this term, Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge to learn about making connections, text structure, sequencing and word meaning in context. Students have enjoyed learning about Grandparents and ageing through this text.



Room 7 brought in some 'memories as precious as gold'. *Little Bird's Song* by Sally Morgan is our next text.

Learning Intentions

Writing

We have been learning to write procedures. We have collected ingredients and followed the steps to make fairy bread and damper.



We have learnt that it is important to sequence our steps in order and begin each instruction with a verb such as mix, stir, pour and spread.

We are beginning our next focus on writing Information Reports this week.

Maths

In maths we have been using the students' data to plan our maths lessons. We will test students this term online using Essential Assessment maths.

Number talks have been part of our program where we begin with an open-ended problem to explore the concept.

We have been learning about measurement including using informal units to measure length and capacity, skip counting by 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s and sharing in the past few weeks.



RRRR and Wellbeing Coping strategies

We are learning to develop coping strategies to deal with strong emotions such as fear, anger, sadness and disappointment.

Wendy and Mrs Anketell are also leading an Emotions Group each Thursday for a small group of students.

Science

Students have really enjoyed our Push Pull Topic this term. We have been learning about forces and motion in Science.



Euan's LLLL Reading Groups



Euan has begun additional daily small guided reading groups with selected students to develop their reading skills. The focus is on phonemic awareness and segmenting and blending words.

Ready to Learn

Remember Every Minute Matters at KFPS. It is important to arrive on time as our literacy program begins at 8:50 which includes phonemic awareness, reading and writing.

Wear your Hoodie day-Autism Awareness.



KANGAS

Students have the opportunity to earn Kangas. When students are observed doing the right thing and following the school values, they may earn a Kanga. As the Kangas add up they will receive a small prize and their photo will go on the office wall in recognition of consistently doing the right thing.



SPECIALIST TIMETABLE

<u>Monday</u> – Rm 6 Music <u>Tuesday</u> – Rm 5/6/7 GLC, Rm 7 Health/Science <u>Wednesday</u> – Rm 6/7PE, Rm 5/7Music, Rm 6 Art <u>Friday</u> – Assembly, Rm 7Art, Rm 5/6/7Chinese, Rm 5 PE



READING

Students read in class each morning. Please remind your student to bring their book bag each day to and from school.

PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS

This term, we continue to work our way through our explicitly taught phonemic awareness program. Each classroom participates in PA groups every day for 30 minutes. Lessons focus on oral language, hearing and recording sounds in words and learning new sounds. Phonemes are the sounds we hear. Graphemes are the letters we write.





COOKING

Cooking Program with Raye: Every Tuesday a group of 6 children attend the cooking program to learn basic skills of food preparation.



