



Principals Message

Welcome to our 2026 school year! It has been lovely to see all of our students returning and welcome many new faces to our school!

As you may remember, this year we will have a shared Principal working arrangement with myself (Faye Martin) and Kelsey Chaffey-Jones sharing the role. At the present time I am working fulltime across the week to support a smooth start up process, so if you need to contact either myself or Kelsey just reach out as you would anyway and we will be happy to discuss any issue with you.

Thank you to all the parents who participated in our start up interviews on Thursday Jan 29th, the feedback from both teachers and parents was that these were quite beneficial. Our Foundation students had a delightful half day at school on Thursday with the whole school to themselves. Over the next few Wednesdays our Foundation parents will bring their children in for assessment and have the opportunity to talk to their teachers.

Math's Night – please check out the details for our first family function next week on Tuesday. Details are in the newsletter, we would love to see as many as possible.

In our newsletter next week we will introduce our 2026 staff to the community.

Assembly

This week at our assembly we will be introducing our new students. All families are always invited to join us for assemblies on Fridays between 9 and 9:20 am.

End of Day Pick Up

A reminder that we have staff on yard duty until 3:15 pm at the end of each day. If your children require supervision beyond this, we encourage you to consider Camp Australia Outside of School Hours Care. This care is provided in our school gym before and after school and during the holidays. Families can call 1300 105 343 for more information.

School and House Captain nominations and speeches

Today, we are conducting the Grade 6 School and House Captain speeches. The successful students will be announced at the assembly on Friday Feb 13th. It is very pleasing to see so many students put their hand up to take on a leadership role. Good luck to all students who have nominated.

Regards,

Faye Martin



Acting Principal





Math Around The World

Maths Night

Maths Night 2026 – Maths Around the World

We're excited to invite families to our annual **Maths Night on Tuesday 10th February!**

Gates will open at 5:30 pm, with a sausage in bread available on arrival.

From there, families are invited to explore a range of fun, hands-on maths games and activities from around the world, designed to spark curiosity, problem-solving and enjoyment of maths for all ages.

Night will conclude at 7pm.

Come along and discover how maths connects us all at KFPS!

Term 4 Calendar Events

Tuesday	10th February	Maths Night 5:30-7pm Please enter through gates.
Monday	2nd March	Current Foundation Students Information Night
Wednesday	4th March	Grade 5 Sovereign Hill-information to follow soon
Wednesday	16th March	Youth Leadership (Selected students Melbourne)
Thursday	19th March	Whole School Athletics-information to follow soon
Monday	23rd March	Grades 1-6 Swimming-information to follow soon
Tuesday	31st March	School Photos-information to follow soon
Thursday	2nd April	Crazy Hair Day Fundraiser for BCH Bendigo Children's Ward Last Day of Term 1
Monday	20th April	First Day Term 2 All Students



Principal Awards

Congratulations to all of the students who will receive a Principal Award this week for displaying our school values at KFPS. Your certificate will be presented at assembly this week.

ROOM NO.	Student
1	Xavier
2	Albert
3	Ava
4	Dottie
5	Jax

ROOM NO.	Student
6	Celestine
7	Janvi
8	Ezra
9	Kade
10	Vishva

ROOM NO.	Student
12	Esther
13	Zander
14	Imogen
18	James
19	Allanah

**Week 1 Term 1
Principal Award**



ATTENDANCE PRIZES

If you are here on time every day 5 days a week you are in the draw.

There are 3 prizes per week:

Foundation-Grade 2

Grades 3 & 4

Grades 5 & 6.

Classroom prizes will be held fortnightly.

End of each term, there will be our major prizes for those who have attended 100%, along with our most improved student.

We understand absences due to medical appointments or illness, these students are still in the running for a wildcard.



KFPS VALUES

Respect
Teamwork
Being Your Best
Responsibility

Breakfast Club.

8:30am – 8:50am.
Mon-Fri

We are now 5 days a week!

Dear Parents/Carers,

At this stage we are unable to offer a full canteen menu for Term One.

However, we will be offering Zooper Doopers, slushies, and limited over the counter items during first break on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

This will continue over Term One and we will hope to grow our options of canteen items over the term. We will keep you posted.

Regards,

Admin.

CONTACTS @ kfps

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Faye Martin
Kelsey Chaffey-Jones

Acting Assistant Principal:

Melissa Cusack

Business Manager:

Maree Wayman

Administration:

Ange Jobe
Rebekkah Gieschen

OSHC: Camp Australia
1300 105 343

Breakfast Club:
EVERY DAY
Commencing at 8.30am-
8.45am

Help Lines:
Nurse-On-Call (1300 60 60 24)
Lifeline (Ph 13 11 14)
Parentline (Ph 13 22 89)
Kids Helpline (Ph 1800 55 1800)
Beyond Blue (Ph 1300 22 4636)

2027 Foundation Students – Enrolment

If you know anyone with a child starting school next year, please remind them to complete the application form to attend our school.
Application forms can be collected from the office or downloaded from our school website.

School Office Hours: 8:30am-3:30pm

School Hours:

Gates Open 8:30am

8.40—8.50am Classroom Open
(parents to exit school grounds before 8:50am
please)

8.50am Bell

8.50-11.20am Learning Session 1

11.20-11.30am Lunch: Supervised Eating

11.30-12.00pm 1st Lunch Recess

12.00-1.30pm Learning Session 2

1.30-2.00pm 2nd Lunch Recess

2.00-3.00pm Learning Session 3

For all general enquiries
contact our friendly
Customer Care Team

1300 105 343

oshc@campaustralia.com.au

Monday – Friday: 5AM – 9PM
(AEDT)

Weekends: 7AM – 9PM (AEDT)

(Opening hours exclude National
Public Holidays)

Registering is easy via our
app



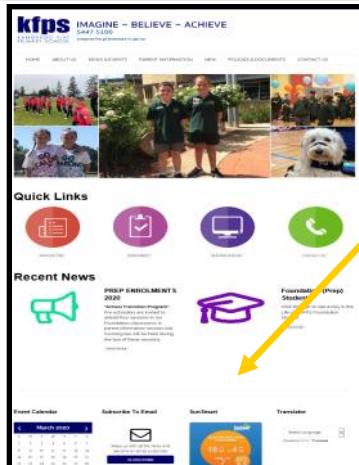
KFPS Website:

Have you looked at our Website? Subscribe and receive an email to link you to the latest e-news. Go to:

<https://www.kangarooflatps.vic.edu.au>

Click onto the 'Subscribe' link. Your request will be accepted after verification by and then you'll be right to go.

This is a great way to always stay up to date with all of our events and to see the newsletter.

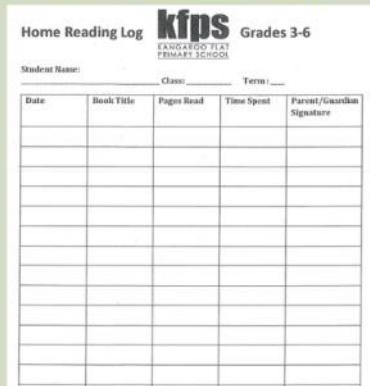
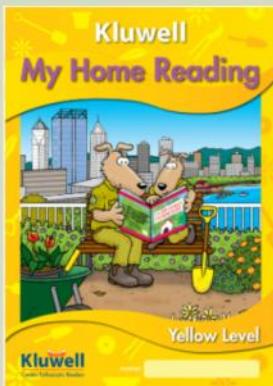
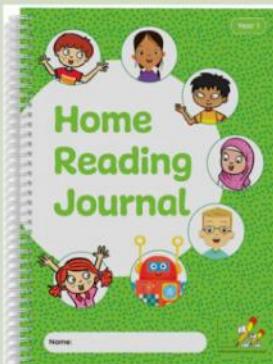
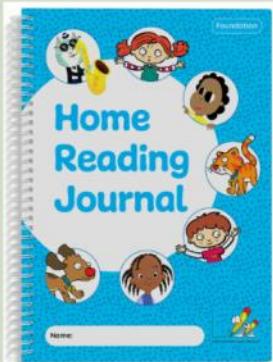


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HOME READING

**Remember to fill in your
child's home reading log.**



**"Just 10 minutes
of listening to
your child read
makes a big
difference."**

4 Reasons to Read with Your Child



1 Helps your child learn to read



2 Spends quality together



3 Makes reading enjoyable



4 Boosts imagination and thinking

FROM THE MINILIT AND MACQLIT TEAM TUTOR LEARNING INITIATIVE

PROTECT

Everyone has the right to be safe and be protected from abuse.

No one should behave in a way that makes you feel unsafe or afraid, including anyone in your family, anyone at school or anywhere else in the community.

Tell a teacher or any adult at your school if you feel unsafe.



It's everyone's responsibility.

Adults at school must listen and respond to concerns about child abuse.

If you suspect abuse of any child or young person, you have a responsibility to report it, even if you are not sure.

Further information & resources

www.education.vic.gov.au/protect





Nutritious Lunch Tips For Parents

Aim for 2 fruits & 5 veg everyday!

Eating a variety of foods from the 5 food groups fuels children's brains to help them stay on task and support their growth.

It's recommended that children eat 2 serves of fruit and 5 serves of veg everyday.

Find resources and information below:



**BCHS Healthy Eating
Handbook**

**Nutrition & Lunchbox
Resources**



What does a serve look like?

Fruit

- 1 apple
- 1 large slice of watermelon
- Handful of grapes
- 2 plums

Veg

- 1 tomato
- Half a cob of corn
- Half a capsicum
- Handful of carrot slices

Tips:

- Plan your weekly meals ahead
- Shop seasonal fruits & veg
- Opt for local or home brand products
- Canned & frozen fruit and veg are just as good
- Have the kids help in the kitchen with easy tasks.



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Woolworths CRICKET BLAST

4-WEEK POP UP BLAST

Sign up to our 4-week action packed program!

KANGAROO FLAT CRICKET CLUB- POP UP BLAST
4 WEEKS OF CRICKET FUN
VENUE: KANGAROO FLAT CRICKET CLUB
DATES: TUESDAY 3RD FEB- 3RD MARCH
TIME: 4.00PM-5.00PM
EVERY PARTICIPANT RECEIVES A POP-UP PACK- HAT, TOTE BAG AND MASCOT BALL



SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund

APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School Ref ID

Applicant details

Surname	
First Name	
Address	
Town/Suburb	
State and Postcode	
Contact Number	

Centrelink pensioner concession **OR** Health care card number (CRN)

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OR Veterans affairs pensioner (Gold Card)* **OR** Special Consideration**

*Applicants must provide a copy of the Veteran Affairs Gold card.

**Out of Home Care applications must include a letter of support from the institution facilitating the arrangement (for example, Mackillop Family Services or the Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH)) as evidence of the arrangement and must be no more than 18 months old.

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level

Declaration

I authorise the Victorian Department of Education (DE) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry about my Centrelink customer details and concession card status to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Victorian Department of Families, Fairness and Housing (DFFH) to provide the results of any enquiry to DE regarding temporary care orders. I understand that:

- DFFH or Centrelink will use information I have provided to DE to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DE personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- This consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DFFH and provide it to my child's school so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DE.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to DFFH and/or State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You can request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant _____

Date ____ / ____ /202 ____

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund eligibility

Applications must be submitted to the school as soon as possible and no later than the end of Term 2.

Where a school or family is unsure if the concession card is eligible, they are encouraged to submit the application into the CSEF system for validation.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

Those who are eligible to apply for the CSEF **must meet both** of the following two criteria or be eligible for special consideration.

Eligible means-tested cards

Only financially means-tested cards are eligible.

Eligibility date

Eligibility will be subject to the parent/carer's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink (refer to the department's policy, [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\)](#)), on either the first student day of Term 1 or Term 2.

Criterion 1 – General eligibility

The applicant must be one of the following:

- a parent or carer who is the beneficiary of a financially means-tested card
- a student over 16 years who is considered a mature minor and holds a valid concession card (such as a Youth Allowance Health Care Card). Applicant to use the 16 and over application form. For guidance on assessing whether a student is a mature minor, refer to the department's policy on [Mature Minors and Decision Making](#)
- a parent or carer whose child is 16 or over and the beneficiary of a financially means-tested card but are not considered a mature minor. Applicant to use the 16 and over parent consent form.

For students over 16 years of age and where the eligible card is in the name of the student, the fund is only granted to that student, not their siblings.

Criterion 2 – Be of school age and attend a Victorian school

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a registered Victorian school. CSEF is not payable to a student attending pre-school, kindergarten, TAFE or who are home schooled.

Special Consideration

A special consideration eligibility category exists to assist families and students in certain circumstances. Applications should be made through this application form. For more information, refer to: [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Eligibility](#).

Payment amounts

The CSEF is an annual payment paid directly to the school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child. Please refer to the department's policy for the current rates and more information, [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund \(CSEF\): Payment amounts](#).

How to complete the application form

Note: all sections must be completed by the applicant.

1. Complete the APPLICANT DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible and no later than the end of Term 2.

Privacy Statement

The Department of Education is committed to protecting your privacy. All information collected will be handled in accordance with the Privacy Data and Protection Act 2014 (Vic) and the Health Records Act 2001 (Vic). This personal information is collected to assess your eligibility to receive a CSEF payment. Your data is securely managed and only shared with Centrelink and DFFH when necessary for business operations or legal compliance. By submitting this form, you consent to our data practices. For more information regarding correction to your personal information or the handling of personal information please email csef@education.vic.gov.au. For more information about the department's privacy policy, please visit: [Schools' privacy policy | vic.gov.au](#)