



Kalinda Primary School Newsletter



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Deakin Shield

Last Friday, we were fortunate to have Mr Michael Sukkar MP, our Federal Member of Parliament for Deakin, come out to our school to present the Deakin Shield Award to Lily Ryan. Mr Sukkar spoke to all the Grade 5/6 students about the true meaning of leadership and read out the following speech, describing why Lily was a deserving recipient of this special award.

“This student has always been conscientious, but this year she has really stepped up to the challenge of Grade 6. Lily leads by example in all aspects of school, irrespective of titles or leadership badges. She approaches everything she does with a positive mindset and never shies away from a challenge, modelling to her peers the importance of persistence and resilience. She pushes herself to be the best person she can be and empowers and encourages others to do the same. She doesn’t expect to be thanked or acknowledged, but chooses to behave in this way purely because it is the right thing to do.

Lily is an invaluable member of our school community, positively contributing to various aspects. She has been involved in Production and various sporting teams, and can always be counted on to support whole school events outside of school.

Lily has shown dedication inside the classroom and achieved great academic success across all subject areas. She is a self-directed learner, loves learning new concepts and exploring different ways of working things out. She is always keen to share her knowledge and regularly assists others.



Congratulations Lily!

STAFFING 2019

I am pleased to announce that I will be continuing in Term 1, 2019 as the Acting Principal. The Department will advertise for the permanent position at the end of Term 1. Kalinda Primary School is a community that I have enjoyed being part of and I am excited about the year to come.

We say goodbye to several staff members at the end of this year, some for a short time and some for longer. We are very sad to announce the retirement of Gill Knowles who has been at Kalinda since 1994 and Jan Lawson since 2005. They have both been integral parts of the Kalinda community for so many years and I hope you can join us in wishing them all the very best in the next phase of their lives. Emma Thomas is moving on to a new school and new challenges and Bianca Davies will be welcoming her first child early in the New Year. I have some wonderful words to share from some of our staff members about our retirees!

Karen Rouda
Acting Principal

For the past 25 years, Gill's face has greeted us every morning as we walk in the front door. She is a woman of many talents, ranging from gardening, feeding the fish, signing parcels for the staff, to official duties such as answering important phone calls, taking minutes of meetings and ensuring the newsletter is published on time! Both of Gill's gorgeous boys, David and Chris, attended Kalinda Primary School and so, for a few years, Gill held a dual role, being a Kalinda School mum and our "Front of House" person.

No request to Gill was ever answered with a no as she always went above and beyond to help and support others in her calm manner, smiling all the time. Sadly, it's now time to farewell Gill as she is broadening her horizons with overseas travel, travelling with her husband, Bill in their campervan and enjoying her time with her granddaughter Stevie.

You will be missed Gill, but now is your time to shine. Enjoy every moment.

Conny Plant
on behalf of Kalinda Primary School Staff

As many of you may have already heard, Jan Lawson is retiring at the end of this year after working at Kalinda for 13 years. Those of you who have had the pleasure to know her as a teacher and a colleague will now remember some of the wonderful times spent with her. Her enormous sense of fun, kind, playful nature and her wicked wit!

Mrs Lawson's classrooms were always happy places, where children felt safe and valued. She is one of those amazing teachers who will live on in children's memories. Many will remember her and say how lucky they were to have Mrs Lawson as their teacher. Enjoy retirement with your family, Jan.

Helen Renehan
On behalf of Kalinda Staff

Kalinda Wishing Tree
Monday 3rd- Friday 14th December



Kalinda Primary School Junior School Council Reps would like to thank everyone who has donated to our Doncare Wishing Tree this year. The presents will be picked up tomorrow afternoon. We are always amazed at the amount of presents given by our families and can't thank you enough.

**Thank you very much from the 2018 JSC Reps & Doncare
and Merry Christmas to all our Kalinda families.**

Events Calendar

<p><u>December</u></p> <p>13th-19th - F-2 Swimming – Group 2 7th - Wonnies Concert 10th - Foundation 2019 Parent Information Night 11th - Orientation Morning (Foundation & Yr 6/7) 13th - Grade 5/6 Dancing 14th - Last day of Canteen for 2018. 19th - Grade 6 Graduation 21st - End Term 4 – 1:30pm Dismissal</p> <p><u>FORWARD DATES:</u></p> <p>Curriculum Day – Friday 8th March 2019 Public Holiday – Monday 11th March 2019 School Photos – 19th March 2019 Grade 5/6 Canberra Trip – 25th – 29th March 2019</p>	<p><u>TERM DATES 2018</u></p> <p>Term 4 – 8 October – 21 December – 1:30pm Dismissal</p> <p><u>TERM DATES 2019</u> Teachers resume 29th January Students resume 31st January Easter – 19th April – 22nd April</p> <p>Term 1 – 29/1/19 – 5/4/19 – 2:30pm Dismissal Term 2 – 23/4/19 – 28/6/19 – 2:30pm Dismissal Term 3 – 15/7/19 – 20/9/19 – 2:30pm Dismissal Term 4 – 7/10/19 – 20/12/19 – 1:30pm Dismissal</p> <p><u>CANTEEN ROSTER – TERM 4</u></p> <p>14th - LAST DAY FOR LUNCH ORDERS 17-21st - CANTEEN CLOSED FOR 2018.</p>
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END OF TERM OFFICE CLOSING TIMES:

As the end of the year is fast approaching, we would like to remind parents that the office will be closing for payments on Wednesday 19th December from 10:00am. The office will be closed on Thursday, 20th from 10:30am till 12noon. From then on, we will be doing end of year processing.

Please also note that there will be a final assembly to farewell our Grade 6 students and exiting families at 1pm. Students will then be dismissed at 1:30pm from the stadium.

CANTEEN NEWS

Thank you to all the volunteers who have come in to help for canteen and special food days this year.

Canteen is closing for the year this Friday 14th December for cleaning and stocktake.

Canteen will be closed for the first week back next year. The first opening day will be advertised in next week's newsletter. Stay tuned.....

JUSTINE WATSON
CANTEEN MANAGER



IMPORTANT HEALTH NEWS

'Tis the season of bugs and germs!'

We have had a variety of cases reported to us in the last week of Hands, Foot & Mouth, Scarlet Fever, Chickenpox, and suspected Glandular Fever.

If you have any concerns or worries if your child is showing symptoms, please speak to your family doctor. Below is a link to the Vic Health site describing symptoms and the exclusion period.

<https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/infectious-diseases/school-exclusion/school-exclusion-table>

Annie Koopmans
First Aid Coordinator



PUPIL OF THE WEEK AWARDS

F/B	Liam P.	-	For embodying our Play is the Way values by treating all others with respect and kindness and always striving to do his personal best.
F/J	Phuri J.	-	For concentrating and working VERY HARD, and completing work on time!
12B	Matisse B.	-	For treating others as you would like to be treated, and showing initiative around the classroom.
12F	Ella M.	-	For being an amazing friend to others and always doing amazing 5-Star work.
	Ruby M.	-	For being an amazing friend to others and her positive attitude in everything she does.
12K	Curtis H.	-	For doing such an excellent performance on the drums.
	Ruby P.	-	For writing an excellent Christmas HAIKU poem.
	Lily F.	-	For doing such an excellent performance on the piano. You were breathtaking!
34C	Lily A.	-	For consistently treating her peers with kindness and bringing a positive outlook to school each day.
	Oliver C.	-	For demonstrating his qualities as a leader within every aspect of his school experience.
34L	34L Class	-	For being such a kind, friendly, caring, inclusive and co-operative class.
34P	Cara M.	-	For understanding the importance of hard work and effort. You are an amazing learner, Cara!
	Kai F.	-	For being so responsible in the classroom and demonstrating initiative.
	Amelie G-J.	-	For taking responsibility for your own learning. I am so proud of your wonderful positive attitude towards your learning and your many friends.
34S	34S Class	-	For displaying all the 'Play is the Way' virtues in 2018.
56B	Phoenix G.	-	For consistently exhibiting a positive outlook and attitude in all you do.
56D	Tate F.	-	For his strong leadership skills and bravery in standing up for what is right.

Terms 4 & 1 are SunSmart terms – Wear Your Hat!

Just a reminder that Terms 4 & 1 is a SunSmart term and it is compulsory for hats to be worn in the playground. Slouch hats are available to purchase offsite at RHSports at Unit 12, 100 New Street, Ringwood.

Notices are available at the office or on our website at www.kalinda.vic.edu.au/notices&forms



HEAD LICE

This insect is a constant problem in schools and can be very distressing for families. We have recently had a number of reported cases and would ask you to please check your child's scalp thoroughly over this weekend and then on a regular basis. If students are found to have head lice at school the parents will be contacted to collect them for treatment.

COMMUNITY NEWS

OFFICE NEWS

Instalment Details for Canberra Trip 2019:

Payment in full or by instalments is available on Compass under "Course Confirmation & Payments" (not Events). Instalment #1 (\$161.50) was due by 25th October;

Instalment #2 (\$156.75) was due by 29th November;

Instalment #3 & Final payment (\$156.75) is due by 14th February 2019

Payment in full - \$475.

Please note:

If you are eligible for **Camps, Sports & Excursions Funding (CSEF)**, please do not process through Compass, as this will alter the amount owed. Please come in to the office to arrange amended payment.

Credit Card & BPay payments – Please remember that we cannot accept payments of less than **\$10** for credit card and less than **\$30** for BPay. If you are paying by BPay, please also send in a short email or note letting us know the amount, what the payment was for and the BPay Receipt number, to kalinda.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au. If payments of less than \$10 are received, we will be returning them home and asking for cash payment.

The Parent Payment Policy and the Kalinda Primary School Hardship Policy is located on our website at www.kalinda.vic.edu.au/ - Notices & Forms, for your information. .

THERESA JARVIS
BUSINESS MANAGER

COMPASS – If your child is away due to illness, medical appointments, family holidays, or other reasons, please remember to login to Compass and register their non-attendance through the "Add Note /Approval" tab on your child's Home Page in Compass. As per the DET requirements, notifications will be sent out via text if your child has an unexplained absence. Please take the time to ensure all your details are correct.

STUDENT BANKING

Student Banking is now closed for 2018. Thank you to everyone for banking with Bendigo Bank. First day for banking next year will be Friday 8th February.



UNIFORM SHOP - RHSports

CHRISTMAS CLOSING TIMES:

Our Uniform Shop at RHSports will close on Friday December 21st at 1:00pm and reopen Thursday, January 4th at 9:00am. They will also be open on Saturday, January 19th between 10:00am and 2:00pm.

Kalinda Primary School Uniforms are available to purchase offsite at RHSports at Unit 12, 100 New Street, Ringwood. Notices are available at the office or on our website at www.kalinda.vic.edu.au/notices&forms

For your convenience, the RHSports Shop is open every day from 9:00am – 5:00pm, including school holidays. The direct link to RHSports is https://www.rhsports.com.au/shop/product/clothing/school_wear/kalinda_ps

KALINDA COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

APPLES STRAIGHT FROM THE ORCHARD.....

Chris, our apple man will be delivering apples on **Thursday 20th December**. If you would like to order strawberries, apples or pears, please see Gill or Annie at the office with your order and payment by **Wednesday 19^h December**. Bags are approximately 5-6kg and are freshly picked from the orchard.

Pink Ladies (NEW SEASON), Golden Delicious and Granny Smiths are available at \$10 per bag. Fujis are now \$12 per bag. Green & Brown pears are available at \$10 per bag.

NEXT DELIVERY:

**Strawberries ('A' Grade) are also available at \$5.00 per 1/2 kg punnet.
Blackberries - \$8 per 500g.
Raspberries - \$12 per 500g**

(early orders are needed for berries - Tuesdays)

Maroondah City Council Vacation Care Programs

Maroondah City Council have a variety of Vacation Care programs running through January 2019. Booking forms and brochures are available at the Kalinda Primary School Office or contact the Council through their website.



See the Community Board in the Foyer for more events and information.

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