Hello everyone,

**Sporting Achievement at State level!**

Congratulations to Ollie Grujic for reaching the State finals in track and field. Ollie ran the 1500 metre race with the top 15 boys from all Victorian State Schools and came eighth! We are so proud of you Ollie! What a magnificent achievement!

**Our School Values!**

Our school values are Respect, Responsibility, Honesty and Courage. Last term, children talked in their classes about what respect and responsibility looks like, sounds like and feels like. This term, the children will be considering honesty and courage in the same way.

Through this process we would like to highlight our values and encourage the children to live them, in word and deed. After this process, the children will be involved in creating a Kallista Primary School pledge. All classes and all children will have input into this process through the Kallista Kids Council and their class teachers. This is an important part of the personal and interpersonal learning at school.

I would love families to complete my Kallista Values Survey, which will go home this week. This survey will encourage all families to discuss with their children what they believe our values mean in practice. Please contribute your thoughts and ideas by filling it in and returning to school over November. Thanks so much!
Emergency Procedures- Please sign in and out when you visit us

Our school has a very thorough Emergency Management Plan, particularly with reference to bushfire. We are currently undertaking a number of evacuation drills at school to make sure we are prepared in the event of a bush fire, or any emergency.

It is very important that you sign in and out of our school when you visit please, and that children are also signed in and out. The sign in register is taken by office staff as part of our emergency procedures, so that we can account for all people on the premises. If you are at school for any reason, during an evacuation drill, we will need you to also follow directions as requested.

We take fire safety management very seriously and thank you for your cooperation.

School Uniform…reminder

The Kallista Primary School’s school council decided last year, that it is important that all children wear proper school uniform to KPS. Uniform at Kallista Primary School is compulsory. If any family needs assistance, we have our second-hand uniform shop and also, parents can call me at the office on 9755 2633, if they are experiencing financial difficulties and cannot afford to purchase uniform. I am very happy to help. Thank you.

Wonderful turn out to the Community Forums

Our school review team, Emma, Mandy and Phil, were thrilled to see the wonderful turn-out for the Community Forums. I would like to extend my thanks to parents and grandparents for coming to the forum to express your views and to once again, show what an absolutely outstanding community we have, here at Kallista Primary School. Your valuable input makes a real difference.

Performing Arts Day

What a wonderful day it was! Thanks once again to Kerry and the team for providing amazing performing arts experiences for our students, and to the FOKPS for providing fruit and food over the day! 😊 We love you all!!!

Please read Kerry’s letter following.

Students at school too early

Just a reminder parents that we do not have staff on duty outside before 8.45am.

It has come to our attention that some Year 5 and 6 students are here as early as 8.15 am. This is really not wise and we cannot offer supervision. Please book your children into before-care if you need to drop them off early.

Some of our senior students may be keen to come to school early to play with friends, particularly now that the weather is warming up. Please understand that this is not appropriate.

😊 Ball Sports on Friday 😊

We can’t wait to see you at **Ball Sports** on Friday!!!

Thanks to parents for signing up to help! It’s going to be awesome fun!!!

See you there!
Kallista Primary School is a registered SunSmart school member committed to ensuring students and staff are protected from too much UV which can cause skin and eye damage and skin cancer. Our school uniform includes covering clothing and sun protective hats and we have shady spaces for students to access. But we need your help.

SunSmart recommends SPF30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen be applied to any skin not covered by clothing. Our school will be implementing strategies to help remind students to apply sunscreen before heading outdoors.

Please help support this initiative by:

- Supplying your child with SPF30 or higher, broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen for use during school hours
- Talking to your child about the importance of using sunscreen regularly to help prevent skin damage and skin cancer
- Ensuring your child knows how to apply their sunscreen independently and has had some practice so they will be all set to apply it safely at school
- Being a SunSmart role model at home with sunscreen, hats, clothing, shade and sunglasses.

Sun protection is a shared responsibility. For more information about sunscreen please visit sunsmart.com.au
Kallista kids are creative kids: PERFORMING ARTS DAYS

We had a wonderful day of performing arts on the 23 October, which was only made possible by the generosity and talents of volunteers who devoted their time and energy to these two performing arts days because they are passionate about performing arts. We believe children benefit from these forms of learning.

Kallista Primary values a curriculum based on diverse forms of learning, encouraging CURIOSITY and CREATIVITY. Creativity is considered essential for 21st Century education to encourage the ability to take risks and ‘fail’ in order to learn and explore, critical and lateral thinking, rather than just learning the ‘correct answer’, problem-solving, pleasure in learning, curiosity, kindness, empathy and imagination (Sir Ken Robinson, All Our Futures: Creativity, Culture and Education 1999; OECD 1996; NACCCE 1999, Victorian Education State 2015). Our children will face an increasingly complex world that will require creativity in order to cope with the pace of change and to be active citizens.

Performing arts are a very important way to stimulate and unleash creativity. They are important for self-expression, building confidence, emotional well-being and self-esteem. For some children, performing arts is the area in which they will thrive and build confidence that will translated into other academic areas. Howard Gardner argues that children learn in diverse ways (multi-literacies and multiple intelligence theories). Dance, music and drama are almost universal to all cultures, and are important for self-expression and developing community.

Dance is expressive and an outlet for the abundant energy many of our children display. It enhances coordination, rhythm, balance, motor skills (cross-lateral impacts on brain development and spatial patterning), self-discipline, fitness and health, working in groups, communicating meaning through movement, spatial awareness and creativity. Dance is culturally significant as a space for pleasure in movement, communal bonding, ritual and self-expression. It is a form of communication. Some children are specifically kinesthetic learners so they benefit from dance education.

Drama like all the art forms is centred on communication. It builds students confidence for public speaking and it involves collaboration between participants to
create scenes, dialogue and responses to scenarios. It requires children to learn about social-emotional self-regulation, so that they can unleash then they have to become quiet, reflective, centred and focused again. Improvisation requires thinking about how someone would respond to certain situations so it develops empathy and emotional intelligence, as well as oral literacy. It is a fabulous way to explore areas of the academic curriculum such as history to bring it to life.

Music is another important outlet for creativity, which is a universal language for human cultures. It is wonderful for self-expression and emotional well-being, and is strongly linked to brain development, such as following patterns in mathematics and languages. It involves active listening which is a skill all children need. It stimulates creative thinking, develops fine motor skills, and a focus on practice and discipline. The primary school music curriculum emphasizes improvisation, which was evident in many of the sessions run on the two days.

Thanks so much to the many volunteers who made these days possible. Rachel Nendick with the help of Danielle George ran the session of body percussion, and suffered for their art with bruised legs! We witnessed some amazing TAP dog-style improvisations from some children.

Tom Silvester, Michelle Kemp and Jasmine Molders introduced children to literacy around music-emotion and storytelling where they had their own chance to write stories as a response to music.

Yahiros ran marimba sessions in the morning and Michael Mietzcke ran ukulele sessions in the afternoon. Seniors were also forced to exchange boy/girl ‘germs’ during bush dancing with Marg Brooks. After initial resistance they embraced the fun and energy of this style of dancing. Students showed their ability to think creatively in making up scenes in a photograph in the drama session run by Sharon Scott, a local drama teacher.

Brad Barry and Tash Leach were at it again with their hip hop songwriting session, making it thoroughly G-rated, Dr Zeuss fun for the younger students. Setta, a local drama teacher devoted her time for free to the school with a fun, joyous session where the younger kids unleashed their creative responses to different scenarios.

Pauline Molenaar and Bec Bos with help from Julie Konda, Miranda Fenec and Tamsin Gowers introduced children to the science of sound with centres of activity that showed children various ways sounds are produced. This included slinkies and paper cups producing the noise for Star Wars light sabres! The kids were thoroughly engaged in this session.

A local music educator, Kate Phillips ran a session of where all children participated with instruments, singing and costumes. They also grooved and learnt their moves in the hip hop session with Brooke from Hart School of Dance.

Thanks also to the work by Karen Koolstra, Kate Hanan, Paul Grujc and Lynne Edwards for delivering fruit platters to hungry children, and providing a wonderful feast for ravenous adults for lunch and morning tea. This kept up energy levels for the day.

Thanks also to contributors to the previous day: Lisa Baird, Chris Gelok, Tim Lines, Stax, Monbulk Secondary College Band and Jeremy Toland.

Kerry Wardlaw, On behalf of the Music Appreciation Group

KALLISTA KIDS DEMONSTRATED THEIR WONDERFUL CREATIVITY!
Message from the Office

Miniscope
After 6 wonderful years of producing the most magnificent newsletter, our lovely Sandra is hanging up her notebook. We are not looking to replace her, as Sandra will never be replaced. However we do need someone to volunteer to co-ordinate and produce our newsletter. If you think this sounds like you, please contact the office. Sandra has kindly offered to help in the transition process.

After School Care Activities

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Calling all Buskers for the Kallista on the Green!

All KPS students wishing to busk at Kallista on the Green could you please come along at recess next Wednesday 11th with your instruments. Mrs Brooks and Yahiro will be listening to you practice your performance. Buskers will be given a time and a place where they will be playing at the event.

Wanted for Kallista on the Green — Any fruit suitable for jam making. Please leave donations at the office before 13th November if possible. Thank you in advance. Marg Brooks
Hi everyone,

Our school community event, “Kallista on the Green”, is just three ways away!!

And in case our little “info pack” (including mini-flyer) didn’t make it home in your child’s schoolbag this week, here’s a recap:

We’re planning a relaxing, music–filled afternoon for families, with stalls (including class stalls), workshops and activities, as you’ll see from the attached flyer created by KPS dad Tim Lines – stick it on your fridge or window sill and “save the date”!

**HELPER ROSTER**—BUT a day like this wouldn’t be possible without parents volunteering their time. There are stalls needing assistance, as well as other important jobs that need to be done. We need as many families as possible to spend one hour on a stall or activity and of course great if you can give more time.

So please have a look at the list of stalls on the “Helper List” sheet you received (also available at the office) and write your name and phone no., then nominate your available timeslot and preferred activities and return it to school with your child or to the front office ASAP.

**NB.** You may also receive separate requests for help for your child’s/ children’s CLASS STALL from their teacher ...feel free to volunteer twice, just not the same timeslot !!!!

**WISH LIST**—We’d love donations of the following:

- **Silent Auction prizes:** if you own, or know anyone who owns, a local business and would like to donate a product (eg. meal voucher) or service (eg. car service, massage etc.), then please call / text Kate: 0438 038 718 asap.

- **Handmade craft items** for our Craft stall
- **blankets:** we’ll up-cycle old blankets for use on the day
- **glass bowls** (suitable for making terrariums) – any shape
- **used clothing and shoes** in good condition, for our second-hand clothing stall

**NB.** Please drop donated items in the pink box outside the office

**MEGA RAFFLE !!!!** You should now have received your book of 20 Raffle tickets for our fabulous Kallista on the Green MEGA RAFFLE: 1st Prize is an Apple IPad Air, plus 15 other great prizes – so please start selling those tickets !! More books available at the Office ...Drawn 22nd November at KoTG.

**NB.** Final Kallista on the Green Meeting, Tues 17 Nov, 7pm Kitchen - All welcome!

**MORE   FOKP NEWS ...**

- **TOMATO SEEDLINGS.** Thanks to all those families who bought tomato seedlings – they look super healthy, so with a little TLC there’s sure to be a bumper crop of tommies in the hills this summer, and $461 profit was made for our school...a great result !

  A BIG thank to Sandy Kuecher for organising ☺

  PS. Anyone still owing cash please drop it into the office.

- **CHAI TENT – End Of The Line Festival, Sun 29 Nov**
  Kallista Primary has been given a great opportunity to run a Chai Tent at the End of the Line Festival in Belgrave.
  Julie Konda (KPS mum and a festival organizer) will set up a wonderful tent for us and this promises to be a terrific fundraiser for our school, BUT WE DO NEED HELP to run the stall. So please let us know ASAP if you’d like to help on the day—Don’t Be Shy, Make Your Chai! Text / call Kate (0438) 038 718 or Julie (0413) 802 715

**REMNINDERS ...**

- **SCHOOL BANKING** - Every THURSDAY

- **Final FOKP MEETING for 2015** - Friday 4 December, 9.15am Staffroom

Bye for now ...

Kate Hannan  (0438) 038 718
Cath Clift       (0428) 862 074

Friends of Kallista Primary (FOKP)
Congratulations to Ollie Grujic for a fantastic performance at the State Track and Field Championships on the 26th October. Ollie competed in the 1500m and gained 8th position in what was a very competitive field. It was wonderful to hear Ollie speak at Assembly about his pre race nerves and his tactics throughout the race. He is a great role model for other students and his successes are motivating others to train hard for our upcoming Kallista House Athletics Day. Again, well done Ollie.

Hilary Morris (Physical Education)

SWIMMING PROGRAM

Well, it was a busy two weeks of swimming. It’s also a lot of washing…..especially if you had more than one child participating in the program. However, it’s always well worth the effort resulting in so many children learning new skills and gaining greater water confidence. It’s also a learning curve for many children with respect to being organised each day, dressing and undressing unassisted, being responsible and cooperative with others and listening to instructions. Thankyou to all those parents who helped out in some way especially supervision in the changerooms. The Dad’s that helped in the changerooms were especially appreciated as it meant the boys rarely needed to use alternative facilities for changing. Some Dad’s even came to help when their own child wasn’t swimming. They deserve a medal!!!! I was very impressed with the children’s behaviour, attitude and enthusiasm and we received positive comments from the pool staff with respect to our Kallista kid’s manners, organisation and general tidiness in the changerooms.

When observing the lessons I pay particular attention to the younger students’ levels of water confidence rather than specific stroke techniques.

- Are they happy to put their head under water?
- Can they swim under water?
- Can they open their eyes under water?
- Do they panic if told not to wear goggles?
- Are they able to enter and exit the pool safely?
- Do they have an understanding of safe rescues?
- Can they float confidently for a period of time?
- Can they tread water?

The older children’s lessons were a mixture of water safety, stroke technique and fitness. Dependent on the age of the child, some, or all of the above scenarios, were presented to them. Let’s face it.......the more our children experience these things in a ‘safe’ environment the less likely they are to panic if placed in danger. The two weeks swimming program is fantastic for rapid improvements in skills and confidence as lessons learned are remembered day to day and built upon. However, if this was your child’s first experience with formal swim lessons or, they are still lacking confidence around water, it is vital that they participate in some form of continued swimming lessons or water appreciation activities outside of school. If you would like to talk to me about this year’s Program or swimming lessons for your child please leave a message at the General Office and I will contact you. Monbulk Aquatic Centre is currently preparing your child’s swimming certificate and you should receive these shortly.

Happy swimming…..is being confident and safe.

Hilary Morris (Physical Education)
This Friday 6th November: At School
(If the Ball Sports are postponed due to poor weather they will be held at a later date)

Under the guidance of our House Captains and Vice Captains training is well under way. The bottom courts have been a hive of activity during recess with Houses putting in some great work and I look forward to some fantastic competition on the day. Activities will run from 11.30am to 1.30pm. and parents, grandparents etc are more than welcome to come and watch. There will be a student vs teachers vs parents Tunnel Ball and the teachers have been training VERY hard.

Please make sure that your child is prepared for the day with the following:

- Hat/Sunscreen
- Full drink bottle
- Safety pin for ribbons
- Warm clothing in case it turns cold
- Students are encouraged to wear House Colours provided they are Sun Smart and sport appropriate
- Suitable sports shoes

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Friday 13th November
Knox Park Melways Ref. 73D6

*Further details to follow next week*

This is always a great day with parents sharing a picnic lunch with their children at the lunch break. Parent helpers are still needed so please see Hilary Morris if you can help OR send a message via your classroom teacher OR place your name on the white board at the General Office.

- All children are to be at school by 8.45 a.m.
- Buses will leave promptly soon after.
- Ensure your child has: hat, sunscreen, lunch, drinks, safety pin
- for ribbons.
- If you are collecting your child from the venue you must arrive by 2.00pm and see their classroom teacher before you leave.

Hilary Morris
Sports Coordinator
Japanese Songs by Grade 1/2

Tulip 1/2B Flynn フリン

Drum 1/2A Bazil バジル

Mouse 1/2H Priya プリヤ

Tulip 1/2A Hazel ヘーゼル
Garden Buzz

Wow our Indigenous garden has taken shape - thank you to those who have helped - I think all the amazing KPS kids should be proud.

We got excited with prep K & prep 1/ A and planted a Butterfly garden along the dry creek bed. Planting tomatoes, beans, zucchini in our kitchen garden.

Such a buzzy time of year.

Buzzing off

Sonya
“Gargoyles”
by Grade 4/5K

Olivia

Mia

Romeo

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MONBULK FUN RUN 2015
‘Run to the G’
4km and 8km Run / Walk

DATE: Sunday 29th November 2015
PLACE: Start / Finish – MCG - Monbulk Cricket Ground
TIME: 8:00 – 8:30 registration for a 9:00am start (start)
ENTRY FEE (inc. breaky)
$25 Adults $10 Secondary Students
$40 Family Primary Kids Free

Breakfast and Awards Presentation followed by Monbulk Cricket Club 20/01 match after Fun Run

All money raised to go towards a new community pavilion at the Monbulk Recreation Reserve

Event proudly sponsored by Monbulk & District Bendigo Bank & MADCOW

For more info on the event or to volunteer your time please contact Steve or Kelly Utting

utting.steven.rr@edumail.vic.gov.au / kellyembellish@hotmail.com

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Our Term 4 Eureka program, ‘Mystery, Mayhem and Magic’ for Years 1 and 2 will be held at Mountain Gate Primary School in the coming weeks. It’s not too late to register your gifted and talented students who have a passion for learning. Places are still available.

G.A.T.E.WAYS offer specialised programs which are designed to address the particular needs of gifted and talented students and provide an opportunity for them to work with like-minded peers.

Mystery, Mayhem and Magic provides students the opportunity to explore narrative, develop skills in creative interpretation, explore strategies and styles of writing and learn how to illustrate their compositions. These hands-on workshops also provide your gifted and talented students the opportunity of working with like-minded peers.

Our Eureka programs this year have been a huge success and we received excellent feedback from both teachers and parents. This term we look forward to another great Eureka program.

The details of the ‘Mystery, Mayhem and Magic’ workshops can be found via the links below.

LINKS FOR PROGRAM DETAILS:
Mountain Gate Primary School - 20 November, 2015