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Educating today's Minds for Tomorrow's Challenges

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 Week 3/9**

Dates to Remember

Term 1

January 28<sup>th</sup> 2016 to 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016

## **February 2016**

10 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming (1-2pm)
11 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming (1-2pm)
16 <sup>th</sup>	Student School Banking Day
17 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming (1-2 pm)
18 <sup>th</sup>	Open Water Day at Lake Charm for grade 4-6. Grade Prep-3 Swimming at Kerang Pool (1-2pm)
19 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming (12:30-1:30)
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Student School Banking Day
26 <sup>th</sup>	Small Schools Group Day at Quambatook –Pool activities. (Bus)

## **March**

1 <sup>st</sup>	AFL Football Clinic
18 <sup>th</sup>	Stomp Production at Kerang Primary

## **Attachments**

## **Principal's Message**

The start of a school year is always very hectic and this year is no exception. Over the next couple of weeks swimming will be a major focus. Last Friday was our first swimming day. Even in one day I could see some real improvement in our students. Thanks to the parents who have offered to assist with transport.

On Thursday of next week the grade 4-6 students will be participating in an Open Water Day conducted by Royal LifeSaving Victoria. Our prep-2 will have their normal swimming session in Kerang.

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February Quambatook, Ultima and Lake Charm will have their first Small Rural Schools Group Day in Quambatook. This will have a activities the pool focus. We will travel there by bus and there will be no cost to families.

School Council Elections

We will soon be commencing the School Council elections process. Our retiring members are Katrina and Vanessa.



On Tuesday the students had to follow a recipe to make their own pancakes. They did an excellent job as you can tell from the photos.



Some of the highlights of our weekly show and tell were Jukal's new puppy (no name) and Bree's flamingo.



**This week's Pupils Of The Week  
Grade 6 for their excellent support  
and leadership.**



### **Water testing**

**Last week the students did some analysis of the invertebrates in Racecourse Lake.**

**They were pleased to identify a number of invertebrates that are Sensitive to water conditions and indicate that the water quality is quite good.**

## **Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund**

The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) commenced in 2015 for four years and will provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students, with \$225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students. A special consideration eligibility category also exists. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student, funds can only be used for the stated purpose.

Forms were sent home last week. If you require another copy of the form, please let us know.

## **Transport**

Thank you to those parents / guardians who have offered to help transport students to and from excursions / sports this year. If you haven't already provided a copy of your licence, registration and insurance, please send to school ASAP as most copies at school have expired.

## **Student Accident Insurance Arrangements**

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Student accident insurance policies are available from some commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance.

The Department cannot advise parents/guardians on whether to purchase a student accident policy or which policy to purchase. It is recommended that they seek assistance in this matter with their insurance broker or find a suitable personal accident insurer in the Yellow Pages or online.

## Community Connections

Kerang and District Community Centre have a regular newsletter with courses, events and community happenings available. To receive the newsletter contact the Centre on 5452 2522 or email [reception@kdcc.org.au](mailto:reception@kdcc.org.au)

### CUBS AND SCOUTS

Kerang 1<sup>st</sup> Cubs and Scouts Group are looking for new members.  
All children welcome aged 7 ½ to 10 ½ Cubs and 10 ½ to 15 years Scouts  
Contact Carmel Tyers for more information 5450 3690

### *Lakes Chatter*

*Copies will be available at the Lake Charm Store and The Mystic Park Hotel.  
Copies will also be available in the Kerang Library If anyone would like to  
receive the Chatter as an email, please email your address to  
lakeside.lifestyles@hotmail.com and we can add your email address to the data base  
and email you a copy each month*

### School Sport Victoria 'Team Vic' State Trials

This year is a new process for children with **high skills** in netball, football, cricket, soccer or basketball, to trial toward being part of the state team in their chosen sport.



Students need to turn 10, 11 or 12 years of age in 2016.

Students wishing to nominate to Trial must follow a new process which involves gaining endorsement from their school and registering online. There is a \$25 online registration fee that the student's family will need to pay. Please follow these links to access these trials.

<https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/TeamVic/Pages/onlineRegistrationInformation.aspx> and  
<https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/TeamVic/Pages/FAQ.aspx>

Once they are registered they would then trial in their local Swan Hill area. Check the Mallee Division Sports Website for dates. If you have any difficulty in doing so please contact your school or Tim Croft Mallee Division Coordinator on 0439032354.

Registrations close for Cricket on February 19th 2016

Registrations close for netball, football, soccer or basketball, March 16th 2016.

### **DANCESCAPE**

**2016**

Enrolment Day for

Classes in Classical, Jazz & Tap

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 4.00pm to 5.00pm

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HALL

VICTORIA ST KERANG

(opposite Central Primary School)

Dance Classes Commence – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

For all enquires and new enrolments

Contact Gabriela Vehlen – 54579266/0438568592

# School Banking 2016 is set for **the outback.**

Since 1931, the School Banking program has been introducing interactive and exciting new ways to teach students lifelong money skills. This year's program invites your child to join the Dollarmites on a wild outback adventure through the Canyon of Savings.

Your school has received parent packs that include all the gear you need to get started. If you haven't received a parent pack yet, please ask your School Banking Co-ordinator.



## Equipping smart savers with eight new reward items in 2016

The School Banking program continues to encourage good savings behaviour by rewarding students with thrilling reward items. For every 10 deposits made through the program, students can redeem a reward from our Outback Savers range. The first two reward items released in Term 1 include Flying Snake Tails and Wildlife Writer Sets.

## You could meet Bindi and Robert Irwin at Australia Zoo

This year, we're giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three kids to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin, plus:

- A full day Platinum Zoo Adventure Tour, where you'll get to pat wombats, cuddle koalas and feed wallabies, all while your personal photographer captures every incredible moment.
- Domestic return economy airfares to Sunshine Coast, Qld, 4 nights' accommodation, 5 days' car hire and \$1,000 spending money.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will automatically receive an entry into the competition.

For more information, visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)



Meet Bindi and Robert Irwin!



**Things to know before you Can:** Conditions apply, see [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking) Promotion starts 9.00am AEDT 25/1/16 and ends 11.59pm AEST 30/9/16. Entry is open to all YouthSaver account holders aged 5-13 years who participate in CommBank's School Banking program, have parent/guardian consent to enter, and make at least 15 separate deposits into their YouthSaver account through the School Banking program during the promotion period. Limit of 1 entry per person. The draw will take place at 12.00pm AEDT on 11/10/16 at the Promoter's office. The first valid entry drawn will win a family trip for up to 2 adults and 3 children (17 years or under) to the Sunshine Coast, Queensland with return economy flights (depending on winner's place of residence), 4 nights' accommodation, 5 days' car hire, \$1,000 spending money and a 1 day VIP family Platinum Zoo Adventure tour of Australia Zoo, valued at up to \$13,591. The winner's name will be published in the public notices section of The Australian on 17/10/16. Promoter is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124, 3/11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. Call 13 2221. NSW Permit No LTPS/15/07166; ACT Permit No TP15/7385; SA Permit No T15/1610.

