

Mount Keira Demonstration School

Established 1861 "Learning and Caring"

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The Summit Term 1 Week 4 Tuesday 20 February 2018

Term 1 Week 4

Wednesday 21 February	Scripture and Ethics classes commence
Thursday 22 February	District Swimming Carnival at Western Suburbs Pool- selected competitors

Term 1 Week 5

Monday 26 February	Monday Munchies- Subway
Monday 26 February	Year 5 District Academically Gifted Class information session 8.30am

Term 1 Week 6

Monday 5 March	Clean Up Australia Day-in school. Please bring gloves.
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Other important dates for 2018

Monday 12 March	Monday Munchies- Sushi
Thursday 15 March	Selective High School testing
Friday 16 March	School Disco
Saturday 17 March	Progressive Dinner
30 March & 2 April	Easter Public Holidays
Tuesday 10 April	School Photos
Thursday 12 April	Showcase Assembly 2pm
Friday 13 April	Last day of term
Monday 30 April	Staff Development Day
Tuesday 1 May	Students return to school for Term 2
Friday 4 May	District Cross Country
Monday 11 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
12-15 June	Years 5 and 6 Berry Sport and Recreation Camp

Congratulations
to our Leaders
and their proud
families.



Dear Parents

School Leaders

It is with great honour and an absolute pleasure to announce our School Leaders and SRC representatives for 2018:

Our School Captains:

- Xavier MZ
- Gabriela DN

Our Sports captains:

- Nebo- Kylanni M
- Keira- Thomas C

SRC:

Kindergarten- Elijah R

Year 1- Emily N

Year 2- Luca G

Year 3- Xavier G

Year 4- Riley G

Year 5- Mitchell S

I have no doubt our Leaders and SRC representatives will do an outstanding job in 2018. Well done and congratulations.

Kindergarten Students

Congratulations to our Kindergarten students who have spent just over three weeks here at Mount Keira Demonstration School. It is always a daunting thing for them to start school and I have been very impressed with how well the Kindergarten students have adapted to school life and how smoothly the transition has been. Keep up the great work Kindys!

District Academically Gifted and Talented Class for Year 5 students

The District Academically Gifted and Talented class for Year 5 students will be running again this year. The program is still in the organisational stages for 2018 however, an information session for Year 5 parents has been scheduled for Monday 26 February at 8:30am in the Stage 3 classroom. The program aims to provide additional enrichment for academically gifted students in Year 5 to assist them to optimise their learning, especially social skills and thinking skills. Students attend the lessons one day per week at one of our local schools. Several Mount Keira students have participated in recent years and have found it to be an interesting program.

Parent Information Sessions

Most information sessions have now taken place and it was wonderful to see so many parents in attendance. If you were unable to attend, please ensure you follow up with your child's classroom teacher as a parent information pack will be sent home. Now these sessions have concluded, your child's teacher is busy organising a goal setting session. A separate Class Dojo message has been sent home. Please ensure you book a time with your child's teacher as these goal setting sessions ensure your child has a positive start to the year and learning is linked to your child's needs.

Scripture/Ethics Class

Scripture and Ethics lessons will begin on Wednesday 21 February. Scripture/Ethics lessons take place from 12.05pm to 12.35pm for Early Stage 1/Stage 1 and 12.35pm-1.05pm for Stage 2/Stage 3. Please ensure your child is enrolled in the correct class.

P&C Meeting

Last Tuesday the P&C held its AGM and I would like to congratulate Kerry Sorensen, Lili Zlojutro, Heather Vucenovic, Lisa Cooney and Kelly Rewell who will fill the President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary roles this year. It was great to see such a large turn out of very enthusiastic and motivated parents.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15 May in the Waratah classroom. It would be great to see you all come along.

Swimming Carnival

On Wednesday 14 February I was lucky enough to visit the students at the swimming carnival. The weather was kind to us and the day was a huge success. It was wonderful to see so many children participating in the different events. Congratulations to all the competitors. You are not only great swimmers but also great sports persons. Your enthusiasm and willingness to 'have a go' was exceptional. Thanks to the teachers for their commitment on the day and also for the extensive preparation beforehand. A very big thankyou to the parents that assisted on the day as well. It would not have been the success it was without your help.

On Thursday 22 February many keen swimmers will head off to the District carnival at Western Suburbs pool. I look forward to hearing all about it. Good luck Mount Keira Fish- 'Just keep swimming.'

Working Bee

A very big thank you to all that attending the school working bee on Saturday 10 February. It was wonderful to see so many parents, grandparents and students helping on the day- we have a very dedicated school community. Well done everybody involved!

No Hat, No Play

This year the school will be enforcing the “No hat, play in the shade” rule. Please ensure your child comes to school with the correct **school hat**. Students who do not have hats will be directed to play under the COLA. Hats are available from the office every day at a cost of just \$15 or there are a few in the second hand clothing pool at the moment for \$2 each (these may be handy to put in the bottom of your child’s bag as a spare). Please ensure they are clearly marked with your child’s name. Please also regularly check that your child is wearing their hat and has not accidentally taken home someone else’s hat as we have had many missing hats lately.

As the weather is extremely hot, please ensure your child has been protected with sun screen before coming to school and has sunscreen with them if they need to reapply. A full water bottle is also another daily essential. Thank you for supporting our Sun Safe program.

School Absences

When your child is absent from school you are required by law to notify the school of the reason for their absence within two days. Teachers mark the roll every day and they are required to follow up on absences immediately. Our preferred method of notification is via Skoolbag or you may contact the school via telephone, although we like to receive written confirmation as well. Great attendance at school increases your child’s chances of success.

Clean up Australia Day

Sunday 4 March is Clean Up Australia Day and on **Monday 5 March** we will be having **our school cleanup day**. All students will be involved in picking up rubbish, weeding, etc and generally tidying around our playground area. **Please send some gardening or rubber gloves for your child to wear**. Each class has been designated a small section of our playground for their clean up area.

Child Protection

Thank you to those families who have already completed their Working with Children Declarations as mentioned in last week’s Summit. If you did not receive your form or should you require another copy please see Mrs Christlo.

Road Safety

We remind parents to always ensure they take care when travelling in any School Zone. A new set of School Zone Traffic Offences have recently been implemented by the Roads and Maritime services. A copy appears at the end of this Summit.

When travelling in our School Zone please always consider the following:

- Always proceed to the Bush Fire Station to turn around. Never do a U turn over double yellow lines.

- Where possible park on the school side of the road to avoid unnecessary crossing of the road. As there is no footpath on that side and no pedestrian crossing it is safer to park on the school side. Parking on the school side also always traffic to flow more freely.
- Should you need to park across the road please walk across and collect your child. Never call your child across the road.
- Always ensure you travel at 40km or under in school zone times.
- The driveway is for the use of staff only. Do not stop or park in the driveway to drop off your children.
- Do not use the driveway to enter the school grounds as a pedestrian. All access to the school should be via the front gate.

Please share this important information with grandparents, relatives and friends if they collect your children from school.

Coles Sport for Schools Program

Thanks to everyone who has been collecting vouchers for us. Our box and the one at Coles in Figtree are already full. We are looking for a parent volunteer to start counting the vouchers for us. It is a job that can be done at home and would just involve popping into Coles once a week to see if their box is full. Please see Mrs Christlo if you can help.

Found

A pair of sunglasses was found after the welcome BBQ. Please see Mrs Christlo to claim them.

Keep smiling!

Mrs Tenae Carroll
Principal

What's Due?

We have been following up some outstanding forms for a number of weeks now. Please ensure you check your child's bag regularly for notes. We fully understand that our parents have very busy lives but it is extremely important our notes are returned promptly before the due dates to give us time to get our activities coordinated.

Activity/ Note	Students Involved	Due Date
Permission to Publish form (reminders sent home last week)	All students	Overdue
Scholastic Book Club (forms sent home two weeks ago)	Interested students	20 February
Monday Munchies Subway (collect form from Library)	Interested students	Thursday 22 Feb 3.15pm
P and C Fees (envelopes sent home today)	All families	Friday 2 March
Year 6 Transition to Year 7 form (form sent last week)	Year 6	10 March
P & C Progressive Dinner (invitations sent home today)	Interested families	13 March on Skoolbag
P & C School Disco (invitations sent home today)	Interested families	13 March on Skoolbag

P and C News

It has been a great start to the year with so many families and teachers attending the Welcome BBQ and working bee. Thank you to everyone who helped in both events, your support is greatly appreciated.

P&C Committee

At the AGM on Tuesday 13 February we also voted in our new P&C committee and sub-committee positions:

P&C President – Kerry Sorensen- Kerry has been in the P&C committee for two years as Vice President. Kerry's children Ella, Alyssa and Sienna are in Years 6, 4 and 2.

P&C Vice President – Heather Vucenovic- Heather is taking up her first position on the committee but has contributed to Progressive Dinners, disco's, cookbook, Mothers' day/Fathers' days stalls and lots more in the past few years. Heather's children Savannah and Claudia are in Years 4 and 1

P&C Vice President – Lili Zlojutro- Lili has been part of the P&C committee and almost every event held at our school since her arrival in 2009. Lili's children Velvet, Xavier (X-man), Sequoia and Quade are in Years 8, 6, 3 and 1.

P&C Treasurer – Lisa Cooney- Lisa is in her second year as treasurer and has handled the extra work of a little school trying to get a lot done. Lisa's children Callum and Kieran are in Year 3 and Kindy.

Secretary – Kelly Rewell- Kelly is also in her second year as secretary. It is a busy role with lots of extra tasks that pop up from time to time. Kelly's children are Riley, Luca and Keira in Years 4, 2 and Kindy. We are looking for someone to support Kelly this year in the secretary role and help out with some administrative tasks. If you would like to 'shadow' Kelly in this role please chat to her or anyone on the committee.

Uniform Coordinator – Megan Blanchard- Megan is in her third year as uniform coordinator and has been working hard to improve the quality and functionality of our uniforms. Megan's children Lily and Dane are in Years 5 and 2.

Monday Munchies – Jacqui Cousins- Jacqui is coordinating Monday Munchies for the second year. It is a great program for a school with no canteen but does take a bit of organising so let Jacqui know if you have any time to assist. Jacqui's children Ewan and Philippa are in Year 8 and 2.

Lots of families contribute in a significant way to our school even if they do not hold a position on the committee and those who hold a position also have significant family, work and other organisational commitments. Please look out for requests for help as any contribution you can make is important and welcomed.

P and C Fees

P&C membership payment envelopes are being sent home today. A letter is included outlining what the fees cover. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Payment by 2 March would be appreciated. Payment may be made direct to the P and C account or with cash. Please do not make payment using the payment option on the school website it is not for P & C transactions.

School Disco 16 March and Progressive Dinner 17 March

School disco and progressive dinner invitations will go out this week. More details about the organisation of the Progressive Dinner will be available early next week via Skoolbag. You will be able to RSVP via Skoolbag and nominate how you will be able to assist with food and set up. As mentioned in an earlier Summit please ensure you are registered to receive P and C information by selecting the P and C option in the My Subscription Groups (where you selected your classes). We are looking forward to both events but will need a lot of volunteers to ensure they run smoothly.

Can you help support both events with donations of any of the following:

- Any unused toys or gifts that can be used as prizes for the school disco.
- Any good quality items that can be auctioned or raffled at the progressive dinner. If you are affiliated with a business would they make a donation of an auction item or gift voucher?

Please drop any suitable items into the office or contact Heather on mkds.pandc@gmail.com to put her in contact with businesses that may support us.

Playspace Update

The time has come to start planning our play spaces..... Yeah! Thanks to everyone who has supported our beautiful cookbook, which has been the key to delivering our children wonderful play spaces. It has been a phenomenal effort and we are nearly there, with less than 300 books to sell. We really need your help getting us over the line to reach our \$70,000 target. If you have can buy or sell copies of the book or have any leads for us to follow, please contact the cookbook team mtkeiracookbook@gmail.com.

In the meantime, if you are passionate or have expertise with play spaces, we are looking to form a team to come up with 3 or 4 play space options to present to the MKDS community. It will be fun times but also hours of solid work to see it through. If you would like to get involved please call Lili Zlojutro on 0409 157 888.

New school uniform option for girls

The P&C have agreed on a new uniform option for girls with the aim of giving them more freedom and flexibility both in the classroom and the playground. The new uniform is optional and may be chosen to wear in place of the current uniform. It is not necessary to have both uniforms. Poppets have limited sizes of the new summer style available, but all sizes will be available from winter 2018 onwards visit <http://www.poppets.com.au/> or give them a call on 4226 1611. They will deliver to the school.

New summer option - Sky blue, short sleeved shirt (uni-sex with normal collar) with navy cullottes, and white socks.

New winter option - Sky blue, long sleeved, peter pan collar blouse with navy slacks and white socks.

We still have a lot of second hand uniform available. Please pop in and have a look at \$2 they are a bargain.



Monday Munchies

This week's Monday Munchies is Subway. Please refer to the instructions below (a separate copy has also been sent home) for details on how to submit your order. Please ensure orders are placed by Thursday 22 February at 3.15pm. The latest volunteers' roster is included in this Summit.

Monday Munchies Ordering process

A copy of this information has been distributed to all families today. Please keep it handy for future reference or refer to the P and C section of the school website.

We have had to make some changes to the Monday Munchies ordering process due to a shortage of volunteers and the time it is taking to compile the orders. Please volunteer to assist with Monday Munchies where you can. Some of the jobs can be done outside of school hours and this frees up other volunteers to assist during school time. We are also looking to reduce paper waste by not sending out forms and bags which are not used.

Item- Prices as at February 2018	Price
Frozen yoghurt (only on sushi days)	\$1
Sushi roll – chicken teriyaki	\$3
Sushi roll – tuna	\$3
Sushi roll – vegetarian	\$3
Subway – kids pack	\$6.50
Subway – foot long sub pack (includes drink & dessert)	\$9.50
Kebab	\$5

The Summit will have the date of upcoming Monday Munchies. When you see it is Monday Munchies coming up you will now need to do the following:

How to order – Subway kids pack

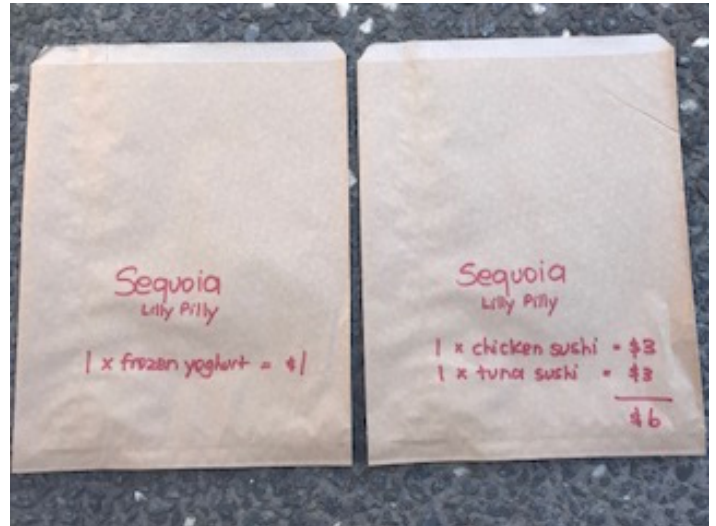
- circle your selection on the form which is attached to Subway bags (your child will have to collect a bag from the library). Please **include your child's name and class**.
- return your bag and **correct money** (no change given) to the office. Do not place loose money in the Subway bag please put it in an envelope or plastic bag inside the bag so that the Subway bag is not contaminated
- orders close **Thursday 3:15pm**, NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED

How to order - Kebabs

- fill in your selection directly on the kebab bag (your child will have to collect a bag from the library). Write your child's name and class on the side of the bag, not the top as it is rolled down when the kebab is put inside.
- return your order and **correct money** (no change given) to the office. Do not place loose money in the kebab bag please put it in an envelope or plastic bag so that the kebab bag is not contaminated.
- orders close **Thursday 3:15pm**, NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED

How to order – Sushi and/or frozen yoghurt

- write your name, class, order and price directly on a brown paper bag (parents must provide their own brown paper bags)
- one bag for lunch
- one bag for recess
- place one bag inside the other and put correct money in an envelope or plastic bag inside the paper bag so the bag is not contaminated.



*Subway and kebab bags will be available from the library. You are welcome to keep a few at home in case your child forgets to pick one up. We are happy to receive feedback on this new system or fresh ideas for Monday Munchies.

*If you have more than one child ordering, you can pay the total amount for all your children rather than paying for each child individually.

An advice from the NSW Roads and Maritime Service- Seven new school zone traffic offences

To help schools keep the school zone safer for all pedestrians and drivers there are seven new traffic infringements with new fines.

1. Stopping in intersection - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.

2. Stop within 20m of intersection (traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.

None of the seven offences attract demerit points when committed elsewhere on the road but in a school zone they each come with two points.

The changes are:

3. Stop within 10m of intersection (no traffic lights) - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.

4. Stop near bicycle crossing lights - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$439 and 2 demerit points.

5. Obstruct access to ramp/path/passageway - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a penalty of \$330 and 2 demerit points.

6. Not parallel park in the direction of travel - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.

7. Parallel park close to dividing line - Under the changes if a driver commits this offence in a school zone they will receive a \$330 fine and 2 demerit points.

All updated school zone offences can be located through Roads and Maritime:
<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/roads/safety-rules/demerits-school.pdf>

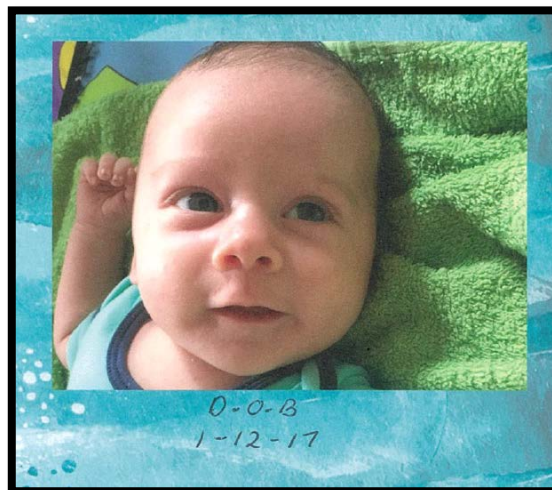
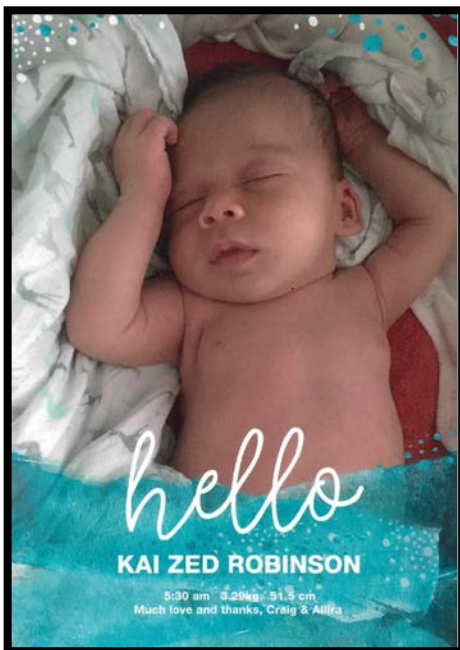
MONDAY MUNCHIES ROSTER Term 1, 2018

Please contact Jacqui Cousins (0400187764) ASAP if you are going to be unavailable, so that a replacement can be arranged.

Date/time	Name and phone number	Duties
Friday 23 February 9:15am	Kylie Beckett 0438422798	Subway - Collate orders, count money, staple orders to bags, place in class tubs
Friday 23 February 3:15pm	Bernie 0413377359	Take order, class tubs and money to Subway Figtree (Near Dominos & Star Kebabs on Princes Highway) pick up more bags.
Monday 26 Feb 11am	Angela Koljanin 0405002328	Pick up lunches from Subway Figtree and deliver to classrooms (lunch starts at 11.15am)
Friday 7 March 9:15am	Lili 0409157888 Madeleine Morris 0431019650	Sushi - Collate orders, count money, phone through order to Sushi Shop and to yoghurt buying volunteer.
Friday 7 March before 3:15pm	Jacqui Cousins 0400187764	Purchase frozen yoghurts & place in school freezer. Check if more bags are needed
Monday 12 March	Veronica Houlton 0415060646	Sushi is delivered to school, place sushi in prepared bags, deliver class tubs to each classroom before 11.15am
Monday 12 March 1pm	Jacqui Cousins 0400187764	Place frozen yoghurts in prepared bags then deliver class tubs to classrooms just before recess at 1.30pm
Friday 23 March 9:15am	Heather Vucenovic 0421231766	Kebabs - Collate orders, count money, place in class tubs ready to be delivered
Friday 23 March 3:15pm	Heather Vucenovic 0421231766	Deliver orders in class tubs and money to Star Kebabs Figtree (near Dominos & Subway on Princes Highway) pick up more bags
Monday 26 March 11am	Alison Colquhoun 0401505531	Pick up lunches from Star Kebabs at Figtree and deliver to classrooms (lunch starts at 11.15)
Friday 6 April	Madeleine Morris 0431019650	Sushi - Collate orders, count money, phone through order to Sushi Shop and to yoghurt buying volunteer.
Friday 6 April	Bernie 0413377359	Purchase frozen yoghurts & place in school freezer. Check if more bags are needed
Monday 9 April	Veronica Houlton 0415060646	Sushi is delivered to school, place sushi in prepared bags, deliver class tubs to each classroom before 11.15am
Monday 9 April 1pm	Jacqui Cousins 0400187764	Place frozen yoghurts in prepared bags then deliver class tubs to classrooms just before recess at 1.30pm

Thank You

Mrs Robinson and her family wish to thank the school community for the support and good wishes they received during their pregnancy and following Kai's birth in December. Kai is thriving and Mrs Robinson is looking forward to bringing him up to meet the children shortly.



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Family Day Saturday 10 March 2018 from 12pm – 5pm

Reading is not only great for your education, it is also valuable for your wellbeing and helps children build relationships with those they read with

To encourage as much reading as possible, we would like to offer you 20% off your purchase when you visit the Book Fair between 12pm and 5pm on Saturday 10 March 2018. WOW!

Write the name of your school here.

Illawarra Sports Stadium, Hooka Creek Road, Berkeley.

Entry by gold coin donation and eftpos is available.

For more information, visit www.lifelinesouthcoast.org.au/events

Voucher MUST be presented at the event to receive the discount

Voucher only valid between 12pm and 5pm Saturday 10 March 2018