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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday.

Site Improvement Plan

As part of the Kongorong Site Improvement Plan, teachers have engaged in the teaching sprints process. During the term and within some lessons, teachers have gauged understanding using the think aloud or think, pair, share techniques. At the end of each lesson, teachers have revisited what was covered using either quizzing or reflective techniques to gauge understanding of concepts covered.

Profiles of student's favourite books continue. Please text the details of your favourite books and why you like them so we can display our parent's favourite books too.

Bill: My favourite books are tractor books and I like these books because I like tractors.

Gemma: My favourite book is 'Hot Dog' and I like this book because it is always filed with adventure.

Please find below the third instalment to our Parent Reading Workshop. There is also a handout on Comprehension Questions.

How can I support my child when Reading at home?

- Make it routine.
- Ease into the book by asking some questions before you start reading.
- Don't tell them, guide them.
- Make it enjoyable.
- Ask a few questions afterwards to check for understanding. (Comprehension Questions handout)

We would like to invite parents and grandparents in from next term for the rest of the year to listen to their child and other students read. Please let your child's teacher know or contact the front office if you have a spare half an hour and are interested.

Our school values— Working Together, Respect, Striving for Success, Honesty, Tolerance

Our school vision—We encourage a love of learning, a strong sense of self, respect for others and the desire to become good global citizens. We promote independence and responsibility as we guide our school towards a positive future.

DIARY DATES

Monday 1st May

Start Term 2

Friday 5th May

Student Free Day

Friday 12th May

Mother's Day Mini Quiz

Friday 19th May

Walk to School Day

Friday 9th June

Whole School excursion

Millicent Library & Tantanoola

Caves

Monday 12th May

King's Birthday

Friday 7th July

End Term 2

REMINDERS

Full payment or 2nd instalment of school fees are **overdue**, 3rd instalment is due Friday 14th April.

Please pay as soon as possible or contact Stacey in the Front office for alternative arrangements/payment plans.

Eftpos available or direct credit to:

Kongorong Primary School BSB: 065-504 Account No: 10385800

District Sports Day

What a river of black and gold it was on Small School Sports Day. Unfortunately it wasn't our day for any silverware however all our students conducted themselves with pride and had the Kongorong team spirit of never giving up. All of our students displayed our school values; working together, respect, striving for success, honesty and tolerance.

The morning began with the traditional street march, a highlight for all involved. Thanks to Shaun for marching down the street with us. Well done to Sam and Cohby for leading our school on the day and all students singing with gusto and enthusiasm. We then were transported to Blue lake Sports Park to compete against Millel, Glenburnie, Compton, Suttontown, Yahl and Moorak in the tabloid events and sprint events. Congratulations to all our competitors and congratulations to all our championship sprinters and Bean Bag Relay competitors.

I would like to acknowledge all the time and effort our wonderful staff put in preparing for the day. Thank you to our fantastic parents and school community for all their help and support. Lastly, thank you to our wonderful students for always trying their best.



















SAPSASA

Congratulations to Claire for being selected in the SAPSASA girl's football team for 2023. Claire and her team mates will compete in Adelaide during term 2.

Small Schools Year 6 Adelaide Camp

One of my favourite things on camp was The Beachhouse and I had a lot of fun on the slides and the arcade games. The bumper cars and the boats were also fun but the funniest part was when me and Angus flipped the raft on the big slide.

Connor

My favourite part of camp was when we went to the Adelaide Oval because we got to go in the old score board. We also saw in the museum that a person bowled and hit a bird and ricochet off and in to the stumps and was called out.

Angus

We went to Monarto Zoo. Angus, Sam and Connor bought a monkey and I bought a snake. We saw a variety of animals, my favourite was the hyenas.

Cohby

AFL Max - I liked AFL Max because there was so much stuff to do. You could go on an inflatable obstacle course. There were tackle bags, rock climbing and there were trampolines and dodge ball. At the start we got some socks and you can keep them just in case you come again.

Parliament House - When we got in we had to go through security and you had to walk through a big door. We had to wait 10 minutes then we met Troy Bell who gave us a tour around Parliament House. We learnt about the Speaker and the Members of Parliament and different houses. We watched Troy Bell in Question Time who is the Mount Gambier representative for the parliament. When the King and Queen were around there was a bloodline and if you went over the line you would get your head chopped off.

Samuel

For more great photos from the camp have a look at the Kongorong Primary School Facebook page.













Material & Services Charges

A friendly reminder that our 2023 school fees were due in full by Friday 14th April 2023. We would like to thank those parents who have paid or have made arrangements to pay their school fees for 2023, it is appreciated. Please do not hesitate to call Stacey if you have any questions regarding your Materials and Services charges or the School Card application process. All fees are to be finalised by Friday 12th May as the debt collection process will proceed after this date as per the Department for Education policy.

A reminder that School Card applications can still be applied for and can be done online by visiting www.SA.GOV.AU - School Card scheme (www.sa.gov.au)

Student Free Day

This Friday, 5th May we will be having a Student Free Day for staff to attend training.

Please note that the Student Free Day that was scheduled for term 2, week 2, Monday 8th May has been postponed until term 3, week 2, Monday 31st July.



ART/MUSIC UPDATE







LP Class - Students have been learning about warm and cool colours. They have also been using a range of art materials including oil pastels and water colour paints.

Choir - We have learnt a range of songs and action songs. Students have been using instruments and following music notations.

We were very luck to receive some new instruments from the Music Strategy for our students to use, we have has a great time learning how to use them!

UP Class - Students have been looking at and creating pieces of art using a range of art styles including abstract and zentangles.



