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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

We would like to welcome Hussain and his family. We also welcome Josh, Simon and Hannah to our staff for semester 2.

Site Improvement Plan

The Kongorong staff attended the Literacy Guarantee Conference that was held at the Wulanda Recreation and Convention Centre on Monday 31 July. The key note speaker was Bill Hansberry who focused on - Effective Classroom Practice: Literacy for All.

Bill is a director at Fullarton House Assessment, Therapy and Teaching. He has been a specialist multisensory teacher (wave three) for fifteen years, seeing students in his private practice at Fullarton House for reading remediation, counselling and mentoring.

Bill focused on the 'what' of structured literacy teaching, exploring structured synthetic phonics, phonology and morphology and the importance of review. He also spoke about the Cognitive load theory.

Other Workshops that were presented by LGU Literacy Coaches included - Phonics R-2, Spelling R-6, Dyslexia and Assessing Reading.

Teaching staff will be focussing on Questioning as part of the Fab 4 for term 3 Teaching Sprint.

Tree Planting

On Wednesday 2nd of August Kongorong Primary School ventured out to Kent's Wetland property of Coola Station, to assist with tree planting. The expedition was led by Hilary Ellis and Sam Whitehead. The students split into 2 groups and dug holes and made tree guards. Then they all planted a couple of trees. We planted 50 trees out of 1500 trees. We also had recess at the wetlands and Hilary gave all the students a fruit

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

Week 5-21st—25th August

Book Week

'Read, Grow, Inspire'

Week 5-Wednesday 23rd August

Book Week Parade

Book Swap

Mid Term Assembly

Week 6—Thursday 30th August—Friday 1st September

Mini Camp to Mt Gambier

Week 7-Monday 4th September

Father's Day Breakfast

Week 7-Tuesday 5th September

School Photos

Week 8—Tuesday 12th September

Tennis Hot Shots

Week 9—Tuesday 19th September

Governing Council

Week 10—Wednesday 27th September

End of Term Assembly

REMINDERS

Full payment of school fees are **overdue.**

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

box. What a fantastic opportunity giving/contributing back to our wonderful community. A huge thanks to Hilary and Sam.

Please see below some of the student's comments.

Bill – I liked looking at the swan's nest.

Liam – It was fun.

Mary Jane – It was amazing because it was my first time planting a tree.

Jayce – It was fun and I liked making the tree guards, digging and planting trees.

Ella – It was fun digging the holes.

Claire – It was really fun and I liked how we went down to the wetlands. We got told by Hilary and Sam how to plant the trees. We got to hear the frogs and look at the swan's nest.

Jack – It was fun.

Cohby – It was really fun. I thought we did a good job.

Connor – It was really fun and we planted a lot of trees.

Sam – The tree planting was fun. My favourite thing was making the tree guards that protect the trees. I really liked the excursion. It was cool to be up so close to the windmill.

Gemma – It was really fun and I enjoyed planting the trees.

Jamison – I loved it because we planted some trees.

Angus – It was good to know different things about tree planting and all of us getting the experience and helping the wildlife get bigger and bigger in the area.



Staffing

Simon

Hi all, my name is Simon Condon. I am an SSO working mainly in the Upper Primary class. What a great school Kongorong is, with beautiful facilities and a great school community. I am really enjoying getting to know all the students and staff.

I love fishing, camping and 4 Wheel Driving. I follow Hawthorn in the AFL, West Gambier and Kongorong Footy Clubs are my favourites locally. I hope to get to meet many of you over my time at Kongorong.



Hannah

Hi my name is Hannah Cutting. I am an SSO, I will be working in the Upper Primary as well as the Lower Primary and Kindy on Wednesday.

In my spare time I love spending time with my son and family, cooking and baking as well as getting out and about in nature. I am really looking forward to getting to know you all.



Joshua

I have been a Department for Education employee since 2015, and I have recently been allocated to Kongorong Primary School to support their ICT needs and infrastructure. I'm grateful to be able to take over this position from my long time school friend Tessa.

I'm looking forward to working with staff and students to ensure they have access to and feel supported in using the latest and greatest technology.

Outside of work I enjoy hikes, gaming and a huge variety of movies and TV shows. I'm also looking forward to a trip to Japan later in the year.

A big thank you to the students and staff that have welcomed me to Kongorong Primary School.



New equipment

The school has recently purchased a new table tennis table. It is being used enthusiastically every lunch and recess by students and staff! We have also purchased some new soccer balls and basketballs which the students have been using.

Michelle Hunt
Principal



ART

LP have been using story books to create pictures and looking at warm and cool colours.



UP have been using colour and shape to create pictures.

