



Karrendi Primary School

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Newsletter

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Term 1

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A Message From The Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We have had a great start to Term. On behalf on our school community I would like to say congratulations to Joseph Perri who won our Senior Leader – Wellbeing position at Karrendi Primary School. Furthermore, I would like to welcome Amy Nyugen, our new 2/3 teacher and Bethany Crossman, our new 5/6 teacher. I would also like to welcome our new reception students and other new students and families into our school community. Due to enrolment increases we have 9 classes instead of 8 classes this year which is great news. We look forward to an enjoyable and successful year at Karrendi Primary School.

Regards,

Mandy Alcorn
Principal

Reminder – School Drop off and pick up times

Just a reminder that a staff member goes on duty in the yard at 8:30am. We continue to have lots of students who are being dropped off at school before 8:25am. This issue is causing a major safety congestion hazard in the front office. If for some reason your child needs to be dropped off before 8:30am, please inform a member of staff. Thank you for your support.

Diary Dates

Term 1

Week 3

Mon 13/2-Fri 24/2

Swimming

Tue 14/2

Special Lunch

Wed 15/2

Governing Council Mtg

2:00PM

Week 4

Mon 13/2-Fri 24/2

Swimming

Week 6

Fri 10/3

Aquatics Yrs 6/7

Week 7

Mon 13/3

Public Holiday
Adelaide Cup Day

Week 8

Tues 21/3

Harmony Day

Week 9

Mon 27/3-Fri 31/3

Parent Teacher
Interviews

Week 11

Tues 11/4

Disco

Thurs 13/4

Sports Day

School Fees

Invoices for School Fees will be sent home with your child on Monday. Thank you to the families who have already paid their school fees, or fill out their school card forms.

If you don't receive an invoice please contact the front office as soon as possible.

Please remember School card forms need to be filled out **each year**. These are available from the front office, if you would like assistance filling out these forms, please ask.

School Fees are vital to maintaining the services and the programs that we provide for your children.

Well-Being Window

Welcome to 2017!

Hello and welcome to all students and families, whether you're returning or are new to Karrendi Primary School, it's great to have you here! For those of you who don't know me, my name is Joseph Perri. I've been a member of the Karrendi family since the end of 2014, working as a teacher. This year, I'll be working with staff, students and families as the new School Counsellor. My office doors are always open. If you ever want to have a chat, head to the front office and we can arrange a time.

This year we are continuing our focus on positive well-being, mindfulness, and our School Values, those being: Respect, Kindness, Honesty, Resilience and Personal Best. Each week, we will have a whole school focus on one school value. This week, the focus has been KINDNESS. How have you been kind this week? Maybe you've made someone laugh or listened to a friend in need. Or maybe you've taken time out of the day to do something that makes you feel happy (yes you can be kind to yourself, too). Whatever you've done to be kind, keep doing it! It makes our school and our community, a much happier place.

We have an exciting year coming up at Karrendi, and I'm looking forward to meeting new faces and catching up with old ones (don't take that literally, parents and caregivers!).

See you next time,

Mr Perri

Swimming Reminder

Just a reminder that swimming lessons will commence for Reception –Year 5 students next week. As was outlined in the information sent home, two qualified and experienced swimming instructors have been appointed from Monday 13th February, until Friday 24th February. A timetable has been sent home with this letter. Parents and Caregivers are welcome to come and watch their children if they wish.

Please ensure you have completed the swimming/aquatic consent form and have returned it to your child's class teacher. The instructors are unable to let students who do not have an up to date form into the water.

Also, if any conditions that may impact their health during lessons e.g. asthma, allergies or other medical conditions are recorded on the form, a medical care plan is needed as well as any required medication. There is no cost for students to participate.

Please remember to send along bathers, t-shirt for students to wear in the pool, towel and a bag for wet clothing with your child.

Please clearly label your child's clothing and towels.

Sunscreen will be available in classrooms.

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our School now has our own Skoolbag iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. We are asking parents/students to install our Skoolbag School App. To install it please follow the instructions for your phone below.

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.

Miss Cooke's Corner



Dear Students, Parents and Families,

Welcome to 2017! For those of you who don't know me I teach Health and Physical Education to students from years 2 to 7. I am responsible, along with Emma Chesterman, for leading our Karrendi School Choir and I have spent the last four years as Numeracy Coordinator helping to improve Numeracy Education and learning at Karrendi.

This column will be a portal for all news around SAPSASA, choir, Karrendi Walking Club and up and coming Numeracy events. Over the course of the year you will also find different challenges related to health and numeracy and other activities to get your mind and body working.

I would like to start the year by giving you the opportunity to share your knowledge and expertise around healthy lunch options.

For Students:

Write down your favourite healthy lunches and we can put together a list (just a cheeky way to let your families know what healthy options you want in your lunch box!)

For Parents / Caregivers:

If you have a favourite healthy recipe which is a hit with the kids drop it in to either the office or to me in Room 18 and we can create a collection of yummy healthy lunches for those times when we need a little inspiration.

I look forward to sharing the year with you all and watching your involvement with the school grow – after all, it is our learning and family community that makes Karrendi so great!

So, with that I wish you all a happy and healthy start to the year and remember to watch this space!

Bye for now,
Miss Cooke

