



# KAURNA PLAINS SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER - TERM 1, WEEK 8 2018

STRENGTH THROUGH LEARNING · WILTA TIRRKANDIARRA



Pictured: R-1 class in the kitchen garden; 2-3 class Minecraft Maths; and Harmony Day activities.



## DIARY DATES

Friday 30 March

**PUBLIC HOLIDAY:** Good Friday

Monday 2 April

**PUBLIC HOLIDAY:** Easter Monday

Friday 13 April

Last day of Term 1

Friday 13 April

First day of Term 2

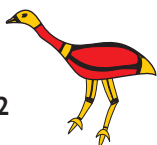
## 2018 TERM DATES:

Term 1: 29/1 - 13/4

Term 2: 30/4 - 6/7

Term 3: 23/7 - 28/9

Term 4: 15/10 - 14/12



## BELL TIMES:

Gates	8:40am
School starts	8:50am
Lesson 1	8:50-9:50am
Lesson 2	9:50-10:50am
Recess	10:50-11:10am
Lesson 3	11:10am-12:00pm
Lesson 4	12:00-1:00pm
<i>(includes 10min eating time)</i>	
Lunch	1:00-1:30pm
Lesson 5	1:30 - 2:20pm
Lesson 6	2:20-3:10pm

**Early dismissal Wednesday 2.20pm**

## WELCOME - NA MARNI

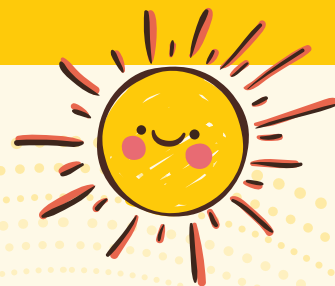
### Supporting Students in the Yard & Beyond - Positive Education

This term as you are aware we have incorporated "Chill time" into classrooms to support students with regulating their behaviour in a positive manner. To extend this to the yard we have developed the Yarning Room in which if there are incidents that occur during break times students are encouraged to talk about it and develop solutions in a positive way. Teachers are also working with their SSO staff in developing recess activities to support individual students who need additional support in making positive choices.

Shortly we will be trialling a longer recess break and a shorter lunch break. For example recess will be 30 mins play while lunch will be 20 mins play. Research has shown that this helps students settle more in the afternoons, by extending their concentration levels and ability to learn. Our start and finishing times of the day will remain the same.

Parents and Caregivers will also notice that classrooms will be open at 8:40am to welcome you and your child with learning starting at 8:50am. This is a great opportunity for you to catch up with the teacher. Also at the end of the day all staff will be available to chat in the carpark. At Kaurna Plains we look forward to building stronger connections with our families.

*Yours Sincerely*  
Aunty Ange



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## RECEPTION - YEAR 1 CLASS

### Harvesting and freezing spinach in SAKG

Our class had the task of harvesting fresh spinach from our garden. They then had to wash, chop and bag the spinach ready for freezing. This means it can be used in the future and doesn't die in the garden. We also made some scrambled eggs with spinach which was yummy. We learnt spinach is green, it is used for making pizza, pasta and salads and we worked out some of us liked it and some of us didn't.

*Natasha Trestrail*

*Reception/Year 1 Class Teacher*

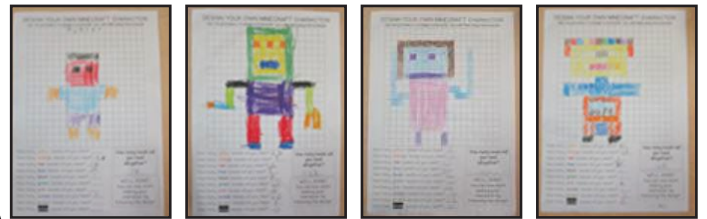


## MINECRAFT MATHS

In Maths we have been learning about numbers. To help with this, we made Minecraft characters! First, we had to design our character and work out how many of each colour bead we would need. Then we had to add the total number of beads together and some of the students needed a lot of beads. After, we got to take our Minecraft characters home.

We thought this was a fun way of learning Maths.

*Alyssa Di Girolamo, Year 2/3 Teacher*



## HARMONY DAY ACTIVITIES

On 14th March, our senior students worked with other classes in the school, teaching them about other cultures. This work was part of their SACE Integrated Learning (Events). Students taught each other about Maori culture, the many Indigenous cultures here in Australia and Mexican culture. They organised a quiz, a rugby match and some delicious nachos! This was the first time that some of our students had to be the teacher, and it was quite a learning experience! They did a great job, and worked well with the other classes. We hope that everyone enjoyed their activities and learned something new about other cultures. Here are some pictures from the day:

*Aunty Liz*



## HOMESCHOOL CLUB

Need help with a task?

Want extra time to complete your work?

Need access to a computer to do some research?

Feel like you're falling behind?

Want to develop your resume?

Want to read for Premier's Reading Challenge?

Want to ask your teacher a question?

**Thursdays until 4pm**

**ALL 7-12 STUDENTS WELCOME!**



## COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

KPS are part of this program again this year. There are 800 sports items up for grabs, so we need the community to donate as many vouchers as possible! We have a voucher collection box in the Front Office and will soon have one in at Coles Elizabeth also. We have until 11th May to collect vouchers.

