**Principal's Message**
Welcome back to school for Term 3.
The builders and painters have been busy painting the Aboriginal Cultural Room, rebuilding the 1/2 covered walkway and refurbishing the middle classrooms to accommodate 3/4Q and 4W. The walls are down to make the classroom double rooms, the painting and carpeting are nearly complete so the move should take place early next week.

Our new award system was announced at Tuesday’s assembly. Mrs Gee explained there will be staggered starts so that children are able to achieve gold or a Principal Award over a shorter period of time:
Year 1 & 2 started with 1 bronze
Year 3 & 4 started with 2 bronzes
Year 5 & 6 started with 1 silver.
An explanation note is attached to this newsletter

Thank you Mr Connell and Mr Thurgate for your organisation of the Athletics Carnival. The weather was perfect and we managed to get through nearly all the events. Thank you to all the parents who came along to support their children in the events. The teachers commented on the increased number of participants in all events. Well done Koonawarra kids! District Athletics notes will go out this week. Track Events, full day Thursday 30th July; 2015 Field Events, 9-12pm Friday 31st July 2015.

$5 levy and permission slip to be returned to office. Private transport required.

PLEASE REMEMBER to just photograph your own children as there are now strict guidelines and permission must be sort from parents to name and load photos on to social media sites.

Jacqueline Murphy-Cann,
Principal
Koonawarra Public School.
Athletics Carnival
Woolworths Earn & Learn is back and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for your local primary school, secondary school or Early Learning Centre. Last year more than 14,500 schools and Early Learning Centres benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries, music rooms, gymnasiums and science labs.

It’s simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in the Collection Box, either at your local school or at your local Woolworths.

The collection box for Koonawarra Public School Earn & Learn Stickers will be located in the Office foyer.
Australian Early Development Census

*Playing our part to build a national picture of child health*

**What is the AEDC?**
The AEDC measures five key areas of development in children during their first year of full-time school to build a national picture of health and wellbeing. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and target support for children and families. Teachers are trained to assess each child and answer questions. Children don’t need to be present so no class time is missed, and parents/carers don’t need to supply schools with any new information for the census. Teachers’ individual assessments are then analysed by the AEDC and reported as anonymous groups of children in the final report.

Notes will be distributed to kinder parents today.

---

**Child Protection:**
Child Protection will be taught throughout Term 3 & Term4.
Content taught is regarding stranger danger, and Sex education for senior students.
Body parts are named. If you wish to withdraw your child from these lessons, please see the class teacher.
Mrs Herring’s Library News

Author Quote
Helen Oxenbury

What would I have done without that library when I was growing up?
And how many people must feel the same today?
I hope libraries never cease to exist.