Dates to Remember

Term 4
December
Fri 2nd Dec Year 6 Rites of Passage
Tues 6th Dec Secondary school transition/KPS Step Up program
Thur 8th Dec Kingsville Carols (Beavers Reserve, Wales Street)
Fri 9th Dec Foundation 2017 transition program
Tues 13th Dec Year 6 Graduation
Thurs 15th Dec New families to KPS social function
Mon 19th Dec Casual Clothes day (gold coin donation)
Tues 20th Dec Casual Clothes day
Last Day Term 4 (1.30p.m. dismissal)

2017
January
Tues 31st Jan Grade 1-6 students begin
February
Thurs 2nd Feb Foundation students begin - half day
Fri 3rd Feb Foundation students full day
March
Fri 31st Mar Last day term 1 (2.30p.m. dismissal)

Term dates 2017
Term 1 - 30th January (school staff start) – 31st March
31st January (students start) – 31st March
Term 2 - 18th April – 30th June
Term 3 - 17th July – 22nd September
Term 4 - 9th October – 22nd December

DUE TO THE LOW NUMBER OF RESPONSES THE WORKING BEE HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Principal’s Message

The 2016 school year is fast drawing to a close with only 17 more school days until the end of Term 4. At this time of the year schools which are always busy places, move into a particularly intense time. A great deal of planning and action is required to ensure a successful end to one year and, a great beginning for the next.

In addition to the expected program of instruction, children are engaged in completing their self-evaluations and they also participate in a range of additional activities.

Regardless of how busy it gets however it is important to remind ourselves to step back and take time to reflect. At the school level, this will at times involve restating the obvious i.e. the reason Kingsville Primary School exists and has done so for 97 years is because of the students and in 2016 that equals 641 wonderful young girls and boys.

Their needs must always be the priority and the final weeks of a primary school year are a great time to reflect upon the achievements of the last 10 months. They also provide the opportunity for participation in a range of traditional rituals, experiences and celebrations that are part of KPS tradition.

There are a number of events to look forward to as students get ready to 'step up' to the next level of schooling. Some will be pertinent to a particular level, others will involve the whole school along with family and friends.

General Guidelines for Parents when making any Payments to the school:
End of Terms 1, 2 & 3 All payments need to be made prior to 10:00am on the last day of term.
End of Term 4 All payments must be made 2 days prior to the end of term.
Cash Payments Correct money is requested, as change cannot always be provided.

School Council President Bruce Abernethy 0438 045 275 School Uniform Primary School Wear 9768 0342
OSHC Camp Australia Program Manager Pamela McFadyen
I encourage parents to engage with their children and, the whole school as possible during the last 3 weeks (and 2 days) of this school year. Be aware of events, ask questions and read the notes/emails and newsletters. In this way you will be able to contribute towards a positive, joyous end to 2016.

Welcome to Preps for 2017 and their families
The last two Friday mornings have been very special ones. We have run the kindergarten to foundation program and welcomed most of the 86 children who are enrolled to begin in Prep 2017.

The children have been in the foundation classrooms participating in the ‘being at school’ program. I am pleased to report that many happy smiling faces exited the classrooms to greet their parents/family members at the completion of these sessions.

Over in the school library running at the same time have been parent information sessions. Even though 39 of our 86 preps for 2017 have siblings already at Kingsville, the number of parents attending has been very pleasing.

These sessions always provide valuable time to address starting school challenges and share ideas for a successful beginning in the prep year.

The session today featured Kingsville foundation and Year 6 students as guest speakers. They shared with the audience their reflections on being a Kingsville student and gave some very valuable tips to parents. Preps spoke confidently about their first year at school and, year 6’s looked back over in most cases a period of 7 years. The presenters were-

**Prep**
- Michael Fisher - FC
- Easton Nette - FB
- Maddy Salmon - FB
- Ubaidah Naghar - FE

**Year 6**
- Hamish Panetta
- Alex Mozjerin

Kingsville Awards
To be presented on Friday 2nd December

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Happy Birthday
24th to 30th November
Happy Birthday to Jasper Harmer, Jack Harmer, Madison Rogers, Lachlan Schumann, Alexandria Mozjerin, Audrey Lawrence, Emily Li, Jacob Marron, Jack Fumari, Jonah Bulic, Flynn Abernethy, Darcy Goonan and Sacha Horne

Final whole school assembly of the year
Friday 16th December
This will include our traditional Christmas carols and student, teacher and community ‘sing a long’.

Please note
Children will be at school on the 19th and 20th December and dismissal at 1.30p.m. on Tuesday 20th December will be from the classrooms.
Library Help

Required

Any parents with free time at the end of next week and the beginning of week 12th December are welcome to come along and help Nicole Shirreff in the last hour of the day or any time on Thursdays. Jobs include sorting through boxes and books etc.

Email Nicole shirreff.nicole.n@edumail.vic.gov.au if you would like to help.

Nicole Shirreff, ES staff member

Friends of KPS News

Icy Pole Day – Wednesday 14th December
Order forms will be sent home with students next week for the Icy Pole fundraiser.

Christmas Hamper Raffle
We are now seeking donations for our annual Christmas Hamper Raffle. Please consider grabbing a few extra items on your weekend shop to go into the hampers that will be raffled at the end of term. We would love donations of Christmas food, luxe bath and beauty items, little travel/holiday things, chocolates, wine, books and small toys. Let your imagination be your guide! If you’re donating alcohol, please make sure an adult brings it to the office.

We would also love large baskets/hampers, cellophane and ribbon. These can also be left at the front office.

Your wonderful donations will be used to create the fabulous prizes for raffle. Tickets will be available soon.

Friends of KPS end of year recognition and thanks event
We will be hosting an event to pay our thanks to all the amazing volunteers who have helped us with all our events this year. Please join us on Tuesday 6 December 2016 at 7pm - 8pm in the staff room. Come along and celebrate our volunteers, be celebrated, meet the Friends of KPS team and hear about our plans for next year.

Please RSVP to che_stockley@hotmail.com

2016 KPS Fundraising Goal

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Total raised $57,793.65

Will your child / children be at Kingsville in 2017?

If you know your child / children will not be returning to Kingsville in 2017
or
If they will be only here for a short time e.g. you could be moving in Term 1
Please fill in below if you have not already informed the school

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CHILDREN NOT ATTENDING KINGSVILLE P.S. IN 2017

Name: ………………………………………   Year level in 2016: ………   Date finishing at KPS: ………
Name: ………………………………………   Year level in 2016: ………   Date finishing at KPS: ………
Name:………………………………………   Year level in 2016: ………   Date finishing at KPS…………

New school (if known): ………………………………………………………………………………………

Signature of parent/guardian: ……………………………………………………..

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Dear Sponsor,

Thank you for your support in helping me improve my community, so I can have a better life and future.

I am now 15 years old.

Currently, I am in secondary school studying grade 6.

World Vision community workers have repeatedly visited me to monitor my well-being. Currently, I am in good health.

With your support, this year my family and I participated in and benefited from:

- Children's clubs – I learned about my rights and worked together with my friends to make things better in our community.
- Cultural activities / celebrations – I learned about my culture and heritage and how it has shaped my community, my family and me.
- Child protection awareness / training – We understand the rights of children and how to report a suspected case of child abuse.
- Birthday celebration – I feel loved and supported by my friends, neighbours and community.
- Environmental workshops / campaigns – We learned more about how to care for our environment and make positive changes in our community for children.

“I took part in International Children’s Day with my friends, where we had the chance to express our feelings through songs.”

– Hamid, 10 years old
ICY POLE DAY
WED 14TH DEC

Please return form / money by MON 12TH DEC