



Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

March

Mon 6th Mar

Fri 10th Mar

Mon 13th Mar

Wed 15th Mar

Fri 17th Mar

Mon 20th Mar

20th - 24th Mar

Wed 29th Mar

Thur 30th Mar

Fri 31st Mar

Foundation students first full week

Curriculum Day – no students at school

Public Holiday – Labour Day

Second Hand Uniform Sale

- Ride to School Day

- Summer Sports Gala Day

School Council meeting

Planning Week

KPS Cross Country

Hot Cross Bun day (Friends of KPS event)

- Casual Clothes day (gold coin donation)

- Easter Hat Parade

- **Last day term 1 (2.30p.m. dismissal)**

Term 2

April

Mon 17th Apr

Tue 18th Apr

Tue 25th Apr

May

Fri 5th May

9th – 11th May

June

Mon 12th Jun

Tue 13th Jun

Fri 23rd June

Tue 27th June

Fri 30th June

Public Holiday – Easter Monday

Term 2 begins

Public Holiday – ANZAC Day

YDSSV Cross Country

NAPLAN (years 3 and 5)

Public Holiday – Queens Birthday

Curriculum Day – no students at school

YDSSV Winter Sports Gala Day

KPS Athletics Day

Casual Clothes Day

Last Day term – 2.30p.m. dismissal

Term dates 2017

Term 2 - 18th April – 30th June

Term 3 - 17th July – 22nd September

Term 4 - 9th October – 22nd December

Student Free Days 2017

Term 1 - Friday 10th March

Term 2 - Tuesday 13th June

Term 4 - Monday 6th November

Breaking News

Kingsville Primary School this afternoon took out the honours at the YDSSV Swimming Carnival. Yes the shield is ours for 2017 and, thanks to our 27 talented and hard working swimmers we brought the 'Gold' home.

2nd place – Yarraville West Primary School, 3rd place – Wembley Primary School and 4th place Footscray City Primary School.

Thank you to Lorey Bentley, teachers, volunteers and parents.

Full details next week.



Principal's Message

Parent Teacher Meetings

A wonderful and very worthwhile afternoon and evening of conversations between parents and teachers took place on Wednesday.

Thank you to all of the parents who booked a meeting time and came along to participate in this very important exchange of information.

General Guidelines for Parents when making any Payments to the school:

Preferred method of payment is BPay. Your BPay reference number can be located on your family statement and will remain the same throughout your child's time at KPS. EFT/credit card facilities are available over the counter at the main office. Cash payments – correct money is required as there is not always access to change. Please do not send large amounts of cash with your child. Receipts will be issued through your child's classroom. To help the office in finalising accounts, where possible, please limit payments in the last week of any school term.

Sharyn Fletcher, Business Manager

School Council President Glen Yates 0447 520 058

School Uniform Primary School Wear 9768 0342

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OSHC Camp Australia 0401 054 261

The data shows that there were 578 bookings for the night that is a 90% response. This percentage will increase by the end of this term as some make up/additional meetings are held.

These meetings provided for authentic engagement with our parent community and an opportunity to meet, share information and build the learning partnership.

Having such a high rate of participation in these **parent conversations** during term 1 has proven to be very important in setting the scene for effective ongoing communication with parents throughout the year.

So well done Kingsville parents/guardians and of course to our teaching, specialists and support staff.

School Council News

Minute Taker Required

Our council has elected office bearers (see newsletter 4 - 24th February) and a minute taker and correspondence secretary were appointed to ensure all necessary recording and communication for, and from, the first meeting. Moving forward in 2017 however, council is looking to change the method of minute taking. It has been agreed to seek out an approved 'other person' to take on this role. It is acknowledged that it is challenging for a school council member to be concentrating on taking minutes and at the same time being able to effectively participate in the meetings.

Many school councils address this challenge by having a volunteer minute taker and this is an appropriate action for our council to take. In most cases the person is either a staff member or a parent.

It is important to note that the person carrying out this role is not a member of council and does not participate in discussions, voting or any decision making.

Skills required

- be willing to be there just to take the minutes (see dates below)
- to adhere to the KPS School Council code of conduct relating to confidentiality
- be an effective listener
- be able to supply their own device to record the minutes or take minutes by hand and have them typed up within approximately 4 days of the meeting
- ***training as necessary and ongoing support would of course be provided***

Time commitment

Meetings are held on a Monday night between 6.30p.m. and 8.45p.m.

20 th March	11 th September
15 th May	30 th October
19 th June	27 th November
7 th August	11 th December

There will also be an Annual General meeting – date to be determined.

If you feel you are able to take on this role or have any questions please let Glen Yates, School Council President or Kath Ginnane know.

Updated School Council membership **School Council membership 2017-2018**

Current membership (parent)

Marc Dorey (parent of Adrienne and Aurelia)
Martina Ryan (parent of Liam Brophy)
Glen Yates (parent of Liam Yates)
Dale Schumann (parent of Lachlan Schumann)
Jaye Giacomini (parent of Levi Giacomini)
Angelica Pierangeli (parent of Rafael Phillips)
Grant Philpots (parent of Charlotte, Max and Jim Philpots)
Clare De Graaf (parent of Maya)

Current membership (DET)

Kath Ginnane (Principal Executive Officer)
Christie Miller (teacher of FCM)
Greg Milholland (teacher of grade 3GM)
Peter Ritchie (DET)

All Parent membership and DET membership category positions are now filled.



Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday 17th March

1JM	Desi Collins
1LR	Ruiha Gemmell
1SP	Maya Hawke
1SS	Aakriti Kodidasu
2AT	Ella Parnham
2GJ	Dinh Le
2JL	Saskia Mozjerin
2LB	Sabine Barbetta
3GP	Dexter Fawcett
3LI	Gilbert Strachan
4GD	Diesel Singh
5AO	Aimee Christie-Ducie
5DS	Brodie Clutterbuck
5KG	Semhal Beyene
6RT	Rory O'Shea



Happy Birthday

2nd – 8th March

Happy Birthday to *Jasmine Walker, Charlotte Willis, Heidi Trollope, Leo Bugden, Tommy Rae, James Jago, Sonny Shrivell, Ella Davidson, Alice*

O'Brien, Violet Mautner, Ammar Naghar, Aimee Christie-Ducie and Sophia Chua-San Andres.

Curriculum Day - 10th March

Kingsville Primary School is committed to continuous improvement and a key feature of this is ongoing Professional Learning. Each year schools receive four student-free days (when student instruction does not occur) for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development, and student assessment and reporting.

The first day of Term 1 each year is a student-free day in all government schools to allow for appropriate planning to take place for the arrival of students.

Curriculum days or “student-free days” at Kingsville provide the opportunity for all staff to engage in professional conversations and tasks specifically focussing on compliance areas of the school strategic plan. The school strategic plan defines what the school values most and sets out the school’s goals and targets, key strategies for improvement, and influences resourcing priorities.

Friday the 10th March will provide the opportunity for all staff to engage in professional conversations and tasks specifically focussing on ensuring high quality and consistent teaching practice, curriculum planning and assessment.

Peter Ritchie, Assistant Principal/PYP coordinator

What does the term ‘Internationally Minded’ really mean?

Kingsville Primary School has been an authorized IB World School for nine years offering the Primary Years Program of the International Baccalaureate. In that time one of the common questions asked by new or interested parents to Kingsville is, what does being internationally minded really mean. In this weeks newsletter article I would like to try and answer this question.

The aim of all IB programmes is to develop ‘*internationally minded*’ people who, recognizing their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect. The PYP encourages students to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

What is an internationally minded person? In the PYP, the attempt to define international-mindedness in increasingly clear terms, and the struggle to move closer to that ideal in practice, are central to the mission of PYP schools.

Given the variety and complexity of PYP schools, and the elusive nature of the concept itself, it would be naive to propose any simple definition and expect it to stand up to rigorous examination. Rather, the IB would suggest that the definition is compound, reflecting a range of interrelated factors. (*Making the PYP Happen – A curriculum framework, 2009*).

The learner profile is central to the PYP definition of what it means to be internationally minded, and it directs schools to focus on the learning. The profile of an internationally minded person is a set of ideals that can inspire, motivate and focus the work of the school, teachers and the school community, uniting them in a common purpose. The learner profile is seen as a significant part of the development and education of the whole student.

The attributes of the learner profile are: **Inquirers, Knowledgeable, Thinkers, Communicators, Principled, Open-minded, Caring, Courageous, Balanced and Reflective**

These attributes are known within the school as the Learner profile and are the dispositions we want the students to; feel, value and demonstrate towards people, the environment and their learning. At Kingsville PS (and in fact at any PYP school), a truly internationally minded person is one who is developing and living the attributes of the learner profile in all situations, not just at school.

With teachers and parents working together to promote and model the attributes of the PYP Learner Profile, our students will see clear, consistent connections of what it means to be a citizen in today’s world.

To summaries then, a PYP school is a school that, regardless of location or size strives towards developing an internationally minded person. What is an internationally minded person? It is a person who recognizes, articulates and demonstrates the attributes of the IB learner profile.

Peter Ritchie, Assistant Principal/PYP coordinator



No dogs are permitted in school grounds

A reminder to all families that schools are a 'no go zone' for dogs. We ask all parents to cooperate with this safety requirement.

CSEF

A reminder to all parents who hold a current Health Care Card, Pension or are a Foster Parent, that you may be entitled to a \$125 per child payment from the government to be used towards Camps, Sports and Excursions. For more information or to download an application form, please go to <http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/Pages/csef.aspx?&Redirect=1> Forms and information can also be collected from the school office.



Second Hand Uniform Sale

When: Wednesday 15th March

Times: 08.45a.m - 09.15a.m

&

3.15p.m - 3.45p.m

Where: Outside the Library

Cash only

Friends of KPS - are eggs-cited to be hopping into Easter!

They say school is for egg-ucation, but we have two egg-sellent events planned for Easter, to finish the term in a cracking fashion! We aren't yolking, things are about to get EGG-STRAORDINARY!

Hot Crossed Bun Day will be the first of our Fun Food Days for this year. It will be held on Thursday 30 March. Order forms will be sent home next week. Don't mis-lay your order form, or you'll be a cross bun if your kids miss out.

Easter Hamper Raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on 31 March. Scramble to it and donate eggs and Easter goodies at the Front Office. Our Bunny Helpers are hatching plans to create amazing hampers for the raffle. These hampers will be hard to beat! Raffle tickets are attached to this newsletter and are a paltry \$1 each.

So HOP TO IT!

Ché Stockley and Zoanne Morrissy,
Friends of KPS members



**Kingsville Primary School
Easter Raffle – \$1 per ticket**

Name & Class: _____

Contact no.: _____

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Please cut your tickets out before returning them along with the money in an envelope to your class teacher. Thank you!



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**Kingsville Primary School Easter
Raffle – \$1 per ticket**

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