



Newsletter

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Dates to

Term 1

March

Mon 2nd – Fri 13th Mar Prep – 2 Swimming Program

Wed 4th Mar

Parent Teacher meetings 1.30 – 6.50p.m.

Mon 9th Mar

Public Holiday – Labour Day

Thurs 12th Mar

Parent helper information session 9.15-11a.m.

Fri 13th Mar

- Summer Gala Sports Day - Grades 5/6

Wed 18th Mar

- Ride to School Day

9 and 10 year old KPS Cross Country

Thur 19th Mar

11 and 12 year old KPS Cross Country

Fri 27th Mar

Casual Clothes Day (fundraising)

Last day Term 1 – 2.30p.m. dismissal

Term 2

April

Mon 13th Apr

Term 2 begins

May

Thurs 21st

School photos

June

Mon 8th June

Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday

Fri 26th June

Last Day Term 2 – 2.30p.m. dismissal

Remember

Term dates 2015

Term 1 - 28th January to 27th March

Term 2 - 13th April to 26th June

Term 3 - 13th July to 18th September

Term 4 - 5th October to 18th December



Principal's Message

The 2015 School Council met for the first time last Monday, February 23rd. At that meeting an election was held to appoint members into office bearing roles and the results were:

President	Leah Young
Vice President	Moira Junge
Correspondence Secretary	Bruce Abernethy
Minute Secretary	Dylan Britton
Treasurer	Andrew McArthur

Congratulations to these council members for accepting nomination to these roles.

School Council Meeting Dates for the remainder of 2015

Term 1

March 16th

Term 2

May 11th (2 components)

June 22nd

Term 3

August 3rd

September 14th

Term 4

October 26th

November 23rd

December 7th

N.B. May 11th meeting will have two components

A – Annual General meeting for 2014 year

B – School Council meeting

School Council Sub committees

Please see item regarding Fundraising 2015 in this newsletter from Leah Young, School Council President.

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 Leah Young 0418 369 039
OSHC Camp Australia 0401 054 261

School Uniform Primary School Wear 9363 8458
Program Manager Asi Malu



Easter Hat Parade

Getting in early – Friday 27th March

The end of term is still some time away however, I do like to give an early alert and reminder about our traditional yearly Easter Hat Parade.

Easter is still some time away but as usual the signs are out there with 'eggs', 'chickens' and 'rabbits' so to speak, in the shops already. However, it is not too early for parents and childrens' minds to turn to

Easter Bonnets “with all the trims upon it”.

The now traditional school Easter Hat Parade is always held on the last day of Term 1 **“by order of the Principal”**.

It is a delightful way to finish the term and has grown over the last few years from a school assembly style event to a 'Gala Occasion' with appropriate media coverage.

Parade Details

- Date:** Friday March 27th
- Time:** 11.40am – 1pm approximately
- Location:** in the Monday morning assembly area in front of the stage
- Audience:** parents, grandparents, family and friends
- Dress Code for audience:** audience members are encouraged to wear a hat or a head wear creation - a parade of parents with hats will take place

How long does it take?

- a) each of the 26 classes parades, dances or twirls around the rectangle (approx. 45 minutes)
- b) parents' parade takes longer than it should, as KPS parents are not shy and have been known to require some time to **“get off the stage”** (approx. 8 minutes)
- c) the parade of “special effort” winners (approx. 4 minutes)

What if it rains? we would go ahead with the event via a reduced model in hall, corridors or classrooms

So all **old** KPS parents you have been through the **Easter Hat Challenge** before, **new** parents here are some guidelines for you.

1. **don't panic**, we do not want Kingsville parents staying up creating “millinery masterpieces” into the wee small hours
2. we do want it to be all about **participation** and fun for the students and creating great memories of events and traditions during their primary school life.

So, families get together to create your headgear e.g.

- a Kingsville creation
- a school sun hat decorated
- traditional Easter theme
- PYP “Profile of the Learner” hat (and we might see):
 - balanced
 - open minded caring creative hats

Yes, usually a football theme will sneak in somewhere as well and that is fine. Teachers provide a great example and will always create and wear a hat and parade with their class.

So **glue guns to the ready** and let the imagination go and see what happens. Some members of our wonderful support staff will again form a panel of observers who will cast their eyes over all entries and, acknowledge special efforts from each class. Not the best, biggest or fanciest – just a special effort award for a member of each class and yes, a parent one as well.

In preparation for the big event - don't forget the cameras / devices to record the history to use at various 18th & 21st birthdays of the future. Also remember this is a casual clothes day so take that into consideration regarding the overall practicality.

Thank you – more reminders during the remainder of the term.

from **“Head Bunny”**



Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday, 6th March

1/2 A	Jasper Walker
1/2 B	Fynn Buttigieg
1/2 C	Saihann Blouin Hussen
1/2 D	James Jago
1/2 F	Bol Thuc
1/2 G	Albie Browning
1/2 H	Gilbert Strachan
3/4 A	Oscar Goonan
3/4 B	Shiam Shiam
3/4 C	Kumail Naqvi
3/4 E	Phoenix Goffin
3/4 F	Amelia Dempsey
5 B	Millie D'Arcy
5 C	Sonia Cekalovic
6 B	Emily Fredricks
6 C	Jamie Balassopoulos



Happy Birthday

26th February to 4th March

Happy birthday to Kalan Doloughan, Conor Hennessy, Conor Evans, Samrawit Mersha, Eliza Lavery, Liam Swan, Isla Munro, Oenone Sawell,

Gabrielle Dempsey, Jasmine Walker and Gabriel Liley.

Korobi Yaoki

(if you fall down seven times, get up eight).

Being courageous is one of the attributes that we value in the profile of a student at Kingsville. It is described as 'approaching uncertainty with forethought and determination; working independently and cooperatively to explore new ideas and innovative strategies. Being resourceful and resilient in the face of challenges and change.

One of the key word within this statement is RESILIENT

Resilient children are able to cope with whatever life throws at them and therefore don't become demotivated when things get tough. They develop an ability to solve many of their own problems whilst recognising mistakes as being common to everyone, in fact, things to learn from not things to get you down or cause you to lose focus.

We know resilient children generally thrive at school and have more positive social experiences. Given the myriad of challenges school aged children are faced with in today's world, teaching our children resilience skills may be one of our best weapons to "fight back" against negative influences.

Resilient individuals are said to have an excited and active approach to life, they are curious and open to new experiences and do things to increase their experience of positive emotions. Developing a greater level of resilience won't stop bad or stressful things happening, nor will it stop us making mistakes, it but can reduce the level of disruption a stressor has and the time taken to recover.

Alternatively, when a child lacks resilience they lack the strength to bounce back when adversity comes their way. Rather they see a mistake as failure; the molehill appears like a mountain and is insurmountable. Getting up to continue the fight just becomes too hard and the motivation disappears.

Resiliency is the ability to persevere and adjust when faced with adversity. We all face adversity, but it's the way we react that determines how we feel and how well we perform in those circumstances.

Building resilience begins with children seeing the way adults in their lives handle adversity. Adults who can handle difficult situations with openness and grace provide children with a role model to follow.

Elements of Resilience

To overcome adversities, children, youth and adults draw from three sources of resilience:

I HAVE

- people around me I can trust and who love me, no matter what
- people who set limits for me so I know when to stop before there is trouble
- people who show me how to do things right by the way they do things
- people who want me to learn to do things on my own
- people who help me when I need help, support or am in danger

I AM

- a person people can like and love
- glad to do nice things for others and show my concern
- respectful of others and myself
- sure things will be all right (optimistic)

I CAN

- talk to others about things that frighten me or bother me
- find ways to solve problems that I face
- control myself when I feel like doing something not right or dangerous
- figure out when it is a good time to talk to someone or , take action
- find someone to help me when I need to talk

It is our shared responsibility to support our children in developing an understanding of these elements.



In Japan the Daruma Doll is one way that resilience is taught to children. Named after an ancient Chinese Zen Master, Bodhidharma. The best-known legends say Bodhidharma attained enlightenment after meditating in a cave for nine years without

blinking or moving his eyes. During those years of meditation, his arms and legs atrophied, shrivelled up, and fell off.

The Daruma Doll is a symbol of his self-discipline and positive outlook. Its weighted bottom and rounded shape forces this ancient cultural doll to right itself after being knocked over, teaching us to be dedicated and persistent and symbolizing our recoveries from misfortune by showing resilience.

Jeff McDonald
Acting Assistant Principal, PYP co-ordinator

Sports News



Cross Country News

Please note that the date for the school cross country will now be **Wednesday 18th March** for 9 and 10 year olds and **Thursday 19th March** for 11 and 12 year olds. Both groups will be from 9am – 11 am.

More information about this will come out closer to the date.

If you are able to assist on the day, please let Lorey know.



SSV sport trials

Recently notes were handed out to all grade 5 and 6 children in regard to trialling for various sports through School Sports Victoria. Trials are coming up for netball, soccer, football, basketball and tennis. If your child competes at a high level and you would like them to trial, an official SSV nomination form needs to be filled out.

These can be obtained from school or go to www.ssv.vic.edu.au.

Nomination forms need to be handed to Lorey by **Wednesday 4th March**.

Thanks,

Lorey

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Community Noticeboard

Gilmore College for Girls

90th Celebration – 1925 - 2015

Gilmore College for Girls is turning 90

All past, present and future students, former and current staff members, and general public are welcome to help celebrate the occasion.

March 28th

11.00a.m. – reunion and Exhibition

12.30p.m. – presentation

298 Barkly Street, Footscray

Bayside P-12 College

Year 6 to 7 Parent Information Night

Tuesday 3rd March, 2015 – 6.30p.m.

Paisley Senior Campus Library

Blenheim Road, Newport

Ph: 9391 6666

Open Evening (all Campuses)

Wednesday 18th March, 2015 – 4p.m. - 7p.m.

Year 10-12: Paisley Campus, Blenheim Road, Newport

Prep-year 9: Altona North Campus, Millers Road

Year 7-9: Williamstown Campus, Koroit Creek Road

Information to the Community from the Department of Education and Training, Victoria

As you are aware, the consumption of **Nanna's Frozen Mixed Berry 1kg packet** has been linked with hepatitis A infection in 13 cases Australia wide with 3 confirmed in Victoria.

As a precaution and on advice from Dr Rosemary Lester, Victoria's Chief Health Officer, the company has recalled this product and subsequently three other products due to concerns about potential for contamination with Hepatitis A virus.

The products recalled as at 19/02/2015

Nanna's Mixed Berries 1kg; All batches

Nanna's Frozen Raspberries 1kg; All batches

Creative Gourmet Mixed Berries 300g; All batches

Creative Gourmet Mixed Berries 500g; All batches

Anyone with any of these products in their freezer, regardless of batch and best-before date, should discard the product or return it to the point of sale for a refund.

Dr Lester's office has confirmed that the risk of exposure is very low but cannot be excluded. As for all people who have consumed the affected products, Dr Lester has advised parents and carers to look for symptoms 15 to 50 days after consumption.

Symptoms include fever, nausea, abdominal discomfort, dark urine and yellow skin and eyes (jaundice). Symptoms may last for several weeks but full recovery usually occurs. Please consult the Health Department's [Better Health Channel](#) for more information on Hepatitis A. Any person who is confirmed to have Hepatitis A will be followed up closely and will be provided with further advice through the Department of Health and Human Services. If your child develops any of these symptoms, please seek immediate medical advice from your local GP or Nurse on Call on 1300 60 60 24 and advise the school on **9314 5869**.