



Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

Term 2

May

10 th to 12 th May	NAPLAN testing years 3 and 5
Tue 17 th May	School Photos
Fri 20 th May	Ride and Walk to School Safely Day

June

Thur 9 th June	WMR Cross Country
Mon 13th June	Public Holiday – Queens Birthday
Tue 14th June	Curriculum Day – No students at school
Fri 24th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casual Clothes Day (gold coin donation – fundraising) • End Term 2 (2.30 p.m. dismissal)

Term dates 2016

Term 2 - 11th April to 24th June

Term 3 - 11th July to 16th September

Term 4 - 3rd October to 20th December

Important Information Compass Login information

Arriving home on Monday 9th May with the eldest child in each family will be the unique **family login - Password and User Code** for Compass access. Each family listed in the school administration database will be assigned a family login. Logging in with this code will allow you to see your family portal.

Please note

The family login is assigned to Parent 'A' as provided at the time of enrolment and subsequently entered into our school information system, CASES. In certain circumstances (e.g. where parents have a shared custody arrangement or there are other specific circumstances) a second login may be requested from the school. For this to be possible an

Alternative Family Enrolment Form will need to be collected from the office. This form should then be completed and a meeting arranged with Jeff McDonald, Assistant Principal.

How to Login

- use the link on our school webpage or go straight to - kingsvilleps.vic.jdlf.com.au
- and/or download the Compass School Manager App from the App Store
- save the address into bookmarks/favourites
- log in using the supplied username and password. Upon first login, you will be required to change your password and confirm your email address and mobile phone number. These details may be used by the school for SMS, password recovery and email communication throughout the year.
- start browsing

Please make sure you go through your child's bag to find the envelope with the family login details and then login and explore the portal.



Principal's Message

Farewell to our Business Manager Celebrating and acknowledging a long career

As Principal of Kingsville I wish to publicly acknowledge the retirement of staff member Linda Bowman. Linda began at Kingsville in September 1986 and will be retiring from her position at Kingsville and from DET Victoria, on July 11th 2016.

Thirty years is a significant working life for anyone and for 23 of those 30 years at Kingsville Linda worked full time. Throughout this time Linda successfully fulfilled the role of what used to be termed School Bursar and has more recently been known as Business manager.

This role and its demands naturally changed and

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.

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increased significantly over 3 decades. Linda however without fail ensured every box was ticked and all compliances were addressed in every area of her responsibility.

Whilst Linda is not formally retiring until day 1 of Term 3 she will be taking some leave prior to this and, her last day at Kingsville Primary will be next **Wednesday May 11th**.

Linda does not want any big function or fuss made but of course her retirement will be celebrated appropriately next Wednesday. School Council will also be making a presentation to Linda thanking her for all her years of service.

So KPS parents you may wish to pop in and say goodbye personally or, if this is not possible an email or a note would I'm sure be appreciated. Linda's last 3 days at KPS will be next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Farewell Linda Bowman we thank you for your many years of work at Kingsville Primary School.

The NAPLAN experience

Next week our year 3 and 5 students will participate in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy.

I am always so proud of the way our students undertake this expected component with confidence and without any fuss or drama.

With encouragement from teachers and parents and preparation being built into the yearly program they are well equipped to "show what they know".

Information sheets have gone home to parents of year 3 and 5 students which provide the timetable for May 10th, 11th and 12th.

The Inquiry Approach to Teaching and Learning at Kingsville

"Inquiry is not a particular teaching method but a stance that underlies our approach to living as learners, both within and outside school." *Kathy Short inquiry as stance on curriculum.*

Inquiry is a pedagogical approach to teaching and learning at Kingsville Primary School. We know that *how* we teach influences students as much or more than *what* we teach.

Inquiry emphasises the development of inquiry skills and the nurturing of inquiring attitudes that enables individuals to continue the quest for knowledge throughout life. Memorizing facts and information is not the most important skill in today's world. Facts change, and information is readily available – what is

needed is an understanding of how to get and make sense of the mass of data. Inquiry empowers students to see the relationships and links between their understandings, and to use this knowledge to make sense of their world. The inquiry process is driven by the student's own curiosity, wonder, interest or passion to understand an issue or solve a problem.

It encourages students to further their understandings, delve deeper and become more actively interested in their own learning. This exploration leads to asking questions and making discoveries in the search for new understandings. At all levels, inquiry is guided by the teacher. The teacher is often described as a facilitator in inquiry learning.

Inquiry learning is an active learning process. Students form their own questions, plan and implement ways of finding information and use these experiences to build answers to their own questions. Students are problems posers and problem solvers within their inquiry learning. Teachers and parents/guardians become mentors and colleagues supporting the student's investigations.

The inquiry approach transcends subjects and through this process students develop an understanding of important concepts, acquire essential skills and knowledge, develop particular attitudes and learn to take socially responsible action. Inquiry can be integrated, problem or issue based, action driven or action led, negotiated and play orientated. All types of inquiry are essentially student-centered learning approaches where students take an active role in:

- asking questions, building on prior knowledge and making their own discoveries
- finding information from primary and secondary resources to answer questions and developing deeper conceptual understandings
- making connections between ideas, learning domains and experiences
- reflecting on, and taking action related to, their understandings

The inquiry process involves:

- planned, directed and experimental activities that provide opportunities for students to gather information and pose questions
- activities that help students organise the new information and skills in a way that helps them to form concepts and generalisations about the world
- opportunities for students to demonstrate knowledge and skills through application to new or different situations

Peter Ritchie, Assistant Principal/PYP co-ordinator

School Photos

Don't forget Tuesday 17th May is school photo day. Please follow the online order process at the end of the newsletter or arrange with your child's teacher for a photo envelope to be sent home. Sibling order envelopes will be kept as usual in the main foyer. If you would like a sibling photo taken on the day please come in and collect one.

Envelope orders should be returned to school on Tuesday 17th (school photo day). Teachers will collect these envelopes in the morning for safety and hand them back to the children when they go off to have photos taken.

NB. any hair accessories should be in school colours, and any tights should be navy blue

Jeff McDonald, Assistant Principal

Education Week

Education week will be celebrated from 15th – 21st May 2016. Education week is an opportunity for all schools and early childhood services to showcase the outstanding learning that is taking place in schools across the state. Throughout the year at Kingsville there are always a number of opportunities for community members to come in and visit to see the students in action, whether that be an assembly item, sporting event, special days such as Easter Hat Parade or to see a Share and Connect. During Education week this year we have three different levels of the school conducting a Share and Connect.

Foundation level Wednesday 18th May

Level 2 Wednesday 18th May

Level 5 Friday 20th May

A 'Share and Connect' provides the students with a chance to demonstrate their growth, understandings and application of the essential elements of the programme –

- **skills** they have applied or learnt,
- **knowledge** they have acquired or discovered,
- **attitudes** they have demonstrated or developed,
- **concepts** that promote meaning and understanding,
- **action** that goes below the surface of the understanding and gives each child the feeling that they have the ability to create a better world.

At the 'Share and Connect' the students have an opportunity to communicate any or all of these five essential elements.

Peter Ritchie, Assistant Principal/PYP co-ordinator



Thank you Fundraisers

Parent volunteers led by Anna Swan provided a wonderful opportunity on Thursday for Kingsville students to be able to shop for a Mother's Day gift on site. Beautifully presented choices were available for everyone. To the Kingsville community, thank you for continuing to supporting these events. There were so many generous contributions of gifts for the Mother's Day raffle hampers and the lucky tickets were drawn out at assembly this morning. Well done everyone.

Thank you also to fundraising team members and volunteers who organised the Oddball movie night at Kingsville last Friday night.



Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday 13th May

Foundation A	Ashton Tran
Foundation B	Josh Metcalf
Foundation C	Karun Hatfield
Foundation D	Vivian Mondkar
Foundation E	Mali Romero
1A	Zele Lea
1B	Maya De Graaf
2B	Oscar Richardson
2C	Samuel Land
2D	Finnegan Vrisakis
3A	Scarlett Griffith
3B	Blayde Smith
3C	Linda Kitanovski
4A	Phoenix Goffin
4B	Sam Davis
5B	Alex Fullerton
5C	Amelia Hull
6A	Zoe Goodenough
6B	Sophie Taylor
6C	Millie D'Arcy



Happy Birthday

5th to 11th May

Happy Birthday to Ethan Nguyen, James Thompson, Sophie Goodenough, Rafid Haider, Blayde Smith, Erum Syeda, Fatuma Abdu,

William Thomas, Giancarlo Gangl, Bebe Hills, Emma Giacchi, Madeline Mastionni and Luke Loverso

Taking Direct Action: Ride and Walk Safely to School Day, Friday May 20th

On Friday May 20th, two fine and remarkably valuable trophies will once again be up for grabs: the much coveted Golden Shoe and Golden Bicycle trophies, currently held by 3A and FD.

Students and staff (lycra optional) are encouraged to walk or wheel their way to and from school on this day. Walking and wheeling - riding your bike, scooting, and skateboarding are all great ways to get around, and do not rely on fossil fuels, just healthy food to power your body!

Starting closer to school is encouraged for younger students and those just learning to ride bikes, scooters or skateboards. Parental support is also welcomed in helping students walk or wheel.

As always, your safety and that of others is first and foremost. Student 'Wheelers' at KPS may legally use footpaths, but remember, 'Wheelers' **give way** to 'Walkers', and they walk their 'wheels' in school grounds. Make sure your 'wheels' are in top condition before you head out. Please observe the laws and rules of the road. Cross busy roads at traffic lights, and look out for traffic. All 'Wheelers' must wear a helmet on their head, and not their handlebars. It's the law in Australia.

Your teacher will record each 'Walker' or 'Wheeler' in their grade on the day. The grade with the highest percentage of 'Walkers' or 'Wheelers' will win that particular Golden Trophy.

So come on KPS, "On yer bikes, legs, or wheels", leave the old fossil fuel guzzler behind, have fun getting safely to school, and help your grade win a trophy. It is important to realise that having that extra student walk or wheel makes all the difference to your grade winning! (Why...?) Have 3A and FD got what it takes to retain the trophies? Or will another grade walk or wheel away with them? It's up to you KPS!

Ian Phillips, Level 5 teacher

Assembly Item Roster Term 2

13 th May	F-6 Choir
20 th May	1B – Helene
27 th May	2B – Jacqui
3 rd June	Art work sharing - Rhonda
10 th June	6B – Rosemary
17 th June	FB - Monica
24 th June	Grade 6 Rock Band

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF)

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) provides payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports and excursions
- \$125 per year will be paid for eligible primary school students, with \$225 per year paid for eligible secondary school students
- payments will go directly to the school and be tied to the student
- families holding a valid means-tested concession card, or temporary foster parents, are eligible to apply
- for more information, contact the school or see: [Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund](#)
- to be eligible, students need to be enrolled at the school on 27th January 2016
- forms are available from the General Office and application must be made in person by the concession card holder – the concession card must be presented at the time of application
- applications close 03/06/2016

Linda Bowman, Business Manager

Fundraising News

Today, many families would have received an Entertainment™ Book to view over the weekend. If this book isn't for you, please return it to the school as soon as you can next week. If you would like to buy it and take advantage of the amazing offers, keep the book and follow the instructions accompanying the book for payment. If you would like to purchase the digital version, follow the instructions supplied and then return the book to school.

The school receives 20% from every Entertainment Membership sold, directly contributing to our fundraising target for 2016 and support to all of our students.

Anna Swan, event co-ordinator



Sports News

Well done to the 60 children who are representing the school in the District Cross Country on Friday 6th May.

I know that they will put their very best effort into their race and whatever the result, they will do the school and themselves proud.

Thank you to the staff and parents who helped with this event.



Congratulations

Well done to Charlotte Whiteside from grade 6 C who has made it through to the School Sports Victoria U12 Girls State Hockey Team. She will be competing in Cairns during the week of 31st July-6th August. We wish Charlotte all the best for this amazing event.

Lorey Bentley

PE and Sport Coordinator

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KPS KITCHEN GARDEN – AUTUMN UPDATE

The kitchen garden is looking amazing at the moment, thanks to all the hard work by students, teachers and parent volunteers. Keep an eye out for our 'Produce Pop Up Shops' as we start to harvest our Autumn goodies. Next mini working bee is **Wednesday 11 May 9-10am**. All welcome!

