



# Newsletter

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## Dates to Remember

### Term 4

#### November

Tue 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Grade 2A - Scienceworks sleepover
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Grade 2B - Scienceworks sleepover
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Grade 2D - Scienceworks sleepover
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Foundation 2017 transition program
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Grade 1 Late Stay
23 <sup>rd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Grades 5 and 6 Beach Program
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Foundation 2017 transition program
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Working Bee 9a.m. – 12p.m.

#### December

Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Secondary school transition/Step Up program
Thur 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Kingsville Carols
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Foundation 2017 transition program
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 Graduation
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	New families to KPS social function
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Casual Clothes day (gold coin donation)
<b>Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Casual Clothes day Last Day Term 4 (1.30p.m. dismissal)</b>

### Term dates 2017

<b>Term 1</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> January (school staff start) 31 <sup>st</sup> January (students start) – 31 <sup>st</sup> March
<b>Term 2</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> April – 30 <sup>th</sup> June
<b>Term 3</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> July – 22 <sup>nd</sup> September
<b>Term 4</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> October – 22 <sup>nd</sup> December



## Principal's Message

In the newsletter of October 21<sup>st</sup> the success of the 2016 Spring Fete was acknowledged. It was without a doubt a wonderful community event and also achieved a great deal in the area of fundraising. A profit of just on **\$34,000** was achieved – an amazing result. All funds from fundraising events during a school year contribute to the figure set for locally raised funds in the yearly school budget.

So to our small in number but, large in impact fete team and, our fundraising sub committee along with all volunteers and contributors – well done A plus from the principal.

### Thank you to sponsors

Whilst all donations and sponsors were acknowledged in fete newsletters, a list will be on display in the foyer of the school for the remainder of the year.

### New Playground Design

Please also refer to the last newsletter of 28<sup>th</sup> October and the message from Jeff McDonald, Assistant principal headed ***New Playground Design***. The display is up in the main corridor leading to the hall and will be there until the end of next week November 11<sup>th</sup>.

There is a comment box provided, alternatively comments/feedback may be emailed (subject heading: **New Playground Design**) to [kingsville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kingsville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

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

<b>End of Terms 1, 2 &amp; 3</b>	All payments need to be made prior to 10:00am on the last day of term.
<b>End of Term 4</b>	All payments must be made 2 days prior to the end of term.
<b>Cash Payments</b>	Correct money is requested, as change cannot always be provided.

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## Parent Payments and Voluntary Financial Contribution 2016

The recent newsletters of October 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> contained information related to

- **Parent Payments** – Essential Education Items 2016 and
- **Voluntary Financial Contributions 2016**

Included with the October 21<sup>st</sup> newsletter was a full page information sheet regarding Voluntary Financial Contributions.

Thank you to parents who have responded to the information provided and taken action regarding outstanding Parent Payments. In addition to those who have already or, are intending to make a 2016 Voluntary Financial Contribution – your 'donation' will as documented go towards the **Kingsville Primary School Playground Improvement and Replacement Program**.

## Parent Payments and Voluntary Financial Contribution 2017

At the end of every school year details regarding parent payments for the following year are provided to Kingsville families. This is an important action to ensure there is advance notice about the process and the amount requested. Notices are then sent to all families at the beginning of the new school year.

In 2016 however, a new requirement has been set by the Department of Education and Training regarding the timeline for provision of this information. Notice of annual payment requests must now be provided to parents 6 weeks prior to the end of each school year.

The Kingsville Primary School School Council has now determined the payment level for Essential Student Learning Items for 2017 and the details regarding Voluntary Financial Contributions.

These details will go out to all families in the near future to comply with this DET requirement.

## School Organisation 2017

### Student Placement

The information below was provided in the school newsletter of 2<sup>nd</sup> September. It is reprinted today, as it is an important one for all parents to be aware of as we begin the process of forming class groups for 2017.

I do still have some families contacting me with requests for student placement i.e. with other students or teachers. It is vital that the message requesting that this does not occur is read and understood.

Jeff McDonald has begun the work along with the teachers in forming class groups for 2017. Vital information from teachers informs this process and the use of 'Class Creator' software assists with this multi layered task. When draft groups are generated they are reviewed by all staff before finalization.

***Class group lists will be sent home with all students following the 'Step Up' experience on 6<sup>th</sup> December.***

I thank all parents for their co-operation with regard to this matter.

*(below is the reprint from 2<sup>nd</sup> September newsletter)*

### Student Placement for 2017

It is acknowledged that a clearly defined transparent process for the placement of children into classes will lead to greater efficiency, increased understanding and improved opportunities for learning. At Kingsville Primary School we recognise the professionalism and commitment of all teaching staff in the work associated with annual student allocation to classes.

#### Please note

As students at Kingsville progress from Foundation to Year 6, it is expected they will learn to work and relate to a range of teachers and students. As with all school decisions, the aim at Kingsville is to offer the best possible learning experience for all children. When we are compiling class lists many factors are taken into account including academic ability, individual needs, gender, student friendships and previous class placements/teachers. We also look at what is in the best educational interests of all of our students.

It is important to note that class groups are not allocated a teacher until the whole school class model is completed. This ensures that it is the dynamic of each group which is the focus rather than, a particular teacher.

Class groups will be ready for our '**Step Up Program**' which will take place on **6<sup>th</sup> December**. This experience will provide students an opportunity to meet both their new class mates and their teacher for 2017. Of course meeting the teachers is dependent on all our teaching positions being filled by that time which is not always the case.

At this stage who all of the teaching staff will be in 2017 is an unknown. We have like all schools, a number of teachers on short term contracts and, longer term contracts linked to permanent Kingsville staff currently on Parental Absence Leave or other types of leave. Some of these staff will be returning in 2017 in either a full time or part time capacity.

Current staff are also applying for positions in other schools and may not be returning to Kingsville in 2017.

**Parents are asked to assist the process by not requesting a particular teacher or placement for a child.** If there are specific educational considerations that a parent believes need to be considered of course we would want to know about these. Unless they are new however we would expect to already be aware of such matters as we move through Term 4.



## Choir News

The choir will be performing at assembly on 11<sup>th</sup> November. We have also been learning Christmas carols (already!!) in preparation for Kingsville Carols on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Stay tuned for more details.

Hilary Henderson and Frances Waugh, Performing Arts teachers



## Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday 11<sup>th</sup>

November

Foundation A	Arwen Jeffery and Roger Nguyen
Foundation B	Charlie Le Marshall
Foundation D	Harrison Wheeler
1A	Lucy Giatas
1B	Darla Granger
1C	Caitlin Graham
2A	Charlie Brookman
3A	Rafid Haider & Lily Thomas
3C	Jesse Parnham
4B	Hugo Speldewinde
4C	Izabelle Louey
5A	Will Zarakis
5B	Neve Sheard
5D	Ruben Oliver
6A	Lindsay Ipsen
6B	Tayla Kendall

## Music – Count Us In “Big Sing”

Each year since 2012 Kingsville has participated in the nation-wide program *Music – Count Us In*. Now in its tenth year, the program aims to increase participation in the playing and singing of music in Australia’s schools. Each year the song is written and recorded by school students working with mentors from the music industry. This year’s song “Let it Play” was sung at the “Big Sing” on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at exactly 12:30p.m. by over half a million school kids from around the country, including all of Kingsville!

Hilary Henderson  
Performing Arts teacher



## Happy Birthday

3<sup>rd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> November

Happy Birthday to Rory O’Shea, Griff Ward, James Ward, Scarlet Wyngaard, Jasmin Friedmann, Kumail Naqvi, Isla Buttigieg, Stella George, Lily Marioli, Zeke Lea, Saul Austin, Leo Marshall, Hugo Marshall, Daniel Slatter, Dexter Fawcett, Gabriel Kocher, Lucia Morton and Will Zarakis.

# 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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# Kingsville Working Bee

## Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 9a.m. – 12p.m.

The second working bee for the year is set for Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November. This year we are not targeting the event to different sections of the school community. All our working bees this year are open to the whole school community, Foundation to year 6. We are hoping for a big and varied turnout from our **families**. This is a great opportunity to help contribute to the grounds maintenance and development, plus catch up and meet other parents. Working bees are also highly popular with the kids as they help out or spend a bit of free time on the oval or playgrounds.

There will be a wide range of tasks to be carried out on the day with something to suit all energy and skill levels. Come for an hour or come for three hours, it's up to you. We'd love to see you there! As usual any gardening tools, brooms or wheelbarrows you have please bring along. Tea, coffee and a scrumptious sausage will be available during the morning.

Please ensure

- you and any children are wearing suitable closed in shoes
- gloves are also required to be worn
- children are supervised by parents



Entry will be through the double gates to the hall on Bishop Street. All parents who are volunteering on the day must report to the check in table that will be situated just outside the door of the 5/6 classrooms. Please read the information set up on the board and sign in on arrival and out on departure.

### **RESPONSES REQUIRED**

To assist the Buildings and Grounds sub committee to organise this event please respond by Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November.

Responses can be sent:

- to the school email [kingsville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kingsville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) please ensure you put "**Working Bee**" in the subject line and indicate in the body of the email your Family name, Eldest child's name, a contact telephone number and the number of family members attending the working bee
- or complete the attached slip and return it to the school via your child



### **Kingsville Working Bee**

#### **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 9a.m. – 12p.m.**

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_

Eldest child's name/grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

There will be [     ] members of the family attending.