



Newsletter

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2023 Dates to Remember

Term 1

March

Mon 13 th Tues 14 th	LABOUR DAY Public Holiday Grade 6 Peer Relationships incursion
Wed 15 th to Friday 17 th	Grade 3 and Grade 5 Naplan – Literacy & Numeracy Assessment
Mon 27 th March to Wed 5 th April	Foundation - Year 4 swimming – Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre
Fri 24 th Fri 31 st	National Ride2School Day Hot March Night
Mon 27 th	School Council Meeting

April

Thurs 6 th	Easter Hat Parade / Easter Raffle drawn Last day Term 1 (2.30p.m. dismissal)
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Term 2

Mon 24 th Tues 25 th	First day Term 2 Public Holiday - Anzac Day
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2023 Term Dates

Term 1	Friday 27 January to Thursday 6 April
Term 2	Monday 24 April to Friday 23 June
Term 3	Monday 10 July to Friday 15 September
Term 4	Monday 2 October to Wednesday 20 December



Assistant Principal's Message

Breathe Melbourne

This week saw the official launch of the Breathe Melbourne project. Kingsville Primary School is one of six schools in the inner west of Melbourne engaging with this citizen science opportunity, led by Deakin University in partnership with Victorian Government Department of Health, Department of Transport, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Dyson.

Breathe Melbourne aims to help children identify actions they, and their local community can take to lower their exposure to air pollution, and to engage and empower them as citizen scientists, capturing important data for their community and for the project partners.



Whilst the official media launch occurred on Tuesday, Kingsville Primary School began our engagement with the project in 2022. Kate Lycett, the lead researcher on the Breathe Melbourne team, made contact with our school during the middle months of 2022. As the Kingsville Primary School leadership team unpacked the project, we found that this exciting opportunity aligned clearly and strongly with you we are as a school, our values, and how we work to empower our students to take authentic action – “thinking globally, acting locally”.

In December 2022, students from Lauren and Lizzie's year 6 classes spent a week wearing the Dyson backpacks, capturing air quality data on their walks, rides or drives to and from school. The Breathe Melbourne team luckily brought extra backpacks with them, as both Lauren and Lizzie also took the opportunity to be citizen scientists, collecting data on their journeys to and from Kingsville. This data, which is de-identified and securely stored, is currently being analysed and will, along with the data gathered from the five other schools, help inform the Breathe Melbourne team and their partners.



Students from Lizzie's year 6 class also spent time with James, a Dyson engineer, in the classroom. This STEAM focused session modelled the work engineers can do, unpacked the technology involved in the backpacks and discussed with the students the scientific inquiry cycle and how this is used “in the real world”.

As the first school involved in the project, two families from our school were also involved in the creation of a range of promotional material to support the project. Sam and Charlotte, two of our ex-year 6 students, eloquently described their engagement with the project, and why they felt it was important for them, and for our community, to be involved. Their siblings also star in the filmed walks to and from school. This video can be seen here: [Deakin University | Breathe Melbourne](#)

Kingsville Primary School will continue to engage with Breathe Melbourne through the 'Idle Off' project later this year – more information will be shared as we get closer to this.

Sam Eason
Assistant Principal

School Council Sub-committee Volunteer members called for

Thank you to those members of the school community who have volunteered to be on school council subcommittees. The convenors are very appreciative of your support and engagement.

Whilst the FOKPS sub-committee has a few spots left to fill the B&G sub-committee is still seeking several volunteers.

B&G subcommittee is now seeking volunteer members from the community for -

- membership on the B&G sub-committee of school council

We welcome your interest and if you would like to be a volunteer member of the B&G sub-committee this year please send communications through to: kingsville.ps@education.vic.gov.au subject heading 'B&G sub-committee'

NB. if parents / carers have been members in 2022 they do need to express interest again now to be part of the 2023 team.

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Kingsville PS School Council



Easter Hamper Raffle 2023

The Friends of KPS sub-committee of School Council wishes to announce that the **Easter Hamper Raffle** – (fundraising) will take place again this year. To make up the hampers we request donations from our very generous KPS families. In past years we have had at least a dozen hampers, wonderful prizes to be won on the last day of this term.

The **donation table** will be set up in main school foyer and all contributions of Easter goodies “or other “need to all be in by Monday 3rd April.

So when you are out shopping please consider purchasing a small “Easter” donation for the hampers.

The raffle will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on April 6th and information regarding ticket sales will be provided next week.

Easter Hat Parade – reminder

Newsletter March 3rd provided details regarding the Easter Hat parade to be held on Thursday April 6th.

Preparing for the millenary event of the year –

- forget Cup Day, Oaks Day or other - the KPS Easter Hat Parade is the only one worth mentioning
- we as in all years hope for full participation from students and all grade levels
- parents / carers / other family members attending will hopefully also wear an Easter bonnet or their version of it to be part of this celebration

Parent Class Reps Program

In the last newsletter March 3rd an item '**Parent Class Reps Expressions of Interest**' - outlined the aims, purpose and benefits of Parent Class Representative Programs in schools. In particular, what KPS sees as important components of a Parent Rep Program.

Today a Compass post provided further details. Please see a copy of this below.

Written Expressions of Interest–

- whilst we have had some interest expressed verbally and, some written EOI's sent through as a result of the call, we still need more volunteers to ensure the **17 classes listed** below which do not yet have a **parent rep** in place gain one

Reality check

In response to some feedback gained and in **appreciation of parents/carers just 'getting around to 'documenting an EOI taking into account busy family lives**, please see **options** provided below for expressing interest in taking up the role of **class parent rep**.

Hopefully these adjustments will assist and result in expressed interest.

Options

- written EOI – short (to school email)
- email just expressing interest and a member of leadership will get back to you
- a phone call to Business Manager or member of the admin team and again, you will receive a response

Communication with myself as Principal email or phone call, if you have any questions relating to the role overall.

NB. in any communication **expressing interest** please provide your name, contact details and the class that you would like to be aligned with.

Role of class reps

Please be assured this is not a daunting role and previous experience is not necessary. The role involves but, is not limited to –

- supporting and facilitating engagement and participation of parents / carers in the class group
- assisting in building class cohort communities and, providing connections and network opportunities for families
- providing a point of contact between the other class reps , the Parent Program Coordinator, classroom teachers and, school leadership
- as possible organising social activities, outside the school environment, to provide families to get to know each other (in the past once a term has been the guide)
- sharing information and encouraging participation in activities organised by FOKPS (Friends of KPS) subcommittee of school council as approved by school council
- acting as a point of contact for parents / carers to facilitate feedback/ideas/discussion

NB. all class reps will be supported by an appointed parent coordinator of the program

Working with children checks (WWCC)

It was noted in the 'call for expressions of interest on March 3rd that a current WWCC would be necessary. With regard to these they are a legal requirement and a necessary component for all government schools programs which see parents engaging with teachers and students more than just the one off or occasional circumstance. While it is acknowledged much of the communication will be on line it is hoped that **class parent reps** would communicate face to face with teachers /classes during the year.

However not having a current WWCC at the moment is not be a barrier to expressing interest. Parent reps can be supported and assisted in gaining a WWCC.

Classes which still require a parent rep – updated list following the Compass post 10/3

Class	Teacher/s	3/4 I	Louise Iero
FFW	Frances Waugh	3/4 H	Susan Hosking
FMC	Michael Carey	3/4 L	Luisa Ballestrino
FRT	Rosemary Talbot	3/4 S	Susan Phillips
1/2 A	Amila Osmanagic	5AA	Abbas Alidina
1/2 C	Catherine Wood	5DS	Dianne Sturrock
1/2 D	Denise Gallo	5CH	Caileb Harrison
3/4 F	Finnia Gray	6JL	Jacqui Leslie / Myffy Scott-Walker
6CM	Christie Miller	6LA	Lauren Anile / Lucy Oates

Kath Ginnane
Principal



Kingsville Awards To be presented on Friday 17th March

1/2C	Santana Kasir	6LA	Albert Hamlyn
1/2E	Theo Crawford	6JL	Seth Loftis
3/4L	Angus Jensen	6CM	Emma Hutchison
3/4H	Jack Moore		
3/4F	Grace Tagg		
3/4I	Hendrix Langtree		
3/4S	Sajid Bushra		
3/4B	Luiza Phillips		
5DS	Arlo Marks		
5AA	Essie Jugovic		
5CH	Sophie Luong		



Happy Birthday 4th – 10th March

Happy birthday to Jack Corry, Cameron McIntyre, Brock Morton, Preetam Balu, Justin Curmi, Sonny Shrivell, Harriet Nairn, Sajid Bushra, Marley Couper, Alice O'Brien, Ivy Johnstone, Louie Lewicki, Meili Frew, Jagger Williamson and Sonny Blake .

HOT MARCH NIGHT - 2023

Come and join us!!!

Grab your tickets now for the HOTTEST night of the school year! No tickets available at the door.

We've got amazing food, awesome tunes, craft beer and wines and treats for the children - it is going to be a fantastic night for everyone.

Pack your picnic blanket, grab the camp chairs and join our KPS community.

This year we have:

- Delicious food from our very special family - Wood & Spoon **must be pre-ordered - not available for purchase on the night
- Amazing music
- Children's store
- Craft beer and local wines and bubbles!



TICKETS:

Premium Family - \$30.00 for 2 Adults and unlimited children

Single Family - \$15.00 for 1 Adult and unlimited children

WOOD & SPOON food boxes -Boxes are available in either meat, vegan, vegetarian or gluten free and two sizes

- Large/5 people - \$50
- Small/2 people- \$25

BYO own food if you are not ordering from Wood & Spoon, however no alcoholic drinks are to be brought onto the school site.

Tickets available through Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/CGQYQ>

All 'ticketing' close Friday 24th March at 6pm

Help us out!!

HMN is a great opportunity to bring the community together.

A successful HMN will however require actions before, during and after the event. Planning is well under way, and the HMN working party are now seeking volunteers from the school community to support this wonderful occasion.

The success of this event will depend on the involvement of the community, and we believe that together we can make it a memorable and successful 'soiree'.

If you are interested in volunteering your time in one or more of these spaces, please complete the FOKPS volunteer roster via this link volunteersignup.org/KBEDM

The FOKPS school subcommittee, working party and volunteers.

