



Newsletter

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2021 Dates to Remember

Term 1

February

Tues 9th Foundation Information Night 6.30 – 7.30pm
Wed 10th Nominations close – 4pm
8th – 12th Teacher Planning Week

March

Mon 2nd Foundation students first full week
Fri 5th **Curriculum Day – no students at school**
Mon 8th **Public Holiday – Labour Day**

April

Thurs 1st **Last day Term 1 (2.30p.m. dismissal)**

Term 2

Mon 19th **First day Term 2**

2021 Term Dates

Term 1 ***Wednesday 27 January (teachers return) to Thursday 1st April**
Term 2 **Monday 19 April to Friday 25 June**
Term 3 **Monday 12 July to Friday 17 September**
Term 4 **Monday 4 October to Friday 17 December**

***Please note:** Wednesday, 27th January (teachers return) is designated as a student free day for all Victorian Government schools. **Children in grades 1-6 return to school on Thursday 28th January.**



Principal's Message

Well done to every member of our school community for contributing to a successful beginning to the 2021 school year. Whilst we welcomed back our Year 1-6 students last Thursday, we have just completed our first week with all students Foundation – Year 6 on site together.

Very well done also for the way all current parents/ carers took on board this week the guidelines relating to parents coming onto the school grounds from February 1st. This was a change of practice (see newsletter No1 29/1 and, I am very pleased to say there have been no problems encountered so far. There is clearly an understanding and acknowledgement of what is required and parents coming onto the site have moved in and out within the time limit.

Next Monday all students will participate in the first Monday morning assembly for the year. We will not have our usual much valued parent audience however, this will be a special time as we have not been able to engage in this important whole school experience for many months. Earlier today the full student body came together in the Monday morning assembly area to familiarize with the positioning of the class groups and, be reminded of overall expectations. To our Foundation students and those new to Kingsville in other classes and also to our school captains and vice captains who are very well prepared congratulations.

From my point of view as Principal it certainly was a wonderful sight to see and be able to speak to all students together once again.

Congratulations to Foundation students & families 2021

To our 79 students (only 3 less than this time last year) 45 girls and 34 boys who began their primary school life on February 1st well done. You have settled in well and have now completed the first week of the year. You survived day 1 and the exhausting photo shoots and, your families now have significant visual evidence of your first day at school for the family history file. You have toured the school, made new friends, learnt to line up and, will soon experience your first Monday morning assembly. Many of you have already participated in the required entry assessments and, you all have a senior school buddy to help you. Great achievements all round and that was just in your first 4 days.

To parents of students beginning their school life in 2021, your children are known by the Government as part of “cohort 2034” – that of course is the year they are due to finish their thirteen years of education. It is also when your amazing 5 and 6 year olds will have grown into equally amazing 17 or 18 year olds. My advice every year is the same being - don't think too much about the journey to adulthood now just focus on the year ahead which I hope you and your children will remember for many years to come.

The class of 2021- graduating students

Who are the 88 Year 6 students, 41 boys and 47 girls, you are now the leaders of the school. I am confident you will be excellent role models for all younger students, and I look forward to being part of your final year at primary school.

Great News - Friday morning assemblies are back

All students will come together in the hall next Friday for our first Friday morning assembly for 2021 and, the first one for 11 months. This is in line with our COVIDSafe Plan and all Government requirements.

Again as with the Monday morning assembly parents will not be able to attend on the Friday. Parents and extended family members being in the hall and part of the Friday assembly experience has always been during my time as Principal, a highly valued presence. Getting the children back together however is at least a first stage and, it will certainly be a great cause for celebration for when parents can once again be physically part of this long standing tradition.

Moving forward and acknowledging that many parents / families may be able to link in remotely in any week please see the Webex URL link to allow for this. The Friday assembly will begin by 9.10am most weeks and, we will schedule the class item first followed by weekly awards and birthdays. This sequence

should allow parents to determine when, and for how long, they may need / choose to be online if they cannot stay on for the whole assembly.

For the Assembly on Friday 12th Feb –

- the item will be from class 2MC
- the birthdays are listed in this newsletter
- student awards do not begin until later in term 1

Meeting URL: <https://eduvic.webex.com/meet/veljanoska.blagma.b>

Teacher Planning Week

What happens during this week?

A number of days during the year are allocated to leadership teams, level cohorts and the specialist teams to begin the collaborative planning of the teaching and learning for the next term. This planning is driven through one of the six transdisciplinary themes to create a unit of inquiry, e.g. “Sharing the Planet”. Levels reflect on the disciplines of Numeracy, English, Humanities, Science and The Arts and, plan to incorporate important skills and knowledge into the unit. They also focus on planning stand-alone units within these subject areas. The specialists will plan collaboratively and contribute to one specific unit of inquiry from each level during the year. They will explore their own discipline, connecting the five essential elements and continuing the coherent nature of a transdisciplinary program.

At the heart of the transdisciplinary curriculum is the learner constructing meaning through the five essential elements: concepts, knowledge, skills, attitudes and actions. These elements go beyond disciplinary barriers and forge the curriculum into a coherent whole. The curriculum is transdisciplinary in nature because the meaning of the prefix “trans” is two-fold: to convey learning that has relevance across, between and beyond the subject areas and more importantly, learning that transcends the confines of the subject areas to connect to what is real in the world.

Through acknowledging and aiming to meet the diverse needs of the student – physical, social, intellectual, aesthetic, cultural, the programme aims to create learning that is **engaging, relevant, challenging and significant**.

Inquiry is the pedagogical approach to teaching and learning at Kingsville Primary School. It is the process initiated by the students or the teacher that moves the students from their current level of understanding to a new and deeper level of understanding.

It is a significant undertaking by the school both logistically and financially to facilitate a time such as this, for teachers to engage in a collaborative exercise that takes into account the approach outlined above. On the day that teams are planning, the classroom program continues with the support of the specialists and casual relief teachers.

The different groups of the school will be planning on the following days:

- *Monday 8th Feb: Levels 1 & 2*
- *Tuesday 9th Feb: Leadership members of the school’s Professional Learning Teams and Professional Learning Communities*
- *Wednesday 10th Feb: Foundation and Levels 3 & 4*
- *Thursday 11th Feb: Levels 5 & 6*
- *Friday 12th Feb: Specialists*

Teams will provide, from this day, a termly overview of the teaching and learning that will take place along with, other important and relevant specific level cohort information to support the year. Parents should expect to receive this level specific newsletter a few days after a level’s planning day via a Compass newsfeed.

Jeff McDonald
Assistant Principal
PYP and Welfare Coordinator

Information Nights and Parent Teacher Meetings 2021

Information Nights

Foundation

- Tuesday February 9th, 6.30pm - 7.30pm
- details regarding this session were sent as a Compass newsfeed on Thursday 4th February

This session is seen as an important communication strategy to benefit parents of students who are beginning their “7 year journey” – i.e. the primary school experience in Victoria. Whilst information is provided to parents throughout the year relevant to experiences, expectations and provision this first session provides big picture details and the opportunity for parents to ask questions and to clarify any beginning school aspects.

A Compass post with access details has been sent to all families.

Years 1 – 6 – *change of focus*

In 2021 taking into account and, responding to feedback from parents and staff information for parents of students in years 1 – 6 will be provided through an adjusted model. The details of the class, level, and specialist components of curriculum provision along with daily/weekly logistical aspects have been traditionally core content of the beginning school year information sessions.

The adjustments this year will see this information provided to parents by compass, newsletters, email etc. as part of ongoing communications between teachers and parents. The information nights will now focus on the teaching of Literacy and Numeracy. Over two nights there will be two literacy and two numeracy sessions to provide interested parents with the flexibility to be part of either or, both focus areas. The teams of teachers presenting these sessions will be from across years 1 – 6.

Literacy and Numeracy information sessions:

Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd March 6.30 – 7.30pm

Please note: due to Victorian Government Covid-19 related requirements and protocols the school will attempt to provide both onsite and remote access for involvement in these sessions – further details as soon as possible

Parent Teacher Meetings

Wednesday 17th February 2021

Parent-teacher meetings offer great opportunities to deepen the working relationship between parents and teachers. The meeting is an opportunity for both parties to highlight the child's strengths, discuss any academic and/or social challenges, and share vital information.

Parent support for and, involvement in their child/children education is a critical factor which impacts on engagement and achievement. Creating a true partnership in a child's education establishes shared expectations for the child as they work to achieve their full potential. We therefore encourage all parents to take time to attend these meetings.

Please note: due to Victorian Government Covid-19 related requirements and protocols the school will attempt to provide both onsite and remote access for involvement in these sessions -

Parent Teacher Meetings will be held for all levels from 1.30pm to 6.50pm on Wednesday 17th February and will be of 10 minutes duration.

Access to bookings will be available from Tuesday 9th February.

Jeff McDonald
Assistant Principal

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Acting Assistant Principal

Annual Privacy Reminder

In line with DET requirements please see annual privacy reminder for school community. This is published to assure parents/guardians that the school is complying with the Privacy and Data Protection Act.

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the [Schools' Privacy Policy](#) (on DET website).

Please take time to remind yourself of the school's collection statement, found on our website.

For more information about privacy, see: [Schools' Privacy Policy – information for parents](#).

School Council 2021

A further reminder regarding the School Council Election Schedule which has begun. Nominations close on Wednesday 10th February at 4pm.

Please see Newsletter NO1 29/1 for full details of the revised election schedule.

If you are interested in being nominated or would like further information, please contact Kath Ginnane, Principal email Kathleen.Ginnane@education.vic.gov.au



Happy Birthday

30th January – 5th February

Happy birthday to Andy Diep, Scully Hawkins, Aman Awar, Jake Daglish, Scarlett Domone, Ravi Karunajeewa and Hemen Simma.

LUNCH ITEM ONE

SALADS

- Greek Style Salad with Feta and Olives (V, GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box – Vegetarian (V, GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box with Ham (GF)
- Mexican Inspired Salad (V, GF)
- Quinoa, Tabouli & Tuna Salad (GF)
- Tuna Mix with Brown Rice & Quinoa Cakes (V, GF)

SUSHI

- Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls (2)
- Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls (2)
- Avocado Hand Rolls (2)
- Cucumber Hand Rolls (2)
- Vegetarian Hand Rolls (2)

BAKERY

- Cheese and Bacon Roll
- Cheese and Vegemite Scroll (w/m)
- SCROLL with Ham & Cheese
- Semi Dried Tomato and Olive ROLL
- Topped with Only Cheese Roll

PITA PIZZAS

- Margherita Pita Pizza
- Ham and Pineapple Pita Pizza
- Fresh Tomato and Italian Herb Pita Pizza
- Spinach and Feta Pita Pizza

SANDWICHES, ROLLS & WRAPS

- Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce and Cheese Sandwich
- Gluten Free Ham & Cheese Sandwich (GF)
- Simple Salad Roll (V)
- Cucumber & Ham Sandwich (GF)
- Vegemite Sandwich (2)
- Mild Salami and Salad Roll
- Plain Cheese Sandwich (2)
- Roast Beef, Fruit Chutney, Cheese and Lettuce Roll
- Cheese and Salad Roll
- Wholegrain Cheese and Tomato Sandwich
- WRAP (GF) Ham and Salad
- Wholegrain Ham and Cheese Sandwich
- Chicken and Salad Roll

LUNCH ITEM TWO/THREE

FRESH FRUIT & VEG

- Fresh Fruit Combo
- Freshly chopped Strawberries & Grapes
- Lightly Steamed Corn wheels & Broccoli pieces
- Celery & Carrot Sticks with Sultanas
- Freshly chopped Watermelon pieces
- Chopped Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum
- Whole Fruit – Banana
- Apple pieces with Lemon Juice, Cinnamon & Brown Sugar
- Sugar Snap Peas, Beans & Cherry Tomatoes
- Cantaloupe & Watermelon pieces
- Edamame (Lightly Salted)
- Cherry Tomatoes with Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers
- Freshly chopped Orange Segments

YOGHURT

- Strawberry Chobani Yoghurt
- Blueberry Chobani Yoghurt
- Passionfruit Chobani Yoghurt
- Plain Chobani Yoghurt

BAKED GOODS

- Choc Chip Cookie
- Hot Cross Bun
- Finger Bun with Sprinkles
- Hedgehog Slice
- Choc Cup Cake (GF,DF)
- Blueberry Muffin

DIPS & CRACKERS

- Tzatziki Dip with Rice Crackers
- Avocado Dip with Rice Crackers
- Spring Onion Dip with Rice Crackers

POPCORN/SNACKS

- Cobs Popcorn, Lightly Salted
- Cobs Popcorn Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted
- Lightly salted Fav'va Beans
- Chickpeas with Lime & Black Pepper
- Balsamic & Sea Salt Fav'va Beans

DRINKS

- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Full Cream Milk
- Nippy's Chocolate Milk
- So Good Soy Milk

Healthy, Interesting & Affordable Lunches Delivered to School!

More information about Our Offering including:

Pricing, Ingredients and Portion Size is available on the Our Menu Page at

www.classroomcuisine.com.au