



Newsletter

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2019 Dates to Remember

Term 1

February

Sat 16th Feb FOKPS Bunnings BBQ
 Wed 20th Feb Parent Teacher meetings
 26th – 27th Feb Grade 5 – 6 Swimming Program, Williamstown Beach

March

Fri 1st Mar Hot March Night (FOKPS event)
 Mon 4th Mar Foundation students first full week
Fri 8th Mar Curriculum Day – no students at school
Mon 11th Mar Public Holiday (no students at school)
 Wed 13th Mar KPS Cross Country
 18th – 29th March Foundation – Grade 2 Swimming Program 9a.m. – 12.30p.m.
 Grade 3 – 4 Swimming Program 12.30 – 3.30p.m.

April

Fri Apr 5th

- Casual Clothes Day (FOKPS event – gold coin donation)
- Easter Hat Parade
- Last day Term 1 (2.30p.m. dismissal)

Term dates 2019

Term 1 - 29th January (students begin Wednesday 30th January) – 5th April

Term 2 - 23rd April – 28th June

Term 3 - 15th July – 20th September

Term 4 - 7th October – 20th December

Student Free days 2019

Tuesday 28th January

Friday 8th March

Tuesday 11th June

Monday 4th November

Fliers/Information attached

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

Preferred method of payment is BPay. Your BPay reference number can be located on your family statement and will remain the same throughout your child's time at KPS. EFT/credit card facilities are available over the counter at the main office. Cash payments – correct money is required as there is not always access to change. Please do not send large amounts of cash with your child. Receipts will be issued through your child's classroom. To help the office in finalising accounts, where possible, please limit payments in the last week of any school term.

Sharyn Fletcher, Business Manager

School Council President

School Uniform Primary School Wear 9768 0342

School Council email

OSHC Camp Australia co-ordinator Arshdeep 0401 054 261



Principal's Message

Information Nights

Thank you to Kingsville staff who planned, organised and participated in the information nights this week. The sessions for Foundation, years 1 and 2, 3 to 6 saw a total of 117 parents attend. Some of these were naturally from the same family and at Kingsville we currently have 656 students and 471 families. So, not a high attendance and almost the same as in 2018 when we had a total of 114 parents come along. We appreciate that not all parents are able to attend the sessions and that the provision of the follow up written material may be felt to be adequate information.

As a community of educators i.e. all KPS staff we feel that the provision of sessions where staff can be introduced and speak to a range of aspects relating to school life is a highly valuable method of communication. As Principal, I am confident the information provided at the sessions this week will contribute to the overall level of parent understanding of school life and curriculum provision.

For parents who were unable to attend, materials have been as promised, provided to you on Compass. Expiry dates for this information will be extended and materials will remain accessible via Compass until the end of Term 1.

Feedback

The school leadership team regularly reviews how information is provided to parents. As we reflect on the format of the recent information nights attendance levels and, plan for 2020 provision we would value parent feedback. At Kingsville our student population sees a significant number of parents with children across multiple levels of the school. We need to ensure that information nights continue to be relevant, accessible and an opportunity for parents to gain information relevant to each level of the school.

So, any feedback to assist our review will be appreciated. Please provide this by email to

Ginnane.Kathleen.KM@edumail.vic.gov.au

or

McDonald.Jeff.G@edumail.vic.gov.au

School Council News

Information regarding the outcome of the 2019 School Council election process was provided to the school community via a post on Compass on Wednesday. As the number of nominations in the Parent Member category were equal to the number of vacancies no ballot was required. In the DET employee category however, a further call of 3 days was required and I am pleased to say this resulted in the 2 vacancies being filled by the close of nominations on February 14th. Therefore able to declare Jessica Rankin and Kimberley Phair as elected School Council members. Please see details of school council membership below (as of February 15th)

School Council membership 2019-2020

Parent membership

Glen Yates
Terry Cumming
Roger Riley
Petra Fawcett
Patrick O'Brien
Jodie Buckley
Kristine Bugeja

DET membership

Kath Ginnane
Jeff McDonald
Jessica Rankin
Kimberley Phair

Community membership

*to be determined at first school council meeting on Monday
February 18th

Attendance

Entering a Parent Approval

Daily school attendance is the single most important factor for all children to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Children and young people who regularly attend school have better health and life outcomes. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.

Entering an absences

There are a number of ways to notify the school of your child's absence:

Option 1– Compass.

This is our preferred option

From the Compass home screen (or from your child's profile), click the 'Add Parent Approval' item.

From the pop-up window,

- select the reason
- enter a brief description of the absence
- select the start and finish time
- click the 'Save' button

Where possible, parent approvals should be entered prior to the absence occurring.

Option 2 – school office

Ring the school and listen for the prompt to take you to where you can leave a message of your child been absent. The office staff input notifications into the system at 9.15am

Option 3 – email the teacher

This is our least preferred option

Email your classroom teacher explaining their absence and they will do the entry on Compass. It is the least preferred option as there are times when staff are not at school to access their email and record notifications.

Jeff McDonald, Assistant Principal/Staff Welfare co-ordinator

Updating emergency contact details

When a student is enrolled at school parents must provide a range of information.

THIS INFORMATION COMES TOGETHER TO PROVIDE KEY REFERENCE POINTS FOR EACH CHILD ON A DAILY BASIS.

Whilst this information can be brought up instantly on a computer screen it is only as accurate as what parents and guardians provide and update during the seven years of primary school.

'Legal Duty of Care' which requires Principals and teachers to take all reasonable steps to reduce risk to students, may be compromised if we do not have up to date and accurate details for each child.

Ensuring such information is updated is ultimately a parent responsibility, but in turn the school has a responsibility to remind parents and look for strategic ways to assist parents in gaining these updates.

Please contact the school if any of your details have changed kingsville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with a subject heading of 'Change of personal details'.

Jeff McDonald, Assistant Principal/Welfare coordinator



Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday 22nd February

1JH	Austin Bogoevski	34I	Amelie Mullins
1JM	Cassandra Pruis	34K	Flynn Loftis
1SH	Jamari Fraser	34L	Audrey Lawrence
2JD	Georgina Goodridge-Kelly	34N	Mack Lewicki
2KP	Phoenix Volpato	34T	Alexander Pugsley
2SP	Luna Blaisdell	5AO	Lucy McConnell
34C	Johnnie Munro	6RT	Adrienne Dorey



Happy Birthday

14th to 20th February

Happy Birthday to Luca Golante, Eric Justice, Liam Hutchison, Jack Moore, Audrey McColl, Harry Hoang, Darcy Crawford, Harry Burton, Ella Leith, Lenny Templar and Miles Wright.

Training and induction for Volunteers required

At Kingsville, volunteers work together with staff to enhance the learning of our students in many different ways, such as sporting days, excursions, fundraising events and classroom help, etc. In order to become a Kingsville volunteer, parents/guardians must comply with relevant procedures and practices to ensure we are compliant with the relevant legislation. We also are required to provide volunteers with information about school expectations and protocols associated with being a volunteer at Kingsville.

Please note any parent/guardian who wishes to volunteer in any capacity in the school must -

1. have and be able to produce a copy of their valid Working with Children card
and
2. participate in the one hour information session which will ensure both OH&S Induction and, the necessary information required for parents to be able to participate in the classroom helpers or other school programs

Yearly induction is required but volunteer training does not need to be carried out each year. Parents of course are welcome to stay for the full session for a refresher. All sessions will be held in the staffroom and the induction session will take approximately 15 minutes. The parent helper session (see information below) will take 30 minutes. Parents attending these sessions will need to sign in via the visitor's book at the main office.

Parent Volunteers Information Session and Occupational Health and Safety Induction

Session	Date	Time
4	Tuesday 19 th Feb	2.35pm
5	Wednesday 20 th Feb	9.05am

Please note that these are the only dates remaining for Term 1. We will however be keeping a list of interested volunteers throughout the year and once we have reached a minimum of 5 we will offer further sessions.

If you have a current valid Working with Children card please bring this along. If you do not have one, details regarding gaining one will be provided at the sessions.

Please email Nicole Shirreff if you have any questions shirreff.nicole.n@edumail.vic.gov.au

Thank you

Blagma Veljanoska, Acting Assistant Principal and Nicole Shirreff, Education Support Staff member

Class Rep Network – 2019

We are initiating the Class Rep Network for 2019. The role of the volunteer parent representative for each class is to foster communication, parent volunteering and social connections within the class.

We have most of the Class Rep's in place for Grades F-2. Just a couple of classes still to fill. If you're interested please contact petra.fawcett@gmail.com.

Each Class Rep will now create contact lists to assist communication within the class. Please look out for their note coming soon.

Thanks all
Petra Fawcett, School Councillor

Class Name	Teacher	Class Rep
Foundation		
FCW	Catherine Wood	Tina McElligott
FDG	Denis Gallo	Fiona Ah Sam McKeown
FEE	Emma Eastham	Pip Mulhallen Jill Stoj Charlotte Stewart
FLI	Louise Iero	Michelle Hickey Becca Langtree
FLB	Luisa Ballestrino	Hannah Williams Melanie Yates
Grade 1		
1JH	Jane Herringer	Caz Kin
1SH	Susan Hosking	Alanna Forest Penny Moca
1JM	Jeanette Mejak	
1AM	Alison Michetti	Amy Jennings
Grade 2		
2JD	John Diegan	
2SP	Susan Phillips	
2KP	Kimberley Phair	Stephanie McGlone
2MC	Michael Carey	Michelle Metcalf Kate Simnett

Community Noticeboard

Change Our Game – Westgate Girls Basketball

An initiative of the Victorian Government.

Westgate Girls Basketball, Recwest Braybrook.

Girls only ages 10-17, beginner to advanced level sessions. Q&A with Belinda Snell – former WNBL and Opals player.

Register now via facebook [westgatebasketball](https://www.facebook.com/westgatebasketball)

\$10 Registration fee


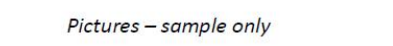



Hot March Night - 1 March 2019

Food and drinks edition

Purchase your tickets now for the HOTTEST night of the school year! Pack your picnic blanket, grab the camp chairs and join the KPS community for an evening of music, food and fun. The evening will feature:

- Amazing food from our local - Rocco's deli ****must be pre ordered - not available for purchase on the night**
- Sausage sizzle – *available for purchase on the night*
- Cake and sweets stall
- Craft beer and local wines- Shadowfax wines, Hop Nation and Moondog beers
- Our Kitchen Garden stall will also have goodies available

Food Options – Hampers (pre-ordered via Try Booking). NOTE DUE TO CATERING REQUIREMENTS, ALL PRE ORDERED HAMPER ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY WEDNESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

ROCCO ROLL	Food - 1 Roccos roll - Contains, prosciutto salami, ham, mortadella, cheese, pesto, green olives, roast red capsicum, sun dried tomato, eggplant		\$8.00
VEG - ROCCOS ROLL	Food - 1 VEGETARIAN Roccos roll... Contains cheese, pesto, green olives, roast red capsicum, sun dried tomato, eggplant	<p><i>Pictures – sample only</i></p> 	\$8.00
ROCCO DINNER BOX	Food - Roccos dinner box for 1. Contains... shaved swiss cheese, shaved provolone, 2 cured meats (salami/ham/prosciutto/ham), olives, grilled capsicum, pickled gherkins, small bunch of grapes, bread.		\$10.00
ROCCO GRAZING BOX	Food - 4 people grazing box... With 3 meats (salami/ham/prosciutto), 2 dips (hummus/capsicum), 3 cheeses (brie/provolone/blue), 2 antipasto (olives/sun dried tomato/capsicum), fruit, crackers, bread		\$50.00
VEG - GRAZING BOX	Food - VEGETARIAN Roccos 4 people grazing box... Contains 2 dips (hummus/capsicum), 3 cheeses (brie/provolone/blue), 2 antipasto (olives/sun dried tomato/capsicum), fruit, crackers, bread		\$50.00

In next week's newsletter we will provide information about *on the night* payment options and provide information about the entertainment on the night.

Bookings can be undertaken via www.trybooking.com/BASNS. If you sign up to volunteer, we will provide 1 x free drink voucher to be redeemed at the bar (valued at\$5). Sign up to help out on the night at volunteersignup.org/WE3AF