



Newsletter

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2019 Dates to Remember

Term 1

February

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

Centenary Tshirt order form

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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 Glen Yates 0447 520 058 **School Council email** yates.glen.j@edumail.vic.gov.au

School Uniform Primary School Wear 9768 0342 **OSHC Camp Australia co-ordinator Arshdeep** 0401 054 261



Principal's Message

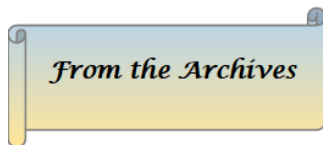
Parent Teacher Meetings

A wonderful and very worthwhile afternoon and evening of conversations between parents and teachers took place on Wednesday. Thank you to all parents who booked a meeting time and, came along to participate in this very important exchange of information.

The data shows that there were **567** bookings for the night, which equates to an 83% whole school response. At individual levels we saw Foundation - 86%, Grade 1 - 80%, Grade 2 - 73%, Grade - 3/4 86%, Grade 5 - 95% and Grade 6 - 86%. This percentage will increase by the end of this term as some make up/additional meetings are held.

This is an excellent result and an indication of the level of parent engagement and interest in the learning journey of their children and the work of the school. These meetings provided for authentic engagement with our parent community and an opportunity to meet, share information and, build the learning partnership.

Kingsville Centenary



In acknowledgement of our centenary year I will be providing some 'history snippets' in each newsletter as the year progresses. I am hopeful some of the information will come from student research and, additional information from past students and families. Any current Kingsville families who have historical connections to KPS and would like to contribute please do not hesitate to

send this information to me.

As we have had this week very successful parent teacher meetings I thought words from the past regarding parents visiting the school would be appropriate. So, an extract from George Ellingsen's 'A Word to Parents' article in the 1924 Kingsville Central School magazine (George Ellingsen was head teacher from 1923-1925).

Parents are invited to visit the school occasionally, to inquire into the progress of their children, to see them at work, and to make themselves acquainted with those matters which affect the life and well-being of their children, both in their spiritual and corporeal natures. They are requested to study the reports of terminal examinations, to send their children punctually and regularly, and to see that the home-work allotted each night is carefully and always performed.

So, by a system of co-operation between parent, teacher, and children we may hope to lay a foundation upon which a superstructure may be raise, perfect in all its parts, and honourable to the builder.

Parents! For 1925 you can give your boy or girl no better gift than a promise that he or she shall have the opportunity "to make good", and to obtain the benefits of the best education possible. You may not have had these advantages but there is no reason (except selfishness) why you should debar your child from obtaining them. Enrol your boy or girl in the Central classes for 1925, and find your greatest pleasure in watching the growth and development of your child in those matters which pertain to his (or her) highest welfare.

Whilst in 2019 we welcome parents into the school on a daily basis back in 1924 we see that sound parent, teacher and child relationships were seen as important and valuable. So, well done to the third Principal of Kingsville along with staff, families and students of that time.

Student Free/Curriculum Day – Friday 8th March

Kingsville Primary School is committed to continuous improvement and a key feature of this is ongoing professional learning. Each year government schools receive four student free days (when student instruction does not occur). These allow for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development, and student assessment and reporting. The first day of term 1 each year is a specified student free day in Victorian government schools and, this allows for appropriate planning to take place for the arrival of students.

Curriculum days or, student free days at Kingsville are seen as a very valuable resource and an opportunity to engage in deep professional conversations and work directly related to whole school improvement.

Friday March 8th will see staff participate together as a whole group and in teams with a focus on the 2019 Annual Implementation Plan, the first component of our new Strategic Plan – 2019-2022. There will also be a focus on WRITING in the curriculum as we further develop and refine our whole school approach in this area.

Dogs at school – the school is a dog free zone

Not of the red, white and blue variety but rather those that are bought along for the morning walk to school. The number of families bringing their dog with them has risen significantly over the last couple of years. No dogs are allowed in the school grounds and as a result, many are tied up onto trees whilst parents go into the grounds with their child/children

What happens then of course depends on the personality of the dog. Some will be very well behaved and wait patiently and quietly, others, will not be happy and voice their disapproval by ongoing barking – sometimes even howling until their beloved owner returns.

This can be very disturbing for people working within the school buildings. It can also be challenging for students still coming to school who, have to walk past a tied up barking dog. Whilst I love to see dogs coming along with their families, I ask parents who know they are going to be in the grounds or buildings for a while, to leave the dog at home on those days. Also if you know your beloved canine will voice their disapproval loudly to being left again, it is best if they are left at home.

Other canine crimes

This year so far I have noticed a couple of parents with a tiny dog or puppy tucked under their arm or even stowed away in a designer 'carry bag'. ***Please note there are no exceptions to the no dogs in school grounds or buildings rule.*** Carrying your dog does not give you an exemption. Working support dogs or, dogs in training e.g. seeing eye or other of course are always welcome.

We will be again this year talking to students about the role of such dogs in the community and, hopefully having a special 'visitor' as such at an assembly.



Dropping off & picking up children

It has been brought to our attention that some parents are driving into the staff carparks to drop off and pick up children. This is a very dangerous practice which needs to stop. The staff carparks are not to be used for this purpose and are for staff parking only.

Therefore, parents, please DO NOT USE EITHER STAFF CARPARK TO DROP OFF OR PICK UP YOUR CHILDREN.

Jeff McDonald, Assistant Principal/Student Welfare

Respectful Relationships Parent/Guardian Information Night

offered by Kingsville Primary School -Tuesday 5th March from 6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.

Last year Kingsville Primary joined more than 1,000 schools across the state when we signed up to the Respectful Relationships program. Our uptake, in embracing this significant DET initiative, demonstrates our commitment to embedding the ideals we value; that of promoting an inclusive environment which respects the diversity within our community. The Respectful Relationships program supports schools to promote and model respect, positive attitudes and behaviours whilst teaching our children how to build healthy relationships, resilience and confidence.

During the 2018 school year staff delivered to the students the resilience, rights and respectful relationships teaching and learning materials. To further promote an awareness and understanding of the program we are holding a parent information evening in recognising that to drive real change, classroom learning needs to be reinforced by what is modelled within the whole school community.

To this end we are very fortunate to have Jarrod Bateup and Libby Hargreaves the Project Leaders for Respectful Relationships Program, South Western Victoria Region, DET, to present a parent information session in the hall on Tuesday 5th of March from 6:00-7:00pm. Please enter through the Bishop Street double gates.

This information session will focus on:

- unpacking some statistics that explain why Respectful Relationships curriculum is taught in Victorian schools
- exploring what is involved in the 8 topics of the Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships learning materials
- the expected positive outcomes of the Respectful Relationships program

If you would like to attend this information session, we request that you RSVP by emailing the school office kingsville.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au by Friday 1st March, ensuring the following information is contained within the email

Subject:

- Respectful Relationships information session

Main body:

- Family name
- Year level(s) of children
- Number of adults attending

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Melbourne Water Pipe

Located next to the Julian Street sandpit is a large black pipe. This pipe is part of the new West Footscray to Yarraville Water Main that is currently being installed in Julian Street. Kingsville Primary School has borrowed one section and will over the next week decorate it. Students and teachers will have the opportunity to have their name written on the pipe and the art teachers are also keen to add some creative elements with student support. Our pipe section will be removed around March 1st to be buried for at least the next hundred years. In our school's centennial year this decorated piece of black pipe could be considered a time capsule of sorts.

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Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday 1st March

1JH	Emily Nguyen	34K	Liam Craig
1SH	Mikayla Tsiflidis	34N	Tilly Bradbury
2JD	Archie Taylor	5AO	Ava Artavilla
2KP	Sydney Bailey	6JD	Jasper Lagastes
2SP	Ted Lavery	5GJ	Max Harmer



Happy Birthday

21st to 27th February

Happy Birthday to Frida Crawford, Stirling Koop, Emily Tran, Ann Le, Teddy Williams, Tess Riley, Samuel Tu, Jakie Jeka, Frieda Jeffery, Ava Clarke, Naol Ahmed, Scarlett Plieger and Arie Huang.

Friends of KPS News

Hot March Night - 1 March 2019

Entertainment

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:

- Cellist **Melissa Chominsky**
- “**The Normals**” - the return of Kingsville’s favourite Dad’s band, with guest artists including Sarah MacLaine, Jen Thompson, Leah Oliver, Terry Cumming and Pip Mulhallen.
- **DJ Marky Mark** and **DJ Milla**

Experience

- Entry and Exit will be via **Bishop Street** from 6:00pm. We will have a door list to tick off names
- Please bring chairs, rugs/mats as well as BYO non-breakable refillable glass for wine/drinks (**Strictly NO BYO alcohol due to licensing requirements**)
- Pre-ordered hampers can be collected from the Kitchen – once again, we will have a list with your orders
- Bar sales will have contactless payment, such as ‘Tap and Go’, token redemption and cash sales
 - Token redemption and cash sales will be located at the Garden, BBQ and Cake/Lolly stalls
 - Tokens will be sold on the night near the Bar stall – tokens are sold at individual cash value of \$2. e.g., \$10 equals 5 tokens
- Bar will remain open from 6:00pm – with last drinks at 09:30pm
- Event concludes at **10:00pm**

Bookings for tickets can still 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 and meet some new families.

Community Noticeboard

Little River Country Fair

Little River Primary School, 21 Flinders Street, Little River PH 5283 1214

Sunday 17th March, 2019

10a.m. – 3p.m.

Auction, open air market, white elephant, Devonshire tea, animal farm, book fair, House of Horrors, games and competitions, jams and produce, dancing

Bayside P-12 Open Day

Thursday 21st March, 2019

Tours at 9.30a.m./11.30a.m./2.00p.m./5.30p.m.

No booking required. Principal’s address and transition information presentation at 6.00p.m.

Williamstown Campus Yr7 – 9: Koroit Creek Road

Altona North Campus Prep-9: Millers Road

Ph: 9393 5800 Website: www.bayside.vic.edu.au



KPS centenary short sleeve t-shirts
 “Celebrating 100 Years of Learning
 Local Hearts, Global Values”

Order Form to be returned by **March 8th 2019**

(also trybooking.com/BAOAR)

Name and class: _____

Phone Number/email: _____

SIZE	HOW MANY	AMOUNT	TOTALS
6		\$18	
8		\$18	
10		\$18	
12		\$18	
14		\$18	
16		\$18	
TOTALS			

Cash or Credit Card (no AMEX)

No: _____

Expiry: _____ CCV: _____

** We will inform you when ready to pick up, Sizes and red colour are as close to current PSW uniforms as possible, Short sleeve only, can wear this year and years going ahead.