



Newsletter

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2022 Dates to Remember

Term 1

March

Mon 14 th	Public Holiday – Labour Day
Tues 15 th	Curriculum Day – no students at school
Mon 22 nd	School Council meeting
28 th Mar- 7 th April	Foundation – Year 4 swimming

April

Fri 8 th	Easter Hat Parade Last day Term 1 (2.30p.m. dismissal)
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Term 2

Tues 26 th	First day Term 2
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2022 Term Dates

Term 1	*Friday 28 January (teachers return) to Friday 8 April
Term 2	Tuesday 26 April to Friday 24 June
Term 3	Monday 11 July to Friday 16 September
Term 4	Monday 3 October to Tuesday 20 December



Principal's Message

Well we have made it through February and into early March with children on-site. We are certainly not back to pre-Covid school life and we are addressing the ongoing challenges of the Omicron variant situation on a daily basis as it impacts on student, staff and families. Looking back however to the newsletter of March 6th 2020, which contained very early information about Covid -19, it certainly is a reminder of the long journey we have all experienced. At that time with only a few weeks of term 1 left changes occurred rapidly and we did not know then that it would be the last "normal" school week that we would encounter for many months.

Now roughly at the same time in 2022, it is wonderful to have all our students on-site and home learning is not something we hope to encounter again. There will be many stages ahead in the return to and the claiming back school life as it was pre Covid. Of significant importance are activities and experiences for students and the community that should serve to re engage, motivate and be in themselves cause for celebration.

Some of these are school traditions with expectations and knowledge built up over time and, such is the case for the traditional **Easter Hat Parade**. The Easter Hat Parade takes place on the last day term 1 being this year Friday 8th April. As we are now past the half way point of term 1, it is important to mark the Easter Hat Parade on family calendars. Please see additional information below with regard to this occasion.

Easter Hat Parade

Easter is still some time away but as usual the signs are out there already with 'eggs', 'chickens' and 'rabbits' so to speak in the shops. However, it is not too early for parents and children's' minds to turn to

Easter Bonnets "with all the trims upon it".

Beginning guide for your millinery creative efforts

"Old" KPS parents you have been through the ***Easter Hat Challenge*** before, **new** parents here are some guidelines for you.

1. **don't panic**, we do not want Kingsville parents staying up creating "millinery masterpieces" into the wee small hours
2. we do want it to be all about **participation** and fun for the students and creating great memories of events and traditions during their primary school life.

So, families get together to create your headgear e.g.

- a Kingsville creation
- a school sun hat decorated
- traditional Easter theme
- PYP "Profile of the Learner" hat (and we might see):
 - balanced
 - open minded caring creative hats

Yes, usually a football theme will sneak in somewhere as well and that is fine. Teachers provide a great example and will always create and wear a hat and parade with their class.

NB. Safety Consideration –

- please think about how the children will keep the hat on their head – sometimes the wind can be a problem

So **glue guns to the ready** yet again and, let the imagination go and see what happens. Some members of our wonderful support staff will again form a panel of observers who will cast their eyes over all entries and, acknowledge special efforts from each class. **Not the best, biggest or fanciest** – just a special Kingsville award for effort for a member of each class.

Also remember this is a casual clothes day so take that into consideration regarding the overall practicality of hat. Also the weather i.e. on windy days hats may need more attachment to the head. If all else fails “outsourced”

Please note –

- last year we were unable to have parents and family members on-site as the audience for the parade
- we are currently carrying out a risk assessment and working through what would be necessary to enable parents / carers to be able to be part of this wonderful event this year

Further details will follow



Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday 11th March

1/2A	Noah Attard	3/4L	Bastian Balbontin
1/2J	Maisie Richardson	3/4J	Erica Heap
1/2C	Havaiana Cox	3/4H	Alexander Ritchie
1/2G	Hendrix Langtree	5JL	Emma Hutchison
3/4C	Cristina Tran		
3/4B	Issy Ciolli		



Happy Birthday

26TH – 4TH March

Happy birthday to: Isobel Trollope, Scarlett Plieger, Ava Clarke, Arie Huang, Mitchell Gumley, Rosa Marzano, Poppy Panton, Alston Tran, Ada-Oola Holten, Logan Bellis, Charlotte Willis, Jack Corry

Student Voice

At Kingsville Primary School we acknowledge that student voice is a powerful driver to motivate learning and recognise that all students are able to participate, learn and lead. Student voice acknowledges that students have unique perspectives on learning, teaching, and schooling and should have the opportunity to actively shape their own education.

Student voice equals students actively participating in their school, communities and the education system, contributing to decision making processes and collectively influencing outcomes by putting forward their views, concerns and ideas. Junior School Council (JSC) is one avenue where students are able to access authentic opportunities to develop a voice. The chance to be heard and be involved as key stakeholders ensures that view points from a range of perspectives are heard and this in turn leads to more informed decision making. Kingsville believes that students having a voice is important at both a local and global level.

Junior School Councillors have now been elected from levels F – 6 and in 2022 the makeup of the council sees one representative from each class. The group will meet on a fortnightly basis at lunchtimes. Congratulations to the following students on being elected by their peers. Congratulations also to all students who nominated, stepped up and put themselves forward with regard to these positions.

Please see a list of Junior School Council members within the School Student Leadership Profile information.

Samantha Meddis and Lizzie Horan JSC Coordinators

School Student Leadership Profile

Student leaders in 2022 are elected for a wide range of areas and to date include -

School Captain Frankie Blaisdell

School Captain Oscar Mulhall

Vice School Captain Maddie Salmon

Vice School Captain Harry Robertson

House Captains 2022

Bishop House Captains: Mack Lewicki and Chloe Ahlip

Vice Captains: Harrison Wheeler and Trinity To

Julian House Captains: Harvey George and Audrey Lawrence

Vice Captains: Josh Metcalf and Bebe Hills

Somerville House Captains: Sam McDonald and Rose Brookman

Vice Captains: Harry Burton and Chelsea Nguyen

Cruickshank House Captains: Keaton Fawcett and Charlotte Smith

Vice Captains: Lachlan Cameron and Kitty Honisett

Junior School Council 2022

GRADE	JSC REP
FFW	Jean Simmons
FMC	Makayla Mai
FRT	Felix Fuhge-McGann
1/2A	Lachie Bellis
1/2C	Myra Raynold Peter
1/2D	Elliott Millar
1/2G	Santana Kasir
1/2H	Poppy Windle
1/2M	Niamh Avery
1/2J	Harper Williamson
3/4A	Ollie Williamson
3/4B	Issy Ciolli
3/4C	Charli McClatchey
3/4H	Flynn Blackley

3/4J	Judah Mansfield
3/4L	Ruby Tivendale
3/4S	Hattie Fogarty
5AA	Xavier Martini
5DS	Markus Hatzis
5JL	Sydney Bailey
6CB	Eila McCarthy
6CM	Isla Buttigieg
6EH	Dahnika Sibson
6LA	Rishi Mahendra

Congratulations to all student leaders

Sports Report

After much deliberation and checking of the current DET Operations Guide for schools, and keeping an eye on the weather forecast, the Westgate District Sports Group were able to hold their first sporting event for the year – the District Swimming Carnival.

This was held at Sunshine Leisure Centre on Wednesday 2nd March, and Kingsville PS had 27 very eager children participating.

The day turned out beautifully and it was a testament to the resilience of the children that they participated to the absolute best of their ability.

I would personally like to thank Mark Deunk, from Yarraville Swim Centre for his help with this; as well as the teaching staff who gave up their mornings to help run the time trials and supervise the children on the day; and the parents for their understanding and support in this ever changing environment.

A massive congratulations to all children who trialled, and to those who made it into the team.

The team for the Division event will be published shortly.

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Sport and PE Coordinator

Westgate Sports District Coordinator

PLT Level Leader



Pupil Free Day

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Bookings are now open for Pupil free Day –15th March 2022 Tuesday. We will be operating full day session from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Please login to your parental portal to make an online booking or call Camp Australia (Head Office) on 1300 105 343.

Thank you,
Team OSHC.