



Newsletter

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2021 Dates to Remember

Term 3

July

26th – 30th

Optional Parent / teacher meeting week

August

Mon 2nd

School Council Meeting

Tue 3rd

Student Led Conferences 3.45 – 7pm (Foundation, Year 1 & 6)

Wed 4th

Student Led Conferences 3.45 – 7pm (Year 2, 3/4, 5 & class 5/6 S)

9th – 13th

Year 3/4 Camps

September

Mon 6th

School Council Meeting

Wed 15th

School Concert

Thurs 16th

School Concert

Fri 17th

Last day term 3 – 2.30pm dismissal

2021 Term Dates

Term 1 Wednesday 27 January 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



Principal's Message

We are now well into the second week of remote learning required by the current lockdown in Victoria. The school leadership team thanked all KPS families for their efforts in the last newsletter when we had just very suddenly entered week 1 of this period of remote learning. Now, 7 days later I wish to again convey thanks and acknowledgement to parents, carers, guardians, and of course our amazing resilient 582 students. It is extraordinary and so encouraging that families and staff have been able to once again, adjust and work together to support each other through the current and ongoing challenges.

The short period of leave I had planned has been cancelled and I have been back on-site this week. I wish to publicly note the work of the school leadership team – Jeff McDonald and Blagma Veljanoska along with our Leading Teachers, Level Leaders and all teachers, support and admin staff who have stepped up, adjusted and yet again worked tirelessly to ensure the best possible provision for the students.

We know this is not where we wanted to be and it is far from ideal however, the children our students are your absolute priority as parents / carers as they are ours as educators. Their wellbeing is paramount in all planning, provision, and daily checking in and engagement online with their teachers and class groups.

Currently so much is uncertain at this point in time however what is certain is that –

- our wonderful students will be back at school
- we will work non-stop to ensure their wellbeing, learning and engagement is addressed and their joy in school life is nurtured
- our community will come together to reconnect and build community engagement for this significant, historical and, much loved school

Moving forward now hopefully we can welcome all students back at school next Wednesday 28th July.

Message to all KPS students

As your Principal I want you all to know how very proud I am of each and every one of you. Your teachers (class and specialists) all report how resilient you all are and how you are engaging in the daily program and doing your absolute best. This may be at home which is the case for most of you or, at school for a smaller number.

I know it is not easy to be in lockdown again and not being able to be at school with all your class mates friends and, teachers. I also know that you are missing many of the other activities and experiences that you have in any 'normal' week. It is also of course hard for many of your family members. Don't forget however there are some good things about learning from home and try to enjoy and make the most of those during this time – a few ideas below

I do know that KPS students demonstrate strength, spirit and determination every day and that they are courageous, brave, kind, considerate and open minded. Do not forget that I as your Principal and all the staff are thinking of you and missing you very much and, we are all hoping you will all be back at school next Wednesday.

During your time at home as well as well as engaging in your daily school program you could –

- sleep in a bit longer
- have a rest during the day
- exercise in different ways
- spend more time with some family members as possible
- go at your own pace with the learning program
- if you have a pet maybe they can be your "classmate"

- eat different food for lunch and snacks – (goodbye squashed sandwiches)
- take up an extra activity separate from your class program (see one opportunity below with the **Young Dargie** competition)

In the meantime, give yourself a big Kingsville **'pat on the back'** like we do often in the classroom and at school assembly and, **take a Kingsville bow** and give yourself **a clap** for doing so well.

Young Dargie Competition & Exhibition

Read all about this in the newsletter again today. The information includes everything you need to know about participating, having a go and being a part of this special 2021 initiative. You might even find time to find out a bit more / research The Archibald Prize”.

So, Kingsville student artists please consider putting in an entry. Imagine how amazing it would be if we had one from every KPS student at this school where Sir William Dargie attended many years ago.

As Principal, I would like this exhibition and competition to continue for many years and to encourage efforts there will be a prize for the winner this year - more details to come.

Parent, Caregiver and Guardian Opinion Survey 2021

As noted in the last newsletter July 16th the 2021 **Parent, Caregiver and Guardian Opinion Survey 2021** is currently being carried out across at Victorian Government schools.

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training which is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents/caregivers/guardians. This survey previously known as the Parent Opinion Survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents / carers who are part of the KPS sample have now been contacted by email and provided with details to enable them to access the survey.

Please note the closing date for survey responses is Sunday 22nd August.

Student Reports

Well done Kingsville families gaining access to your child/children's mid-year reports.

Student Reports “went live” on Friday 16th July and now a week later only just under 10% of reports have not been viewed. Hopefully those 58 will be read and celebrated over the next few days. If any parents have been unable to view reports due to access issues, please do not hesitate to let us know.

With regards to viewings as is the case in most years some reports have been viewed a number of times and a standout for 2021 is one report being viewed **22 times**. Over recent years 2019 still holds a record where one report was viewed a grand total of **97 times**.

Viewings 2021

- 37** student reports have been viewed **once**
 - 136** student reports have been viewed **twice**
 - 76** student reports have been viewed **three times**
 - 386** student reports have been viewed **1-5 times**
 - 109** student reports have been viewed **6-10 times**
 - 35** student reports have been viewed **more than 11 times**
 - 1** student report has been viewed **22 times**
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Thank you to KPS families for your support in this area and, to staff for all work involved in contributing to the completed assessment and reporting process.

NB. Student reports will be available for viewing at any time, however it is recommended that you download and print a copy for your records as once your child has left Kingsville you will no longer be able to access your Compass account.

Kingsville Primary School Student Led Conferences

Student Led Conferences are a chance to celebrate your child's learning and for your child to share from their perspective their progress, achievements and areas to work on.

In planning for Student Led Conferences we have allocated the following times

- **Foundation, Grade 1 & 6** students from **3.45pm to 7.00pm on Tuesday 3rd August**
- **Grade 2, 3/4, 5 & 5/6S** students from **3.45pm to 7.00pm on Wednesday 4th August**

Access to bookings will open on Monday 26th July at 10am. Please see instructions in last week's newsletter for making a booking.

Please note: Due the current conditions and unknowns, the approach being planned for student led conferences may change. The school will continue to communicate and inform parents/cares of arrangements for Student Led Conference for week 4 of the term visa newsletter and Compass Posts.

Blagma Veljanoska
Acting Assistant Principal
Assessment and Reporting



Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday 30th July

FFW	Harper Gumley	34M	Prem Patel
FLB	Isaac D'Souza	34P	
FLI	Charlotte Williams- Valladares	34S	
1CW	Lachie Bellis	34A	Freya McGlone
1DG	Harper Williamson	5AA	Nina Sheppard
1RT	Poppy Windle	5AT	
2EE		5TD	
2MC	Sajid Bushra	56S	William Friedmann
2JD	Maisie White	6JI	
2AO		6KG	Genevieve Bennetts
34L	Xavier Nye	6SE	
34C	Leah Watsford		



Happy Birthday

24th – 30th July

Happy Birthday to: Tia Williams, Thomas Hine, Anouk Dewhurst, Tenzin Chennga, Lottie McKeown, Lachy Brown, Zeph Buckley, Markus Hatzis, Harvey George and Rio Burrows.







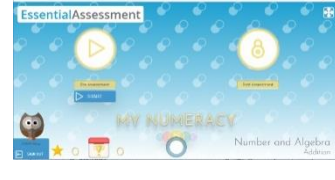

Numeracy Bulletin


Supporting your child at home with their maths learning using Essential Assessment

In 2021, Kingsville Primary School continues to utilise the digital resource **Essential Assessment** to support and enhance our mathematics program.

Essential Assessment provides students with individualised **My Numeracy** and **Sunset Maths** tasks based on their needs, which they can access via tablet or computer from any location. This encourages student agency and allows individuals to investigate new concepts at their own pace and practise mental maths skills in the four operations.

All families have been emailed their child/ren's login details. For further information and to login to Essential Assessment, please visit: <https://www.essentialassessment.com.au/>

 <p>My Numeracy My Numeracy enables students to progress through the curriculum, automatically differentiating and providing an individual program based on their results.</p>	 <p>Sunset Maths Sunset Maths is a feature of Essential Assessment aimed at developing students' mental maths skills.</p>		
How to access My Numeracy		How to access Sunset Maths	
<p>1. Click on the centre circle.</p>		<p>1. Click on the Games icon. 2. Click on the Sunset Maths icon.</p>	
<p>2. Click on 'My Numeracy' to find your assigned tasks.</p>		<p>3. Choose which skill you want to work on.</p>	

<p>For a comprehensive video explanation explaining some of the features and how to use Essential Assessment, please view this video created by Abbas Alidina (Level 5 Teacher and Numeracy Expert Lead).</p>	 <p>https://bit.ly/EA-userguide</p>
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Jennifer Duckworth – Level 2 Teacher – Numeracy Learning Specialist
Abbas Alidina – Level 5 Teacher – Numeracy Expert Lead



Victorian Student Excellence Program & High Ability Program

The Student Excellence Program is a Victoria Department of Education initiative which supports Victorian government schools in providing a great learning environment and building teacher capability to support and extend their high-ability students.

One facet of this initiative is the **Victorian High Ability Program**. High-ability learners typically operate (or have the capacity to operate) significantly above their age peers in one or more areas of the curriculum. The Victorian High-Ability Program sees high-ability Years 5 – 8 students across Victorian government schools participate in a 10-week virtual enrichment program.

The Department of Education centrally manages the selection process for the program based on student academic performance. The Virtual School of Victoria facilitates this program as students meet virtually once a week with their classmates and teachers from around Victoria.

Over the course of Term 2, five students from Kingsville Primary School participated in the primary Literacy program entitled **the Power of the Pen**. On Thursday last week these students participated in a 'Masterclass' at Wembley Primary School, working collaboratively with student from Wembley and Yarraville West who had also been a part of the program.

I would like to congratulate **Ewan Cornish, Charlotte Egglestone, Frankie Blaisdell, Rowan Rowntree** and **Hazel Nguyen** for the courage, engagement, and commitment they've shown throughout their participation in this program. Below are reflections from some of the students on their learning and growth over the course of the program.


Sam Eason
High Ability Practice Leader

Hazel Nguyen: Over the last term I participated in the VHAP program for literacy. As part of the program I got to learn more about literacy, specifically writing. I also got to engage with other students, who were also participating in the VHAP program through our online classes. The experience has broadened my knowledge of story writing and has given me a greater understanding of how to further develop my writing skills. Upon completion of the course I got to take a trip to Wembley Primary school, where I met with other students who also participated in the VHAP program. This was my favourite part of the program because I got to engage with other students from different schools. It was interesting looking at their style of writing and what we had all learnt.

Rowan Rowntree: This year I was lucky enough to be selected for the VHAP Program. I found it to be a fun and engaging way to extend my knowledge of English, writing and literature. We discussed fascinating topics, like how writing began. The masterclass was a wonderful way to meet the other participants. We wrote stories that others finished, and I thought this was an amazing way to converge. I met lots of lovely people and made another friend. The Program encouraged us to stretch past our limits, and better our skills. It encouraged us to make friendships and think more deeply. It encouraged us to better ourselves. I really loved it.

Frankie Blaisdell: Thursday we walked through the park to Wembley Primary School to meet other VHAP students in person for the first time. We participated in a continuous writing exercise, where one of us wrote an introduction to a story and passed it on to the next person (and the next) to write a middle and an end to the story. It felt inclusive as everyone's work was responded to in the session. I enjoyed talking and working with people who are like-minded about their passion for writing. Overall my favourite learning was about archetypes in writing. It offers a new dimension to both my writing and my reading. I've really appreciated being part of the VHAP program.

Ewan Cornish: The program and the final meet-up taught me a lot of things including how to finish other people's writing and to adapt to writing styles. I enjoyed the final masterclass more than online sessions because it had a lot more peer involvement.



Kingsville Primary School presents our very own.....



This year marks 100 years of Australia's oldest and most loved portrait award - The Archibald Prize!

Each year, artists from all around Australia are invited to submit either a portrait or self-portrait for judging in Australia's most prestigious art competition. A selection of artists are chosen as finalists, and their portraits tour around the country as a part of a travelling exhibition. The prize was named after J.F. Archibald (editor of *The Bulletin* magazine) who donated money to fund an art prize.

In 2013, a junior portrait competition was established called the Young Archie.

Impressively, past Kingsville Primary School student, Sir William Dargie, was awarded the Archibald prize eight times. No other artist has ever surpassed his record! Sir William Dargie was a Kingsville student for two years, enrolling on the 15th February 1920.

Sir William Dargie first won the Archibald prize in 1941. Over a decade later, in 1954, Dargie was commissioned to paint Australia's official portrait of Queen Elizabeth. The Queen posed for Dargie at Buckingham Palace and this is often referred to as the 'wattle painting'.

Dargie last won the prize in 1956, with a portrait of Australia's celebrated Aboriginal painter Albert Namatjira. This portrait was completed while Namatjira was visiting Sydney from the Central Desert.

Kingsville Primary School established another connection with Sir William Dargie when it was discovered that Hailary Farlie's (performing arts teacher) family owns an original painting of Dargie's.

So, to celebrate the Archibald tradition, we would like to invite students to participate in our very own

Young Dargie Exhibition.

This is an event we would like to turn into a regular tradition at KPS.

Please note, this is a voluntary art activity for those who appreciate an art challenge.

The competition:

- create your own 2-D portrait or self-portrait using any medium- paint, pencil, charcoal, crayon etc. or a combination
- the portrait or self-portrait can be realistic or semi-realistic
- the portrait could be of a family member, or you could complete a portrait of someone else who inspires you - you could create a portrait of a teacher, a pet or a teddy bear
- the portrait must be completed and given to Visual Arts teacher Monica Gallivan by August 31st

If you would like any support with your artwork, you are welcome to attend art club on a Monday lunchtime.

These artworks will be featured in a small pop-up or digital gallery. Once your artwork is finished, we request you bring it in to school and deliver it Monica by due date above who will store it in a safe place ready for our very own **Young Dargie Exhibition.**

You may like to sit down with an adult and explore the winners from the previous 100 years using the link below.

Please note that it is advised that students explore this link with an adult, as some of the artworks contain some mildly sensitive issues.

<https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au/prizes/archibald/>

Can you find William Dargie's paintings from 1941, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1950, 1952 & 1956? You might also like to explore the artworks created by past winners of the Young Archie.

<https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au/prizes/young-archie/>

Advancedlife

20% Discount on Sports & Co-Curricular Group Photos available until 6/08/2021

Dear Parents,

These school sports and co-curricular groups were photographed on 18/05/2021:

House Captains		
Junior School Council		
School Captains and Vice Captains		

You can now view and purchase the group images listed above and if you place your order before 6/08/2021 you will get a 20% early order discount. Just click on the link below. Please note the discount will be automatically applied at checkout.

[order now](#)

Images can also be viewed by visiting www.advancedlife.com.au entering the code: ZXB YJ7 YLX and clicking on "Group Photos"

Important

Sports and co-curricular group photos can only be purchased online, **PLEASE DO NOT** return payment to your school

If your child's group or team is scheduled to be photographed at a later date, you will receive an additional email notification when the images are ready to be ordered

Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after the discounted **early** order period has closed

Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups are also available at your school's **advancedorder** and your child's **advancedyou** photo sites

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A message from your Coordinator

We her at Kingsville Camp Australia are hoping that you are staying Covid safe. That your Children are managing well with their home learning tasks. Our message to you is be nice yourselves, take a breath and remember we will all get through this. We are looking forward to seeing your child/children's bright smiling faces very Soon.

Activities coming up

Program highlights

Outside we will play football/soccer with staff helping develop [those eyes](#) to foot/hand co-ordination skills and team building. "Octopus" is another great team game that the older children lead, helping younger ones to participate & enjoy.

- Next week we will have a
- Art & Craft: Children will enjoy [celebrating](#) the Olympics by [cutting](#) flags, games and die cut piece:

What's on the menu

- A menu highlight will be making "Banana Bread" (with ingredients:- mashed bananas, [self raising](#) flour, ¼ cup sugar, baking soda, milk, vanilla essence & a pinch of cinnamon. Following recipe amounts and method the end result will be a favourite of the children.

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



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