Upcoming Events

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Did you know?

**HEAD LICE - THEY’RE BACK!!**

There have been several cases of head lice reported in various grades. Early detection is the best way to avoid an outbreak so please check your child’s hair regularly and treat when necessary to help prevent the spread of head lice in the school.

**KPS RAFFLE**

Our KPS raffle draw will take place during assembly next Monday 12\textsuperscript{th} September. Good luck to everyone!
Welcome to another edition of Nigel’s Natter,

I want to say thank you for the positive feedback about the video that accompanied last week’s newsletter. I was really pleased to hear that this was helpful for those who needed a quick overview and for members of our community that find written English somewhat challenging to consume. Hard to believe that we are 7 days away from school holidays. It’s been a really productive Term here at KPS and I want to take a moment to note and acknowledge just how many wonderful things that have happened this term. I am still getting used to the huge number of extra-curricular activities and opportunities that are available for our children. It really is a credit to our staff and parent volunteers.

HOUR OF POWER (Working Bee):
On Monday 24th October we will be testing out a different format of working bee called the HOUR OF POWER. If you are available between 4 and 5 to lend a hand, meet in the HOF foyer and we will see what we can get done in an hour. There will be gardening, general tidy up, some furniture moving etc. If you have a broom / shovel etc, bring them along.

SAVE THE DATE - LAUNCH DATE:
17th October from 3:45 – 4:30 has been tagged as the LAUNCH date for our community arts project. We would love for you to come along, so pop it in your diary. More details to follow about what the LAUNCH will involve, so stay tuned.

THE CLOCKTOWER MUSIC CONCERT:
Friday night just gone saw well over 100 of our children take to the stage at The Clocktower to perform for an appreciative audience of family and friends. The quality of the musical performances was outstanding, the confidence of our children was admirable and the efforts of all the staff and parents involved was obvious.

I’m also very pleased to announce that Brooke received a call this week to let us know that the Early Birds received the judges OVERALL encouragement award at the Ballarat Eisteddfod. An enormous accolade.

GROWTH MINDSET:

“Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new.” Albert Einstein

Having a ‘Growth Mindset’ is a critical part of being an effective learner. In short, a growth mindset is the understanding that we can all grow and improve. No matter how much we know or how good we are at something, there is always room for improvement and growth. Having a growth mindset also helps us to learn from our mistakes, and in fact, rather than seeing them as mistakes, we see them as part of the learning process. Here are five ways to help our children understand the growth mindset:

✓ Reward effort often, not always attainment.
✓ Encourage children to take risks with their learning.
✓ Remind children that it is great to make mistakes as they are opportunities to learn.
✓ When praising children, focus on the strategies and skills they employed to learn about a specific subject, rather than their innate talent or skills.
✓ Be mindful of the messages conveyed. For example, referring to yourself as ‘bad at maths’ or ‘no good at spelling’ can reinforce the idea that intelligence is fixed.

We want our children to understand that no matter how challenging they find something, with enough determination and resilience, they can grow and improve.
CAR PARKING:
A friendly reminder that the school car park is strictly for staff only. Please do not pull into the staff car park to drop children off at school. Cars pulling into and backing out of this space at pick up and drop off time is dangerous for our children. Thank you for your support with this matter.

RAFFLE DRAW:
The raffle is being draw at Assembly next week! We will be in touch if you are the lucky winner! Good luck.

PATH SWEEPING:
This week I asked one of our parents to coordinate a group that would be willing to offer some support in helping to keep our school looking beautiful. This could be offering to help out once a term or more regularly. It will all depend on how many people express a willingness to lend a helping hand. If you are happy to help out before school at any stage, please let the office know so we can collate a list of names. Thanks.

HEAD LICE:
A note went home to 1/2 grades this week to inform parents and guardians that we had a case of head lice. This is not uncommon in schools and is easily managed with support from families. If you receive a note regarding head lice I ask that you read it with care and take the appropriate course of action. This may be simply checking your child’s hair, or may require you to treat your child for head lice. We send home information with the note about the correct treatment process. It is important to note that health regulations require that where a child has head lice, that child should not return to school until the day after appropriate treatment has started. Please note that this refers only to those children who have live head lice and does not refer to head lice eggs.

ATTENDANCE:
A reminder that it is expected that children are in class and ready to begin the day’s learning at 9am sharp. Any student arriving to class after 9am will be required to collect a LATE PASS from the office. They DO NOT need to sign in using the iPad, rather the office staff will enter them on the system. This ensures that the first learning session can begin promptly at 9am and that we have accurate information about children who are regularly late to school. Thank you for your support in ensuring your children are at school on time and will be in touch with families to discuss children who are regularly late to class.

ASSEMBLY – FRIDAY AFTERNOON FROM 2017:
Another reminder that beginning 2017, whole school assembly will be held on a Friday afternoon.
OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE UPDATE:
I can now advise that the draft contract from OSHClub for Out of School Hours Care in 2017 is ready to be sent to DET Legal for checking. Once this has happened, the contract will be considered by School Council.

LAST DAY OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS:
Please note that on the last Friday of term, the home time bell will ring at 2:30. OSHClub is available at this time if you require. The end of term assembly will start at 1:30 in the HOF and will conclude at 2:15 sharp so students can return to class to be dismissed. Children are NOT to be taken directly from assembly as we need to make sure everyone is accounted for. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter. The last day is a casual dress day, with a gold coin donation going towards State School’s Relief.

PLANNING FOR 2017:
If you know that your children will not be attending Kensington Primary School in 2017 we would appreciate you contacting the office with that information ASAP. Your early assistance with this will help us with our class formation and structures.

Nigel Holloway.
Principal.

Brain Bender:
Spell the word RADAR.
Start on any R.
Advance in any direction, forwards or backwards.
Follow the lines from letter to letter.
You cannot skip letters.

Question: How many different ways can you spell RADAR?

![Diagram of R, A, D, A, R connections]
Music News

THANK YOU!  THANK YOU!  THANK YOU!  THANK YOU!

Dear String Ensemble,

Many thanks for your terrific performance of Ice Mountain, Star Wars and Senior Strings Flying Theme at Clock Tower last Friday night.

A huge thank you also to parents and students for your creative foil/Star Wars costumes!

By popular demand we have been invited to perform Ice Mountain at the final assembly this term, Friday 16th September at 1:30.

Thanks

Edwina and Brooke

DVD’s FOR SALE - CLOCKTOWER MUSIC CONCERT PERFORMANCE

Pick up your DVD order envelope from the office.

Cost $30

Please return envelopes with money ASAP

Master Plan Group Update

We met recently to welcome Nigel and prepare for our next step now that the resurfacing is completed.

News

Five new established trees have been planted.

There are some lovely new plantings in the north fence garden bed  mulching of this area will happen soon to protect the garden over summer.

Work on the central garden bed has been suspended.

The master plan group is preparing to amalgamate with the facilities and sustainability groups to form one school council subcommittee in 2017.

An application for a grant has been proposed to support grounds development (fingers crossed we are the lucky school to receive this!)

Linda Weisser
Sports News

What a wonderful day Kensington Primary Division Athletics team had down at Keilor Park Stadium on Tuesday. The sun was shining, the students were keeping themselves amused with Noah’s soccer ball, they watched each other’s events and they connected with the larger sporting community. Parents were in an abundance and supporting all the students.

This is definitely one of the highlights of teaching physical education. Congratulations to Hazel, Juliet TS, Noah H and Liam S who qualified for the Western Metropolitan Region finals held on **Tuesday 11th October 2016**. They will be held at Keilor Athletics Track, Keilor Park Recreation Reserve, Stadium Drive, Keilor Park.

Well done to all the students who achieved their personal best on the day.
Grade 5/6 Interview with Nigel

NIGEL HOLLOWAY COMES TO KENSINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Q: 1 How did you feel when you moved school?
   I felt really excited and a little bit nervous. I had read lots of great things about the community and the school so I was looking forward to meeting everyone and finding out about the school.

Q: 2 Are you going to make any big changes and when?
   I think there will be lots of small changes. Little things that make the school run really well and help everyone to be organised and do a great job. I am sure that there will be some big changes but changes don’t happen when there is a need. First we need to get really clear about all the things we do really well, and the things we can do better.

Q: 3 Why did you choose this school?
   I chose Kensington Primary School because everything I read about the school and the times that I visited confirmed that it has a great community and really good kids! I love how diverse the school is and that everyone treats people with respect.

Q: 4 What other jobs did you consider before being a principal?
   I have had lots of jobs. When I was at university I was a clown at kid’s parties. I used to operate bungee trampolines. I have worked in lots of cafes and I was a dance teacher for 10 years. Being a principal is the best job I have ever had!

Q: 5 What was it like in your school years?
   I remember my great teachers and some of the school camps I went on. I loved school because I didn’t have to compete with anyone other than myself. When I was in primary school, I found writing really hard but the more I wrote, the better I got! Now I really enjoy writing.

Q: 6 Why did you become a principal?
   I think being a Principal is one of the most important jobs in the world. Each and every kid that comes to school will grow up and do something with their life. We get to play a really important role in supporting them to get there, no matter what they might choose to do.

Q: 7 When you first came to KPS was there anything that stood out straight away?
   Yes. It was 100% clear to me from day 1 that the kids in this school are happy! The other thing that really jumped out was how hard the teachers work to make sure every kid has a good day every day!

YOUSSIF, HAZEM, CALLAN & MAX
5/6 COMMUNICATIONS LEADERSHIP GROUP
Hello families,

Activities this week include card games, nature painting, science experiments - coloured flowers, coin cleaning, fireworks in a jar, candle painting, goop back by popular request, tiggy, fruit salad, AFL cooking & lots of fun!!

**School Holiday Program:** Details are now on our website for our School Holiday program starting Monday 19th September. The program operates from 8.00am to 6.00pm each day. *We are not licensed to accept children prior to 8.00am.* Children bring their own morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea. We would suggest packing an extra snack too as they are on the go more & seem to get quite hungry over the school holidays. Extra spaces are now available for the Excursion on Wednesday 21st September to the circus.

**Lost Property:** Please check our lost property box before the end of term. Any school uniform items not claimed before the end of term will be donated to the Second hand uniform shop. All other items will be donated to charity.

**Just a reminder:**

**Making or Cancelling a booking within 24hrs:** If you need to make or cancel a booking for your child within 24 hours of the booking time, send a text to the OshClub mobile 0478 155 322. We then know to expect your child and can staff accordingly. Bookings and cancellations cannot be made via the OshClub website within 24 hours of the booked session.

See you at OshClub!!

From Kylie, Pauline, Litea, Desiree, Maranda, Doyle, Ruby, Georgia, Jo, Nick, Ryan, Jack and Christine.

Kylie Douglas
Coordinator
Kensington OSHClub
0478 155 322

**Brain Bender Answer**

**Answer:** 80 different ways.
Start with the R in the top left-hand corner.
Go to the A on the right.
Now go straight on to the D.
You can now complete the word in four ways, because there are four A's available through which you may reach an R.

There are four ways of reading through the right-hand A.
There are the same number of ways through the A that is immediately below the starting point.
The total is now eight.
If you take the third route diagonally through the A, you will have the option of using any one of the three D's,
You may now complete the word in four ways.
You can spell RADAR in twelve ways through the diagonal A.
Twelve plus eight equals twenty readings, that all start from the R in the top left-hand corner.
The four corners are equal.
Four times twenty equals eighty different ways of spelling RADAR
Lost Property

Massie in 3/4C has lost her toy snow leopard from Melbourne Zoo in the school playground. It has Massie’s name written on the tag. If you find it, please can you return it to the school office. Thank you.

Community News

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SUNDAY 18TH OF SEPTEMBER
STARTING 12 NOON
FREE BBQ, ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS:
MEMBERSHIP SPECIALS/RENEWALS AND MORE.
EVEN IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND THERE ARE PLENTY MORE OPPORTUNITIES, HERE IS A LINK TO OUR VERY ACTIVE WEBSITE http://www.singleparentsactivekids.org/
LIKE MINDED SINGLE PARENTS TO CHAT WITH, ACTIVE KIDS WANTING TO PLAY WITH YOUR ACTIVE KIDS, WIN WIN!
“SINGLE DOES NOT MEAN ALONE”

PLEASE RSVP TO info@singleparentsactivekids.org or call Moush on 0430 504 119.
Kensington Primary School Newsletter

CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL

Wednesdays 4.00 to 5.30pm

89 McCracken Street, Kensington, Vic 3031

3 Free Text books

Tel: Ma on 0403 086 532

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KICKIN’ GOALS

An 8 Week Program for 6-12 Yr Old Boys & Girls. Incorporating FFA’s Small-Sided Games

Date: 8th October - 26th November 2016
Day: Saturday
Time: 9.30 - 11am
Venue: JH Allan Reserve, Park Drive, East Keilor
Program: $150 (8 Weeks)
Gear: $100 (Inc. Uniform, Ball, Bag, Shin Pads, Water Bottle and Certificate)

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