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Did you know??

Students can come to school in their pyjamas (with sensible shoes) on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate the Winter Solstice. This is instead of a casual clothes day on the last day of term. Please bring a gold coin donation. Monies raised will go towards the 3/4 Camp.
Principals Report

Playground Upgrade
In preparation for the playground resurfacing, which begins on Tuesday June 14th, a mini working bee took place over the weekend to remove part of the bitumen playground at the end of the netball court, re-position the heavy timber logs, fill the area with soil and prepare the ground so it is ready for large established trees, donated by the City of Melbourne to be planted. Thanks Joe Russo for such a fabulous effort over the weekend and to Tania, Sharyn and Linda for all their very hard work also.

Out and About in the Playground
It was a delight to wandered the playground at lunchtime on Tuesday, seeing the students having lots of fun and all actively engaged in various activities. Here’s a sample of what was happening …

With Winter approaching the skipping ropes got their first airing for the season. Kay & SRC monitors had set up an area for students to borrow and use as assortment of skipping ropes. There were groups playing together with long ropes while other students has chosen shorter ropes to skip with a partner or by themselves.

The interschool sport netball teams were practising and further refining their netball skills under the watchful eye of their teacher and coach Vivienne Crawford

It was football day on the oval and groups of students had organized themselves and were enthusiastically involved one of several football matches.

There was action galore in cubbyland – lots of creating and negotiating as cubbies emerged.
Winter Solstice at KPS – Thursday, June 9th from 5:30pm

The KPS Winter Solstice get - together is fast approaching … Signs of the impending school community celebration are beginning to emerge. Have a wander through the Gathering Space over the next week and see what you can spy. Grubbies have organized the Winter Solstice celebration a little ahead of time this year as playground use will be restricted in the final two weeks of term due to the playground upgrade.

Professional Development Term 2

The staff at Kensington Primary School work as professional teams to plan, teach and evaluate student learning. They have a commitment to continually upgrading their own teaching and learning knowledge and skills by regularly participating in professional development activities both within and outside the school and beyond classroom hours. Professional Learning opportunities are many and varied and include reflective practice, ongoing professional reading and discussion in a number of forums, collegiate sharing and peer observations, presentations by ‘experts’ on staff and /or outside providers and attendance at external PD such as conferences.

On Tuesday after school, teachers attended a valuable ‘in-house’ wellbeing professional learning session facilitated by the Wellbeing Team and Specialist Team. The session focussed on ways that students can be supported to recognize and regulate their emotions through mindfulness, emotional coaching and having a growth mindset. The facilitators, Linda, Nuc, Jess, Melissa & Kay, shared their knowledge, classroom practice, resources and ideas. It was such an engaging, interactive and informative session and a wonderful example of staff sharing their expertise and supporting colleagues in best practice to ensure students are engaged in and maximize their learning, are prepared to reflect on their efforts and give and receive feedback.

ICAS Mathematics Competition and Premiers Reading Challenge

A reminder to parents that students have the opportunity to be involved in the Premiers Reading Challenge and the ICAS Mathematics competition. If you would like your child to enrol in either or both activities please complete details as outlined in this newsletter and return forms to your child’s teacher or directly to the Office.

3-way Conferences- Pupil Free Day
Monday, June 20th  8:30am - 6:00pm

Monday June 20th is a pupil-free day enabling teachers, parents and students to meet for a 3-way conferences at an arranged time throughout the day from 8:30am – 6:00pm. Parents who haven’t already booked a 3-Way Conference with their child’s teacher are reminded to do so as soon as possible using the School Interview Online booking site www.schoolinterviews.com.au All students are expected to attend a 3-way conference with their parent/s and are active participants in the discussion, sharing their understandings about themselves as a
learner, evaluating and reflecting on the goals set at the beginning of the year and discussing their progress. Goals for Semester 2 will also be negotiated during this time.

Julie Stephens
Acting Principal

**3 Way Conferences**

**How to Book a Conference Time**

1. Go to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) and follow these simple instructions.
2. Enter the school Event Code **Event Code: vjnvh**
3. Then follow three simple steps

When you click **finish**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.
You can return to [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) at any time, and change your interviews - **until bookings close on Thursday, June 16th**.

**Interpreters** will be booked if requested. Please let your child’s class teacher know if you require an interpreter.

Please contact the school if you have any queries.

Julie Stephens
Acting Principal

**Enrolments for Prep 2017**

We are now accepting enrolments for Prep 2017. If you have a child who will be starting Prep next year and you live in the Kensington area, please download the enrolment form from our website or pick one up from the school office. Completed forms should be returned with a copy of the birth certificate, immunisation certificate and a $50 non-refundable deposit, which will be offset against school fees in 2017.
Kensington Primary School Newsletter

Art News

Term 3 - July 25-29

A week of art making and community connectedness.

What’s going on?

- Each grade has their own art making investigation, done in classrooms all week.
- Children will draw everyday for a week.
- Family members are invited to come to the art class with their child and make art together. Check the school website to look up the specialist timetable if you are unsure when your child comes to art. Or ask your class teacher.
- Each grade will be contributing to a permanent art installation. This will be made during the week and installed one weekend following.
- Friday the 29th July is Arty Dress Up Day wear patterns or textures.
- Friday 29 2.15- 2.30 “ The Great Paper Plane Fly Off ” everyone in a will simultaneously throw a paper plane as a gift, released for someone else with a message of hope, dreams, possibilities. Everyone will collect a plane and receive the message to “fly” with into his or her future.
- Open afternoon 2.30- 5.30 school community is invited to visit classrooms to see what has been made during the week.

Linda Weisser
Coordinator of Arts Week
weisser.linda.a@edumail.vic.gov.au

Tuning in to Kids

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A six session parenting program for parents of primary school aged children

Would you like to take part in this program in term 3? Please contact Melissa if you are interested. Program will run in the evening for 6 weeks in term 3 at a cost of $80, if there is enough interest. Previous participants have said that as a result of attending the course: “I found I could see more clearly what was happening in my kids’ heads and hearts and have more tools to help with this.” “This is both a short term and a long term investment in a parenting style that have a life time of benefits while also having immediate gains in the positive effect it has had on our family.”

Email: martin.melissa.j@edumail.vic.gov.au and let me know the day / time that suits you best.
1/2 History Inquiry

1-2M’s Trip to the Train Station

We went to the train station and then we went to draw old buildings and new buildings and we played.

When we were at the train station we saw a large train with 23 carriages.

We are going for another walk next week to look at more buildings and places in Kensington.

Anwar 1-2M

Music News

MMT CONCERT THIS SUNDAY

Doors Open 10.15am in the K.P.S Hall. Cost - $4.00 per adult

Concert One - 10.30am
Concert Two - 12.00pm
Concert Three - 1.30pm
Concert Four - 3.00pm
Concert Five 4.00pm

Performers are to bring instruments (e.g guitar, violin) and music books. Good luck to all children involved in this special occasion.

Please contact Brooke - melbournemusictuition@yahoo.com with any questions.

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MUSIC HELP - Sound Technician / Sound Engineer

Grade 5/6 students will be recording their musical compositions in week 10, beginning June 14. If you have any experience in sound recording we would love your help. We have located a room in the school that may be quiet enough for this process to take place and we are now after some equipment to use for the recordings and a skilled person to help! A Working with Children's Check would also be beneficial.

10am and 2.30pm -TUESDAY - JUNE 14TH

9am WEDNESDAY - JUNE 15TH

9AM THURSDAY - JUNE 16TH

If you are interested please email Brooke johnson.brooke.e@edumail.vic.gov.au

Brooke Johnson
Performing Arts Coordinator

Prep Art News

What’s been going on in the prep art program?

We have been learning about how Jackson Pollock used movement and drippy paint to make his contemporary art works on large-scale canvases, which he placed on the floor.

We had a go, working in teams, taking turns, using hot or cold colours.

Some big kids from Hayley’s 5-6 class came to art to help us out with this messy and fun project.

(The big kids did not miss out on the fun, they got to have a go on the reverse of the boards at lunchtime so the school and the public can enjoy these works simultaneously.)

Jackson Pollock tribute on the Epsom Road Fence.
Meanwhile Ahri’s dad Micky visited prep E with his hammers and nails.

We had such a great time building our sculptures with wood, bottle tops, cardboard, sheep skin off cuts and old bike tubes. Micky said he would be happy to come again so maybe in arts week we have a hammering lunchtime!

These sculptures will be painted this week.
STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Ted 5/6R
For his creative “UN” writing and using descriptive language

Dylan 5/6V
Completing the Travel Tracer task well in literature circles

Lizzie Prep H
Showing responsibility in the mornings by following routines and remembering her belongings

Ella 3/4A
Always being organised and ready to learn

Felix 1/2F
For being responsible and packing his lunch up on time, ready to go out to play

Jack, Angus & Raferty Prep D
For showing great responsibility by helping to pack up the Monday maths equipment

Molly 3/4S
For showing great responsibility by helping to pack up the Monday maths equipment

Jamie 3/4M
For careful spelling practice and great writing about how to ride a motorbike

Olive 3/4M
For persistence and making great improvement in her writing

Marcus 1/2L
Using the power of 3 descriptive words in his writing

Will 1/2L
Persevering and enjoying challenging tasks

Ohoud 1/2K
For showing great persistence with editing her 7 page narrative. Great job!

Felix W 1/2J
Huge improvement in reading – you’re a super star

Mischa 1/2J
Taking care of our classroom environment

Shakira 3/4D
For being an optimistic student who brightens the class with her sunny smile

Alesha 1/2D
For persevering during maths and finding and opposite fact. 15 – 5 =10

Fletcher Prep L
Demonstrating the school value of fairness by letting other people have their turn.

Ashton 5/6H
For organising all the assembly award badges
STRINGS PERFORMANCES

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all of the support you have given to the String Ensemble this term. We really appreciate students regularly attending especially as the weather is becoming chillier!

We are preparing for 3 concerts! 😊😊😊

**Concert One** will be a Breakfast concert at 8:30 on **Friday 17th June** in the Hall. Please arrive at 8:20 to tune. Croissants and chocolate cake will be provided but please contact Brooke or Edwina if you would like to bring anything else to share.

There will be **no rehearsal** on the last day of term Friday 24th June.

**Concert Two**: next term we have been invited to perform at **GREOGORY LODGE on Friday 5th August (week 4) at 2:00**. We will rehearse as usual in the morning and then meet in the music room at the start of lunch to walk down to Gregory Lodge.

**Concert Three**: the String Ensemble will be part of a very exciting music concert featuring ensembles from KPS at the Clocktower Theatre on Friday 2nd September. More details to follow – save the date!

Brooke and Edwina

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CHILDREN'S PUZZLES

The Language Support program is needing children's puzzles - no more than 100 pieces.

If you have any at home that you are no longer using, can you please drop them to the school office.

We ask that all pieces are included. Thanking you.
ICAS Mathematics Competition

Dear Parents,

The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) is an independent, quality skills-based assessment program which rewards and recognises achievement. ICAS Maths gives you broad insights into your child’s performance in Mathematics. ICAS (sometimes referred to as the UNSW assessments) has been developed by Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) since 1981.

Each student receives:
- an engaging and challenging full-colour test booklet
- an individual diagnostic report highlighting strengths and weaknesses and year to year progression
- login details to access their online results which can be analysed and downloaded
- a High Distinction, Distinction, Credit, Merit or Participation Certificate acknowledging their level of achievement
- the chance to receive an individually-engraved UNSW medal for the highest scoring student in each year level for each subject.

To learn more about ICAS go to www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/about Remember, EAA has some very helpful tools to help your child prepare. You can access practice assessments at www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/preparation

To enrol your child in ICAS, please complete the registration form overleaf and return it, with your entry fees, to the school no later than Thursday, June 16th. PLEASE NOTE NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Julie Stephens

ICAS PERMISSION FOR
2016 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Permission Form

Please return this form with payment to your child’s school no later than Thursday, June 16th.

I give permission for my child, _________________________________ of _________________________________
Child’s name
Class
to participate in the following 2016 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). Please complete if you would like your child to enter.

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Students must sit on the official sitting date for each subject to be eligible for UNSW medals. However, your school may choose to sit at another time to fit in with other school activities and routines.

Please find enclosed total entry fee of $________________

Name of Parent/Guardian ____________________________ Date: ____________________________

Signature of Parent/ Guardian ____________________________
WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION
Thursday, 9th June, at dusk - 5.30pm onwards

Come and celebrate the shortest day of the year around a CRACKLING FIRE with the PIZZA OVEN ROARING. We will be cooking vegetarian pizzas to share with some of the produce from Plantmania. A great opportunity to enjoy a winters night with our school community around the warmth of the fire.

Bring a plate of nibbles or dessert to share.

We are looking for many hands to help on the night, setup, make and serve pizzas and help us pack up once we’ve finished. These are the time slots so if you would like to be part of our winter celebration email Tania on taniaprovan@me.com

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GUERRILLA KNITTING

A winter tradition continuing this year is the KPS Winter Solstice Guerrilla Knitting. You may have noticed the 'pole socks' or the 'handrail patches' that pop up around our school in the middle of winter. Please feel free to start knitting and create any sort of joy you can with wool. Linda and Jess have plenty of spare wool in the Art rooms. Install your own creation wherever/whenever you like!!

Care Program

Hello families,

This week’s theme is ‘the Skies the Limit’. We will be creating all sorts of crafts based on the sky and the things we see there. We will be creating birds nests and hot-air balloons, thunderstorms and even the occasional angry bird!

Now here’s Mel Digiacomo for our weekly joke:

“What does the bee say to the flower?...HI HONEY!”

From Gavin, Judy, Ryan, Claudia, Mel, Jack, Joanne and the team: We hope you have a good week!

Email: Oshclub.kensington@gmail.com

Phone: 0478 155 322
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