

KPS Office Update – 14th February 2019

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Parent Teacher meetings are scheduled for the **5th of March between 2:30 – 7:00pm**. Positive, respectful relationships between school and home are vital to ensure clear and consistent communication about learning is shared.

The objective of the meeting is to:

- meet and get to know each other
- build a positive relationship
- share information about your child's interests and learning
- talk more in-depth about your child as a learner

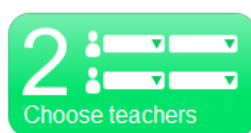
Parent Teacher meetings are valuable. They can help the teacher understand more about your child. You can also learn where you can help your child in their learning.

At KPS we use *School Interviews Online* booking site www.schoolinterviews.com.au. to assist with the booking of meeting times with classroom as well specialist teachers.

Bookings will open on Friday, February 15th at 9:30am. The booking site will close on Monday March 4th at 4:00pm. Instructions for booking your 10 minute Parent Teacher meeting are outlined below.



1. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.
2. Enter the school Event Code **Event Code: cwc9** (Case sensitive)
3. Then follow three simple steps



When you click **finish**, your meeting 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 at any time, and change your meeting time. The booking system will close on **Monday, March 4th at 4:00pm**.

You can also ask for a meeting at other times. If you're concerned about your child's progress, contact the school to make an appointment. Teachers are not available on a Tuesday or Wednesday after school due to professional learning meetings and collaborative planning.

Some things you may wish to consider before the meeting

- Read through your child's previous year's report and think about what you want to discuss.
- Write a list of questions you want to ask the teacher.
- Ask your child if there are any questions they would like you to ask, or if there is anything they would like you to tell the teacher.
- Ask your child what they think the teacher is going to tell you.
- Think about anything you'd like to tell the teacher. For example, if there's been changes that have had an impact on your child.

- If you require a translator please inform the school by ringing the school office on 93766013 or send an email kensington.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au
- If your child has started prep and has a transition statement, you may want to bring it along. Most transition statements have been provided by the kindergarten your child attended with parent/ guardian consent.

During the conference

- If you want to ask about a specific thing, let the teacher know at the start of the conference.
- Write down answers to your questions so you can share them with your child.
- Ask about how your child is enjoying school and taking part in class.
- Ask about any behaviour issues.
- Let the teacher know any information you think they need about your child.
- You and the teacher may create a plan with next steps.
- If you're unsure about anything, ask the teacher to explain further.

After the conference

- Keep in regular contact with the teacher to follow up on your agreed plan.
- Talk with your child about what you discussed. Talk about ways you can work together to improve their learning.

COMMUNICATION

To ensure that communication is clear and responded to in a timely manner families are asked to email kensington.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au with the teacher's name in the subject box. Emails will be responded to in 24 hours. If the matter is of an urgent nature please ring the office. In the case of further action being required in relation to student well-being and learning parents/guardians are asked to contact the learning specialist overseeing the team to assist with the rectification of any concerns with students and learning. If the matter is of a sensitive nature in relation to student well-being and learning a meeting is to be scheduled with the assistant principal or principal.

Staff members participate in 2 official weekly meetings, professional learning takes place on a Tuesday after school and team collaborative planning occurs on a Wednesday after school. Staff must attend these meetings so we ask that any parent meetings be organised on another evening or in the morning.

PUNCTUALITY

Classroom sessions begin at 9:00am each day. **Classrooms are open from 8:50am** so students can undertake routines such as, hanging up their bags, returning home readers so they are ready to commence formal sessions at 9:00am. Students who arrive late for school interrupt the classroom program. It is also unsettling for your child and can affect their confidence and vital learning time.

Students arriving after 9:00am must report to the Office, to be signed in and receive a Late Pass to hand to their class teacher.

STUDENT SUPERVISION

For 20 minutes before school and fifteen minutes after school, and during all recess breaks, there are teachers in the yard to supervise student play. Students are not to be in the school grounds before 8:40am when teacher supervision begins or after 3:45pm when supervision ends. Teachers on yard duty wear fluorescent vests so students can quickly identify them.

If it is too wet or hot for the students to play outside, yard duty teachers share the supervision of the students in classrooms. Students are not permitted to be in classrooms when the teacher is not in attendance. Students in the yard who are not with an adult before 8:40am or after 3:45pm will be signed into the OSHC Program.

ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

Regular school attendance is essential for the overall development of children and their learning. Once enrolled in primary school, your child is expected to attend school every day of each term. It is important that children develop regular attendance habits at an early age. Children who are regularly absent from school are at risk of missing out on learning the basic building blocks in subjects, and may experience long-term learning difficulties. Where possible, parents are asked to schedule appointments for their child out of school hours.

If your child is absent from school, the Department of Education requires you to supply an explanation of that absence to the class teacher. This can be done by an adult speaking directly to the teachers, writing a note or telephoning the office. On occasions, absence confirmation notes may be sent home from the class teacher requesting a reason for a child's absence and parental signature. Early indication of absences is appreciated as often special programs for the class or group may be planned.

ABSENCES DURING SCHOOL HOURS

Sometimes it may be necessary for parents to take children from school during the day. On such occasions advance notice is appreciated and arrangements must be made for the collection of the child from school. Under no circumstances may a child be collected from school during school hours without notification to the office. The child must be signed out at the office by the person collecting the child prior to the child being collected from the classroom.

In the interest of overall safety, it is school policy not to allow students to leave the school grounds alone, other than at the end of the day.

Please note: In line with our Child Safe Policy you may be asked to provide photo ID to confirm your identity. Children WILL NOT be released to any adult who is not on our system as either a primary or emergency contact without consent from parents.

BOOK CLUB

Issue 1 orders are due by 10am on **Friday 15th February**.

Orders are placed via the Scholastic LOOP ordering system or via the office. Online orders are via the LOOP website - **scholastic.com.au/LOOP**. If you are paying by cash please hand your order form with **CORRECT** money into the office and ensure your child's name, class and all relevant information is on the form please.

Once you have ordered please place a **REUSABLE BAG** (eg. a Boomerang bag, cloth shopping bag or similar) in the box located in the inside office foyer labelled with your **child's name** and **class**. This will make it easier to deliver your orders to the classroom. Any extra bags will be gratefully accepted and used for Book Club and Fundraising deliveries.

REUSE REDUCE RECYCLE

Happy reading! Amanda - KPS Book Club Organiser

KIDS UP FRONT DRAMA ACADEMY

Thursdays afterschool in the Library

We give kids Confidence, Creativity and work on communication skills in our FUN and dynamic drama program. Jenn Monk is our very experienced and wonderful tutor. Years 3 to 6 will perform at the Altona Theatre in term 4.

Prep to Year 2 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Years 3 to 5 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Years 5 & 6 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Register for a FREE trial class online www.kidsupfront.com.au

JANE MCGRATH FOUNDATION



A cause very close to a number of hearts is the support provided to women undertaking treatment for breast cancer. The McGrath Foundation is a cancer support and education charity in Australia, which raises money to place McGrath Breast care nurses in communities across Australia and increase breast health awareness. A donation box is available at the office for families who wish to contribute.

<https://fundraise.mcgrathfoundation.com.au/fundraisers/kensingtonjrcc/pink-stumps-day>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February	Fri 15 th	9:00am 2:00 – 3:00pm	Year 6 Interschool Sport v Flemington PS - home Swim Trials for selected students Assembly
	Fri 22 nd	9:00am	Year 6 Interschool Sport v Ascot Vale West PS - home
	Tue 26 th	7:45am	Finance Sub Committee Meeting
March	Fri 1 st		District Swim Carnival Assembly
	Mon 4 th	6:00 – 8:00pm	School Council
	Tue 5 th	2:30 – 7:00pm	Parent Teacher Meetings
	Fri 8 th		Year 6 Interschool Sport v Ascot Vale PS - away
	Mon 11 th		LABOUR DAY – PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	Fri 15 th	9:00am	Year 6 Interschool Sport v MPW Blue PS - away Assembly
	Tue 19 th	7:45am 5:00pm	Finance Sub Committee Meeting Policy Sub Committee Meeting
	Wed 20 th	8:00am 5:00pm 5:30 – 7:30pm	Facilities Sub Committee Meeting Fundraising Sub Committee Meeting Harmony Picnic
	Fri 22 nd	9:00am	Year 6 Interschool Sport v MPW Gold PS - home
	Fri 29 th	9:00am	Year 6 Interschool Sport v Avondale Heights – away Assembly
April	Mon 1 st	6:00 – 7:00pm 7:00 – 8:00pm	Annual General Meeting School Council
	Fri 5 th	1:30pm	Assembly End of Term 1



Servicing KENSINGTON PRIMARY in 2019!

A Two Course Lunch is \$8.95 and a Three Course Lunch is \$10.35

AVAILABLE – WEDNESDAY'S & FRIDAY'S!

LUNCH ITEM ONE

SALADS

- Greek Style Salad with Feta and Olives (GF)
- Brown Rice & Mixed Bean Salad (GF)
- Thai Style Noodle Salad (GF)
- Quinoa, Tabouli & Tuna Salad (GF)
- Pasta Salad (GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box – Vegetarian (GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box with Ham (GF)

SUSHI

- Sushi - Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls (2)
- Sushi - Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls (2)
- Sushi - Avocado Hand Rolls (2)
- Sushi - Cucumber Hand Rolls (2)
- Sushi – Vegetarian Hand Rolls (2)

BAKERY

- Cheese and Bacon Roll
- Cheese and Vegemite Scroll
- Supreme Pizza Roll
- Topped with Only Cheese Roll

PITA PIZZAS

- Margherita Pita Pizza
- Ham and Pineapple Pita Pizza
- Fresh Tomato and Italian Herb Pita Pizza
- Spinach & Feta Pita Pizza

SANDWICHES, ROLLS & WRAPS

- Ham, Cheese and Tomato Sandwich
- Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce and Cheese Sandwich
- Ham and Cheese Roll
- Gluten Free Ham & Cheese Sandwich (GF)
- Simple Salad Roll
- Gluten Free Ham & Cucumber Sandwich (GF)
- Vegemite Sandwich
- Mild Salami and Salad Roll
- Beetroot and Salad Roll
- Roast Beef, Fruit Chutney, Cheese and Lettuce Roll
- Cheese and Salad Roll
- Wholegrain Cheese and Tomato Sandwich
- WRAP (GF) Ham and Salad
- Chicken and Salad Roll
- Wholegrain ROLL Tuna and Salad
- Salad with Ham (No Cheese) ROLL

LUNCH ITEM TWO/THREE

FRESH FRUIT & VEG

- Fresh Fruit Combo
- Freshly chopped Orange Segments
- Freshly chopped Strawberries with Green Grapes
- Apple with Lemon Juice, Brown Sugar & Cinnamon
- Freshly chopped Cantaloupe & Watermelon
- Freshly Chopped Watermelon pieces
- Chopped Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum
- Freshly chopped Pineapple with Orange Pieces
- Lightly Steamed Corn Wheels & Broccoli
- Sugar Snap Peas, Beans & Cherry Tomatoes
- Cherry Tomatoes with Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers

BAKED GOODS

- Choc Chip Cookie
- Fruit Bun
- Hedgehog Slice
- Finger Bun with Sprinkles
- Banana Cup Cake (GF, DF)
- Iced Cup Cake
- Choc Cup Cake (GF,DF)
- Blueberry Muffin
- Apple & Cinnamon Cake

YOGHURT

- Chobani Yoghurt - Strawberry
- Chobani Yoghurt - Blueberry
- Chobani Yoghurt - Passionfruit
- Chobani Yoghurt – Plain
- Chia, Banana, Coconut and Strawberry Bowl

DIPS & CRACKERS

- Tzatziki dip with Rice Crackers
- Avocado dip with Rice Crackers
- Spring Onion dip with Rice Crackers
- Moroccan Carrot dip with Rice Crackers

POPCORN/SNACKS

- Cobs Popcorn, Lightly Salted
- Cobs Popcorn Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted
- Lightly salted Fav'va Beans

DRINKS

- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Nippy's Chocolate Milk

For more information check out our website

www.classroomcuisine.com.au