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Kensington Catch Up

18 October 2017

Principal's Report

Week Two

Welcome back to Term Four at Kensington PS. I cannot believe that another school year is nearly over but when you look back and see what we have all achieved it is definitely exciting. Please have a look at the new link below and the information provided by **Schoolzine**. As part of their online newsletter they also have an App that will help us further enhance our school home communication. This term we will be sending out push notifications through Skoolbag and Schoolzine.

Just like Skoolbag, SZapp is a great way to keep up to date with all of our latest news and information. Using SZapp will give you easy access to information such as:

- Newsletters on the go
- Latest News & Reminders
- Calendar
- Forms and Documents
- Event Bookings
- Absentee and Contact Forms

<https://kensingtonps.schoolzineplus.com/szapp>

Yesterday we had our first **Kindergarten Orientation** session for 2018. We welcomed the Year Six graduation class of 2024. It was lovely seeing them settle into the classrooms and start to develop those wonderful friendships that strengthen in primary school.

Save the date

Soiree - Tuesday 24 October commencing 6 pm

Year Six Parents- Thursday 14 December Year Six Farewell Assembly commencing 9 am

Presentation Day – Wednesday 6 December 2017

Good luck and congratulations again to all our students that were involved in **Film by the Sea** this year. We look forward to seeing many of you at the premiere event at Randwick Ritz on Wednesday 25 October. The evening performance is sold out which is wonderfully exciting. Remember if you are walking the Red Carpet we would love you to join us dressed as a movie character. If you are still looking to buy tickets please feel free to use the link below and take your children to the matinee session.

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=279124>

2018 Stationery Orders

This is another initiative to help our very busy families. Instead of heading out over January to source your stationery requirements for 2018, we have found a very reputable and reasonable Educational Supplier to create the stationery packs for each grade. The link will be live from Monday Week 4 for you to make your orders, you will be able to go onto the website, choose the school and grade and order the pack. The website link remains live until school returns next year. Please note that orders finalised before 15 December will be delivered to school ready for the beginning of the school year.

If you order after 15 December packs will be sent to your home address and there is a packaging and delivery fee of \$12.00.

The only other school supply that you will need to buy is a medium sized pencil case. We know that all children like their individual pencil cases so we did not include these in the pack.

Textbook Order 2018

Textbook orders will run similarly to the Stationery Pack order for 2018. There will be a website and code that will be provided to you later this term. Families will log on, choose the school and grade and pay online, If you choose not to pay online your child will receive an envelope at the beginning of Term One 2018. The envelopes need to be returned with money, cheque

or credit card details to the school by Friday 9 February as **Harpers Textbook Day** is on Monday 12 February 2018. Once your textbooks have been paid for they will be sent home on that Monday ready for families to cover. We ask that the books be returned as soon as possible in that week.

Please find below the **Kensington Public School Positive Behaviour Plan: Bullying** for you to read and discuss with your children.

Don't forget to order your **mangoes**. Please see the details and order forms below. Remember, last day for orders is Friday 27 October.

Ms Louise Stone
Principal

Student of the Month K-Two

Congratulations to the following children who were nominated by their teachers and peers to receive the above award. These children consistently uphold the school values of Honour, Knowledge and Community.

KA Michael **KM** Tejas **KP** Aidan **1C** Lucas **1E** Trithon **1M** Charlize **2/1B** Nandana **2A** Angelina **2C** Chloe **2P** Aidan



Public Speaking

This term we will be holding the KPS Public Speaking Competition. Students will compete against others in their Stage with prepared speeches across a range of topics. Students for Stages One and Two will also present an impromptu speech.

The following students have been selected to represent their class:

KA- Dario L and Darcey A
KM- Grace N and Hamish R
KP- Sean T and Emily N
1C- Fei Yang Z
1E- Amalyn B
1M- Diana M
2/1B- Alex E
2A- Kayla
2C- Edward C
2P- Ally Y
3R- Oscar L
3P- Xavier B

4E- Evanthea K and Riley G

4W- Grace N

4K- Leo F

If you would like to come and support our speakers please see below for competition times:

Kindergarten: Thursday, Week 3, 1.45pm in the Hall

Stage One: Friday, Week 3, 11.30am in the Hall

Stage Two: Friday, Week 3, 1.45pm in the Hall

Emma Bonouvrie
Public Speaking Coordinator

Guidelines for the Election of School Captains and Vice Captains

- Candidates can self-nominate using a supplied nomination form. The form will ask questions relating to how he/she has demonstrated leadership as well as the capacity to lead. Responses must be handwritten and not exceed two pages.
 - At a staff meeting, all forms will be tabled and will be determined to have or have not met the specific criteria according to the Student Leadership Framework for Primary Schools and a rubric for each of the four aspects.
 - Captains and Vice Captains will be elected by staff and students. Years Two-Five students, current year School Captains and Vice Captains, House Captains and House Vice Captains and teachers will vote.
 - One vote per person. A preferential ballot will be used.
 - Parents will be informed of these guidelines in Term 4 in the Newsletter.
 - A student will be ineligible for nomination if he/she has had to submit two Behaviour Reflection Sheets this year.
 - A student will be ineligible for nomination if he/she has been reported to the Principal for misbehaviour this year and has warranted a Principal's involvement in a parent interview.
 - All eligible voters will be familiar with these guidelines.
 - If at any stage during their time as Captain or Vice Captain, any elected student is in breach of these guidelines, they will be replaced by the student with the next highest number of votes, after two warnings.
- Parents will be informed of all warnings.**

2018 Nomination and Elections

Forms will be distributed to Year Five students on Wednesday 8 November (Week 5).

The nomination form must be submitted to Mr O'Connor by 3pm on Friday 17 November (Week 6).

A staff meeting will take place on Monday 20 November to determine who is eligible for placement on the election ballot according to the criteria.

Confirmation of nomination will be take place on Tuesday 21 November (Week 7)

Candidates will provide an electronic copy of the speech to Mr O'Connor prior to Friday 24 November.

Speeches will take place on: Friday 24 November at a special Year Two-Six Assembly at 11:45am.

Voting will take place on Friday 24 November.

Candidates will have a maximum of two (2) minutes when speaking at the assembly.

Umbrella Survey

The P & C have another great initiative. We want to know if you would be interested in buying a Kensington Public School Golf Umbrella for adult use. They would be 150cm in diameter open and made of ultra-strong fibre glass ribs and wind safe frame.

The coloured panels would be bottle green with the school logo on two opposite panels and would be available through pre order. Depending on the numbers ordered they would be approximately \$29 each. This is an example of the umbrella but the logo has not yet been added.



To express your interest in purchasing an umbrella please complete the survey below.

Kindergarten Concert

'The Best Day Of My Life-so far'

This Term the Kindergarten children will be performing a special concert for their friends and parents. Each class will perform on their own in the hall.

KA Tuesday 21 November, KM Wednesday 22 November and KP Thursday 23 November.

The concert will commence at 5.30pm and all children will be required at school (Performing Arts Room) at 5pm.

The concert will be 30-40 minutes long.

All children will need to bring in a plain white t-shirt and a dressing gown (any colour). **Girls only need to also bring black leggings.**

Please bring in these items named and give to your class teacher. All other costumes will be provided.

Look forward to seeing you all for our very special concerts.

No tickets required. We will be asking for a can of food to donate to Oz Harvest on the nights.

Any enquires please see Ms Emma Fredman (Performing Arts Teacher)

Selective High School Placement in 2019

Applications for selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2019 opened on **10 October 2017** and close on **13 November 2017** at the link below:

The Selective High School Placement Test is on **15 March 2018**.

Below is the 'Information about applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2019'. Printed copies are being sent to primary schools and selective high schools in limited numbers. The document is also available on the Unit's website at the link below:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

What are your plans for 2018?

We will sending out a note in the next few weeks to formalise your plans for your child/ren for 2018. Please fill in the form and return it to the school as soon as possible. Without accurate information about student numbers, the school's 2018 staffing allocation may be negatively impacted.

Focus of the Fortnight

KPS Focus of the Fortnight

Term 4

Week 1/
2



Be at the right place at the right time

Week 3/
4



Follow teacher instructions

Value Keys

The following students have received their silver value key. They have worked hard for this achievement and could choose between honour, knowledge or community.

Knowledge KM Louisa **KP** Eleanor, Lara, Mia, Zara **1C** Alex, Hugo **1E** Maxim, Alyssa **1M** Carys, Elliot, Leon **2A** Monique,

Obi, Kayla **2C** Hayley **3P** Ropata, Tahlia, Siobhan, Abigail, Elizabeth, Annah, Jayna, Simrah **3R** Ari **4E** Kushal, Evanthea, Linton **4W** Kiyara, Harry, Ethan **5/4K** Kevin, Joshua, Chelsey, Jollie **6/5D** Albert **6/5O** Angelina, Arthur

Honour KM Tejas **KP** Gabby **1C** Jhen, Marco **1E** Clare, Conor, Charlie, Trithon **1M** Harper, Ryan, Messina **2A** Alex **2C** Isaac **2P** Connor, Nicolas **3P** Leo, Dylan, Yong-Ming, Zara **4E** Jo, Liam, Jonathan **4W** Molly, Emma, Alayna, Benjamin, Harrison, Luca, Amelia, Archie, Vuk **5/4K** Jollie, Leo, Chloe **6/5D** Pablo, Adriano, Nathan, Georgia **6/5O** Alexander, Nathan **6/5R** Ashleigh, Danny

Community KP Patrick **1C** Lucas, Ethan, Tom **1E** Rohan, Milos, Lachlan, Jett, Oscar **1M** Lucas **2A** Vishrutha, Hannah, Abu, Carina, Andy, Vivian, Oliver **3P** Audrey, Vika, Sarah **3P** Rita, Angelina, Eiad **4E** Stirling **4W** Dishita, Sahara, Kiyara **6/5O** Tanveer

Wonderful Wizard of Oz
Zog and the flying doctors (picture book)
Five epic disasters
Magic tricks with coins
I love horses and ponies
Snugglypot and Cuddlepie Christmas
Billionaire Boy
Australian Story
I am Superman
Game On! 2017
Creature Teacher final exam
Pig The Star (picture book)
5000 Amazing Facts
Thea Stilton Spanish Dance Mission
Frankenstein's Dog
Nightmare on Clown Street
Titanic

Grant Rimmer
Assistant Principal

Grandparents Day

Kensington Public School will be celebrating

Grandparents Day
Monday 30 October at 2.30 pm

To recognise the vital role that grandparents play in our society, and the irreplaceable role they have in their families and in the wider community.



Grandparents are invited to come join their grandchildren in their classrooms from 2.30pm to join in activities and share their school experiences.

Library News

Over the holiday period, the library was able to purchase many new books. Here is a brief list of just some of them:

Seagull (picture book)
Icicle Illuminarium
Meet Don Bradman
Dog Lost (picture book)
Luna Laboratorium
Get Coding
Paddington
Poppy
Ghostbusters Movie Novelisation
Cyclone (picture book)
Marvel Super Hero Encyclopaedia
Oliver and George (picture book)
Five-minute Super Hero stories
My Dad's the coolest (picture book)
Mystery on the Lego express
Minecraft Zombie: Herobrine Goes to School
Return Fall of the Beasts
Ship of secrets
Minecraft Zombie: One bad apple

Soiree

This term we will be having our KPS Music Soiree on **Tuesday 24 October**. All students in Junior and Senior Band, some guitar groups and Violin Ensemble will be performing. All students will need to wear full performance uniform (a clean ironed lemon shirt, school tie and clean black school shoes) and need to be at school for a warm up at 5.30pm. The soiree will be held in the school hall from 6pm -7pm.

A gold coin donation is appreciated.

2/1B News

Last term, 2/1B were looking at living things in science. We learned how to use the World Book online to research about different animals, the food chains they are a part of and the habitats they live in.



Living things also inspired our art for the term. We studied Henri Rousseau and found out that even though he painted fantastic jungle scenes, he had never actually set foot in one. Instead he studied the plants in the Jardin des Plantes (botanical gardens) in Paris and books. Below are some of the fantastic Rousseau inspired artworks created by 2/1B.



6/50's Antarctica Blogs

Last Term Stage 3 learnt all about Antarctica. As part of this 6/50 wrote blogs recounting an imaginary journey to the coldest continent on Earth, using the book *Sophie Scott Goes South* by Alison Lester as a guide. In their blogs students detailed their voyage on the Aurora Australis, what it was like to step foot on Antarctica, as well as the native wildlife that they encountered.

Please enjoy reading some excerpts from the blogs of Angelina, Jai, Edeline, Dean and Yianni.

Gardening Club

We will be starting gardening club on Monday lunch times. All welcome to attend. Meet in Ms Fredman's room Monday lunchtimes.



Our Beautiful Garden Beds

CanTeen Bandannas

SRC and the Student Leadership Team will be selling Bandannas on Friday 27th October. Each Bandanna is \$5.00 and they will be sold before school from 8.30am.

They will sell out fast so if you want one get in quick.

The Bandannas are sold in support for children living with cancer.

Mobile Muster

Members of the Year Six Leadership Group have been working hard to publicise a Mobile Muster that the school is participating in. Please open the attachments to see the attachments that these creative students have designed. If you have any old mobile phones and/or chargers, please bring them in to the dedicated box in the library.

Grant Rimmer
Assistant Principal

P&C News

Contact: Kensopandc@gmail.com

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Together we have raised more than **\$20,000** this year from our events, and it's not over yet!

The children have been able to benefit from various resources purchased throughout the year including:

Interactive smart boards, robotic kits, circuit kits, coding resources, 3D printers, reading resources and more! If you have any ideas about other projects or resources you think the school might need, please come along to a P&C meeting.

So thank you to those who have baked and barbecued, bought a cupcake or Super Dooper, those who donated a gold coin in exchange for a dress up, and to the parents and friends that have donated their time to make these events a success!

UPDATE FROM THE WALKATHON BAKE SALE

Once again, thank you so much to all the parents and carers who baked such wonderful goodies for the Walkathon Bake Sale and to the volunteers who helped sell on the day. We raised just over \$900 which I think is a bake sale record – excellent work KPS!

HALLOWEEN DISCO – FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER – 5pm-7pm

Probably the children's favourite P&C event of the year is the Halloween Disco. It's a great community evening where children (and parents) get dressed up, play fun games and enjoy food and dancing. Ray White, Kingsford have once again kindly sponsored the 9D cinema and 7-Eleven have sponsored the 'Best Dressed' prizes. The entry fee is \$5 per child which is paid at the gate on the night. All children must be accompanied by an adult. This is a P&C event, not a school led event so your children will be under your supervision.

To run an event for 400+ children we need a huge group of parental volunteers. The more volunteers we get, the more fun games and stalls we can add. If you can help, please email kensopandc@gmail.com.

NEXT P&C MEETING

The next P&C meeting will be on Tuesday 24 October at 7.30pm in the Library. We hope to see you there.

SUGGESTION BOX

Don't forget about the suggestion box in the school office for all your fundraising ideas.

2017 Mango Fundraiser

Mangoes, Mangoes, Mangoes! Who wants to buy Kensington Pride Mangoes and help KPS raise much needed funds for our school? Last year, we sold 207 trays of juicy mangoes and raised over \$1100 for KPS! The trays of mangoes come to us directly from a Far Northern QLD Farm during the December peak mango season. They are sweeter and juicier than the ones you buy from your local supermarket. Each tray is approximately 7kg (12 to 23 mangoes). **ONLY \$25 PER TRAY.**

Ask your family, friends and colleagues to buy (and help us sell) some mangoes too! **All orders and payments must be received by KPS by Friday 27 October.** You can pick up the mangoes at KPS from the week commencing Monday 11 December. We'll let you know the final pickup details the week before.

Please see the end of this newsletter for:

- Poster for you and your family/friends to print and put up in their workplace to help us sell mangoes
- Orders Tracking Sheet for you and your family/friends to use to track your sales to family and friends
- Order Form (this must be sent to KPS with payment by Friday 27 October)

Happy selling everyone! Let's try and beat last year's sales!

Binh Johnsun & Helen Mourkas
Parent Volunteers

Request for Christmas Decorations

"My name is Clementine and I use to go to Kensington School and am very proud to have been a Kensington School girl.

Everybody knows that looking after our feelings is just as important as looking after our general health. Because with feelings you can't see them and you need to talk about them.

We all have different feelings every day they come and go, you can feel excited, silly, grumpy, angry, nervous, confused, lonely, happy or confident. These are some of the feelings we have every day.

What can we do when feelings are bothering us? We can talk to someone, write it down, read a book, sing in the shower, sit down and play our favourite game, draw, play sport, or we can count until we feel more relaxed.

Some people can have sad feelings and they don't go away. Sad feelings can stop us getting on with our lives. They can change how well we feel, how we behave, how we see the world and how we get on with other people.

I work in a place with grown-ups whose sad feelings have stayed around for too long and they have got too big for them to manage on their own. Mark is a 50 year old man who has sad feelings every day and he is not able to look after himself. He doesn't know when he should have a shower; wash his clothes or how to eat healthily. He needs carers to make him feel important and loved and to support him. Where I work some of the grown-ups will be staying in the place where I work over Christmas so that doctors and nurses can help them to start to feel stronger again. I want to make sure that these people are able to have a very special Christmas like you and I this year and that's why I have come here today, because I need your help.

I need Christmas decorations to be able to decorate the houses where these grown-ups are living.

Please could you all ask your Mums, Dads or Carers if they have any Christmas decorations which I could use to decorate these houses? There is a box for them to go in in the library. Even if you could find some tinsel or balls or other little decorations this would be very much appreciated."

Many thanks,
Clem

Online Uniform Shop Orders

The Kensington Public School Uniform Shop uses an online ordering system for uniform shop items. An online catalogue has been established with Flexischools.

There are no changes to the current uniform shop opening hours. You are still able to visit the volunteers in the uniform shop on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 8:30am – 9am.

Please see 'Frequently Asked Questions' at the link below for more information.

<https://www.flexischools.com.au/>

School Banking

Thank you to our new volunteers, however we still need help.

KPS students really enjoy participating in the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program and to keep this program running we need your help.

The program requires a volunteer School Banking Co-ordinator to facilitate the banking and distribution of School Banking rewards. This only takes a small amount of your time one day a week and the Commonwealth Bank will provide support in how to run the program. Your help with the program will greatly benefit students as they develop vital saving skills and also help our school with fundraising.

Currently, School Banking day is Tuesday.

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program, please come and see the team on Tuesday morning before school or email the school.



Our Wonderful Volunteers

Community News

Roger 6/5D

Roger Sweeney in 6/5D won a large tennis tournament held in Gloucester, NSW on the October long weekend. Roger played amongst seeded players in the nationwide tournament and was awarded the winner of the U12 section. A fantastic achievement!

He is next flying to Victoria in January holidays to compete in two more tournament knockouts.



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Dear families,

Welcome to KPSOOSH news Term 4 week 1 & 2!

We welcome back all the families from the Spring Holidays; we hope you all had a safe relaxing holiday.

Spring Vacation care was a success at KPSOOSH the kids had loads of fun, going to the movies, BBQ at Bronte park, our BIG Kitchen, Wheels day at Centennial Park, Jumping castle day, cooking days & tropical day.

We hope the families that missed out this holidays get a chance to join us next holiday. We hope you all enjoy the photos below.

For the families that came in the holidays please look out in your emails for Winter Vacation care feedback survey. We look forward to your feedback to continually improve our services.

After School Activities

If your child is attending an after school activity in term 4 please inform us at admin@kpssoosh.com.au so we can note it down and so we are aware of where your child is.

**We thank you for your time we hope all families keep safe
kind regards**

KPSOOSH Team

