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#### **Kensington Catch Up**

29 November 2017

#### Principal's Report

#### Week Six

Welcome to another newsletter filled with many highlights from the last two weeks.

Congratulations Kindergarten on your wonderful performances in the Kindy Shows last week. Please see later in the newsletter for photos from Ms Fredman. Also, congratulations to our Lego Robotics Team and Mrs Krivosic, who went to Laguna Street Public School for the First Lego League Regional Tournament. Finally, our Chinese Enrichment Dance group and Mrs Straker and Ms Wang, who all represented KPS so admirably last Friday at the Confucius Institute China Day Celebration at Bonnyrigg High School.

Please see the information with regards to our textbook and stationery ordering system for 2018. Please ensure you read the letter from *Harper's Textbook* Suppliers and *Kookaburra Stationery* supplier. If you have further questions please speak to your class teacher or the school office. We again hope that these systems will help busy families prepare for 2018.

We can now confirm with you the room at the *Australian Turf Club, Royal Randwick Racecourse* for *Presentation Day* is *The Ballroom.* We would like to thank the ATC for their generosity in upgrading us to The Ballroom, making our Presentation Day a memorable event. We look forward to celebrating with families on Wednesday 6 December.



#### Kensington Public School Presentation Day 2017

Staff and students of

Kensington Public School

cordially invite parents and friends to the  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left($ 

2017 Presentation Day

To celebrate a year of excellence and achievement

Wednesday 6th December 2017

The Ballroom Randwick Racecourse

K-2 Ceremony ~ 9:40 am - 11.15am

Years 3-6 Ceremony ~ 12.30pm - 2.50pm

Thank you everyone who has been answering the various surveys in our newsletter. We will let you know when we have a confirmed date for the *Randwick Boys 'and Randwick Girls'* visit and I would encourage you all to make time to attend the meeting as it is a wonderful opportunity to gain specific information about our local high schools in a small forum situation.

Last week I attended the NSW Global ICAS Award Ceremony to congratulate two of our students, Linton Year Four, who received the highest score in NSW/ACT in Mathematics and Edward Year Two, who received the highest score in NSW/ACT for Spelling. They both received a medal for their wonderful achievement. Congratulations!







You would have received a push notification on Monday about a drill *evacuations* or *lockdown* this week. I would encourage you to chat with your children about this process and if you have any questions please let us know.

We still have a number of outstanding letters about *intentions for 2018*. I ask that you print off the letter from the link below and send it back to school tomorrow to enable us to finalise our planning and class allocations. The quicker we have this information the quicker we can form classes in 2018.

Please find attached a letter about composite classes. This explains the way they work and again if you have further questions please feel free to chat with your current class teacher.

Thank you everyone who was able to attend our P & C meeting last night. It has been another successful year at school and we look forward to what exciting things can be achieved by this wonderful school community in 2018.

Ms Louise Stone Principal

### **China Day Celebration**

On Tuesday 14 November, our annual China Day celebration was held. China Day is an important part of the Confucius Classroom program as it gives the opportunity for the whole school community to learn about and experience Chinese culture and language.

We began the day with a fantastic concert which had spectacular performances of Chinese songs, dances and a wonderful Zodiac play performed by our students across the school. There was an energetic Kung Fu display and musicians skilfully played traditional Chinese instruments.

All classes participated in Chinese cultural activities throughout the day. This included; learning about traditional Chinese festivals, how to perform a spectacular lion dance and basic Kung Fu poses, making Peking Opera masks, creating paper cutting decorations and building Chinese lanterns.





### **Confucius Institute China Day Celebration**

On Friday 17 November, the Chinese Enrichment Dance group were invited to perform at the Confucius Institute China Day celebrations at Bonnyrigg High School with 14 other schools from across NSW. During the day, students participated in traditional Chinese craft and dance activities, which included; painting Chinese zodiac animals and Tai Chi. The day finished with a fantastic concert where the Chinese Enrichment Dance group performed a beautiful ribbon dance.





## Focus of the Fortnight

KPS Focus of the Fortnight Term 4				
Week 7-8		Only use corridors in learning times		
Week 9-10		Behave in a safe sensible manner		

## 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

KA Eric, Giselle, Anton, KM Tyler, Bob KP 1C Liana, Gina, Mateo, Tom, 1E Chloe C, Chloe T, Rohan, 1M David, John, Parsa, Leon, 2/1B Lauren L, Kay, 3P Elise, Vika, Yong-Ming, 3R Zara, Eva, Jason, 4E Chonlada, Jonathan, 4W Sumaiya, Holly, Clara, Harrison, 5/4K Venice, Natalia, 6/5D Eleni, Tyson, 6/5O Edeline, Jonas,

#### Honour

KA Aranya, KM Harry, 1C Ali, 1E Aidan, Conor, 1M Messina, Georgia, 2/1B Millie, 3P Abigail, Elizabeth, Annah, Elise, 3R Jamee, Alice, Riley, 4E Ethan, 4W Molly, Jayden, 5/4K Punorn, Lachlan, 6/5D Alicia, Zaydan, Holly, 6/5O Lauren, James, 6/5R Mele

#### Community

KA Teejay, Ivy, Michael, KM Jazz, Nicholas, Tomoki, Gabriel, 1C Yunqing, Alex, Locus, 1E Alex, Trithon, Charlie, 1M Charlie, Charlize, Diana, Tanner, 2C Ruqayya, Sammy, Chloe S. 2P Elliot, Noah, 3P Siobhan, Praewpithcha, Simrah, Bodhi, Thomas, Zen, Anthony, Hanson, 3R Sophie, Eiad, Soham, Ari, Oscar, Michael, 4E Zara A., Carolyn, Jo, Frank, 4W Dean, Diego, Yianni, Peter, 5/4K Isabella, Christian, 6/5O Lara, Bronte, Madeleine, Maria, Nathan, Arthur, 6/5R Krish

#### **Library News**

The library is currently undergoing its annual stocktake process for 2017. Your child may receive an overdue notice which contains a list of books that have not been returned. It is very important to return these books as soon as possible. If you think you have returned it, it will come up in our stocktake of the equipment. However, in most cases, books are just 'lost'. If you are unable to locate the item, we would appreciate it if the cost of that item is paid for to the office (cash only). The cost of the book will be listed on the overdue notice. All books are valuable and teachers, parent helpers and student library monitors have taken a lot of time to maintain the library (which holds over 20000 resources).

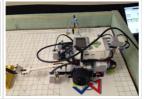
Thank you for your cooperation.

Mr Grant Rimmer Assistant Principal

#### **Lego Robotics**

On Friday 17 November, our Stage 3 Lego robotics group attended the First Lego League regional tournament at Laguna Street Public School. Students had worked hard in the weeks before to build and program a robot, called 'Bobby', which needed to complete mission tasks. They were also challenged to develop a solution to a local water problem. Students designed a float system which could measure the amount of water in the water tanks at school. A 3D prototype of their float was created and printed using the 3D printers. The Lego robotics group achieved an excellent result for their first time in the competition, scoring 60 points for their robot mission tasks.









Lego robotics

# Kindergarten Shows

Thank you to all the children who performed in the Kindergarten shows last week. Thank you for the donations of cans of food. They will be delivered to Oz Harvest next week.





### White Ribbon Day

Last Friday students wore white socks and white ribbons to support White Ribbon Day, which was established to stop domestic violence in Australia.



#### **Enrichment Studies**

In Kitchen Garden Enrichment Studies we made fruit skewers. They were delicious!







# **School Banking**

#### Thank you for a great year of School Banking

We would like to thank all of our students who have participated in the CommBank School Banking program this year.

Our final School Banking day for 2017 will be Tuesday 5 December. If your child is eligible to order a reward item please ensure that the reward coupon is completed and returned prior to this Friday 1 December. Any tokens that have not been redeemed this year can be used in 2018.

#### School Banking Team is looking for Volunteers!

#### Would you like to get involved in the KPS school community?

School Banking is a great way for parents to meet other parents, help KPS students develop vital saving skills and support "community" in the KPS school ethos.

We are looking for parents who can help school banking every Tuesday morning (between 8am and 9.30am). Duties include:

- \* helping KPS student bank
- \* counting the money collected
- \* counting banking slips

If you are interested in volunteering for this great program, please see the School Banking Team on Tuesday morning or call Gabby on 0412 058 877.



#### **KPS00SH News**

Dear families,

Welcome to KPSOOSH news!

# SUMMER VACATION CARE PROGRAM IS OUT NOW!!

Our summer vacation care program and forms are now available. Please click on link:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/111bgIAQ9OIE9P6UwhK E7\_EFG9oeZJDgj?usp=sharing

Get in fast before we book out. Last chance to book in for excursions in the holidays will be **8 December 2017**. We will be closed for 3 weeks due to renovations and won't be able to take bookings. We encourage you to book early to avoid disappointment!

# Care Centre open & closed dates during the summer vacation 2017/2018

Week 1 – **OPEN** - Monday 18 December to Thursday 21 December 2017 – **CLOSED** Friday 22 December 2017 (**Centre Renovations**)

Week 2 - **CLOSED** Monday 25 December to Friday 29 December 2017 (Christmas & New Year's)

Week 3 - **CLOSED** Monday 1 January to Friday 5 January 2018 (Christmas & New Year's)

Week 4 – **CLOSED** Monday 8 January to Friday 12 January 2018 (Centre Renovations)

Week 5 - CLOSED Monday 15 January 2017 (Centre Renovations) OPEN Tuesday 16 January to Friday 19 January 2018

Week 6 - **OPEN** - Monday 22 January to Thursday 25 January 2018 - **CLOSED** Friday 26 January 2018 (**Public Holiday Australia Day**)

Week 7 – **OPEN** - Monday 29 January 2018 (**Tuesday** 30 school returns for 2018)

Thank you for your time we hope all families keep safe.

kind regards KPSOOSH Team

#### **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/

# **Community News**



# **Extra Curricula Programs**

Please find below the names and contact details for the following extra curriculum programs that will be at our school in 2018. If you have any questions regarding enrolment and costs, please contact them directly.

ACTIVITY	NAME	CONTACT
TYPING	JUDY KORLAKI	info@typing4kids.com.au
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VIOLIN	HOLLY DOIG	hollysmith900@gmail.com
ART	RENEE MCDONALD	classartz@outlook.com
DANCE	DZP DANCE	www.dzp.com.au
SPANISH LESSONS	Maria del Pilar Sanchez-Cortes Macias	pilar@goforspanish.com
LEGO BRICKS	BRICKS4KIDZ	bnainu@bricks4kidz.com
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