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Kensington Catch Up

25 September 2019

Principal's Report

Congratulations on another great term. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 14 October. There is no Staff Development Day in Term Four so both staff and students all return on Monday. Don't forget the children return in summer uniform.

Thank you Mimi Tong for donating two cameras and two video cameras to the school. We were lucky to receive still and video cameras from UTS to add to our hardware which we use for not only everyday classroom activities but our extensive Film By Digital Literacy program-so thank you again.

Just a reminder that the office will be closed for everything except first aid and early and late arrivals notes on the last two days of term. The department is laying new carpet and lino flooring. Late and early departure slips can be obtained from Mrs Wilson's Office just down the hallway.

Thank you everyone who attended the P&C Meeting last night and again we had a very productive meeting. Don't forget that we are still looking for volunteers for the Halloween Disco and Twilight Markets, please sign up later in the newsletter as these events cannot happen if we do not have enough volunteers.

Today, Years Three and Five will receive their NAPLAN results. Please feel free to contact the school to make an appointment with your class teacher for next term if you have any questions, but do remember the children sat the tests in May and they have had four months of learning since then.

See you all at the Walk-a-thon on Friday. Please remember the P&C Bake Sale, so a gold coin for a treat during the day would be great. If you would like to take your child early from the park, please remember to sign them out with their class teacher.

To assist with next year's planning and organisation, the school would like you to confirm your child's enrolment or non-enrolment at Kensington Public School for 2020. Accurate student numbers assist with planning for class structures and staff organisation to cater appropriately for all students' needs. Year 6 students do not need to complete the form.

Please find the link below for an information on composite classes and our class formation policy. Please feel free to chat with your class teachers for more information.

Please see below wonderful photo albums of pictures from the Bee Musical and the Year Four Camp.





The following films were successful this year and will be premiered at the *Film by Kidz at the Ritz* Film Festival to be held at The Ritz Cinema, Randwick on Monday 21 October at 7pm.

Class 1V 'On Top of the World' Class 1M 'Operation Play' Class 4C 'Save the Bees' Class 6/5D 'Mr Big'

All students involved in the films are encouraged to attend the evening premiere on Monday 21 October, where they can "dress as a star". Students are encouraged to arrive from 6:30pm for the commencement of the evening premiere screening at 7:00pm.

The evening premiere tickets for successful entries will be available through the link below at a cost of \$15.00 each.

https://www.trybooking.com/484636

A Film by Kidz at the Ritz matinee will also be held at The Ritz Cinema on **Monday 21 October** at 12:30pm. Please note there is no red carpet nor dress up at matinee performances. Matinee tickets are \$8.00 and can be purchased via the link below.

https://www.trybooking.com/484628

Transport to and from The Ritz, Randwick will need to be the organised parent/s.

You may also get an invitation to the premiere if your child is involved in the opening.

Enjoy your well-deserved break and as I always say, keep reading!

Ms Louise Stone Principal

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS THURSDAY 26 AND FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER FOR OFFICE REFURBISHMENT.

IF YOUR CHILD IS LATE TO SCHOOL OR LEAVING EARLY OR IF YOU WANT TO SIGN IN AS A VISITOR TO THE SCHOOL PLEASE CHECK INTO MRS WILSON'S OFFICE

(JUST DOWN THE HALLWAY)

ALSO, IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT THE SCHOOL DURING THIS TIME PLEASE EITHER CALL ON 9663 3955 OR EMAIL kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Uniform Shop Coordinator

The P&C are looking for a volunteer who can become the Uniform Shop Coordinator for 2020. The current volunteers are ready to begin the in-service and handover in readiness for the start of 2020.

The Uniform Shop is a fantastic revenue raiser for the P&C and if they have to employ someone, then this will impact funds which provide resources for our students.

KPS Mango Fundraiser



Student Wellbeing

Focus of the Fortnight

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	KPS FOCUS OF THE FORTNIGHT		
Ve show Honour, Kno	wledge and Community by making positive choices. Each fortnight we focus on a different expectation.		
TERM THREE			
Weeks 1 and 2	On the playground, we walk in Area 3		
Weeks 3 and 4	In all settings, we stay in the right place at the right time		
Weeks 5 and 6	On the playground, we solve problems together or with a teacher		
Weeks 7 and 8	In all settings, we follow teacher instructions		
Weeks 9 and 10	In all settings, we wear the correct school uniform		

Bike & Scooter Safety

Children are reminded to walk their bikes and scooters on school grounds and it is their responsibility to lock and store their bike and scooter in the appropriate racks to keep them safe during the day.

Student Medical Details

If your child's medical details change it is **essential** that you contact the office to update your records. In the event of an emergency, these details guide staff to take appropriate action to ensure the safety and wellbeing of your child.

Before School Safety Reminders

A reminder that supervision of students commences at 8.30am. Prior to this time, parents/carers are responsible for the safety and supervision of their children. Students are required to sit on the Library seats until the duty teacher arrives. We ask all parent/carers to model this behaviour so that all students see the right thing to do.

Reminder about NUTS

We have a number of students who are severely allergic to nuts. As per Department guidelines and KPS Student Wellbeing procedures, we ask parents NOT to pack NUT PRODUCTS (including peanut butter & Nutella).

If your child is anaphylactic, please send a safe, non-perishable treat for your class teacher to give out when special events such as birthdays are celebrated. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any questions. Thank you for observing these precautions to keep our students safe.

Mobile Phones and Devices

A reminder that any students bringing a mobile device to school are required to read, sign and adhere to the KPS Mobile Device Acceptable Use Guidelines. Please contact the office if you would like a copy.

SunSmart



Upcoming Dates for your diary

Walkathon - Friday 27 September

Grandparents Day - Save the Date- We will be celebrating Grandparents Day on Monday 28 October. This celebration recognises the vital role that

grandparents play in our society. More details about the organisation of the day will follow next term.

Presentation Day - Tuesday 10 December (see invitation below)

Year Six Farewell Assembly – Thursday 12 December 9.15-11am

For more dates and information please see the school website and the Schoolzine calendar

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Kensington Public School Presentation Day 2019
Staff and students of
Kensington Public School
cordially invite parents and friends
to our 2019 Presentation Day
A celebration of excellence and achievement
Tuesday 10 December 2019
Randwick Boys' High School
K-2 Ceremony ~9.30am - 11.30am
Years 3-6 Ceremony ~ 12.30pm - 2.45pm
Please note, all Year Six students will receive their Graduation Certificates at the 3-6
Presentation Day ceremony. All Year Six parents are warmly invited to attend.
In addition, parents of students receiving individual awards of achievement will receive an
email inviting them to attend.

P&C News

P&C Events

1. Walk-a-thon Bake Sale Friday, 27 September



- 2. Halloween Disco Friday, 25 October
- 3. Twilight Markets Friday, 6 December

The P&C evening with Pasi Sahlberg on Wednesday evening was a real eye opener in terms of the impact that unstructured play has on kids' problem solving ability through greater use of the whole brain. A particular example from his book "Let the children play" that stunned many in the audience was the following VIDEO from Anji in Southeast China; a Chinese kindergarten adopted natural play for Kindergarten kids for the past 15 years, developed by Cheng Xueqin. Anji Play is set to become part of China's National Kindergarten standard. We are very grateful to Dr Pasi and Dr Tony Loughland (Academic Director of Professional Experience in the School of Education at UNSW) for the Q&A session. Pasi's books sold out on the evening, however you can still purchase them online if you choose.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TKbz9WutGAY

The final P&C Wine & Cheese evening for 2019 will be on Thurs 14-Nov. Dr Loughland will interview Adrian Piccoli on his book "How Your Child Can Get the Best Out of School" . Adrian Piccoli is Director of the Gonski Institute for Education (UNSW), and previously the NSW Minister for Education. Adrian will provide some practical advice on how you can help your child succeed in school and life, and discuss topics including:

- What to look for when choosing a school
- What questions to ask at parent-teacher interviews
- What is NAPLAN and does it matter
- Homework why, why not, and how much
- Supporting children with special needs
- What does the ATAR really mean
- Setting high expectations and handling stress
- Managing screen time and the role of technology at school.

P&C registered members will receive a special \$5 discount to the next P&C Wine and Cheese evening with Adrian Piccoli. If you wish to register as a P&C member (\$1 joining fee), you can use the QR scan code below with your mobile phone to register, or click on the weblink. Please pay \$1 at the school office for your receipt.



https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HKXNYY7

P&C Minutes

Please see below the draft copy of the P&C Minutes from meeting 20 August.

School Council Minutes

If you wish to read the draft copy of the School Council Minutes there is a copy in the school office.

Student of the Term

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.



KD Jada KL Emma KP Wenjun 1/KF Haine 1M Ella 1V Elodie 2/1C Zara 2B Florence 2M Emily



3P Ramon 3R David 4/3D Andy 4E Ariunbileg 4K Hannah 5/4C Nevin 6/5D Alfred 6/5R Shaheer 6/5T Jo

K-2 Term 3 Value Awards

First Value Award

Honour Abby 2M, Daniel KP, Trishaant 2B Knowledge Aranya 2B, Erkhes 2B, Leon 2B, Brittany KP Community Asthra 2B, Tymofii 1V, Carlson 2M, Blake 2M, Michael 2M, Jack KP, Jan KP, Tyler 2B, Adam KP, Wenjun KP, Jenny 2/1C

Second Value Award

Honour Willow 1/KF, Daphne KP, Louie 2/1C Knowledge Asthra 2B, Tymofii 1V, Boaz 1M, Kat 2/1C, Grace 2/1C

Community Lara 2B, Sora 1M, Hiroki 2/1C, Billie 2/1C

3-6 Term 3 Value Awards

First Value Award

Honour Trang 6/5D Knowledge Andrew 3T, Ray 3T

Second Value Award

Knowledge Kathryn 3T, Eiad 5/4C

2019 Kensington Public School Walk-a-thon

We are holding our annual Kensington Public School Walk-a-thon this Friday, at Kensington Oval. We would love for you to join us on this fun-filled day from 11.30 am.

A sponsorship card has been provided to all students, to enable them to write down the names of sponsors and the value of each one-off donation or sponsorship amount per lap completed. Students are asked to find as many sponsors as possible.

Funds raised through the sponsorship of students in the Walk-a-thon will go towards purchasing resources to support our quality teaching programs including, literacy and numeracy resources, sport equipment and Lego.

The P&C are also having a bake sale on the day. Donations for the bake sale can be dropped off at the library from 8.30 am.

Rana Straker

WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The *Tell Them From Me* parent survey (Term 3, 2019)

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements. More information about the survey is available at the link below. Please also refer the Parent FAQs via the link below.

http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/

https://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 26 August and 25 October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated. The survey is available in 23 languages.

To access the survey for our school go to the link below.

http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/2019kps

Mrs Wilson Assistant Principal

Learning Links Parent Information Session: 'Understanding Bullying'

We are excited to announce that Learning Links is providing a free parent workshop to build a shared understanding of bullying, early intervention and proactive strategies.

WHEN: Monday October 21, 9am-11am WHERE: KPS HALL

All welcome. Please RSVP via the link below:

KPS 2019 Yearbook

Remember to order your yearbook online **now** as orders will close in the next few weeks. To order simply go to our website and make a payment. The cost of the yearbook is \$30. Remember to include your child's name and class and the number of books that you would like to order. For the Description enter 2019 Yearbook.

Crazy Camel Tote Bags Fundraiser

We are excited to announce that we have partnered with Crazy Camel Fundraisers once again. This year, we are selling 100% cotton calico tote bags. Each bag is \$22 and features your child's name, age and unique artwork. The bags make great library bags or gifts and help to promote our environmental initiatives. All funds raised support student learning support and wellbeing programs.

Your child should have brought home an order form. If you have not received one, please see your child's teacher or access a form via the link below. Orders close Friday October 25 (Term 4, Week 2).

Design a Brick Paver

The Bricks are on sale now so order yours this term and leave your mark on Kensington forever.

Nude Food Day

Kensington Public School will be promoting Nude Food Mondays to encourage healthy food choices that are less processed and packaged.

Please support this by making sure your child's lunch box has no wrappers which will reduce the amount of rubbish that needs to go in bins to be sent to landfill.

The below link is to a variety of things you can use and buy instead of plastic.

https://www.onyalife.com/plastic-free/eco-friendly-products/

Healthy Lunch-box Tips

Healthy Lunchboxes

Getting kids involved in selecting – from healthy choices – what they would like to eat at school means they are more likely to eat what's packed in the lunch box.

- Take your child shopping to choose fruit and veg items let them see, smell and feel the produce with you.
- Ask kids what they like about friends' lunches and include healthy items they nominate.

Bottle Top Collection - Envision Hands

The Eco Warriors are collecting bottle tops from all flat soft drink, water and milk bottles including those from long life containers. These lids will be collected to be donated to Envision hands to make 3D printed prosthetic hands for children. Approximately 500 lids are used to make a small hand. Please drop off your lids to our collection point in the schools foyer outside the hall.

Please see for more information about Envision Hands.

https://envision.org.au/



School Banking

So far for Terms 1 and 2, KPS has received \$1485 from the Commonwealth Bank School banking Program. These contributions depend on how many students make a deposit each week not on the amount that is banked. So please keep up the good work and remember to bank each week on Tuesday mornings. In case of rain we will relocate to the front of the library.

Any students not banking any more please consider banking again to help raise funds for the school and remember this is about teaching children about financial literacy.

Students who have not banked previously are very welcome to start banking. Come and see the friendly team on Tuesday mornings to find out how to start.

Volunteer Ethics Teachers Required for Kensington Public School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Ethics classes are available at Kensington Public School as an option for children who don't attend Special Religious Education (SRE/scripture).

Ethics classes support children in developing skills in ethical reasoning, critical thinking, collaborative enquiry and how to support their arguments with evidence. The lesson materials have been approved by the Department of Education.

We do not have enough volunteer ethics teachers at Kensington Public School to meet the demand for classes in 2019/20. The more children and stages we have requests for, the more teachers are needed.

Volunteering is a great way to engage with the school. Volunteer ethics teachers do not need a background in teaching or ethics, just a willingness to learn how to deliver classes. They must complete a two-day workshop and other online training and accreditation requirements. The approved lesson materials are provided. Ethics teachers must commit to conduct classes each week at the school during school terms for at least one year.

For more information about Primary Ethics, the curriculum or to volunteer as an ethics teacher, please visit where you can complete an on-line application or contact Michael Locke, Volunteer Ethics Coordinator, on (M) 0404 506 706 or (E) micklocke@gmail.com

http://www.primaryethics.com.au/

School Shades





If you would like to order please pop into the office, choose the size and pay. The order will then be processed on November 8 for deliver soon after that.

Congratulations Charlize

Charlize in 3T recently submitted a photo to Little Sydney Lives 2019 Exhibition. She is one of 20 finalists of the competition. Her photograph is currently on display at Sandringham Gardens at Hyde Park from 19 September to 13 October. Well done, Charlize.



KPSOOSH News

Kensington Public School OOSH Care Incorporated



kensington public school out of school hours care

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MOBLIE: 0425 291 281

EMAIL : admin@kpsoosh.com.au

Qik Kids my family lounge help guide for family

http://www.myfamilylounge.com.au/My-Family-Lounge/help-g uide

New families information & enrol guide

https://kensington-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/supporting-our-stud ents/out-of-hours-care-koosch.html

Term 3 – Vacation Care

SPRING VACATION CARE

Spring vacation care starts next week! We are already booked out for 4 out of 9 days. We have a few vacancies for our other days, please come to the centre and find out what spots we have left. Please keep in mind that we run off a first-in-first-served basis and if you wish to receive confirmation for your desired days, you will need to return the booking form at your earliest convenience. The summer vacation care program will be available to all families in week 6 of term 4.

AGM

Our annual general meeting took place last Thursday, 19th September. We now have a new parent committee going forward. We encourage families to keep in mind that we are a not-for-profit organisation and the only way we run is if we have the constant support from a parent committee. We will be holding meetings twice a term with the committee and if you wish to attend at any time, you are more than welcome. We are open to any suggestions or constructive feedback.

WEATHER

As we head into the warmer months, children are encouraged to wear sun-safe clothing that will protect their eyes and skin from the harsh UV rays that we experience over spring and summer. If your child is without a hat, they will need to play indoors or in shaded areas only. We will also start supplying sunscreen to students who wish to play in the sun, if your child is sensitive to mainstream sunscreen please advise the centre and/or supply a sunscreen better suited to your child.

SUGGESTIONS

We are currently reviewing our afternoon tea menu, programs etc. and would love suggestions from families! If you have any ideas or recipes that you would like to share, please email us at admin@kpsoosh.com.au . We are also open to suggestions on different types of crafts, activities, excrusions, incursions and anything else that you may be able to think of.

BREAD TAGS FOR WHEEL CHAIRS

Yes, we are still collecting bread tags at our service! We have now filled up two entire containers and are striving to fill up as many as we can. It doesn't matter if the bread tag is broken or not, every piece counts. We are doing this in support of the "Bread Tags for Wheel Chairs" foundation. I have included an extract from their website below so you have more of an understanding on what they do.

"Bread tags come in many shapes, sizes and colors. Made of High Impact Polystyrene they have a good recycling value. It takes 200 kg of tags to bring in enough money to buy one wheelchair. Mary Honeybun founded the organization in 2006 in Cape Town. They provide 2 to 3 wheelchairs to adults and children around South Africa every month! Having a wheelchair gives the recipient independence and mobility and this makes a big difference to their families as well."

We have a collection container right next to the sign in/out iPads in our OOSH room. If you are unsure about where to put them or you can't find the collection container, please pass on the bread tags to any of our OOSH staff members and we will place them in the container on your behalf. You are also able to find out more by following this link below.

https://www.breadtagsforwheelchairs.co.za/

Installing SZapp

Apple Devices:

- 1. On your device, open the App Store.
- 2. Search the App Store for SZapp.
- 3. Download and install SZapp.

Android Devices:

- 1. On your device, open the Play Store.
- 2. Search the Play Store for SZapp.
- 3. Download and install SZapp.

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Register to SZapp with your email, or sign in automatically with Google or Facebook.





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http://www.schoolzine.com.au/szapp

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