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Kensington Catch Up

11 September 2019

Principal's Report

Welcome to Week Eight at Kensington Public. What another busy few weeks we have had. By the time you read this Year Four will be heading home from camp, keep an eye on Twitter and the Schoolzine app for updates if our return time of 3pm changes. Please catch up with Twitter for photos or wait for our Week Ten newsletter for a complete photo album.

The P&C are looking for a few more volunteers to help out at the **Market Night** and **Halloween Disco**. Please register with the link later in the P&C section. Remember- many hands make light work.

The Market Night will be held on Friday 6 November and we will have market stalls and food trucks, whilst showing movies that the students have made during the year.

Thank you to those who recently supported our **Father's Day** Raffle and those who enjoyed our Father's Day breakfast. Please enjoy the photos.



Orientation for Kindergarten 2020 starts next week. Please remind family and friends if they are enrolling at Kensington Public School to complete their paperwork now so they can be involved in our two Orientation Days.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/media/documents/enrol-k12.pdf>

KENSINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Quality teaching in a caring environment

Kindergarten Orientation:

Tuesday 17 September, 2019
Tuesday 24 September, 2019
Time - 9:15 - 11:00am

Ms Louise Stone
Principal

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON THE LAST TWO DAYS OF TERM, THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER AND FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER FOR OFFICE REFURBISHMENT.

IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT THE OFFICE 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.

Student Wellbeing

Focus of the Fortnight



KPS FOCUS OF THE FORTNIGHT

We show Honour, Knowledge 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.

Upcoming Dates for your diary

Kindergarten 2020 Orientation Tuesday 17 and Tuesday 24 September

Walkathon Friday 27 September

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



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

- Walkathon Bake Sale** Friday, 27 September (Coordinator: Jasmin Backhouse)
- Halloween Disco** Friday, 25 October



FIRST AID COURSE FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

As any of my paramedic friends will say - there's nothing worse than attending a incident involving a child and finding people standing around panicking and unsure of what to do. Statistics

show that injuries and accidents are the leading cause of death in children aged 1-14 -- and boys make up two thirds of that number.

Could you give CPR to your child, or know what to do if a child has swallowed a toxic substance? If not, then a course in first aid for parents could be a real life-saver.

P&C is planning to organize First Aid course for Parents and Carers delivered by a registered training organisation accredited with Australian Skills Qualification Authority. Please just sign in to show your interest participating in it. The course will be held during the weekend at the beginning of 2020. It is dynamic and interactive 7 Hour Training Session. After completion you will get a certificate of successful completion. But most importantly, your knowledge and skills can save someone life. This training will give you the confidence and knowledge to respond quickly and safely in an emergency.

As parents we can't imagine any worse feeling in an emergency situation involving a child, than looking back and thinking "I wish I'd known what to do or I wish I'd done that first aid course I kept saying I'd do".

First aid knowledge can go such a long way in making a bad situation less awful.

Of course first aid knowledge and skills will help if the worst happens -- and hopefully you'll never need them -- but the peace of mind is priceless. Saving someone life will make you fill real human. Now, try to think if you were in the position of saving someone life and you could not do it. Not, because you didn't want to, but simply you didn't know what to do. Think twice. We are offering a help not to feel helpless.

School Council Minutes

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

K-2 Term 3 Value Awards

First Value Award

Honour Megan KD

Second Value Award

Knowledge Zara 2/1C, Jonas KD

Community Monty 1V

3-6 Term 3 Value Awards

First Value Award

Honour Greg 3T, Ali 3T, Charlie 3T, Rania 3R, Keren 3R, Locus 3R, Jack 3R, Ryan 3R, Jason 4/3D, George 4/3D, Trithon 4/3D, Joe 3T, Alberto 3T, Samuel 3R, Jhen 3R, William 3R, Carolyn 6/5D

Knowledge Rania 3R

Community Millie 3R, Lulu 3T

Second Value Award

Knowledge Chloe W 4/3D, Amalyn 3T

Community Mariam 3R

2019 Kensington Public School Walk-a-thon

We are holding our annual Kensington Public School Walk-a-thon on Friday, 27 September 2019 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 then return their card to school before Tuesday, 24 September 2019.

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.

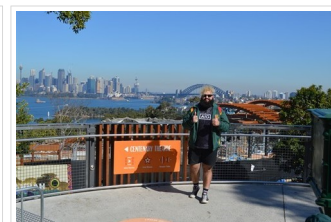
The P&C are also having a bake sale on the day. Donations for the bake sale can be dropped off at the library from 8.30 am.

Rana Straker

Year 3 Taronga Zoo Snooze

On Wednesday 14 to Thursday 15 August, our excited Year 3 students attended the Zoo Snooze excursion at Taronga Zoo. We had a fantastic outing, learning about many interesting animals from the expert Taronga Zoo keepers. Students thoroughly enjoyed watching the amazing animals in the seal and bird shows and a highlight was our night walk through the Tiger Trek to see if we could spot the Sumatran tiger cubs. Unfortunately, we did not find the cubs but we did get to see some other curious animals, such as the giraffes, which came over to see what all the noise was about when we walked past. Year 3 walked through the zoo, slept overnight in tents with their friends, and they rose early in the morning to watch the keepers feed the animals in the morning before returning to school.

Rana Straker



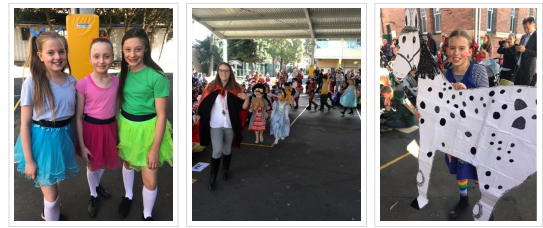
Ben Chifley Art Competition

Congratulations to Jonathan (Year 6), Carina, Lisa, Ariel, Chloe (Year 4) Willow and Isabel (Kindergarten) who entered the Ben Chifley Art Competition held at Chifley Public School. The aim

of the competition is to recognise the artistic talents of students in the Botany area. Each of these students created original art works using various materials. The theme for the competition was, "Reading is my secret power".

Jonathan in Year 6 won the first prize for Stage 3 and Isabel was awarded the highly commended certificate for Kindergarten.

C. Espinosa
Visual Art coordinator



Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the following students for their participation in the Regional Spelling Bee: Chloe 3T, Carina 5/4C, Arin 5/4C and Jolie 6/5D. The Regional Spelling Bee was held on Monday 2 September at Darlinghurst Public School. Chloe and Carina placed 4th and 2nd in the Stage 2 competition and Jolie placed 3rd in the Stage 3 competition with Arin successfully completing the second round. Well done girls, Kensington Public School is proud of you.

Joanne Robinson
EAL/D Specialist Teacher

Public Speaking News

Throughout Week 6, stage speak-offs were held with four students being chosen to represent KPS at the Metropolitan South Public Speaking Competition. Well done to all class representatives for their efforts and a big congratulations to our stage representatives:

- Kindergarten** - Hugo
- Stage One** - Darcy
- Stage Two** - Nevin
- Stage Three** - Venice

These talented speakers will now compete at the Bondi Network final at Coogee Public School on September 24. We wish them the very best of luck!

Book Parade

Our annual Book Parade was held on Tuesday 3 September. It was a fun event and the children looked fantastic dressed in their costumes. A big thank you goes to all the participants, to parents for their help with the costumes and to those who were able to join us on the day!

Happy reading!
Zrinka Krivosic

The Bee Musical

All students in Years Kindergarten -Year 2 will be performing in 'The Bee Musical' at NIDA on Anzac Parade on Thursday 12 September 2019. Please find important information below which explains what students need to bring to school and how to purchase tickets.

Costumes:

Required items for each class are listed below.

Class	We provide	You bring in
KP,KD,KL,KF BOYS Baby Bees	Head gear, t shirt, bib	Black Jeans
KP,KD,KL,KF GIRLS Baby Bees	Head gear, T-shirt, apron	Black Leggings
1F BOYS Flowers	Hats, T-shirt	Black Jeans
1F GIRLS Flowers	Hats, T-shirt	Black Leggings
1M and 1V GIRLS Guard Bees	Head gear, T-shirt	Black Leggings
1M and 1V BOYS Drone Bees	Head gear, T-shirt	Black Jeans
2M, 2/1C and 2B BOYS Worker Bees, Narrators and Nectar Bees	Head gear, T-shirt	Black Jeans
2M, 2/1C and 2B GIRLS Worker Bees, Narrators and Nectar Bees	Head gear, T-shirt, skirt	Black Leggings
Queen Bee	Dress	Black leggings
Farmers 2/1C Boys and Girls	Hats	Checked or flannel shirt with buttons
Mr Waxworth and Dennis	Hat and white shirt	White pants, white t-shirt
Mrs Waxworth	Apron	White pants, white t-shirt

Tickets:

Tickets went on sale on **Wednesday 31 July 2019**.

Tickets can be purchased in the following ways:

- 1: Via the Ticketek website search The Bee Musical.
- 2: By phoning Ticketek on 132849
- 3: By ordering in person from the NIDA theatre box office

<http://www.ticketek.com.au/>

Show times:

The Matinee performance is at 12.45pm and the Evening performance 6.30pm. Shows will run for approximately 1 hour and 20 minutes with no Interval.

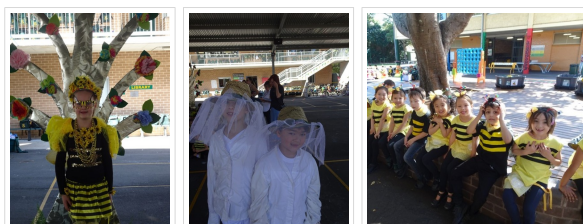
Costumes/ Uniforms:

- All items of clothing need to be clearly named and placed in a named material bag.
- Girls will need to bring in a brush with hair elastics.
- All students will wear their normal black school shoes. Please ensure that these are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Students are to wear full school uniform including school hat to school on performance day. Students will change into their costumes at the theatre. Students will leave their costumes at the theatre ready for their evening performance.
- Students will return to school from the matinee in their black clothing with their uniforms in their bag. Students must return for the evening performance in the same black clothing. Costumes will be returned to school after the musical.

If you have any questions, please see your child's classroom teacher.

Regards

Ms Fredman



Save the Date Notification Year 6 Farewell Assembly

The Year Six Farewell Assembly is a special assembly where the Year Five students have the opportunity to say goodbye to the 2019 Year Six cohort. This year, it has been organised on Thursday 12 December at 9:15-11:00am. This assembly will include: a slide show, speeches and commemorative cake to share.

We warmly invite Year Six parents and carers to attend the assembly to share this special moment. More information about the day will be forthcoming including the afternoon activity that the Year Six students will be participating in.

**Ms Dukes, Mrs Robertson and Mrs Tovey
Year 6 Teachers**

K-2 Assembly

Tuesday 2.30pm School Hall

Term 3	Class
Week 9	Student of the Term
Week 10	1/KF Host (NB- 1/KF will present their item in Term 4)

The Tell Them From Me Student Survey (Term 3, 2019)

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used *Tell Them From Me* to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

More information about the survey is available at:

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

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 26 August and 25 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **Friday September 13 (Week 7)**.

Copies of the form and FAQs (available in 23 languages) are available from:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

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.

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

Fruit and veg has great nutritional value that helps kids learn and play at school. Eating fruit and veg also has cancer prevention benefits. Plus there's the added budget bonus: fruit and veg, especially produce that's in season, is often much cheaper than packaged products and it tastes better too. Why wouldn't you pack fruit and veg every day?

- Add fruit and veg to home-made goods such as muffins, scones, pikelets, bliss balls, pizza, frittata and mini quiches. Try ingredients such as sultana, carrot, zucchini, apple, pear, banana or pumpkin.
- Include vegies and salad as sandwich fillings.
- Keep on serving fruit and veg and praise your child for eating new foods packed in the lunch box.

Chess

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Kensington Public School is held on **Thursdays** from **1:00pm to 1:45pm**.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment.

Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

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 the below website 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/>

Extra Curricula Programs

YOGA & RELAXATION CLASSES – EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST!

In partnership with local small business Well Street, we are keen to offer lunchtime Yoga and Relaxation classes. Lunchtime activities are fully scheduled for 2019 however, we are exploring the level of interest in these classes being offered in 2020.

Class information

These classes get kids moving, building their fitness, flexibility and co-ordination through age-appropriate yoga. We also introduce them to important breathing exercises to encourage

calmness and self regulation, building their ability to deal with stress and anxiety.

This is a great way to calm and focus the kids ahead of afternoon learning!

How it would work

- Classes would be held during lunchtime, once a week.
- Classes would run for four weeks and cost \$10/class – \$40 in total.
- Children would still have time to eat lunch and have a toilet break.
- If there is enough interest, these classes would be offered at some stage in 2020.

Express your interest

Would your child be interested in attending lunchtime yoga and relaxation classes?

Express your interest here via the Well Street website.

KPSOOSH News



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MOBLIE: 0425 291 281

EMAIL: admin@kpssoosh.com.au

Qik Kids my family lounge help guide for family

<http://www.myfamilylounge.com.au/My-Family-Lounge/help-guide>

New families information & enrol guide

<https://kensington-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/supporting-our-students/out-of-hours-care-kooosh.html>

Term 3 – Week 8 & Week 9

AGM

Our AGM is being held next week, on Thursday 19th September in the library. The meeting will run from 6:30pm – 8:00pm and we will be providing a sausage sizzle, as well as tea and coffee, for all families who join. Our OOSH service is dependant on a parent committee that supports us and helps us run our centre and without this parent committee, our centre would not run the way it does today. In saying that, if you wish to be apart of the committee in any way, please attend our AGM to inquire about what positions are available and in what ways you are able to contribute. We will also have a circus themed entertainer in the hall for all children who join on the night. We hope to see many OOSH families there!

VACATION CARE

Our vacation care program and booking form is now available to all families. Please note that we run on a first-in-best-dressed basis and if you wish to have your child/ren booked in on certain days, you will need to return the booking form at your earliest convenience. We offer a maximum of 50 spots on excursion and incursion days and we offer a maximum of 60 spots on our in-house days. All important and relevant information will be included on the program and booking form, so please read through the documents thoroughly. If you are yet to receive a link to find the program and booking form, please send us an email at admin@kpsoosh.com.au and we will be happy to forward it to you.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

As the warmer months approach, we ask that all kids are sun safe. When the UV index is high, we enforce wearing sunscreen during outside playtime. If your child is unable to wear sunscreen or is sensitive to regular sunscreen, please advise the centre and, if possible, supply a cream that is safer for 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, excursions, 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 three 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:

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

Installing SZapp

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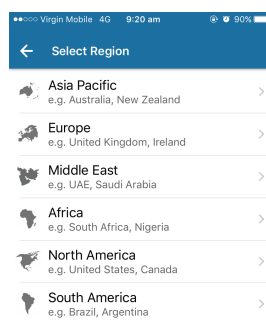
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3. Download and install SZapp.

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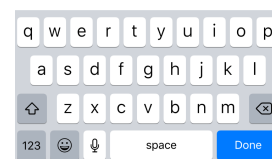
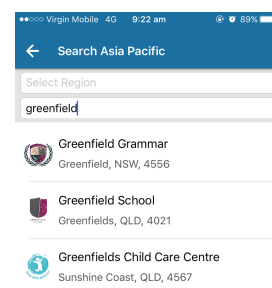
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Find your School

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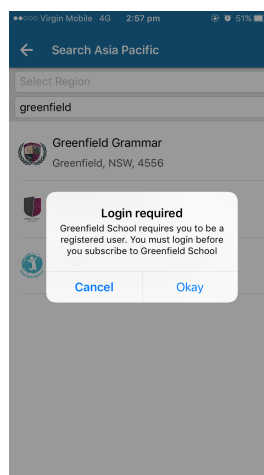


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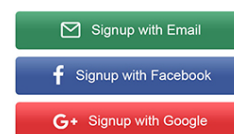


Register a User

Before you can add your school, you will need to register.




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



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Enter your email and name.

Create a password.

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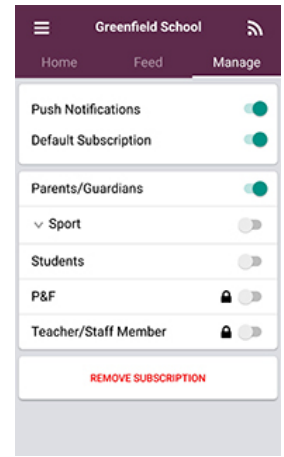
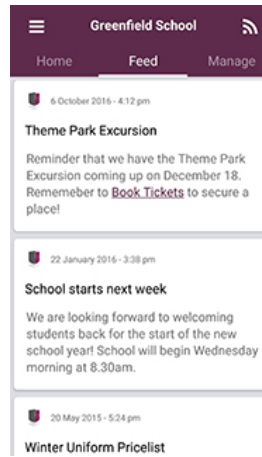
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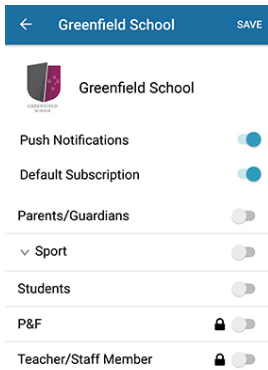
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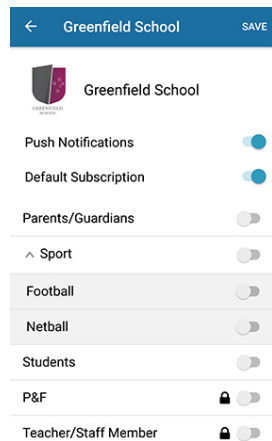


Managing Notifications

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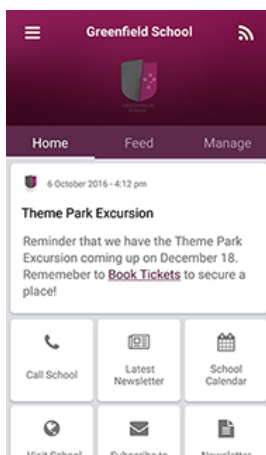


For more information please view our [FAQs page](#)

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

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