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## Kensington Catch Up

6 May 2020

### Update Week Two

Welcome to Week Two Term Two,

The Department of Education is planning a phased return to school, and as mentioned previously whether students are learning from home or at school, one single unit of work will be provided. The teachers continue to work very hard to ensure these are available weekly and I thank all the parents and carers for their hard work supporting the children at home.

K-2 lessons will be available at 3pm Friday for Monday and Tuesday and 3pm Tuesday for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Years 3-6 lessons will be available at 3pm on Friday for the full week. Remember, if you have questions please email the school or submit questions through Google Classroom and teachers will get back to you as soon as possible.

Please see the link below for Kensington Public School's Phase One Managed Return to School. Where possible, families are encouraged to have their students attend on the **one designated day** and work from home the other four.

#### ***On days of attendance***

Please ensure you send your children in their school uniform, school hat and their school shoes. As with normal school attendance students should arrive by 9am and if being picked up, should be picked at 3pm.

#### ***Play Equipment***

Following NSW Health and Education advice, play equipment will be closed until further notice.

#### ***Food and Drink***

Bubblers / drinking fountains remain closed, so please ensure your child attends school with a refillable drink bottle. Our

canteen remains closed so please ensure your children bring their lunch, morning tea and 'crunch and sip' on their days of attendance. We look forward to the canteen opening again soon.

#### ***Handwashing & Sanitiser***

Currently the school has enough soap and hand sanitiser. Students are given multiple opportunities to wash or sanitise their hands, including before eating, before and after play times and of course after using the toilets. We have both liquid soap and bars of soap available for the students.

#### ***Arrival at School***

As the DoE recommends, we will continue to limit adult access to the school grounds. Please see the Schoolzine Update Friday 24 April for current procedures. Below are the following drop off and pick up guidelines which start on Monday 11 May.

If you need to drop off or pick up anything from school, please email the school at [Kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) to organise a specific time for this. The most suitable time for this will be at 3pm at car lines.

#### ***Morning Drop Off from Week Three- Monday 11 May***

When arriving at school, students are to enter through the North and or South Doncaster Avenue Gates or the Todman Avenue Gate where they will be greeted by a staff member and directed to put their bag under the COLA before washing hands. As normal, the students are to arrive between 8.30am and 9am. If you drive along Doncaster both gates will be open to ensure the cars can flow safely. Once inside, children will be directed by staff to the supervised area.

#### ***Afternoon Pick Up from Week Three- Monday 11 May***

All students will come together at 2.55pm under the COLA. Gates will be unlocked at 3pm and students dismissed as adults remain outside the school's grounds alongside the netball court. Groups of students will be escorted to the car lines, OOSH and Squiggler Pick Up Zone. If your children walk home on their own, they will be dismissed under the guidance of the staff.

## Keeping Up to Date

As we have all experienced in recent weeks, the current situation can change quickly. Therefore, more than ever it is important to keep up-to-date with school communications. Please ensure you have registered for the Schoolzine newsletter and app to get school notifications and regularly check the Department website and Twitter for up-to-date information.

## Do Your Best

All students, parents and teachers are currently working incredibly hard in this new world. Please remember some days will be better than others. Some days it may seem nothing is achieved. Please don't place additional pressure on yourselves to get every task completed and uploaded. Do your best. Do what's right for your family. If any family is experiencing difficulty with daily tasks and activities please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher via the school email [kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au). Students are not to be expected to work from 9am – 3pm at a computer. Be flexible, work can be completed around your work schedule and family needs.

Any student or family photos that were not collected last term, will be sent home with students on their day of attendance.

Remember, if you would like to submit photos or any of your activities, please email to the school and in the subject line write "School Newsletter" and that will be your approval for works to be published.

**Ms Louise Stone**  
**Principal**

## Scholastic Book Club

The BookClub Term 2 catalogue is now available via the following link below:

[Scholastic Book Club Term 2 Catalogue](#)

All orders must be placed online using the BookClub Loop ordering platform before Friday 22 May. An announcement will be made when all orders have arrived and can be picked up from the school library.

Happy reading!

## Premier's Reading Challenge

PRC is a program developed to encourage a love of reading. Students in K-2 are asked to read 20 books from the PRC list and 10 free choice books (books that are not on the PRC list). Students in 3-6 are asked to read 10 books from the PRC list and 10 free choice books.

The attached documents will provide more information about the Premier's Reading Challenge and also information on how to enter your child's books onto the online PRC Reading Log.

Please note, your Randwick Council Library membership gives you access to children's eBooks and eAudiobooks. If you are not a member of your local library, please find attached links to online membership that will give you access to many wonderful eBooks and resources.

[https://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/library/your\\_library/joining\\_and\\_borrowing](https://www.waverley.nsw.gov.au/library/your_library/joining_and_borrowing)

<https://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/library/about-the-library/joining-the-library>

Happy reading!

## Social Media & Websites

Please find below some suggested apps and websites that have been sent through which you may find useful. Kensington Public School is not promoting businesses or materials but please feel free to use these if you so choose.

### The Quarantweens

Some Kensington students (Noa 5T, Rosie 2SF, Jesse 6/5D, and Hayley 5J) have created a website called 'The Quarantweens'. They will post recipes, fun activities and exercise routines that they have written, created or filmed. Please find their website here:

<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/thequarantweens/home?authuser=0>

### San Diego Zoo Academy

Until 24 May, middle and high school teachers and students can gain access to 22 free, self-paced online courses through the San Diego Zoo covering a variety of taxonomic groups and individual animal species. Visit the link below to sign up for the courses.

<https://collabornation.net/register/sdzk12>

### Happy Colour by Numbers

Happy Colour by Numbers is a colour by number game for everyone. There are so many colourful, outstanding pictures to colour! Open the game and you will find people, mosaic, mandala, horoscopes, fantasy, art and many more colouring pages.

Please download the app for an iPhone or iPad by following this link below:

<https://apps.apple.com/au/app/happy-colour-by-numbers/id1407852246>

Please download the app for an Android by following this link below:

[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.pixel.art.coloring.color.number&hl=en\\_AU](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.pixel.art.coloring.color.number&hl=en_AU)

### Taronga TV

Over the coming weeks Taronga Zoo Sydney will be bringing its two beautiful zoos directly into your living room! Tune in daily to see your favourite animals, meet their friendly keepers and learn what goes on behind the scenes at Taronga while their zoos are temporarily closed. Please find and watch Taronga TV through this link below:

<https://taronga.org.au/taronga-tv>

## Reverse Garbage

Here's a fun way to keep learning at home. They can deliver a barrel of STEM materials with 30 days of challenges for primary aged children. For example:

- Can you build a tall tower that stands for five seconds without using glue or tape?
- Can you make music? How many different types of sounds can you make?
- Can you make a ramp? Test different objects rolling down. Do heavier or lighter objects go further?

Please find the link below to buy:

<https://reversegarbage.vendecommerce.com/products/barrel-of-stem>

## Helpful Information for Parents and Teachers

Please view these two links for some interesting information for parents and teachers alike.

<http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/focus-on-maths-and-literacy-and-don-t-beat-yourself-up-says-minister-20200401-p54g65.html?btis>

<https://help.abc.net.au/hc/en-us/articles/360001458016-How-is-the-ABC-going-to-support-students-at-home-during-the-COVID-19-crisis?-sf232246575=1>

## School Banking Program

### Message from Commonwealth Bank

The health, safety and wellbeing of our communities and our people remains our highest priority. Due to the ongoing uncertainty surrounding coronavirus, the School Banking program will remain on hold. We will continue to monitor the situation and keep you informed with any updates including how we will be managing Dollarmite tokens for students.

In the meantime, here are some handy online resources for parents who wish to maintain momentum with their child's financial education:

- Start Smart: these resources have been created to improve children's money management skills, and is aligned to the Australian Curriculum and the National Consumer Financial Literacy Framework.
- The Beanstalk: offers videos and fun activities for children to learn about money.

## Randwick Boys' High School High Potential and Gifted Education Program 2021

Applications for Year 7 students to join the Randwick Boys' High School High Potential and Gifted Education Program for 2021 are open.

The test originally scheduled for Saturday 13 June 2020 has been postponed due to social distancing guidelines. The new

test date will be communicated to applicants as soon as details are finalised.

For further information about our High Potential and Gifted Education Program, please contact the school on 9399 3122 or follow this link below:

<https://randwickb-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/learning-at-our-school/gifted-and-talented-program.html>

## Conservatorium High School

Attention students wishing to audition for the Conservatorium High School for entry 2021.

Applications close June 5th 2020.

To apply - go to the Conservatorium website and fill out the Expression of Interest:

<https://conhigh.nsw.edu.au/2021-entry-application/>

Changes to 2020 Assessment and Audition Schedule:

Due to exceptional circumstances brought about by the Covid-19 Virus and the need to ensure that 'social distancing' requirements are scrupulously adhered to, the Conservatorium High School has made some changes in the way it will be conducting this year's assessment and audition process for students applying for entry in 2021.

Auditions will begin in July.

## Speech & Drama Term 2

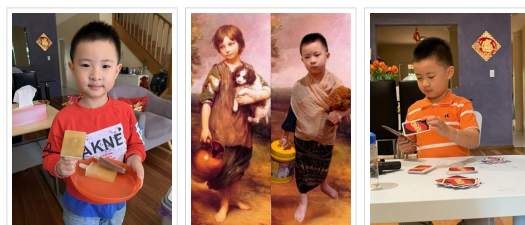
Please note due to the ongoing pandemic Speech and Drama will not be held this term. Hopefully we will be able to resume in Term 3. Please do not hesitate to contact Sheila on 0404 961 358 if you wish to discuss anything.

## DZP Online Program

Please find the attached online program announcement.

## Shout Outs & Messages

### Early Stage 1

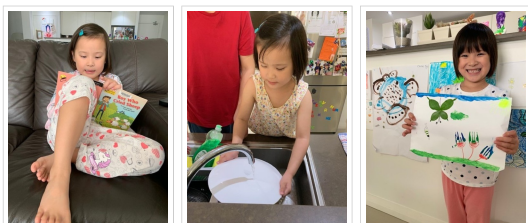


*Early Stage 1 Shout Outs & Messages*

*Aaron KP, Samuel KP*



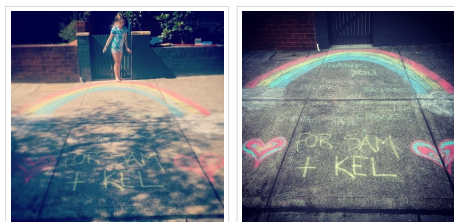
## Stage 1



*Stage 1 Shout Outs & Messages*

*Chloe 1C, Ethan 1R, Jack 1V, Otto 2R*

## Stage 2

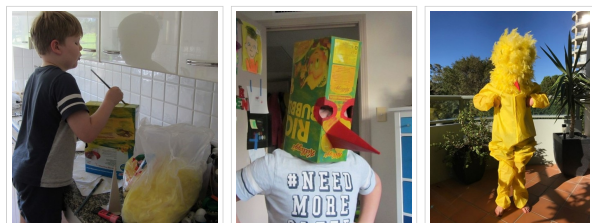


*Stage 2 Shout Outs & Messages*

*Ivy 3D*

## Happy Easter & Happy Passover

Please see below some photos of Kensington family celebrations, yummy treats and even some Easter Bonnets.



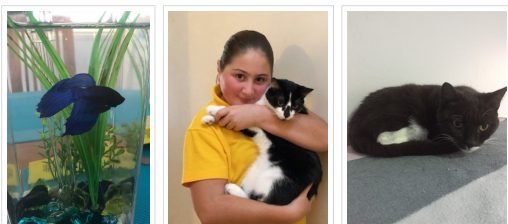
*Happy Easter & Happy Passover*

*Ben 1R, Daniel KT, Eileen 5J, Ellie 3M, Estelle 1R, Joannes KP, Kat 2R, Leah 1C, Leah 5T, Melisa 1C, Sora 2SF, Thomas KP, Yena 2/1B, Zahra 4C and Isabella 4/3K*

## Our Animal Friends

### Take a Look at Kensington's Animal Friends!

Please see below some photos of Kensington students' pets:



*Something to Make You Smile*

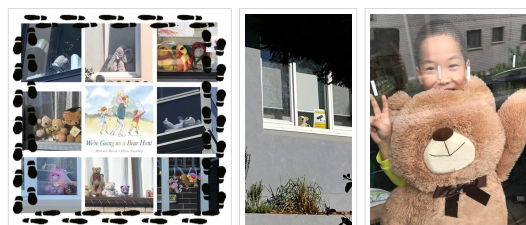
*Photo 1 & 2 Lachlan 4/3K, Photo 3 Samuel KP, Photo 4 Eileen 5J and Joannes KP, Photo 5 Ms Parsons, Photo 6 Angelina 5T, Photo 7 Sophie 6/5D, Photo 8 Sofia KF, Photo 9 Ms Fredman, Photo 10 Alice 6/5D, Photo 11 Ella KT, Photo 12 Peter 2SF, Photo 13 Amelia 6/5D, Photo 14 Lauren 4E, Photo 15 & 16 Alec 6/5D, Photo 17 Isabella 6R, Valentina 4E & Alessandro 1R,*

*Photo 18 Jonah 3M and Zahra 5J, Photo 19 Hana 5J, Photo 20 Samuel KP, Photo 21 & 22 Eden 6R, Photo 23 Amalyn 4C, Photo 24 Bonnie KF, Photo 25 Alice 3M and Abby 3D, Photo 26 Noah 5J and Jack 4C, Photo 27 Vivian 5T and Vincent 4/3K*

Please send us a photo of your pet for the next newsletter.

## We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Here are some pictures of bears found on some Kensington students' bear hunt!

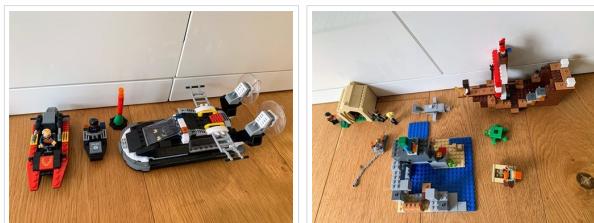


*We're Going on a Bear Hunt*

*Aeris KT, Amelie 1V, Daniel 2/1B, Ottavia 1V, Ray 4E and Meira 1R*

## Create Your Own Project

Over the duration of the holidays, some Kensington students sent through photos of their project creations. Please find these photos below.

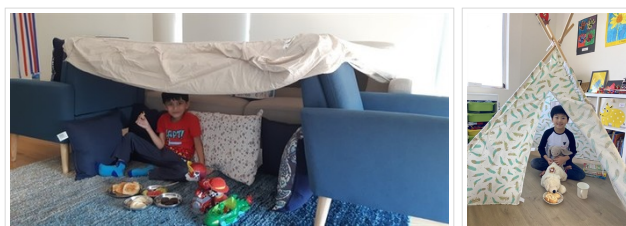


*Project Creations*

*Aiden 2SF, Alex 4C, Alice 1C, Alice 3M and Abby 3D, Angelina 5T, Angelina 6R, Chengqu 2R, Daniel 2/1B, Daniel KT, Darsh KP, Ella KP, Gul KP, Isabella 4/3K, Kayla 5J, Lulu 4/3K, Nicholas 3D, Otto 2R, Thomas KP, Thor 1C, William KP, William 5J*

## Cubby House

Please see below some cubby houses made during the holidays by some Kensington students. Some even had a picnic lunch in their cubby house!

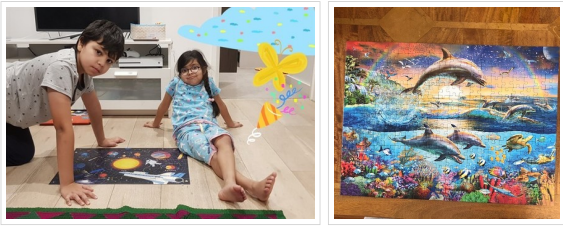


*Cubby House Creations*

*Darsh KP, Ethan 1R, Hadiya 2SF, Hana 5J, Isabella 6R, Valentina 4E & Alessandro 1R, Jack 1V, Kat 2R, Sebastian 5T*

## Family Puzzle

Please see below some photos of puzzles some of our Kensington families completed during the holidays.

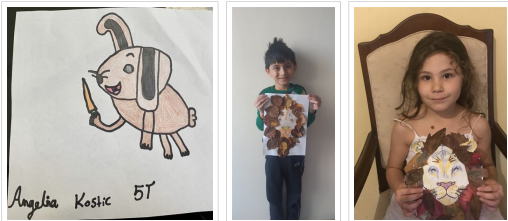


*Family Puzzles*

*Abu 5J and Hadiya 2SF, Alice 6/5D, Ethan 1R, Gul KP, Hana 5J, Jazz 3D, Maelle 3D, Melody 1V*

## Taronga TV

Please see some photos below of some drawings of Kensington students' favourite animals with some amazing facts they discovered when watching Taronga TV during the holidays.



*Taronga TV Animals*

*Angelina 5T, Darsh KP, Francesca KF, Sora 2SF, Yena 2/1B*

## Family Board Games

Please see below some photos of our Kensington families playing some fun board games together during the holidays.



*Family Board Games Fun*

*Daniel 2/1B, Ethan 1R, Hana 5J, Sora 2SF, Spencer KT, Valentina 2R, Yena 2/1B*

## Kensington Recipes

We would like to collect your recipes of the yummy treats you have made during these COVID-19 times and school holidays and create a KPS COVID-19 COOKBOOK. Please email the school at [kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) with the following details:

The ingredients list, method, and ONE line explaining your recipe. Please have these in the format of Arial font, Size 12. Please include a picture if you can.

## P&C Update

**John F. Kennedy once said "When you face a crisis, you know who your true friends are."**

The Coronavirus has impacted our entire school community. In addition to the challenges that parents face in home schooling children and ensuring our kids continue to learn and develop, parents and businesses may also be feeling the financial pressures from lay-offs, reduced income or business shut-downs. As always, the P&C is very grateful for the support from our community - parents, teachers and local businesses - our friends! We'd like to support our friends by allowing parents and businesses to promote products or services to the KPS community. The new P&C website link will be promoted via WhatsApp, the SchoolZine App and the School newsletter.

Click on the following website LINK and contact the P&C if you wish to advertise.

## Fun Activities

### Riddle of the Week

What is full of holes but still holds water?

### Sudoku of the Week

[attachments/Sudoku\\_puzzle\\_2.pdf](#)

The first student to send through a photo of their completed sudoku will be published in the next newsletter.

### Wordsearch of the Week

[attachments/back-to-school-word-search.pdf](#)

The first student to send through a photo of their completed wordsearch will be published in the next newsletter.

### Mindfulness Colouring

Please download these mindfulness colouring images to print and colour in. If you have access to an iPad, you can colour these images in on the iPad.

Riddle Answer: a Buod V

## Community News

### Randwick Boys' High School Newsletter

Please find below Randwick Boys' High School's latest Newsletter.