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Kensington Catch Up

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Principal's Message

Welcome to Week Eight at Kensington Public School.

Recently we were contacted by the DoE Home School Liaison Officer for a regular Roll Check. This is a timely reminder that parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. However, over the coming months some of our students will unfortunately catch winter colds and viruses. On these days your child may need to be kept home from school until they are well enough to attend. When a child is away from school parents must provide an explanation for the absence within 7 days. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe the school will record the absence as unjustified as per DoE Guidelines.

Please remember, during these unprecedented times under the advice of NSW Health, it is recommended that if you have any flu-like symptoms, you get tested and self isolate until the results are sent through. Please inform the school of your child's absence and include details as per our Update 15 June 2020.

Please ensure you use the survey link and log on below to register for your child's parent/student/teacher interview.

Update regarding the new normal

The Department of Education and Health NSW continues to provide us with information and updates with regards to schools safety and permitted programs so that schools are safe and appropriate for living in this COVID – 19 environment. School activities and school site usage information comes out from the department regularly, I received more information late last week.

- When community users return they will have procedural guidelines to follow and forms including an acknowledgement to sign, ensuring they adhere to required practices.
- Non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events – this includes parents/carers.

Physical distancing

- All adults must maintain physical distance from each other (1.5m) including teachers and support staff, and parents.
- Schools should limit the number of staff in common staffrooms or in large staff meetings, and avoid shared items as much as possible.
- Staff should exercise good hygiene and cleanliness around staff spaces and shared usage areas. Non-essential visitors to schools should not be allowed.
- Schools should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable parents to physically distance from one another and from staff.
- Hygiene measures
- Students should continue to bring water bottles from home to fill at water bubblers rather than drink directly from the bubbler.
- School playground equipment may re-open at the discretion of the school. Enhanced cleaning between use must be pre-organised with the school cleaning programming.

School activities

- School sporting activities onsite (non-contact skill development) may resume from next term following the completion of an external visitors site form.
- SRE and SEE may resume from next term following the completion of an external visitors site form.

- Students may attend other schools for essential curriculum reasons such as school auditions and placement tests.
- More information regarding various other school and extra curricula activities will be communicated in Week 10.

Reporting to parents

Kensington Public School reports will be sent out on Friday 31 July.

Add to your calendar

Dress Up Mufti Days:

These are NOT fundraising events – No money is required, please remember your school hat and closed-in shoes.

Come dressed as an essential worker – Friday 26 June

Please bring in any posters you may have and we will deliver these to the hospital etc.

Spots and Stripes Day – Friday 3 July

Let's celebrate the end of term by wearing spots and stripes.

Please enjoy the photos from our PJ & Onesie Day last week.

Ms L Stone
Principal

Parent/Student/Teacher Meetings

We will be holding *parent/student/teacher* meetings in Week 10. All families are encouraged to book **one** time slot with their class teacher.

IMPORTANT UPDATE: In our Week 6 newsletter, we advised that families would have the option to book a meeting via video conference OR telephone. Unfortunately, after significant consultation with the department's IT directorate and rigorous testing of our school systems, we are no longer able to offer the video conferencing option. Therefore, ALL meetings will be conducted via TELEPHONE and your child's teacher will call you at your nominated booking time.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Please note, the call will show as 'No Caller ID' due to our limited school telephone lines.

All meetings will be 10 minutes in length and will occur during the week starting Monday 29 June. (4/3K meetings will be held on Thursday 25 June). Children in Years One to Six are expected to be present at the meeting. If your meeting occurs before or after school please have the child with you when you accept the call.

<https://www.schoolzine.com/sk-booking-guide>

Bookings open at 3pm today and close on Wednesday 24 June at 3pm.

To book a parent/student/teacher meeting, please complete the following 2 steps:

STEP 1: Complete the Parent/Student/Teacher survey below. Please include all of your enrolled children in this survey.

<https://kensingtonps.schoolzineplus.com/survey/36>

STEP 2: Book one session time for your child's parent/student/teacher meeting via the link below.

<https://kensingtonps.schoolzineplus.com/view-session/6>

Changes to the opportunity class placement process for 2020 Year 4 students

The 2021 Year 5 opportunity class placement process was put on hold in April 2020 due to the COVID-19 situation.

We now have a revised and simplified timeline for the OC placement process to ensure that students and families can have certainty about their placement as soon as possible.

The changes include:

- A new date for online applications. Parents must apply between **9 June 2020 and 26 June 2020**. Late applications cannot be accepted.
- A new test date - Wednesday **16 September 2020**.

To ensure fair and consistent assessment of students across New South Wales, students will be offered places based only on their test results this year – there will be no school assessment scores.

There will also be no opportunity for appeals given the tight timeframes.

For further detailed information I encourage you to visit the link below.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

KPS Reward Systems – Updates and Adjustments

As you are aware, we are currently unable to hold our normal assemblies. However, we continue to celebrate and share student success in the following ways:

MERIT AWARDS: Ms Stone will present two per class every Friday and names will be published in the next newsletter.

K-2 BIRTHDAY AWARDS: Class teachers will present in class on the day of or nearest day to a student's birthday.

VALUE AWARDS: In recognition of the disruption to regular schooling, the Class Dojo Tick system has been adjusted as follows:

Previous Tick Target	NEW Tick Target	Value Award
100	80	1st Silver Value Award
175	130	2nd Silver Value Award
225	170	3rd Silver Value Award

Previous Tick Target	NEW Tick Target	Value Award
250	200	Gold Merit Key

As usual, we encourage students to focus on the reason for earning Dojo ticks and the ways in which they can show Honour, Knowledge and Community at school.

Value awards will be presented on Fridays, with student names and a group photo published in the next newsletter.

VALUE STICKER PBL RAFFLES: Prizes will be drawn during the day on Fridays in Weeks 3, 6, 9.

STUDENT OF THE TERM: This will resume in Term 3- details to be confirmed at a later date.

Merit Awards

Term 2 Week 6			Term 2 Week 7		
Class	Recipient Name	Recipient Name	Class	Recipient Name	Recipient Name
KF	Sam	Zachary	KF	Jed	Owen
KP	Joel	Grace	KP	Nahla	Aaron
KT	Spencer		KT	Asher	Jimmy
1C	Brittany	Febriana	1C	Xiao-En	Hugo
1R	Leyre	Annabel	1R	Angie	Murray
1V	Enkhjin	Jonas	1V	Eera	Johnny
2/1B	Hamish	Spencer	2/1B	Alicia	Danson
2R	Chengqu	Risa	2R	Saskia	Otto
2SF	Cody	Lan	2SF	Sora	Hadiya
3D	Ivy	Shu-Ho	3D	Remi	
3M	Gabriel	Arjun	3M	Patrick	Xintong
4/3K	Eamon-Star	Lara	4/3K	Marco	Mariam
4C	George	Charlie	4C	Lauren	Tom
4E	Fei	Locus	4E	Maxim	
5J	Shu-Ching	Sajjad	5J	Nandana	
5T	Ernie	Noa	5T	Becky	Arjun
6/5D	Alex	Chloe	6/5D	Alice	Connor
6R	Annah	Minh	6R	Trang	Finn

Value Awards

HONOUR

3D Hamish, Grace, Franco **3M** Jonah, Ellie, Jax, Jesse, Eleanor, Talia, Emily **4/3K** Charlie, Mariam, Zara **5J** Navleen, Nandana, Ayla, Max, Hana, Maddie

KNOWLEDGE

3D Ivy L, Ivy W **4/3K** Sean, Louisa, Yunqing **4E** Surin **5J** Oliver, Uunai **6/5R** Ethan

COMMUNITY

1V Sophie **4/3K** Florence, Isabella **5J** John, Noah, Reina



PJ & Onesie Day



Sydney Children's Hospital Stage 1 Redevelopment

The Randwick Campus Redevelopment Project Team and partners are working together to plan and design Sydney Children's Hospital Stage 1 including Australia's first Children's Comprehensive Cancer Centre. This project will bring together world-leading clinical care, research and education to deliver new models of care and innovative treatments for sick and injured children.

This is an exciting opportunity and we are asking the community to contribute ideas to help us form the design of the children's hospital and research centre, to ensure the facilities meet the needs of patients, their families and the community now and into the future!

We invite you to join us in the design process by completing the short survey or activity sheet for younger children. Your feedback will help us to shape the vision for this important project.

If you are an adult or over 13 years of age we recommend you complete the adult's survey and if you are under 13 years of age we recommend you complete the children's survey. For younger children, the children's activity sheet can be completed using pictures and words. We encourage parents and carers to sit with their kids to help them fill out the activity sheet or survey if they need it.

Please ensure you submit your responses to us by July 1, 2020.

To return the children's activity sheet, please scan and send to HI-RandwickCampusRedevelopment@health.nsw.gov.au or mail to:

Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick
PR Department
Ground floor
High Street
Randwick NSW 2031

We appreciate you helping us with this important work.

To find out more information on this exciting project, please visit at the link below.

<http://randwickcampusredevelopment.health.nsw.gov.au/>

**Kind regards,
The Randwick Campus Redevelopment Team**

School Holiday Programs - Call them directly for information

Code Camp

Code Camp are releasing some new online coding sessions over the winter school holidays. Please see the attached flyer.

KPSOOSH



Please click [here](#) to view the KPS OOSH families June newsletter.