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## **Kensington Catch Up**

1 July 2020

## Principal's Message

Welcome to Week Ten at Kensington Public School.

Congratulations everyone for reaching the end of a very challenging few months-not only for us but for everyone around the world. Everyone is well deserving of a few weeks of rest, relaxation and catching up with friends and family albeit still in small groups and adhering to social distancing requirements.

Students return on Tuesday 21 July. We look forward to another exciting term of learning and engagement, as some programs will start to return.

Please watch the Schoolzine app and newsletters as a few more activities are placed onto the calendar and be assured Kensington PS continues to follow all procedures and policies outlined by the department to keep our school site functionally safe for everyone. We thank everyone for your understanding while we continue to do this.

The school emails will be monitored during the holidays for health related messages and I ask that you please let the school know if you have anything to report with regards to this.

I hope that everyone has found the student, teacher, parent meetings helpful and don't forget reports will be sent home on Friday 31 July.

Stay warm everyone,

Ms L Stone Principal

# Education Week With a Difference 3-7 August 2020

The children will be involved in lots of activities from Gratitude Day to the Hour of Code.

NAIDOC Week Celebrations

Multicultural Day with a difference and an Art Show

More information will be available in Week Two, Term

Three

Don't forget to follow us on twitter @KENSINGTONPS and to check out our newsletters for photos of what is happening in our classrooms.

## Multicultural Day Friday 7 August 2020

We would like families to record and send in a video which shares something about their culture.

This could be:

- A song
- Sharing cooking of a recipe
- A story
- A dance
- A cultural event

We will create a video of the day's events and family videos which will be shared in our newsletter.

Please keep an eye on our newsletter for more information.

Please enjoy the following video from Cat Egan who has been working on the beautiful murals around our school:

https://we.tl/t-S1MTR5o93e

Cat's Instagram and website:

http://www.instagram.com/cat\_egan\_design/

http://www.categan.com.au/

## 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.

### Spots and Stripes Day - Friday 3 July

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

## Focus of the Fortnight



KPS FOCUS OF THE FORTNIGHT
We show Honour, Knowledge and Community by making positive choices. Each fortnight

TERM THREE					
Weeks 1, 2 and 3	In all settings, we follow teacher instructions				
Weeks 4 and 5	On the playground, we we solve problems together or with a teacher				
Weeks 6 and 7	In all settings, we stay in the right place at the right time				
Weeks 8 and 9	In all settings, we work and play safely				
Weeks 10 and 11	In all settings, we speak respectfully to others				

## **Merit Awards**

Term 2 Week 8			Term 2 Week 9		
Class	Name	Name	Class	Name	Name
KF	Bonnie	Khushi	KF	Ari	Chloe
KP	Thomas	Joannes	KP	Ethan	Minh Dat
KT	Jessica	Aeris	KT	Yasmin	Candice
1C	Jeffery		1C	Alice	Adam
1R	Daphne		1R	Alessandro	Sanjana
1V	lvy	Lucca	1V	Akash	Charlotte
2/1B	Marley	Annabelle	2/1B	Ella	Oscar
2R	Grace	Aria	2R	Louie	Valentina
2SF	Margaret	Lewi	2SF	Geraldo	Billie
3D	Eric	lvy W	3D	Nicholas C	Abby
ЗМ	Mikey	Eleanor	ЗМ	Jax	Gabby
4/3K	Tom	Keren	4/3K	Carlson	Zara
4C	Chloe Tippet	Oscar	4C	Amalyn	Alex
4E	Fatimah	Millie	4E	lan	Jamie
5J	Zahra	Jeremy	5J	Ayla	Reina

Term 2 Week 8			Term 2 Week 9		
5T	Eva	Jason	5T	Linh	Max
6/5D	Jacob	Kiani	6/5D	Jason	Asher
6R	Minh	Jessica	6R	Sarah	Louis

## Value Awards

### **HONOUR**

1R Ethan, Murray 2/1B Rhys, Spencer, Abby, Annabelle, Monty, Yena 2R Kat 2SF Lewi, Clara, Milica, Ace, Margaret 3D Sarangoo, Timothy, Avia, Maelle, Sonny 3M Gabby, Patrick 4/3K Andy, Eamon-Star, Kathryn, Greg, Lachlan, Lara, Tom 4C Tanner 4E Fei 5J Eddie, Mergen, Sajjad 6/5D Sophie 6R Arin

#### **KNOWLEDGE**

1C Melody 1R Jamal 2/1B Carl, Alicia, Boaz, Danson, Marley, Molly 2R Louie 2SF Billie, Lan, Hadiya 3D Callum 3M Arjun, Lachlan, Vedika, Dario, Aranya, Gabriel, Harry, Colin, Mikey, Kingston 4/3K Anton 4C George 5J Aerith, Isla 6/5D Eddie, Oliver 6R Eden, Sarah

#### **COMMUNITY**

1C Jada 1R Isabel 2/1B Daniel, Ella, Alexa 2R Ally, Tala 2SF Iskandar 3D Chelsea, Tejas, Mia, Effie, Abby 3M Xintong, Sofia, Sahithya, Alice 4/3K Carlson, Keren, Devan, Lulu 4E Alyssa, Lauren 5J Michael, Zahra, Eileen, Abu, Kayla, Maddie 6R Jessica, Finn, Eiad



K-2 Week 8 Value Awards



3-6 Week 8 Value Awards



K-2 Week 9 Value Awards



3-6 Week 9 Value Awards



3-6 Week 9 Value Awards

## **Essential Worker Mufti Day**









## Launch of the Gonski Institute for Education's Parent and Caregiver Resources

At the Gonski Institute for Education we are committed to helping every child reach their full potential, educationally and in life. We also recognise that parents and caregivers play a crucial role in a child's learning and development journey.

We have developed a set of parent guides to support parents through a range of issues related to their child's education.

These resources, developed by Dr Amy Graham (Gonski Institute for Education Research Fellow), are designed to provide quality, up-to-date information for parents and carers. The guides combine translated research with practical tips for parents and carers to use with their own child. Topics range from digital device use, to social and emotional skills, play and transitioning to high school, among others.

These guides will be regularly updated. If you have feedback about the content, changes to suggest, or topics you would like to see covered, please email us at gonski@unsw.edu.au

## **Parent and Caregiver Resources**

https://www.gie.unsw.edu.au/research/parent-and-caregiver-resources

# Violin Teacher at KPS commencing in Term 3

Isabel Tzorbatzaki - Eastern Suburbs based Violin Teacher -

## Please contact her directly to register your child's expression of interest

Email: isabeljtz@gmail.com Phone: 0481 539 430

MMus (Violin Performance), B Mus (Hons) (Violin Performance)

Isabel Tzorbatzaki completed her Bachelor of Music (Honors) at Melbourne University and is currently undertaking her Masters with Goetz Richter at the Sydney Conservatorium. Isabel performs regularly in chamber and orchestral groups around Australia as well as solo.

Isabel is a patient, motivating and enthusiastic teacher who has tutored for programs such as SYO, MYO and Symphony for Life. She also has a YouTube channel dedicated to teaching beginners in an exciting and creative way based on Shirley Given's violin method books.

Teaching: Violin

Levels: Beginners, Intermediate,

Advanced Ages: Children, Youth, Adults

Genres: Classical

## **Community News**

### Randwick Boys' High School Newsletter

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

#### **Job Opportunity**

My organisation is looking for 2 team/communications assistants (one with Asian language skills and knowledge - specifically Chinese, Japanese or Korean)

We have advertised this on seek but conscious of trying to support our school community in this time and also no doubt we have some great qualified people from diverse backgrounds that might fit the bill.

https://www.seek.com.au/job/50118349

With thanks Rebecca Mikula-Wright

# 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.

## **P&C News**



## UPDATE on planned P&C events for Terms 3 and 4, 2020

#### Term 3

**22-Aug Bunnings Sausage Sizzle** - Bunnings have advised that the sausage sizzles are still 'on-hold' until further notice

**4-Sep Father's Day** - FREE 'Coffee and pastry to-go' for Dads (Details TBC)

15-Sep P&C Mufti Day – Refer to notices from school

#### Term 4

26-Oct International Teacher's Day - Activities to recognise teachers being planned and will be advised 30-Oct Halloween Disco - It is unlikely the disco will go ahead in 2020. Instead, the P&C agreed to form a coordinating committee for planning the 2021 school fete (Details TBA)

**1-Dec P&C Mufti Day** – Refer to notices from school

### P&C Uniform Shop [ORDER HERE]

ONLINE UNIFORM ORDERS: Please remember to enter your child's name, class and pickup location during checkout to help the school allocate your order to avoid delays. All orders received by 3pm Wednesday will be ready for pick-up Thursday 3pm in the same week. Orders received after this will be ready for pick-up the following Thursday.

A very big THANK YOU to Sandra for processing the uniform orders this term. Unfortunately, volunteers have not been permitted onsite to process the large number of orders, and we thank Sandra for dedicating her time each Wednesday to make sure students get their orders home.

Sadly, our uniform shop coordinator, Syeda has chosen to step down for personal reasons. The P&C are very grateful for Syeda in taking up the role this year, and the fabulous job in leading the team and helping with the transition to our new POS and

inventory system. Thank you Syeda, we wish you and your family the very best.

# Kokoda Park playground upgrade – Please Complete the 1min SURVEY



Randwick Council is seeking feedback on the 2020-21 draft budget which includes the long awaited upgrade to nearby Kokoda Park playground as part of the Kensington & Kingsford highlights. The P&C

unanimously agreed to support the park upgrade. Mimi Tong (Isabel 1R) leading a submission on behalf of the P&C and has sent out a survey via WhatsApp [Thanks Mimi]. Louise has also contacted Ron Hoenig (Member for Heffron) to gain further support.

Please complete the following 1min SURVEY by this Friday 3 July, to support the Council's plan to upgrade Kokoda Park Playground.

# The P&C want to support parents and the local community

#### [ CLICK HERE to show your support]

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



196: Looking south on Anzac Parade towards Todman Avenue

The Coronavirus has profoundly impacted our entire school community. In addition to the challenges faced in home schooling, parents and businesses continue to feel the financial pressures from lay-offs, reduced income or business shut-downs. The P&C is very grateful for the support from our community - parents, teachers and local businesses - our friends! The P&C would like to offer FREE advertising for parents and businesses to promote products or services to the KPS community. Please contact the P&C at kensopandc@gmail.com if you wish to advertise and we will post your ad within 2 days.

## CPR and First aid for Children' hosted by Dr Debbie Perkins on 19 June

#### CLICK HERE to see webinar recording.

The above free Zoom webinar was a sell-out! However the Randwick Council has kindly made available a recording for those wishing to learn about CPR and First



aid for Children. You will also find various resources listed in the description section below the video.

Should you have any further questions please feel free to contact Marie Tsigaropoulos, Community Projects Officer, Randwick City Council.

Ph: 02 9093 6839 Mob: 0436 923 496

Marie.Tsigaropoulos@randwick.nsw.gov.au

http://www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/

## P&C General Meeting via Zoom on 23-Jun 7:30pm

The P&C held its first meeting via Zoom since before COVID-19 lockdown last Tuesday. Thank you to all parents who were able to join us. The minutes are still being finalised and will be available shortly. Given the extraordinary environment as a result of COVID-19 and the difficulty associated with a transition with social distancing laws, etc the P&C unanimously voted for the existing P&C office bearers to remain in their roles until the 2021 AGM. The current executive have accepted to stay on in their current capacities.





Jock (President) (Valentina 4E, Isabella 6R, Alessandro 1R)

Petra (Vice President) (Otto 2R)





Megan Jane (Secretary) (Treasurer) (Alex 6/5D, (Libby 4C) Abby 2/1B)

Next P&C Meeting Tues 28 July 7:30pm. ALL parents are invited to attend. If you wish to vote you must be a registered P&C member. To register, please click the following LINK and pay \$1 registration fee online. CLICK HERE to register for the Zoom meeting. Agenda TBC.