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Kensington Catch Up

21 July 2021

Principal's Message

Welcome to Week Two, Term Three,

Well, this term has certainly started off very differently but once again our amazing community has come together to support one another through this challenging period. I would like to express my sincere thanks to all of our students, parents and carers who have navigated their way through the new online platforms, moving from our familiar face-to-face teaching to remote learning. We know that this is not an easy task, especially balancing work and supporting your child with online learning and would like to stress that supporting positive mental health and wellbeing is the most important thing that we can all do right now.

I would also like to make special mention of our dedicated staff who have worked so hard during this transition period, working during their school holidays and on weekends, to ensure they are upskilled and ready to provide our students with an engaging curriculum online. The emails of support and thanks have been wonderful and greatly appreciated. Teachers would also like to express their thanks for your support with facilitating your child's attendance at the online Zoom sessions this week. The number of students attending sessions has been high and many staff have reported how much they have enjoyed connecting with their classes in this way.

Please note the following few things:

- Staff will be ringing to speak to parents and students at various times during the week. It will be a No Caller ID
- Please ensure you check Schoolzine regularly for updates

 Always seek clarification about school work either through Google classroom chats or email the school on kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

We have managed to reschedule the Year Four and Five and Six Camps for Term Four. I will publish dates once the contracts are updated.

Unfortunately, the Zoo had no available times to reschedule the Year Three Zoo event so we will schedule a Year Three movie night as we did last year in place of camp.

Good luck but not goodbye! Ms Krivosic applied for a secondment to DoE Corporate Department working in STEM and she was successful. This is sad news for Kensington but a very exciting opportunity for Ms Krivosic. She will be taking on the role for one year and we wish her well.

Myself and all the staff at Kensington have been so impressed with our students and want to show our gratitude.

Students - you have demonstrated your resilience, your energy, your adaptability and friendship with your peers. I think you deserve a bit of fun and a very special surprise!

On Friday 23 July, 4.30-5.15pm get ready to dance the night away. We are having a Footsteps online disco. So clear that dance floor, choose that crazy hat, crazy hair or party outfit and get ready to dance. Better let your mum, dad or carer know as they might have to give it a go as well!

Join Zoom Meeting

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/62468298325?pwd=T0VnL1 BhMkJxZWdPQi9rS0taZFpFZz09

> Meeting ID: 624 6829 8325 Passcode: 065301

We would love to see some photos of the party so please feel free to send them through and we can publish them in the next newsletter.

See you online

Ms Louise Stone Principal Dates for your diary- see the school website calendar and Schoolzine notifications for more details

Thursday 22 July 2021 WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Ms Stone will be holding a K-6 Assembly on Thursday morning at 9.00 am and she looks forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Please use the following Zoom Links to access the meeting.

Meeting ID: 667 7132 0223 Password: 335244

https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/66771320223?pwd=YU84QX J6TTIJM2JiRjVmbGtIMzF0Zz09

This week's theme will be 'Wear a beanie!'

Tuesday 27 July 2021 P&C Meeting – Zoom TBC

Education Week

Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions various Education Week activities are on hold. Keep an eye on Schoolzine messages for any changes.

Student Album- Holiday Activities



Cooking





Cubby house



Games



Art

School Council Minutes

If you wish to read the School Council Minutes, please email the school office where a copy is held. Please be aware that the School Council reports to the P&C, who publish their report after their monthly meeting. This report is sent out to current members. The council meets up to twice a term before the P&C Meetings. If you ever have questions or concerns, please email the school and mark it with 'Attention School Council' and the council will get back to you.

Band Message

I just want to take the time to thank everyone in our Band program who made the successful switch to online learning this week. It was great seeing everyone together making music again (even if it was through Zoom)! In case you weren't sure whether to try it out, I would encourage you to give it a try this week. You still have your same music tutor as usual, and it's a great chance to see all your Band friends too. If you have any questions about online Band, please contact me at colton@directionsinmusic.com.au. Stay safe and healthy everyone!

Kind regards,

Colton Freitas Directions in Music Program Manager, Kensington PS

Community News

Randwick Boys' High School Newsletter

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

Extra Curricula Programs at KPS 2021

All extra curricula activities have been suspended until further notice. Please contact them directly for information regarding bookings or invoices.

Violin Lessons

Isabel Tzorbatzaki - Eastern Suburbs based Violin Teacher -

Please contact her directly to register your child **Email:** isabeljtz@gmail.com **Phone:** 0481 539 430