General Guidelines for Parents when making any Payments to the school:

End of Terms 1, 2 & 3 All payments need to be made prior to 10:00am on the last day of term.
End of Term 4 All payments must be made 2 days prior to the end of term.
Cash Payments Correct money is requested, as change cannot always be provided.

Principal’s Message

School Council 2014/2015

In Newsletter No.3 February 14th there was a small item under the heading of School Council. Nominations had closed late the day before and the results at that point called for a ballot to be carried out in the Parent Member Category.

On Monday February 17th the situation changed and as a consequence a ballot was no longer required. Just to ensure that parents and the school community are fully aware of the adjustments, please see below the timeline and steps that we went through to complete the membership for the 2014/2015 council.

In the PARENT MEMBER CATEGORY of School Council there were 4 vacancies.

- five nominations were gained by February 13th – when the period for nominations closed
- a note in the school newsletter of February 14th gave the news that there were more nominations than vacancies in this category – therefore there would be a ballot
- further information was to be provided to the school community on Monday 17th
- in line with the published election timeline, packs including ballot papers were being prepared for all Kingsville families to go out by February 20th
- on Monday however I was informed by one of the five candidates that they wished to withdraw their nomination
- consequently, we then had an equal number of vacancies and nominations and as a result 4 parents were “elected” to council
- congratulations to our new parent members – Leah Young, Melissa Horne, Andrew McArthur and Moira Junge.

Dates to Remember

Term 1

February

Mon 24th Feb School Council Meeting 6.30p.m.
Tue 25th Feb Classroom Helpers information session 9-10.30a.m.
Fri 28th Feb Yarraville District Swimming Carnival – VU Swimming Pool 10a.m – 1p.m.

March

Wed 5th Mar Kingsville Cross Country Grades 3-6 – Cruickshank Park 9.30a.m. – 11.00a.m.
Thur 6th Mar Kingsville Cross Country Grades 3-6 – Cruickshank Park 9.30a.m. – 11.00a.m.

Mon 10th Mar Public Holiday – Labour Day
Tue 11th Mar Student Free Day
Wed 12th Mar Parent Teacher meetings P-6
Fri 15th Mar
- Summer Gala Sports Day Grades 5/6
- Hot March Night – fundraising event

April

Fri 4th Apr End Term 1 – 2.30pm dismissal

Term 2

April

Mon 21st Apr Public Holiday – Easter Monday
Tue 22nd Apr Term 2 begins
Fri 25th Apr Public Holiday – Anzac Day

May

Thur 22nd May School Photos

June

Mon 9th June Public Holiday–Queen’s Birthday
Tue 10th June Student Free Day
Fri 27th Jun End Term 2 – 2.30pm dismissal
In the **DEECD EMPLOYEE MEMBER CATEGORY** of school council there was 1 vacancy.

- one nomination was gained by February 13th when the period for nominations closed.
- **congratulations** to our new DEECD employee (teacher) member Gareth Dainton.

**Parent member Category**

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**DEECD Member Category**

- Hilary Fairlie: Visual Arts teacher
- Jeff McDonald: Leading teacher
- Gareth Dainton: 3/4 teacher

**First School Council Meeting**

School Council will hold its first meeting next Monday February 24th. At this meeting it will elect members to the **office bearing roles** of

- President
- Vice President
- Minute Secretary
- Correspondence Secretary and
- Treasurer

**Sub Committees**

The subcommittee structure for the 2014/2015 school council year will also be confirmed on February 24th and details will be published in the newsletter of February 28th.

**Personnel**

In any year there will always be a number of personnel changes in both the teaching and support staff areas. These changes can be attributed to a number of reasons including approved staff leave, or completion of contract positions.

Whenever there is to be a change of class teacher parents of students in that class will receive a letter providing details as early as possible, prior to the change.

Please note, sometimes the timeline of recruitment and the ability to provide this information to parents is very tight. All positions of more than 30 days now have to be advertised in our government school system and there is at least a four week period of time required in advertising and selecting staff.

Our first change this year is in the 1/2 area as we farewell Brigitte Bentley who will take leave from February 27th. I know all parents will join me in wishing Brigitte well and we look forward to hearing about the “addition” to her family in about 6 weeks.

Interviews for replacement teachers are currently taking place and information will be out to parents next week.

**Information Nights**

Well done Kingsville staff and thank you Kingsville parents. Together you created and participated in the important **Information Nights** that have been held over the last two weeks.

Sessions for Prep, 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6 all had a high percentage of parents attending. In total, close to 350 parents came along and many of those to more than one session. To the Kingsville level leaders, teaching and specialist staff thank you for your time and the sharing of your knowledge. To members of the leadership team and consultant staff thank you for your contributions.

I am confident the information provided contributed greatly to an increased level of parent understanding and set the foundation for strong parent teacher learning partnerships this year. For parents who were unable to attend, materials will be as promised, provided to you.
House Captains
The 2014 House Captains have been elected. Congratulations to:

Bishop (Yellow)
Captains  Luke Nicol and Darci Webster
Vice Captains  Max Le Grand and Taliah Mullane

Cruickshank (Green)
Captains  Darcy Beer and Eliza Green
Vice Captains  James Rukuwai and Maggie O’Day

Julian (Red)
Captains  Aiden Cole-Stewart and Alyana Arellano
Vice Captains  Niall McCarthy and Maddy Whiteside

Somerville (Blue)
Captains  Mason Hose and Lily Girvan
Vice Captains  Fraser Campbell and Abbey Stronell

Kingsville
Awards
To be presented on Friday, 28th February

1/2A  Molly Strachan
1/2B  Lydia Waghorne
1/2C  Taye Ragheb
1/2D  Stirling Koop
1/2E  Ben Becker
1/2F  Amelia Dempsey
1/2G  Albie Browning
3/4A  No award
3/4B  No award
3/4C  No award
3/4D  Annika Crees
3/4E  Grace Droogleever
3/4F  Patrick Weldon
3/4G  Leon Nguyen
5A  Anaya Wenham
5B  Julia Kitanovski
5C  Patricia Hill
6A  Fraser Campbell
6B  Abbey Stronell
6C  Sam Wilson

Happy Birthday
27th February – 5th March
Happy Birthday to Lily Girvan, Samrawit Mersha, Eliza Lavery, Liam Swan, Isla Munro, Oenone Sawell, Gabrielle Dempsey, Jasmine Walker and Gabriel Liley.

Important – EMA in 2014

Eligibility
To be eligible to receive Education Maintenance Allowance in 2014, parents must hold a Centrelink Pensioner Concession or Health Care Benefit Card, a Veterans Affairs (TPI) Pensioner Card, or be a foster parent (foster parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order letter from the Department of Human Services or Courts). The card must be current on the first day of Term 1 (i.e. 28th January, 2014) for the first instalment, and current on the first day of Term 3 (i.e.14th July, 2014) for the second instalment.

Application
- Application must be made in person at the General Office by the eligible card holder and the relevant Centrelink card must be provided for verification.

Payment
Parents have two options for the payment of their EMA:
1. Direct deposit into your bank account (please provide bank account details at the time of applying (i.e. BSB number, account number, account name); OR
2. Cheque (you will receive it later than those electing direct credit into their bank account).

Application can only be made between 9.00 a.m. & 3.30 p.m. from Monday, 3rd February 2014 until Friday, 28th February 2014.

Please note that the Department of Education does not accept any late applications and parents cannot receive EMA for a previous period if they forget to apply (even if they were eligible at the time).
2014 Parent Payment
Reminder to all parents that this payment is due (either in full or half payment) by Friday, 28th February. For full details, please refer to your Statement (posted to all families in early February). If you require a new Statement, or clarification regarding the Parent Payment itself or payment requirements, please contact the Main Office. Thank you.

Assembly Items – Term 2

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Italian Giuramento di Kingsville

Ciao a tutti!
Below is a copy of the Kingsville Oath in Italian. Please encourage your child to learn it as we will be reciting the Giuramento di Kingsville at Monday morning assemblies. If you need some help with pronunciation, keep an eye out on the school website for an audio link.

Siamo in piedi con amici che vogliamo bene e che rispettiamo.
La bandiera ci fa ricordare che Australia e` la nostra casa.
Dobbiamo fare quello che possiamo, per farlo un posto felice e uguale per tutti.

We are standing with friends we care for and respect. The flag reminds us that Australia is our home. We must do what we can to make it a fair and a happy place for everyone.

Grazie,
Sam Meddis & Lisa Fedele (Italian teachers)

Sports News

Cross Country
In two weeks the children in grades 3-6 will be participating in the Kingsville Primary School House Cross Country. On Wednesday 5th March the 9 and 10 year olds will be running two kilometres around Cruickshank Park and on Thursday 6th March the 11, 12 and 13 year olds will be running three kilometres around Cruickshank Park. On each day they will be starting at 9.15am and finishing at approximately 10.45am. Everyone is welcome to support the children. We would appreciate help from parents on the day. Look out for a note that will be coming home with more information about the cross country and how you can help. Please return the form to Mr or Mrs Hodgart.

Last week the grade 3/4 students participated in a hockey clinic facilitated by Hockey Victoria. A leaflet covering further details about the free ‘Come and Try’ sessions can be collected from Mr or Mrs Hodgart.

On Monday all the 3/4s did hockey. First we played Ship, Shark, Shore to warm up. We learnt how to push, block and dribble and how to hold the hockey stick. We had lots of fun.
Billy Dynon 3/4C

On Monday Tim and Michael taught us how to play Hockey. They taught us dribbling, pushing and trapping. After that we played Hoctopus. Hoctopus is a game where you have a ball and a stick and you have to try to get to the other side without losing the ball, if you lose the ball you become seaweed and you have to stay in the one spot and try to hit the balls away. We also played Ship, Shark, Shore to warm up. I loved playing Hockey.
Xavier Singleton 3/4C

I liked it when we played Hoctopus. Everyone was trying very hard to not get their ball out. I also liked it when we played Ship, Shark, Shore, we ran everywhere it was a great warm up. The teachers were very nice. I don’t know why I stopped playing Hockey. I might go back to it one day.
Kit Waddell 3/4C

On Monday the 17th February, we did a Hockey Clinic. We met two nice guys named Tim and Michael. First we had a quick game. Then we learnt how to hold the hockey stick, left hand at the top and right hand at the bottom. We also learnt some hockey skills, dribbling, pushing and trapping. To finish off we had a game of Hoctopus, which involved the hockey skills. It was an awesome clinic.
Skye Edmond 3/4C
Community News

Come & Try Sessions 2014 @ FHC
**Dates:** 4 weeks on Wednesdays 26 Feb, 5 Mar, 12 Mar, 19 Mar
**Times:** 5:15 - 6:00pm U6 (known as Minkey)
5:15 - 6:00pm U8
6:00 - 6:45pm U10, U12 & above
Hockey sticks and shin guards are available for use by new players if required. Please arrive 10-15 mins early if you need to have a hockey stick fitted.
**Location:** McIvor Reserve, Fogarty Ave, Spotswood
**Contact:** David Braiden 0418 561 745
footscrayhockeyjuniors@gmail.com

Westgate Imperials Basketball
Basketball tournament tryouts for the ANZAC weekend basketball tournament at Whittlesea. Tryouts for U10/12 Boys and U14/16 Boys teams held on Sunday 23 Feb at Whitten Oval.
Players do not need to be part of the Westgate domestic comp to tryout – all welcome!
For more information, please email Amanda or Maryann at westgateimperials@gmail.com or view the Westgate Basketball page on Sporting Pulse.