



Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

Term 1

March

Mon 17th – Fri 28th Mar Prep – 2 Swimming Program

Mon 24th Mar School Council meeting 6.30p.m.

Mon 24th – Fri 28th Mar Teacher Planning Week

April

Fri 4th Apr

- Casual Clothes Day – fundraising event
- Easter Hat Parade 11.40a.m.
- **End Term 1 – 2.30pm dismissal**

Term 2

April

Mon 21st Apr **Public Holiday – Easter Monday**

Tue 22nd April **Term 2 begins**

Fri 25th April **Public Holiday – Anzac Day**

May

Mon 12th May School Council Annual General Meeting 6.00p.m. – 6.40p.m.
School Council Meeting 6.45p.m.

Tues 20th May Prep Information Night for 2015 – 7p.m.

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**

Future Dates

Sat 18th Oct **Kingsville Fete**

Mon 3rd Nov **Student Free Day**

Tue 4th Nov **Public Holiday – Melbourne Cup**



Principal's Message

Last Monday I sent home to all Kingsville families information about the passing on of our dear friend and colleague Jan Brown.

It has been a challenging week at KPS but, it has also been a positive and rewarding one. The many messages that have come from parents, students and even other school principals in the area have served to illustrate just how much Jan was valued and loved. Such messages have supported us all this week.

As Principal I thank and congratulate my staff. They have all continued to undertake their duties and work sympathetically with the students as we have collectively remembered Jan this week. To Kingsville students and in particular members of the student leadership team, you have been an inspiration. Jan Brown loved this school and celebrated the achievements of every child over so many years. This week as current Kingsville students you have demonstrated absolutely what Jan knew about you. You have displayed strength, resilience and respect. The funeral for Jan Brown was held today and a number of our students lined Bishop Street in a **guard of honour** to farewell her. This was her turf so to speak, she lived in Bishop Street and always kept an 'eye out' on the school. Usually in ceremonial situations such as this, senior students i.e. grade 5/6 take up the responsibility. Today however, grade 3/4 students 'stepped up to the mark' as a number of 5/6's were at sport. Grade 3/4 students you did an amazing job and I hope that you will all remember taking part in this solemn but important event for many years to come.

Correction - the Annual General Meeting of School Council is on Monday 12th May.

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.

School Council President Sam Elg 0437 774 338
OSHC Camp Australia 0401 054 261

School Uniform Primary School Wear 9363 8458
Program Manager Asi Malu

Message Board

We have set up an acknowledgement board for Jan Brown just inside the front door of the school. Over the next two weeks students, parents and staff will have the opportunity to write messages and place them up on this area.

So come along and put up your message, drawing, poem or whatever you like. The display will remain in place until the end of this term and then all messages along with photos etc. will be put together in a 'messages of KPS' book for Jan's family.

My personal message to Jan will be in the form of a **Kingsville Award** made out to her. Jan who typed up probably thousands of student awards over the years will finally have one. I will ensure it is adorned with plenty of "well done" stickers which she always added so generously to the individual student awards.

Parents if you can't get up to the school just send your messages along and they will be put up for you.

Friday assembly cancelled

There was no Friday assembly this morning due to a large number of students being off site – P-2 swimming program, 5/6s Gala Sports day. The awards listed in the newsletter of March 14th to be given out on 21st March, will now be presented next Friday 28th March.

Transition to Secondary School

The move from primary to secondary school is a major milestone for any child. In term 1 of the Grade six year in a primary school the formal process begins. The thinking, planning and preparation however for the transition for most families begins well before this.

Victorian Government primary schools are required to take responsibility for the placement of Year 6 students into Year 7. Primary and Secondary schools follow set procedures and timelines for ensuring the operational aspects of the process are adhered to across all government schools.

This process is managed by year 6 teachers and in 2014 Mori Milholland is the teacher in charge. Information packs will be sent home at the beginning of Term 2. In the meantime parents may wish to visit the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) website at: <http://www.education.vic.gov.au> there is a section for **Parents** and **Secondary School** under the **Schools** tab.

In addition it is important to note that a number of Secondary schools conduct student interviews. The types of interview questions that your child may be asked include those listed below. It is a good idea to talk with your child about these questions so that in the interview they are confident in expressing themselves.

- Why do you want to come to this school?
- What leadership qualities do you possess? What leadership experience have you had? How have you been a leader?
- How do you learn?
- What are your interests/hobbies?
- Who is someone you admire and why?
- What is a world issue that you have an interest in? Why?

Don't forget to research tour dates or open days for schools you may be interested in.



Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday, 28th March

3/4A	Robert Salas-Miles
3/4B	No award
3/4C	No award
3/4D	No award
3/4E	Conor Hennessy
3/4F	Lily Furnari
3/4G	Taylor Newbegin and Liam Brophy
5A	Beth Monagle
5B	Maris Vallejos
5C	Hazel Pigrum
6A	Kristen Dodds
6B	Lily Girvan
6C	Julio Salas-Miles



Happy Birthday

27th March – 2nd April

Happy Birthday to Evelyn Jaffray, Ines Morgan, Brodie Clutterbuck, Devmina Ratnasekara, Nujhat Tabassum,

Willow McIntyre, Victoria Atanasovski, Angus Norton, Yasmine Lester, Alison Rae, Ava Artavilla, Khang Lam, Ayub Naghar and Jaydan Lunt.



Fundraising News

Thank you so far for your kind donations for this year's Easter raffle. Please place any donations in the tubs outside the front office.

The children are getting very excited about this year's Easter Raffle so don't forget to purchase your tickets. Raffle Tickets can be purchased until Wednesday 2nd April.

Vita Budlender, fundraising Convenor

Well done generous Kingsville parents, the collection tubs are filling up but, we do still need Easter hamper donations. Thank you Vita and fundraisers for your work. Kath Ginnane, Principal

Hot March Night

Absolutely last chance tickets will available at the gate so it is not too late.

Parent helpers are required

There are only a small number of helpers so far. We do need volunteers to work on sales, cooking, selling drinks etc. so please, if you can help, go to gate 3 main driveway of school and list your name down. It would be greatly appreciated.

Ride to School Day

Student report - Wednesday 19th March 2014

Wednesday's Ride2School Day was very successful because lots of people took up the challenge to get to school in a way other than by car, 488 in fact. The weather was great for riding or walking to school so we were very lucky. We think this day will encourage more people not to take the car to school and we look forward to next term's Walk to School Day (23rd May). Thank you to all the parents who took the time to make sure we had a successful Ride to School Day. Next time we will try to beat our total, so let's all start walking and riding to school!

By Jess McGowan 6B
on behalf of the Junior School Council.

Community News

Supporting Women in Laos

(Information provided by Guy Hatfield, dad of Vientiane Hatfield).

Yim Yam Restaurants are supporting the establishment of a new program which will work with disadvantaged single women with children in Laos. Highly marginalised by their community, many of these women and as a consequence their children, experience poverty and a severe lack of opportunity. A long time colleague of mine (Guy's) from Save the Children in Laos, Debbie Petleung has lived and worked in Laos for many years and is very well placed to make a real positive difference to these families' livelihood.

Debbie and I are again working to put on an event at our Yim Yam branch in Collingwood on Saturday April 5th to launch the "Women in Laos" project. We hope to have a large crowd attending to help launch.

We are also very excited that Matt Preston of Masterchef fame will be joining us at the launch and will be discussing Asian food in general and Lao food in particular.

Details:

Yim Yam, 76 Smith Street, Collingwood
5th April from 12.30p.m.
Tickets \$35.00

Available now at Yim Yam restaurants or at EventBrite 'Women In Lao'

Kingsville Primary School Easter Raffle – \$1 per ticket



Name & Class: _____

Contact no.: _____

Tickets due back to school by Wednesday 2nd April. Raffle drawn Friday 4th April at school assembly.

Please cut your tickets out before returning them along with the money in an envelope to your class teacher. Thank you!



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