



# Newsletter

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## Dates to Remember

### Term 4

#### December

Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Grade 6 Graduation
Tue 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Parent Helpers Morning Tea
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Grade parties
Thur 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Icy pole day (fundraising)</li> <li>• Casual Clothes day (fundraising)</li> </ul>
<b>Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Casual Clothes day (fundraising)</li> <li>• <b>Last day Term 4 – 1.30p.m. dismissal</b></li> </ul>

### 2016

#### Term 1

#### January

Wed 28<sup>th</sup> Jan **Grade 1-6 students begin**

#### February

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Feb **Prep students begin**

### Term Dates 2016

**Term 1** Wed 27<sup>th</sup> January – Thu 24<sup>th</sup> March

**Term 2** Mon 11<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 24<sup>th</sup> June

**Term 3** Mon 11<sup>th</sup> July – Fri 16<sup>th</sup> September

**Term 4** Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Tue 20<sup>th</sup> December

*\*Please note 27th January is designated as a student free day for all Victorian government primary schools. Grades 1-6 students return to school on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January*

Preps begin on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2016.



## Principal's Message

### Be safe and be seen

#### Student Safety

The **BE SAFE AND BE SEEN** student safety program and **Hi Viz Kids** products were officially launched for kindergarten students starting school in February 2014 in NSW, by the then premier Mr Barry O'Farrell. The stated goal being to "change the way road users 'view' and 'see' children". The Hi Viz products are now being incorporated into primary schools in Victoria and other states.

Mike Lagastes, parent of Jasper and past School Council member brought the program and products to the notice of our governing group last year. From that our council viewed sample bags and made a decision to go ahead and have some made up with the school logo ready for incoming 2016 preps.

We launched the bags at the recent prep transition program and they were very popular. We only had 20 at the time as a sample and they were all sold out very quickly. Due their popularity we went ahead and ordered another 40. Some of these will fill pre-orders from incoming prep parents however, the remainder are available for sale at the main office.

At assembly today we had preps model the bags and there will be a display in the foyer office next week for parents to view the product.

Please note this items is **not** a compulsory school uniform item but, is a great option particularly for students who may be walking to school or riding bikes.

#### To purchase

Cost \$45

Payment cash sales only at main office.

Further bags may be ordered in 2016.

### **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** Leah Young 0418 369 039  
**OSHC Camp Australia** 0401 054 261

**School Uniform Primary School Wear** 9363 8458  
**Program Manager** Asi Malu

## The Kingsville Primary School Peace Tree

Set up in the school foyer is the beautiful **Kingsville Peace Tree**, proudly displaying a silver glitter version of our logo as a nod to the festive season. Our students have been adorning the tree with hand decorated drawings and messages of peace. I shared some of these at assembly this morning and the detail students had provided was very moving.

We have a few blank cards left and invite parents coming through the school to stop, sit down and write their message of peace, put their family name on it and hang it on the tree.

We will be keeping all of these messages for students of the future to reflect back on the messages for peace in our world created by Kingsville students of 2015.

## Thank you to our 2015 Parent Helpers

Please don't forget the staff would like to say THANK YOU. So to all classroom helpers, fundraisers, volunteers, library workers, gardeners etc, etc (there are so many ways parents help), we would like your company in the staffroom at 11.00a.m. on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

## Good luck to the class of 2015

Our year 6 students will take part in a graduation ceremony here at Kingsville next Monday evening. Congratulations in completing your 7 years of primary school.

Please see the roll call of year 6 students in this newsletter.

## School organisation/teacher allocation 2016

When schools publish their grade model at the end of a school year for the following year it is hoped, that there will not need to be any adjustments before the new school year begins.

At Kingsville we have been lucky over a number of years in not having to make changes later in December or January.

It is important however to realise that sometimes due to unexpected changes in enrolment or other impacting factors, changes of model or teacher allocation do need to be made.

Kingsville students always take part in a STEP UP PROGRAM in early December. This is planned to be a very positive experience when students meet their class mates and in most cases their new teacher and such was the case last Tuesday.

Of course it is also hoped that "the new teacher" does not have to change, but sometimes this is necessary. Current staff can gain transfers at any time or suddenly have the need for leave. Therefore vacancies and some adjustment to the published staffing model may be necessary. Of course if changes are made parents of that class group would be notified and the children as a group would be spoken to

## Kingsville Primary School - School Council

### Are you interested?

**School Councils** play a key role in Victorian Government schools.

At Kingsville Primary School we have a long history of very successful and active governance teams who have helped establish the broad direction and vision for the school.

Successive councils have carried out their key roles and in doing so every year enhanced the educational opportunities of our students.

The School Council election process in government schools begins straight away in in Term 1 (see timeline below)

**Vacancies** – 2016 – 2017 School Council membership

The size and configuration of Kingsville Primary School School Council is set down in its Constituting Order and is

**Parent members – 8**

**DET members – 4** (including the Principal as Executive Officer)

A total of **12** members.

For the 2015/2016 council year there will be

**4** Parent vacancies

and

**1** teacher/DET vacancy

Elected terms are for 2 years.

### Timeline of election

2016/2017 membership

To determine 2016/2017 membership

Thur 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Continuing to raise community awareness</li><li>Making sure all new Kingsville families are made aware of the timeline and roles available</li></ul>
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Call for nominations</li></ul>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Nominations close 4pm</li><li>Display list of candidates, nominator &amp; seconder</li><li>Declare new School Council if nominations accepted equal the number of vacancies</li><li>If the nominations are less than the number of vacancies in either category, call again for nominations for a 3 day period.</li></ul>
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	If election required – distribute ballot papers by this date
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If no election required hold the first School Council meeting of new School Council</li><li>If election required – current School Council meets for the last time on this day</li></ul>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Close of ballot for election (if required)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Count votes & declare poll
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	New School Council able to meet from this date
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March due to March 14 <sup>th</sup> being a public holiday	School Council meeting
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Government compliance attained

### Gaining more information

If any parents have questions about school council or membership of the parent category please pass these onto myself as Principal or Jeff McDonald, Assistant Principal

### Casual Clothes Day

At the end of every school year there are 2 **CASUAL CLOTHES DAYS**. Well 1 ½ really as we finish at 1.30p.m.

This year the days are

- Thursday December 17<sup>th</sup> and
- Friday December 18<sup>th</sup>

**a gold coin is always requested** on these days and as 2 days are involved we would love the **small gold coin**.

### Target

622 x \$2 = \$1244.00

***This target is possible however all gold coins or donations are greatly appreciated.***



## Happy Birthday

**10<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> December**

*Happy birthday to* Isaac Reed, Dakira Nguyen, Genevieve Bennetts, Etienne Casemore, Aarya Thakker,

Jakob Salter, Julia Kitanovski, Esther Harrison, Anouk Waddell, Evie Prendergast-Withy, Lily Nguyen, Jenny Duong, Lola Knowles, Coco Knowles, Charlie Peile, Louis Anderson, Eva Willis, Jarrah Sasaki, Evie Giansiracusa, Xavier Singleton, Salem Hafte, Chloe Strachan, Felix Marsh, Ruby Goonan, Eve Harris, Koki Christian, Jasper Lagastes, Damon Georgievski, Grace Atherton, Chelsea Davies, Brodie Kupsch, Isidora Green, Madeleine Scambary Speller, Nicholas Scambary Speller, Jei Welsh, Flynn Newnham, Mali Hawke, Ella Parnham, Emmanuel Thuc, Spiros Gerakoulakos, Ben Williams, Jordan Seci, Chloe Zhang, Joshua Diamond and Chyanne Lumsden.

## Art News

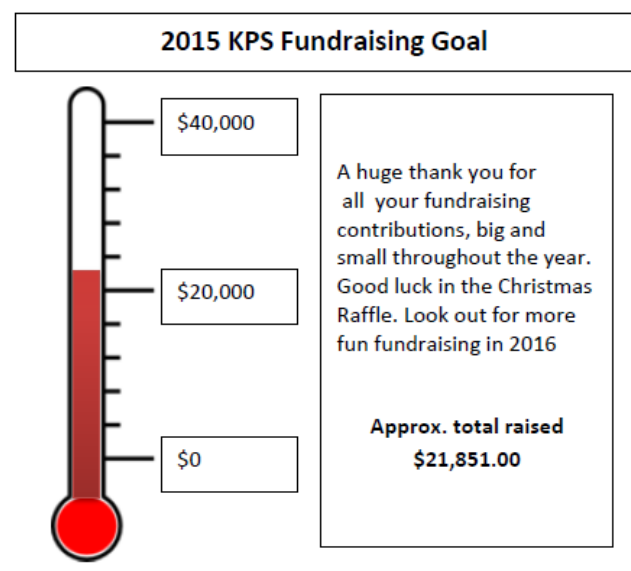
At Kingsville Primary School we live the PYP Learner Profile and attitudes in order to live and think like global citizens each day. One way we can do this is at the community level, fostering connections with other schools in our neighbourhood, working together as if in fact we were the one school. The school year cannot finish without a huge thank you going out to Gilmore Girls College and their amazing and talented art teacher Lesley Burt.

In our art room we wanted to give the 5/6 children the opportunity to use clay and move through the full process. However without a kiln it wasn't possible at Kingsville. That's when Gilmore Girls and Lesley came to the rescue and offered up their kiln. We had a considerable number of pots to fire and Lesley has spent and still is spending a lot of time sorting our ceramics with good humour.

So it's with much appreciation we thank Gilmore Girls College, they have helped facilitate our art program here at Kingsville and shown what community spirit and connection is all about.

Rhonda McLeod and Lily Demetriou  
The Ministry Of Art

## Fundraising News



However, our total will be added to with the proceeds of the Christmas raffle, Icy Pole day and casual clothes days.

## Student participation and/or achievement

### My Pacific School Games Experience

I was recently lucky enough to compete in the Pacific School Games in Adelaide as part of the Victorian swim team. The Pacific School Games is a competition where school kids from all over the Pacific region compete in different sports like football, basketball, diving and swimming. There were teams from India, China, Fiji, Macau, New Zealand and all the Australian states and territories.

I competed in 6 events – 4 relays and 2 individuals. I loved all of it. Apart from racing, we swapped badges and swimming caps with competitors from all the other states, and I made heaps of new swimming friends. The team spirit was great. Team Vic and Fiji were the best cheerers and we even joined forces. Team Vic cheered for the Fijians and Fiji cheered for Team Vic!

The Pacific School Games was a fabulous experience and I'll remember it forever.

Amelie Le Grand, 5B



# Will your child / children be at Kingsville in 2016?

If you know your child / children will not be returning to Kingsville in 2016

or

If they will be only here for a short time e.g. you could be moving in Term 1

Please fill in below if you have not already informed the school

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## CHILDREN NOT ATTENDING KINGSVILLE P.S. IN 2016

Name: ..... Year level in 2015: ..... Date finishing at KPS: .....

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Name:..... Year level in 2015: ..... Date finishing at KPS.....

New school (if known): .....

Signature of parent/guardian: .....

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## Congratulations to our year 6 graduating students



### The Graduating Class of 2015



Sienna	Abbatangelo
Thanhtuoc	Autran
Jamie	Ballassopoulos
Edith	Beattie
Rebecca	Brown
Fergus	Browning
James	Calleja
Kiara	Ciancio-Knauer
Lochlann	Clarke
Charlotte	Coghlan
Finn	Craig
Angus	Dart
Gabrielle	Dempsey
Furkan	Deniz
Ella	Dockeary-Doyle
Christopher	Doherty
Sophia	Doulis
Clara	Droogleever
Caitlin	Dye
Knate	Fieldhouse-Monaghan
Emily	Fredricks
Spiros	Gerakoulakos
Ruby	Goonan
Rory	Green
Gus	Greer
Samiha	Haider

Patricia	Hill
Mira	Holleman
Louis	Houghton
Saskia	Junge
Cecilia	Karlovic
Cameron	Kelly
Julia	Kitanovski
Coco	Knowles
Lola	Knowles
Gabriel	Liley
Ella	McConnell
Odessa	McNamara
Dylan	Merchant
Laura	Milford
Beth	Monagle
Max	Morgan
Austin	Nelson
Damien	Nguyen
Neo	Panitheng
Bethany	Pearce
Charlie	Peile
Hazel	Pigrum
Saskia	Powles
Veronika	Puohotaua
Elise	Randall
Isabella	Richards

Isobel	Robertson
Syed	Sadman Shoumik
Aspen	Santoro
Oenone	Sawell
Madeleine	Scambary Speller
Nicholas	Scambary Speller
Faith	Seci
Corben	Shirreff
Harry	Sidney
Grace	Sim
Michael	Smith
Bella	Stringfellow
Chakhrit	Subin
Daniel	Ta
Ronney	Tang
Mac	Thomson
Emmanual	Thuc
Poppy	Trewenack
Marisa	Vallejos
Lucas	Van Merkestein
Matthew	Webster
Jei	Welsh
Anaya	Wenham
Cooper	Williams
Iliya	Zakharov



In 2016 these students will move onto Secondary Schools, the destinations are

Footscray Secondary College	32	Altona College	1	Academy of Mary Immaculate, Fitzroy	3	Simonds Catholic College, West Melbourne	1
Penleigh Essendon Grammar	1	Christian Brothers' College, St Kilda	2	Genazzano College, Kew	1	Melbourne Girls College, Richmond	11
Presentation College, Windsor	1	Maribyrnong Secondary College	3	Wesley College	2	St Aloysius' College, North Melbourne	3
Braybrook College	1	Williamstown High School	15				