



# Newsletter

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## Dates to Remember

### Term 3

#### July

- Fri 24<sup>th</sup> July
  - KPS Athletics Day – Newport Park
  - Last day for book club
- Tue 28<sup>th</sup> July Student Led conferences – Prep and 3/4 students
- Thur 30<sup>th</sup> July Student Led conferences – 1/2 and 5/6 students
- Fri 31<sup>st</sup> July Casual Clothes World Vision Fundraiser

#### August

- Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Aug Working Bee grades 3-6
- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug School Council meeting 6.30p.m.
- Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Aug KPS Parents Soirée

#### September

- Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Sept Working Bee Prep-2
- 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Sept School concerts
- Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Sept School Council meeting 6.30p.m.
- Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Sept
  - Casual Clothes Day (fundraising)
  - **Last day Term 3 – 2.30p.m. dismissal**

### Term dates 2015

Term 3 - 13<sup>th</sup> July to 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Term 4 - 5<sup>th</sup> October to 18<sup>th</sup> December



## Principal's Message

Welcome back to all 623 students from our 434 Kingsville families. Term 3 of Semester 2 is a 10 week term, so only 9 weeks or 45 school days and a great deal to cover and experience during that time.

As usual please make sure you check the "Dates to Remember" regularly.


### Student Led Conferences reminder

Sent home in your child's report last term was information relating to the opportunity provided by the school to engage with your child/children in their student led conference. The site to book a time to engage with your child went live on last Monday. At least 46% of the school have logged into the Parent Teacher On-Line (PTO) system and selected a time to listen to their child talk about their learning. The site will remain open until Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of July.

Student led conferences will be held for:

- **Prep students** from 3.45pm to 7.00pm on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July**
- **Grade 1/2 students** from 3.45pm to 7.00pm on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July**
- **Grade 3/4 students** from 3.45pm to 7.00pm on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July**
- **Grade 5/6 students** from 3.45pm to 7.00pm on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July**

Please access the system as follows:

- go to the school's home page: [www.kingsvilleps.vic.edu.au](http://www.kingsvilleps.vic.edu.au)
- click the PTO icon as shown here ... 
- if you have provided the school with an email address click on 'obtain pin and password'

### **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

- if you **have not** provided the school with an email address please login using your PTO online code that was provide to you.

If you encounter any problems using the PTO booking system please contact the school office by phone on 9314 5869

#### **REMINDERS:**

- Your child is the focus of the conference and they are in control, so it is vital they attend.
- The conference is a student led conversation between your child and his/her parents/guardians with the teacher supporting the process as required.
- Student led conferences will be of **15 minutes duration**.
- Please be aware that a number of student led conferences may be happening in the room at the same time your child is delivering their conference to you.
- Children **must** be supervised by parents in specialist areas at all times. Specialist areas provide the opportunity for **students to share their learning** in these different settings. They are **not** a place to leave children while attending another conference.
- Parent/Guardians will need to enter by the Bishop Street entrance of the school after 5.30pm.
- Specialist rooms close at 7pm. Children who have a late conference will need to tour the specialist areas before running their conference.

A computer will be available in the **front office foyer** during school hours (8.45am – 4.00pm) if you do not have internet access at home or elsewhere.

#### **Department of Education and Training Parent Survey**

The 2015 Government Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted across Victoria between Monday July 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday August 7<sup>th</sup>. The overall government objective of this survey is to collect data regarding parent opinion across the state. Individual schools then use this data to assist with school improvement.

At Kingsville Primary School parent opinion, feedback and ideas are sought throughout the year and are always highly valued. This specific yearly method of gaining opinion data as a measure of school performance, is both a compliance and an important tool in ensuring our school is the very best it can be.

Please note parent selection to participate in this particular survey is determined by a computer generated random sample. Consequently, parents over the 13 years of their child/children's education will experience a varying number of requests.

Surveys will be mailed out on Friday July 24<sup>th</sup> and the goal is to have them returned by Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please ensure all surveys are back by Wednesday August 5<sup>th</sup> to ensure they can be included in the return we send. Every year we receive late surveys which we have been unable to include in our results. So, if you do receive a survey please take the time to fill it in and return it in line with the timeline.

#### **Returning the survey**

Please drop it in at the main office or return it with your child.

#### **Holiday works**

Our fencing project (see newsletter of May 8<sup>th</sup>) is well underway and we expect completion over the next week to 10 days. There have been some delays due to weather and the dreaded 'large rock issue', that is often a problem when building/constructing in this part of Melbourne.

The kitchen garden area has been upgraded with the dirt and mud replaced by lilydale toppings. This is now a much safer and attractive area for students and parents to work in.

Classroom work, saw considerable repairs to carpet with stretching and repairs to ensure safe even surfaces.

#### **Congratulations 2015 Preps**

To our 2015 preps – you are our one hundred and one Kingsville students and also part of the 76,000 Prep students in Victoria this year. On Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup> you will have officially made it through the first 100 days of Prep and your school life.

This year Education Minister, James Merlino has acknowledged this achievement with a special

#### ***Congratulations on 100 days of Prep card***

Big Kingsville pat on the back.

There are only about 2,600 days you need to move through to the end of year 12 but just one day at a time for now.

#### **School Photos**

School photos have arrived and teachers will send these home with the students. If there any issues, queries, late orders or reorders parents should communicate directly with AdvancedLife Photography 9852 1133 or [info@advancedlifevic.com.au](mailto:info@advancedlifevic.com.au)

## Personnel Update

Welcome back to:

Mori Milholland

(permanent Kingsville staff member returning from parental leave) will be class teacher for 6C for the remainder of 2015

Welcome to:

Daniel Smith

(who has gained a position at Kingsville and comes to us from Glen Iris Primary School) will take up teaching duties in grade 3/4B

farewell to:

Lucy Oates

(Permanent Kingsville staff member) will be taking leave from 17<sup>th</sup> July

## Reminders

World Vision Fundraiser

A chance to wear your **favourite** sporting outfit or even your favourite team colours.

The purpose of this fundraiser is to raise money for our sponsor child, Abdletif. Kingsville Primary School has been sponsoring Abdletif for many years now. The sponsoring of a World Vision child has helped students develop an understanding of being global citizens and displaying empathy towards others.

The Junior School Council has organised a casual clothes day with a sports theme. This event will be held on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July. Children may come dressed on the day in their favourite sporting outfit or even their favourite team's colours.

Please remember to bring a gold coin donation to be part of this special event!

From Anna Terzi and Junior School Council members



## Happy Birthday

16<sup>th</sup> July to 22 July

*Happy birthday* Neylan Balbontin, Angus Hawker, Liam Brophy, Mira Holleman, Ruby Wenborn, Hannah Kazoglou, Elliot McCarthy, Suneth Ratnasekara, Kip Arthur and Lulu Greer.



# Kingsville Awards

To be presented on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> July

Prep A	Genevieve Carlisle
Prep B	No Award
Prep C	No Award
Prep D	Madeline Townley
Prep E	No Award
1/2A	Harriet Gould
1/2B	No Award
1/2C	No Award
1/2D	Wilfred Johnson
1/2E	Max Harmer
1/2F	Kiera – Mai Clarke
1/2G	No Award
1/2H	Jayden Lee
3/4A	No Award
3/4B	No Award
3/4C	No Award
3/4D	Sam Heinnen
3/4E	Tessa Millington & Tommy Peile
3/4F	Alice Robertson
3/4G	Edith Dillon
5A	Grace Atherton
5B	No Award
5C	Hamish Panetta
6A	No Award
6B	No Award
6C	Saskia Junge

## Student Action/Achievement

Congratulations to **Aliese Newnham** grade 2 student 1/2A, who carried out a challenge during the holidays and cut off her long hair and has so far raised just over \$1400 for Camp Quality.

Well done to **Faith Seci** grade 6 student 6B, who is a member of the cast of the series "Little Lunch" that begins on ABC3 next Monday July 20<sup>th</sup> at 4.25p.m.

*"it was hard work, but it was worth the time and effort."* Faith Seci

# Staff PYP Workshop 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> July

The workshop that occurred over the first two days of this week provided the opportunity for staff to participate in high quality professional development that encouraged critical thinking and self-reflection. It demonstrated and modelled the dedication to lifelong learning and continuous improvement that is valued by the staff at Kingsville Primary School. What was also evident was the way in which staff demonstrated the attributes of the IB learner profile and drew upon the attitudes required to engage in the significant, relevant, challenging and engaging content.

Teaching through a **concept based inquiry model** is a significant difference that places IB schools at the pointy end of best practise in teaching and learning throughout the world. Concept-based curriculum and instruction is a three-dimensional design model that frames factual content and skills with disciplinary concepts, generalizations and principles. The traditional two-dimensional curriculum model focuses on facts and skills with the goals of content coverage, analysis and the memorization of information. The three-dimensional model emphasises using related facts and skills as **tools** to gain deeper understanding of disciplinary content, transdisciplinary themes and interdisciplinary issues. The three-dimensional model facilitates conceptual transfer through time, across cultures and across situations. Conceptual understandings allow us to better understand our world and our place within it.

This is one powerful way a group of staff reflected on their learning. It is based on 'The Important Book' by Margaret Wise Brown.

The important thing about concepts is

- that they are universal
- they are the big picture
- timeless and transferable
- they allow for deep thinking
- they are the swiss army knife of thinking

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"I appreciate the opportunity I've had to explore concepts with your staff. It was an absolute pleasure to visit your school and work with your staff." Louise Cullen - IB Educator/Workshop Leader, Canberra Girls Grammar School.

Jeff McDonald, Assistant Principal and PYP Coordinator



# Traffic Safety

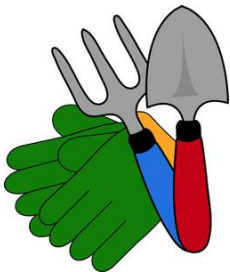
Parents and carers contribute to traffic problems around our school. Please help by obeying the parking restriction signs, keeping clear of the children's crossing and never double-parking outside the school.



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## Years 3 - 6 Grounds Working Bee

Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup>, 9a.m. – 12p.m.



Please return this slip to school by Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

Eldest child at school: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes I'll be attending the Grounds Working Bee.

There will be [     ] members of my family attending.



CONGRATULATIONS  
on 100 days of PREP

from JAMES MERLINO,  
Minister For Education