

**THURSDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2021**  
**ISSUE 2**

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Travis Eddy



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you all once again for the fantastic support that you gave your children and the school during this weeks snap lockdown. Fingers crossed this will not happen to many times this year.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2021 NOTICE OF ELECTION AND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

An election is to be conducted for members of the school council of

#### Kennington Primary School

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school / online and must be lodged by 4.00 pm on: 26/02/2021

The ballot will close at 4.00 pm on: 12/03/2021

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school.

The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows:

**Parent Member - 4 Positions**

**School Employee Member - 1 Position**

#### Term of Office

From the day after the date of the declaration of the poll in 2021 to and inclusive of the date of the declaration of poll in 2023

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.

Nomination forms can be found here <https://kenningtonps.vic.edu.au/key-documents/>

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Last Monday evening School Council met for our first meeting of the year. A number of things were discussed including the school's response to the snap lockdown, funds that have been spent to upgrade the new Art space, and decisions were made regarding the allocation of our three remaining curriculum days.

#### CURRICULUM DAYS 2021

Each Government School in Victoria is allocated four curriculum days per year. These days are used by schools for staff professional learning, strategic implementation and the reviewing of current practice. The first day of the school years is an allocated curriculum and School Council has approved the following dates for 2021.

**Wednesday March 31**

**Wednesday June 2**

**Wednesday December 8**

Please note that Wednesday's have been chosen due to the number of staff that work on this day.

Camp Australia OSHC available.

## KPS VALUES



**Personal Best**

Always aiming high and being the best I can. It means being optimistic: that I will be successful in the end.



**Respect**

Treating everybody and everything with consideration and courtesy. It means looking after myself, others and the environment.



**Resilience**

The ability to manage my emotions and bounce back from an experience that may not have turned out the way I expected.

## KPS SONG

Here we stand together,  
in the school we like the best,

And together we create a school  
that's bigger than the rest.

With gardens, playgrounds,  
stairs and rooms and  
an orphanage next door.

Our grounds and our facilities,  
they offer so much more.

But the buildings and the sandpits  
and the ovals and the grounds,

Don't tell you the whole story of  
the place where we have found,

A safe and fun environment,  
where everyone's your friend.

Where the music and the laughter  
and the learning never ends.

### CHORUS

*Our school is like no other,  
a very special place,*

*With space to learn and room to  
grow, there's a smile on every face.*

*We are a team of individuals,  
our community is strong.*

*Everyone is welcome,  
and everyone belongs.*

When you come to Kennington,  
you'll notice from the start.

The kind of place we have here,  
we speak with hands and heart.

The way we are with others,  
that's how we'd like them to be.

Respect is shown to everyone,  
then it comes back to me.

### Repeat Chorus

We care about each other,  
in all we say and do.

Our teachers understand us,  
they care for me and you.

### Repeat Chorus

Every week at assembly, one or two  
grades lead the school song from the  
front of assembly.

### WELCOME TO THE WORLD!!!

A huge welcome to the world Finley John Guinane, born on February 14, 2021, weighing 3661gm. Congratulations to Gab and Chris, we are all very excited for you both.

### PREP REST DAYS

Next Wednesday February 26, marks the last Wednesday in February and therefore is the **last rest day** for our prep students. From Monday March 1, all prep students will begin attending school five days per week. Thank you to our prep parents and carers who attending their appointments at school during the month of February.

### COVID-19 UPDATE

Following the Government's announcements regarding new statewide restrictions that came into effect at 11:59pm on Wednesday 3 February, there is new guidance for schools regarding the wearing of masks. People aged 12 and over must wear a fitted face mask when in public indoor spaces unless there is a lawful reason not to.

Students aged 12 or older must wear a face mask indoors when at school, unless they are attending a primary school, an Outside school hours care (OHSC) program or an exception applies.

Children under 12 years of age and students at primary school or attending an OHSC program are not required to wear face masks.

School staff are not required to wear face masks while teaching or caring, but those who wish to do so, can. Staff must wear face masks in indoor areas of the school when not teaching or caring.

Visitors to school sites must also wear masks when indoors. Please ensure anyone on your school site is aware of the updated face mask requirements.

Further advice regarding these measures will be provided when available.

### PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

During a normal year we would invite all of our families to a parent information evening onsite for each year level. Unfortunately due to public density limits we are unable to offer this opportunity this year.

We will be producing a series of videos for each year level that families can watch at their leisure. Please note we will email each family with a link to their year level's information video.

### SENTRAL

Sentral is our management system that we use to communicate with our families. If you are currently not registered with Sentral please contact the office and we will help you out. Sentral has two platforms for parents, the Sentral Parent Portal (logging in from a web browser) or the Sentral Parent App. We will be offering parent sessions via Webex in the coming weeks.

### STUDENT SAFETY

As a school community we work really hard to ensure the safety of all students at Kennington Primary School, and as always we need your help!

When driving / parking in and around the school please be aware of your responsibilities as an adult member of our community. Please;

- Enter only from the Crook Street entrance, Park in marked parking spaces only
- Drive slowly in and around the school
- Be patient when waiting to drop your child off and pick them up.

Cheers

Trav  
Principal

## MORNING CLUB

### Morning Clubs Program

Kennington Primary School is continuing the Morning Club program this year.

**Where**—Stadium

**When**—8:00am to 8:30am

**Tuesday**—Running Club

**Thursday**—Fitness Circuit and Indoor Games

**With**—Cameron Ladd

The sessions are open to all age groups, and the sessions will range from walking to jogging to long distance running training. Students may use these sessions for training for fitness club, cross-country or athletics. It is a way for students, parents and staff to be active, work on fitness, socialise and have fun.

# KPS STUDENT AWARDS

Week 4 — February 15 to February 19



<b>GRADE PREP</b>	PA Catherine B	PB Noah H	PC Roy W	PD Braylan B	PE Poppy M
<b>GRADE 1</b>	1A Tiffany V	1B Spencer P	1C Chloe T	1D Billie-Mae K	
<b>GRADE 2</b>	2A Isha B	2B Oscar G	2C Jasmine C	2D Abigaile S	
<b>GRADE 3</b>	3A Miller G	3B Muntasir H	3C Patrick O	3D Chris M	3E Brax P
<b>GRADE 4</b>	4A Mackenzie H	4B Caelan G	4C Trinaitey M	4D Dev S	
<b>GRADE 5</b>	5A Cameron G	5B Adam K	5C Lucky T	5D Riley C	
<b>GRADE 6</b>	6A Arielle E	6B Ku Soe D	6C Elliott L	6D Toby F	
<b>AUSLAN</b>	3B—Chelsea S		<b>VISUAL ARTS</b>	3C-Bailey R	
<b>PERFORMING ARTS</b>	3E-Cohen R		<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b>	2B-Cade A	
<b>WRITING</b>	2A-Nyasha B		<b>HANDWRITING</b>		
<b>NUMERACY</b>	3C-Jayda H-L		<b>NUMERACY CLASS</b>	4D-Miss Turner's	

## TERM 1 DATES

### FEBRUARY

<b>Wednesday 24</b>		Grade Prep Rest Day
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### MARCH

<b>Friday 5</b>	TBA	Student Representatives Division Swimming Carnival @ Bendigo East Swimming Pool
<b>Monday 8</b>	No School	Whole School Labour Day Public Holiday
<b>Wednesday 10</b>	8:15am—3:15pm	School Photos
<b>Thursday 12</b>		Grades 5 & 6 (Representatives) Division Volleyball
<b>Monday 15</b>	7:00pm	School Council Meeting
<b>Tuesday 23</b>		Grades 3 to 6 Athletics Day
<b>Monday 16</b>	6:30pm—8:30pm	School Council Meeting Annual General Meeting
<b>Wednesday 24</b>	TBA	Grade 6 Melbourne Camp
<b>Friday 26</b>	TBA	Grade 6 Melbourne Camp
<b>Wednesday 31</b>		Curriculum Day No school for students (Camp Australia OSHC available)

### APRIL

<b>Thursday 1</b>	2:15pm dismissal	Term 1 Concludes
<b>Monday 19</b>	8:35am	Term 2 Commences

Please understand that these dates are current only from the time of publishing. Up to date dates are available on Sentral