

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Travis Eddy



Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that this week is week 6 of an 11 week term. This means that we are over half way through the term. As you will be aware, last Saturday I was informed of a COVID positive case at school who attended school the week before. Our Principal team got to work contacting all of the families of students that were named as Primary Close Contacts. I appreciate the understanding that our families showed us through this process. All up we had around 50 staff who have to isolate due to this exposure.

On a positive note lots of our students have returned or are returning to sport this weekend. We wish everyone all the best.

PREP TRANSITION

Yesterday we welcomed our 2022 Prep students to Kennington for their first transition visit. Once again it is amazing to be getting back to some sort of normality. We will continue our transition visits over the next two weeks.

GRADE 4 CAMP

Welcome back to all of our Grade 4 Campers who attended PGL Camp at Kyneton this week. Well done to everyone who showed resilience and achieved their personal best on camp. A very big thank you to our staff who gave up their time to attend camp, we really appreciate it.

GRADE 2 SLEEPOVER

Information was sent to all Grade 2 families today via Sentral about the

Grade 2 Sleepover. The Grade 2 Sleepover will be held this Thursday November 18 and finish on Friday November 19. We are very excited to be able

PREP BALLARAT WILDLIFE PARK

I can announce that the Prep excursion to the Ballarat Wildlife Park will go ahead. The new date for the excursion is Friday December 10. Further information will be sent out in the coming weeks to our prep families.

RAPID ANITGEN TESTING

It is a great time to try to get to The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) approved the use of rapid antigen testing for home use from Monday 1 November.

The Department of Education and Training is currently working with the Department of Health to roll-out a state-wide program for any new COVID-19 exposures on school sites from Monday 15 November. This program will help unvaccinated or partially vaccinated students to return to school as quickly as possible after being identified as a primary close contact (PCC) after a seven-day quarantine, instead of a 14-day quarantine.

We will have more information for parents and carers ahead of the statewide roll-out, including factsheets, web copy, video content and other materials to assist with the program.

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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

**Reminder that our assembly is
currently held over our internal
speaker system.**

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How the rapid antigen testing program will work

The at-home rapid antigen testing program is an opt-in program for unvaccinated, or partially vaccinated, students. Our school will provide you with rapid antigen test kits. You do not need to buy these test kits.

Following an exposure at our school, you will be notified that your child (who is unvaccinated, or partially vaccinated) has been identified as primary close contact (PCC) of a confirmed COVID-19 case.

If you want to take part in the at-home rapid antigen testing program, your child must quarantine at home for seven days. On day six of quarantine, your child must get a standard (PCR) test at your local COVID-19 testing site. If the test is negative, you must provide the results to your child's school, and your child can then return to school on day eight.

Students will then be required to return a negative rapid antigen test result each morning from days eight to 14 on school days, which must be reported to the school by 8:30am before they arrive at school.

Parents should continue to follow current school policy and public health advice. If your child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home and get tested for COVID-19 with a standard (PCR) test, regardless of a negative rapid antigen test result.

Our school will communicate with you as soon as we are aware that we have a confirmed COVID-19 case, including with instructions on how to conduct these tests, how to report the results, and support available if needed.

This pilot, and later statewide roll-out of rapid antigen testing is one of many strategies currently in place to support schools during the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information about what strategies are in place, please visit the department's website or call the department's COVID-19 hotline on 1800 338 663.

SCHOOL OPERATIONS

**Vaccination requirements for visitors
and volunteers performing work in
schools**

Visitors and volunteers performing work on school sites (both inside and outdoors) must have had at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine and must have had two doses of COVID-19 vaccine by 29 November 2021 or have a valid medication exception. All visitors and volunteers must adhere to COVIDSafety requirements..

Vaccination requirements for parents and carers attending school

All parents and carers attending school, including for drop off and pick up must also adhere to physical distancing, density limits, face mask requirements and practise respiratory etiquette and good hand hygiene.

Parents and carers who enter school buildings must check in using the QR code.

Parents and carers who enter school buildings must also have had at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine and must have had two doses of COVID-19 vaccine by 29 November 2021 or have a valid medical exception with the following limited exceptions:

- when attending to administer medical treatment to their own child when the treatment cannot be administered by the school
- when attending to collect their child who is unwell and cannot leave the school building unaccompanied by their parent/carer.
- when attending for a momentary period that does not involve any sustained contact with staff or students, for example, to collect a completed art project or similar.

Parents and carers attending any event or activity inside a school building including, but not limited to tours, graduations, kindergarten transition, whole of school events are required to show evidence of vaccination.

Meetings and other discussions (such as Student Support Group meetings) with parents and carers who do not meet vaccination requirements should be held virtually.

Parents and carers attending school sites for drop off and pick up who do not enter school buildings do not need to comply with vaccination requirements.

Cheers,

Trav
Principal

KPS STUDENT AWARDS

November 8 - November 12



GRADE PREP		PA Banjo P		PB Arianna PH		PC Audrey T		PD Harry H		PE Meika W	
GRADE 1		1A Leo T		1B Annabelle R		1C Milo C		1D Omar M			
GRADE 2		2A Nyasha B		2B Yazmin W		2C Prisha P		2D Quinn W			
GRADE 3		3A Miller G		3B Jackson B		3C Patrick O'C		3D Kenny R		3E Jameson F	
GRADE 4		4A Lucas M		4B Brooke N		4C Dominic M	4D Whole Class				
GRADE 5		5A Lewis S		5B Say Wah		5C Trinity P		5D Deegan A			
GRADE 6		6A Archie P		6B Mishaal F		6C Renna S		6D Reuben S			
AUSLAN		5B Nate A	VISUAL ARTS				5C Rosie S				
PERFORMING ARTS		PD Miles C	PHYSICAL EDUCATION				3D Amra F				
HANDWRITING		4D Brody B									
WRITING		5B Rose B									
MATHS		6C Luca H									

DATES TO REMEMBER 2021

TERM 4 - NOVEMBER 2021

Wednesday 17	7:00pm	COMMUNITY Parents and Friends' Meeting
Thursday 18	9:45am - 12:45pm	KINDER - PREP Transition Visit 2
Thursday 18 & Friday 19	5:00pm - 1:00pm	GRADE 2 SLEEPOVER Kennington Primary School
Monday 22	All Day	GRADE 5 CAMP Soverign Hill
Tuesday 23	All Day	GRADE 5 CAMP Soverign Hill
Tuesday 23	All Day	GRADE PREP - 2 Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 24	All Day	GRADE 5 CAMP Soverign Hill
Thursday 25	9:45am - 12:45pm	KINDER - PREP Transition Visit 3

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 2021

TUESDAY

8:00am to 8:30am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mr Ladd
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WEDNESDAY

8:00am to 8:30am	BREAKFAST CLUB Amphitheatre with Mrs Peters and Ms Rothacker
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THURSDAY

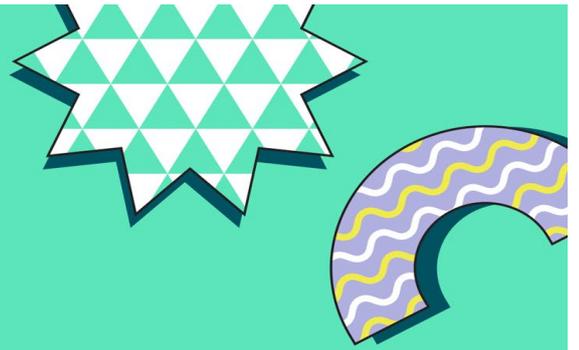
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FRIDAY

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Newsletter



It's time to celebrate, we're back!



Your OSHC.

A message from your Coordinator

Hello everyone!

I'm excited for another week at our fabulous OSHC service! The theme for this week is MAGIC. We have some great magic activities and crafts including making amazing magic goggles.

A friendly reminder that we must be wearing our hats while playing outside at OSHC to ensure we are being Sun Smart!

Looking forward to seeing smiling faces!

Best,
Boronia Paterson

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Activities coming up

- Make your own magic goggles
- Flying butterfly craft
- Puzzles & Lego

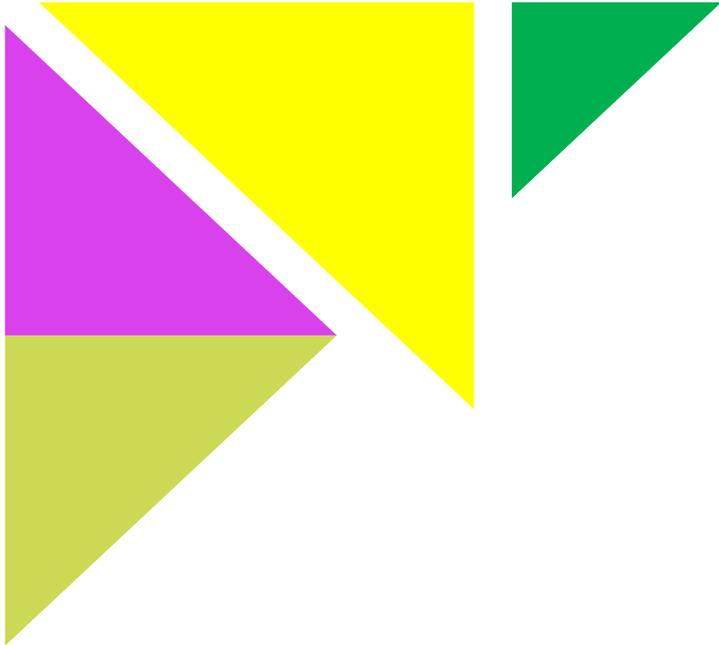
What's on the menu

- Fruit Platter
- Muffins
- Popcorn

Visit our blog

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

[Visit our blog](#)



International Day of
People with Disability
Bendigo

Celebrate International Day of People with Disability

December 3, Lake Weeroona, 11am-2pm

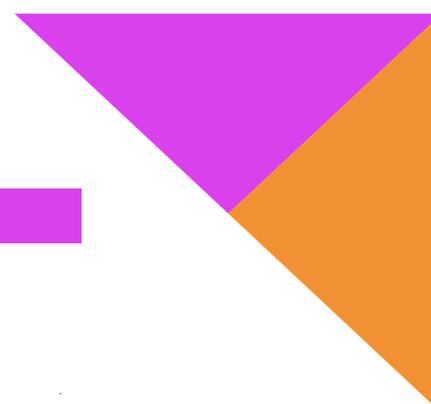
“Building Back Better: toward a disability-inclusive, accessible and sustainable post COVID-19 World”

International Day of People with Disability
is a day of celebration and recognition.

Live entertainment

Find out about local services

Activities



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THE NEXT BIG STEP

Transition to Secondary School

This seminar helps families plan & prepare for their young person's transition to secondary school.

In this session, we will explore the role of parents/ carers in promoting their young person's social & emotional well-being & building their resilience to support and navigate this significant change.

**TUESDAY NOVEMBER
23**

6:30–8:00PM

FREE
online seminar

To book:

<https://ds.org.au/events/transition-to-secondary-school-seminar/>



We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land where we work and pay respects to elders past, present and future.

INFORMATION

FOR PARENTS

MULTI-SPORT

PROGRAMME

Programmes run weekly on one day a week for one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ AFL
- ✓ Cricket
- ✓ Volleyball
- ✓ Soccer
- ✓ Hockey
- ✓ Tennis
- ✓ Athletics

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm for sport and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them confidence to join sports clubs and teams in the future.

For Prep – Grade 4 students.

\$65 FOR A 5 WEEK PROGRAM

Sign up anytime and only pay for the weeks remaining in the term

School: Kennington Primary School

Day: Monday

Start Date: Monday 15th November

End Date: Monday 13th December

Time: 3:25pm - 4:25pm



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& TRYOUTS SESSION**



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OR AT YOUR BEST WITH
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11AM- 12PM**

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STRATHDALE PARK TENNIS
CLUB
RESERVOIR & MCIVOR ROADS,
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