

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Travis Eddy



Dear Parents/Carers,

LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

A reminder to all families that this coming Monday March 13, is the Labour Day Public Holiday. There is no school on this day.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

During the week we celebrated International Women's Day (IWD). The 2023 theme for IWD is 'DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality', this recognises and celebrates the women and girls who are championing the advancement of transformative technology and digital education. The observance will explore the impact of the digital gender gap on widening economic and social inequalities, and it will also spotlight the importance of protecting the rights of women and girls in digital spaces and addressing online and ICT-facilitated gender-based violence.

READING - EVERY CHILD, EVERY NIGHT

Over the past few weeks, I have been taking the opportunity to have a look through the students' reading diaries. It is exciting to see the number of students who read every night at home, well done! Learning to read is like training for sport; the more you train / read the better you will become. Keep up the great work everyone!

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

A very big thank you to all our staff for their work during our photo day. I would particularly like to thank our office staff

who worked tirelessly before and during the day to ensure that everything ran smoothly.

CAR PARKING

Although limited, as a school we are very lucky to have on-site parking. Please be aware that normal traffic rules apply within the school grounds. I would like to take this opportunity to remind families to please take note of the traffic signs within the school. We have several Disabled Parking spaces which are for use of families that have a valid Disabled Parking Permit.

COMMUNICATION

A reminder that if you have any queries regarding your child at school that the first point of call is your classroom teacher/teachers. Your classroom teacher is best placed to support your child.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

The Royal Commission into Family Violence identified the critical role that schools have in creating a culture of respect to change the story of family violence for future generations. In 2016, respectful relationships education became a core component of the Victorian Curriculum from Prep to Year 12 and is being taught in all government and Catholic schools and many independent schools.

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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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The Victorian Curriculum F-10 includes learning about respectful relationships in both Health and Physical Education and Personal and Social Capability. In the Health and Physical Education curriculum, students develop the knowledge, understanding and skills to strengthen their sense of self, and build and manage safe and respectful relationships.

In the Personal and Social Capability curriculum, students learn to recognise and regulate emotions, develop empathy for others and establish and build a framework for positive relationships.

Topic 1: Emotional Literacy

Emotional literacy can be defined as the ability to understand ourselves and other people. It includes the ability to understand, express and manage our own emotions, build empathy, and to respond appropriately to the emotions of others. Building a large vocabulary for emotions helps to increase emotional literacy and build self-awareness and empathy for others.

SUPERVISION BEFORE SCHOOL & MORNING PROGRAMS

A reminder that learning begins at 8:50am and the classrooms are open from 8:45am. Please understand that if your child is at school to attend either Morning Club (Stadium), or Breakfast Club (Canteen), it is an expectation that they stay in that space and participate in the activity or sit and have breakfast.

All play spaces including the soccer pitch and the basketball courts are out of bounds before lessons begin in the morning. This is place for all students including those who are still in the care of their parents. Staff who are on duty in the mornings are there to supervise the entrance points of the school ground to ensure that all students enter safely. If your child is at school and not accompanied by an adult, they will be expected to sit in the amphitheatre and wait for the start of class.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC) – CAMP AUSTRALIA

Kennington Primary School's OSHC provider is Camp Australia. Camp Australia provide before and after school care every day that school is on. For more information regarding Camp Australia please visit <https://campaustralia.com.au/>.

SUNSMART – SLAP ON A HAT

The skin on your face, neck and ears is much thinner and more sensitive to UV damage than other skin on your body.

School council approved hats can be purchased from our uniform supplier, LOWES at the Marketplace, and at our front office.

Please ensure your child has a clearly named water bottle, filled with water, for use at school, every day. The drink bottle is kept in the classroom and is easily accessible during learning time. It can be refilled as needed during break times. Having a drink bottle in the classroom avoids loss of learning time when children need to exit the room to drink from a bubbler.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Assembly will be held each Friday afternoon from 2:30pm in the amphitheatre. As always parents, carers and members of our school community are invited to attend.

SCHOOL VALUES

Our awards at Friday assembly are awarded to students who have been demonstrating our School Values. The consistent demonstration of these values helps us to further develop and maintain a safe and caring environment for all our students. All parents/carers are welcome to attend our Friday Assembly and students are particularly delighted to have parents/carers in attendance when they receive an award.

Our school values are:

- Resilience
- Personal Best
- Respect

UPCOMING LEAVE

From March 15 I will be on leave for a couple of weeks to have shoulder surgery. During my leave Luke Monaghan will be Acting Principal and our Leading Teacher's will take on the role of Acting Assistant Principal.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Trav

KPS STUDENT AWARDS

March 06 - March 09



GRADE PREP		PA Stella D	PB Patrick N		PC Mason B		PD Reagan H			
GRADE 1		1A Emily B		1B Ruby B		1C Ella G	1D Charlie H			
GRADE 2		2A Mason S		2B Catherine B		2C Harry M		2D Ivy H		2E Jack P
GRADE 3		3A Alyssa C		3B Eamon W		3C Maddi B		3D Thomas P		
GRADE 4		4A Bailee M		4B YwaSoeGay		4C Archer J		4D Rayyan Z		
GRADE 5		5A Jameson F		5B A'den F		5C Ellie H		5D Cooper B		
GRADE 6		6A Daniel X		6B James A		6C Isabelle J-H		6D Rory S		
AUSLAN		4C Teddy E	VISUAL ARTS				6C Mila S			
PERFORMING ARTS		1C Ella G	PHYSICAL EDUCATION				6A Mitch E			
HANDWRITING										
WRITING		2C Charlotte F								
MATHS		1B Noah H								

DATES TO REMEMBER 2023

TERM 1

Friday 10 March	9:00am - 3:00pm	SANDHURST DIVISION LAWN BOWLS Selected Students
Monday 13 March	All Day	LABOUR DAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Wednesday 15 - Friday 24 March	Selected Days	NAPLAN Grade 3 and 5 Students
Monday 20 - Thursday 23 March	Selected Classes	AFL VIC FOOTBALL CLINICS Prep, Grade 1 & Grade 2 Students
Wednesday 22 - Friday 24 March	All Day	GRADE 6 Melbourne Camp
Monday 27 March	All Day	SPECIAL FOOD DAY ORDERS DUE Due at 11:59PM
Tuesday 28 March	9:00am to 2:30am	GRADE 3 TO GRADE 6 Athletics
Thursday 30 March	All Day	HARMONY DAY Whole School
Friday 31 March	All Day	SPECIAL FOOD DAY
Wednesday 5 April	TBC	HOT CROSS BUN - COLLECTION
Thursday 6 April	2:00pm	LAST DAY TERM 1 Early Finish

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 2023

MONDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mrs Maddren
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TUESDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mrs Maddren
8:15am to 8:45am	BREAKFAST CLUB Amphitheatre with Mrs Peters and Ms Rothacker

WEDNESDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	BREAKFAST CLUB Amphitheatre with Mrs Peters and Ms Rothacker
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THURSDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mrs Bentley
8:15am to 8:45am	BREAKFAST CLUB Amphitheatre with Mrs Peters and Ms Rothacker

FRIDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mrs Bentley
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Save my details to your phone

Hi There,

My name is Carol Chapman and I work for Anglicare Victoria, Bendigo as an Early Help Family Services Practitioner.

What is the Early Help Family Services Program?

- Early Help provides a short 10–20-hour family service.
- We can provide support, information & advice, and referrals to help with parenting, child/adolescent behaviour, family problems, mental health & wellbeing.
- We provide support based on each family's individual situation and the flexibility to work with us in a manner that suits you best e.g., in person at school, home or in the community, online via Microsoft Teams or by telephone

Who is eligible for Early Help?

Parents/caregivers and families:

- With children from birth to 18 years
- Not *currently* working with Child Protection or another family service

Want to know more?

There are two ways to connect to Early Help:

- Speak to a staff member at school who can refer on your behalf.
- Contact me directly if you'd like to have a chat to see if Early Help could be of assistance.

There are no silly questions. If a situation is keeping you up at night or impacting on your family, I encourage you to reach out and make contact.

My contact details:

- Workdays: Mon – Fri
- Located at Kennington Primary School:
 - o Wednesdays: 8.30am – 4.00pm
 - o Thursdays: 8.30am – 12.00pm
- Email: carol.chapman@anglicarevic.org.au
- Phone: 0436 365 585

Maths Update: Mathletics

This year students will continue to have access to the wonderful Mathletics program. This online maths program is a great way for your child to practise mathematical concepts that have already been taught in the classroom. Teachers will set some Mathletics course work to be completed during class time and they will also set some Mathletics tasks to be completed at home. Kennington Primary will continue to encourage student to practise maths concepts four times a week at home and one way to do that is through the Mathletics program.

To recognise student effort with the Mathletics program we will award certificates at assembly. Students are awarded points for every correct answer they give in Mathletics curriculum activities and Live Mathletics. The student's weekly points score is displayed at the top of the student console. When a student has earned 1000 points in a single week, they are awarded a bronze certificate. 5 bronze certificates equate to 1 silver certificate and 4 silver certificates equals 1 gold certificate. Students that achieve a gold certificate will be acknowledged at our school assembly and also in our KPS newsletter, The Link.

Jeremy Hibbs
Numeracy Learning Specialist

Gold certificates earned in the month of February.

Edward B (4A) , William M (6A), Opese N (6B), Brooke N (6C), Aymaan Z (6A)

Art Room Supplies

During Term 2 Grade 5 and 6 students are going to be creating a bottle bird construction. We need many 600ml or 1.25 lt water/soft drink bottles for this project. If you could bring send your children along to art with any rinsed and dry bottles that would be enormously helpful.

Thankyou,
Lisa Findlay



Kennington
Primary School

KPS SPECIAL
FOOD DAY!



FRIDAY MARCH 31, 2023

**ORDERS CLOSE BY 11.59PM
MONDAY MARCH 27, 2023**

DEAR PARENTS & CARERS,

Term 1 Special Food Day will be held on **Friday March 31, 2023**.

This terms menu includes pizza from Domino's,
sushi from Oishii on Wheels, drinks and donuts.

Only pre-orders will be taken and must be submitted
via <https://www.quickcliq.com.au>

**All orders for the Term 1 Special Food Day must be completed
through QuickCliq by 11.59pm Monday March 27, 2023.**

Please ensure your payment has been submitted with your online order
to ensure your order is processed. We are unable to take late orders.

**KIND REGARDS,
PARENTS & FRIENDS
ASSOCIATION**

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

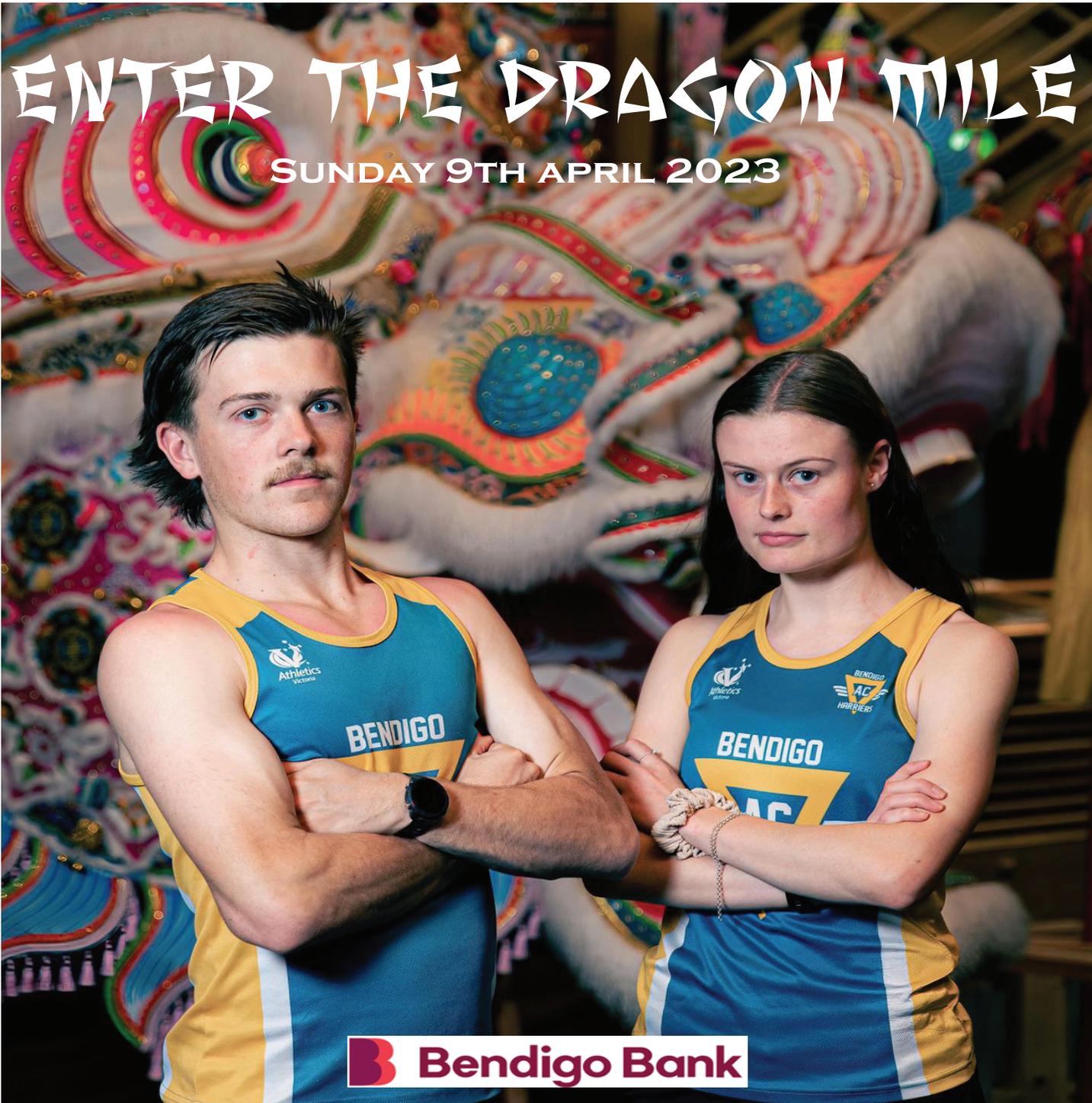


SCHOOL VISITS COMING SOON!

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ICONIC DRAGON MILE

MILE LONG FOOT RACE ON THE FAMOUS EASTER PROCESSION ROUTE

WHERE: PALL MALL AT GOLD MONUMENT - TIME: 10:30AM STRAT

\$10.00 MINI MILE & PRIMARY SCHOOLS - \$20.00 SECONDARY SCHOOLS/OPEN AND VETERANS

ALSO INCORPORATING GYM CUP, TEAMS OF 4 FROM YOUR FAVORITE GYM BATTLING IT OUT FOR BEST GYM!

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=48662>



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SIZZLING SUMMER SPORTS!

LEARN NEW SPORTS IN TERM 1



Have heaps of fun with your friends while playing a range of dynamic and active sports throughout term 1.

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SIGN UP FOR THE 2023 SEASON



REGISTER TO PLAY



Junior Non-Competitive Age Groups
Under 6's, 7's, 8's, 9's & 10's

Junior Competitive Age Groups
Under 12's, 14's & 16's

Join the Epsom Football Club in 2023!

We are now taking registrations for all ages. Don't miss out on your chance to play for Epsom this soccer season. Teams are currently being put together, so if you would like to request playing with a friend, get in quick so we can try our best to accommodate this.

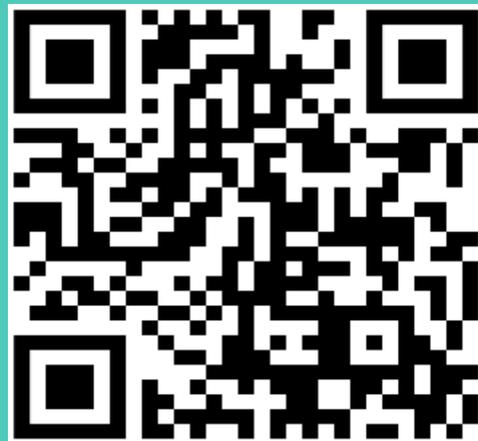
Registrations closing soon!

To register visit www.epsomfc.com.au

For further information contact juniors@epsomfc.com.au



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SKILLS WITH
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