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Kennington Primary School is committed to the Child Safe Standards

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Travis Eddy



Dear Parents/Carers,

At Kennington our staff always endeavour to be very open with our communication to students and parents / carers. Open communication is extremely important in schools, as it helps to foster a positive and supportive learning environment for students, teachers, and parents. When schools have a culture of open communication, it becomes easier for everyone to share their thoughts, concerns, and ideas.

For students, open communication creates a sense of trust and safety, which helps them to feel comfortable sharing their feelings, asking questions, and seeking help when needed. This is especially important for students who may be struggling academically or emotionally.

For teachers, open communication allows them to better understand their students' needs and tailor their teaching methods accordingly. It also helps to create a collaborative environment, where teachers can share ideas and work together to improve their teaching practice.

For parents, open communication helps them to stay informed about their child's progress and any issues that may arise. It also allows them to provide feedback and support to the school, which can help to improve the overall learning experience for all students.

This term there will be two Pupil Free Days. The first being a Teacher Professional Practice Day (PPD). The PPD will be held on **Friday June 2**, on this day teachers across the school will work to complete tasks individually and in teams.

**Wednesday June 7** is a curriculum day that has been booked since the beginning of 2022. On this day all staff will participate in Day 3 of 4, of the Berry Street Training.

Camp Australia have confirmed that they will be providing care options for our families on both days. Information and bookings can be found via that Camp Australia website at <https://campaustalia.com.au/schools/3464>

### **MOTHER'S AND SPECIAL FRIENDS BREAKFAST - FRIDAY MAY 12**

Mother's Day is fast approaching, and it provides us all the opportunity to celebrate all that big and little things that our Mum's and Special Friends' do for us all. This is an open invitation to all our Mum's and Special Friends in our lives to come along for Breakfast at school for us to say thanks.

A reminder that this breakfast is about celebrating our Mum's and Special Friends. **I ask all students who attend to please ensure that the special person / people that they bring along are looked after with food and a drink before any of the Kennington students.**

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**PUPIL FREE DAYS TERM - 2**  
**PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY &**  
**CURRICULUM DAY**

## 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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## NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

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The theme for 2023 is 'be a voice for generations'. The theme encourages all Australians to be a voice for reconciliation in tangible ways in our everyday lives - where we live, work, and socialise.

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The dates for NRW are the same each year; **27 May to 3 June**.

These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey— the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

**27 May 1967** - On this day, Australia's most successful **referendum** saw more than 90 per cent of Australians vote to give the Australian Government power to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and recognise them in the Census.

**3 June 1992** - On this day, the Australian High Court delivered the Mabo decision, the culmination of Eddie Koiki Mabo's challenge to the legal fiction of 'terra nullius' (land belonging to no one) and leading to the legal recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the Traditional Owners and Custodians of lands. This decision paved the way for Native Title.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

## CRAZY HAIR DAY - RCH GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

Well done to our whole school for participating, and particularly our Student School Council for their organisation of our Crazy Hair Day fundraiser for the RCH Good Friday Appeal. As a school we raised \$374.60 which was a fantastic effort. Thanks to everyone who donated to a very

worthwhile cause.

## SWIMMING PROGRAM

It has been great to see our Prep – Grade 2 students participating in our school swimming program at the Gurri Wanyarra Wellbeing Centre. A very big thank you to our staff and parents who have supported our junior students this week. **A reminder that Grades 3 and 4 as well as Grade 2E will be attending next week.** If you have any questions about the swimming program, please get in touch with your classroom teacher.

## DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY

The Division Cross Country event was held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at the Epsom Race course. Kennington sent 150 students to compete on the day who were the top 20 finishes at our school Cross Country event.

In typical Cross Country conditions, the students ran in rain, gale force wind and the occasional ray of sunshine. The top 12 finishes from the Blue group for each age group progress on to the Regional Cross Country event in St Arnaud on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Our only place getter for the day was Archie Clarke, 10 year old boys, who placed 3<sup>th</sup> in his event! Well done Archie.

From Kennington, the following students will progress to the Regional Event:

Archie Clarke (10 Years Boys) – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Fraser Maddren (11 Years Boys) – 7<sup>th</sup>  
Well done to everyone that competed on the day. It was fantastic to see so many students out on the track, doing their Personal Best.

## MATHLETICS NEWS

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved a gold certificate in the month of April for their maths practise using the Mathletics program.

Rayyan Z – 4D  
Mason S – 2A  
Harry B – 5C














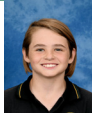






The Mathletics program is a great way to practise maths skills at home every week. Every student is encouraged to do regular practise to improve their mathematical skills and to reach the ultimate goal of achieving a Mathletics gold certificate.

Thanks for a wonderful week!  
**Trav**

# KPS STUDENT AWARDS

May 01 - May 04



GRADE PREP		PA Jacob T		PB Freya H		PC Oliver G		PD Adaline M		
GRADE 1		1A Harry L		1B Casper S		1C Silver S		1D Ruby D		
GRADE 2		2A Lewis H		2B Jarvan M		2C Jett W		2D Joshua S		2E Jesee J
GRADE 3		3A Annabelle R		3B Lisa U		3C Eh Soe T		3D Poulo K		
GRADE 4		4A Riley C		4B Harper D		4C Milla F		4D Amber W		
GRADE 5		5A Ethan C		5B Jett D		5C Alix T		5D Jackson B		
GRADE 6		6A Jagger T		6B Sophie S		6C Marcus A		6D Beau M		
AUSLAN		5A Minsa C				VISUAL ARTS	2D Isabella W			
PERFORMING ARTS		1D Rhiinaya M				PHYSICAL EDUCATION		PB Dominic B-M		
HANDWRITING		3D Zac D								
WRITING		2A Archer G								
MATHS		3C Olivia G								

# DATES TO REMEMBER 2023

## TERM 2

Monday May 8 to Friday May 12	All Day	<b>GRADES 3, GRADES 4, GRADE 2E</b> Swimming
Friday 12 May	8:15am to 8:45am	<b>WHOLE SCHOOL</b> Mother's Day Breakfast
Tuesday 16 May	All Day	<b>SELECTED STUDENTS</b> Shamrock Athletics
Wednesday 17 May	9:00am to 12:00pm	<b>KENNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY</b>
Wednesday 17 May	5:00pm to 6:00pm	<b>WHOLE COMMUNITY</b> Step into Prep
Monday 22 May to Friday 26 May	All Day	<b>GRADES 5 TO GRADES 6</b> Swimming
Friday 2 June	All Day	<b>STAFF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY</b> <b>NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>
Wednesday 7 June	All Day	<b>CURRICULUM DAY -</b> <b>NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>

# WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 2023

## MONDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>MORNING CLUB</b> Stadium with Mrs Maddren
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## TUESDAY

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

## WEDNESDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>BREAKFAST CLUB</b> Amphitheatre with Mrs Peters and Ms Rothacker
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## THURSDAY

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

## FRIDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>MORNING CLUB</b> Stadium with Mrs Bentley
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# 2023 Grade 6 Information Evening

Wednesday 10th May 2023

2024 Year 7 Information Sessions  
at the following  
Bendigo Secondary Colleges



6.30 - 8.00pm  
Location: Performing Arts Centre  
**EAGLEHAWK**  
SECONDARY COLLEGE  
5446 8099  
eaglehawksc.vic.edu.au



6.30pm - 8.00pm  
Location: Global Learning Centre  
**WEEROONA**  
SECONDARY COLLEGE  
5443 2133  
weeroona.vic.edu.au



6.00pm - 7.00pm  
Location: Year 7 Building (B1 and B7)  
**Bendigo South East**  
COLLEGE  
5443 4522  
bse.vic.edu.au



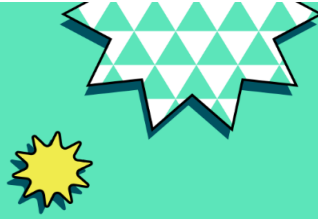
6.30 pm- 8.30pm  
Location: College Gymnasium  
**CRUSOE**  
COLLEGE  
5447 7722  
crusoecollege.vic.edu.au



## Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2

Kennington Primary School



Your  
OSHC.



### A message from your Coordinator - Taylah

Hi families,

This week we have been enjoying lots of minute to win it activities! The children have been very engaged with this and keep asking for more. 2 of our favourite challenges have been the cotton ball scoop and the balloon tapping challenge.

A reminder to all families to check your child's enrolment information, including medical information, to ensure it is all up to date and correct.

If you have any questions. Please don't hesitate to come in and see myself or Sharon in the OSHC room!

### Activities coming up

- Incursions (TBA)
- Cooking Experiences
- Big Art Weeks (12<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> of June)

### Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Book now



### Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campaustralia.com.au](http://pp.campaustralia.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.



Find out more and book now at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)



# FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Benefiting the health  
and wellbeing of our  
Bendigo school children



**SCHOOL VISITS COMING SOON!**

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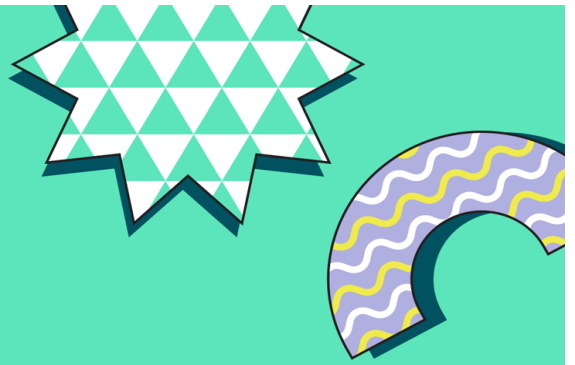


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# Newsletter

Community initiative



Hello Wonderful Families,

This year we are teaming up with Triple M to participate in "Blanket Bendigo".

We will be collecting donated blankets for the homeless at each of our services in regional Victoria, then our Co-ordinator Jessie from Golden Square will collect all of our donations to then donate on behalf of Camp Australia to Triple M directly.

"Homelessness affects people of all ages and from all walks of life. In fact, 1 in 6 people experiencing homelessness are over 55 years old and for every person under 21 that is sleeping on the streets, it is expected there are another 6 who are homeless.

"Homelessness is a problem that goes beyond 'rooflessness' and a lack of access to safe shelter. The experience of homelessness includes vulnerable people living in refuges, crisis accommodation or in temporary housing."

Cogho, Mandy and the whole team at Triple M Bendigo are, for the month of May, running a blanket drive and are asking our listeners to donate any new or unwanted blankets to assist our efforts. We will then take all of the donations on Friday May 19th during the morning broadcast and attempt to spread them over the Queen Elizabeth Oval, Bendigo, seeing how much of the area we can cover. We will then take all the donated blankets and distribute them among local charities supporting the homeless population of Central Victoria."

<https://www.triplem.com.au/story/blanket-bendigo-215625>

Thank you all for your support.

Jessie, OSHC Co-ordinator Golden Square

## Key dates

- May – Blanket Bendigo begins
- May 17<sup>th</sup> – Blankets need to be given to Jessie at Golden Square
- May 18<sup>th</sup>, Jessie will donate directly to Triple M on behalf of Camp Australia

**TRIPLE**  
**93.5**   
**BENDIGO**



## It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campaustalia.com.au](http://pp.campaustalia.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.



## Visit our blog

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

[Visit our blog](#)

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