

#### KENNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT Travis Eddy

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, a very big thanks to our team here at Kennington who continued with learning and teaching whilst I was on leave. I am very grateful for the leave that I took with my family and appreciate the work that others took on in my absence. I would like to acknowledge the work of Luke Monaghan who stepped into the Acting Principal for the two weeks, as well as Hamish Roberts and the rest of our leadership team.

This week I want to focus briefly on one of our key school Values, Personal Best. Trying your personal best at school is crucial for several reasons, as it has a significant impact on your overall development and future success.

Putting in your best effort helps you learn and understand new concepts effectively. The more you engage with your studies and challenge yourself, the more you'll grow intellectually, expanding your knowledge and skills.

Everyone has unique talents and abilities. By giving your personal best, you have a better chance of reaching your full potential. It allows you to discover your strengths and work on your weaknesses, ultimately maximizing your academic capabilities.

Knowing that you have given your

personal best in your studies brings a sense of satisfaction and fulfillment. It creates a positive attitude toward learning and a genuine love for acquiring knowledge.

Remember that trying your personal best doesn't mean you must be the best compared to others; it means putting forth the best effort you can, given your unique circumstances and abilities. Celebrate your progress and continuous improvement and recognise that the journey of learning is just as important as the destination.

#### KENNINGTON'S 100 CLUB - READING AT HOME

Reading is one of the most important skills that a student will learn and practise throughout their schooling life. At Kennington, we spend a substantial amount of time supporting our students in attaining and practising all the skills associated with reading. It is also extremely important that these skills be translated into other settings such as home.

With this in mind, I ask that all Kennington students read for at least 15 minutes each night at home. Depending on their level of reading, this could be to an adult, a sibling or to themselves.

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#### **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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Students will continue to be recognised through our awards when they achieve 100, 200 and 300 nights reading at home.

Thank you for your support.

#### **PREP 2024 ENROLMENTS**

A reminder to all our new and existing families... If you have a child who will begin prep in 2024, please complete their enrolment form and return it to the office as soon as possible. The information that we gather from the enrolment forms helps us to organise our transition activities and plan class sizes for 2024.

#### STUDENT SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

#### Pyjama Day - Tomorrow

A reminder about the Pyjama Day on Friday 28th of July. National Pyjama Day is all about wearing your favourite pair of PJs to help The Pyjama Foundation raise much-needed awareness and funds for children in foster care.

If you choose to participate in National Pyjama Day, please bring a gold coin donation to support children in foster care. And remember to wear warm and appropriate pyjamas.

#### **Donuts Every Friday**

Also, every Friday at recess donuts will be on sale! Donuts are \$1.00 each. **One donut per student**, and please remember students are only able to buy donuts for themselves and their siblings.

All money raised from the donut sales will go towards the purchase of a friendship seat at the back of the school.

#### **SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS**

On Monday School Council met for their first meeting of Term 3. During the meeting discussed plans to move forward on the development of the area outside the admin block that has been roped off for a period of time. School Council also discussed several policies and the current financial situation of the school.

#### **PARENTS & FRIENDS' NEWS**

Parents and Friend's met on Wednesday evening, both in person and via Webex. Several discussions were held regarding upcoming events and fundraisers. Details of these events will be published shortly. In other Parents and Friends' news, funding that had been allocated by the Parents and Friends' has been used to purchase equipment within the school. Below are pictures of some of the items that were purchased.



V4K Ultra High Definition USB Document Camera



Maths Trolleys



**Student Readers** 

#### CONFERENCE NOTES ON SENTRAL

A reminder to all families that you should be receiving notifications regarding conference notes appearing in the Sentral Parent Portal. You can view your child's conference notes by logging into the web-based Parent Portal of Sentral. At this stage conference notes are not available via the Sentral App, we are working on this.

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The conference notes can be found by clicking the conferences link on the left-hand side of the screen. If you are having difficulty finding them, please contact us in the office.

#### COMMUNICATION

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

#### **6-7 TRANISITION DATES**

Key dates for Grade 6 families: **Wednesday 19 July** – Primary Schools notify parents/carers of Year 7 Placement

Thursday 20 July – Secondary schools send welcome letter to parents/carers. Friday 28 July – Closing date for parents/carers lodging written non-placement appeals with preferred secondary schools.

**Tuesday 8 August** – Secondary Schools notify all parents/carers, in writing, of the outcome of nonplacement appeals.

Wednesday 9 August – Parents/ carers to return their Year 7 Placement Acceptance Slip to Kennington Primary School

#### KPS SCHOOL PRODUCTION - THE ADVENTURES OF SUPERSAM

This year the KPS School Production is The Adventures of Supersam and will be at the Capital Theatre on Thursday September 14. Times and prices released closer to the date.

The cast will be listed in the LINK next week. The Amazing Adventures of Supersam is an adaptation of the humorous musical, by author Craig Hawes. It is full of fun and slapstick humour, with many great onstage roles for all grade 5 & 6 students.

#### **ANAPHYLAXIS AND ASTHMA**

We have several children enrolled who suffer from severe allergies to a variety of things including nuts and nut products that can result in them going into anaphylactic shock. Anaphylaxis is the most severe form of allergic reaction and is potentially life threatening. It must be treated as a medical emergency, requiring immediate treatment and urgent medical attention.

At KPS several strategies are in place to deal with this. If students bring nuts or nut products to school, they should

inform their teacher. They will be asked to remain in a particular area while eating and to wash their hands after eating. Touching door handles, shared classroom resources including pencils and even play equipment outside after handling nuts or nut products can be hazardous. Often boxes and packages are sent to school for art construction activities and are very useful. However, do not send any packages for use at school that have contained nuts or nut products so that we can minimise the risk of children with allergies coming into contact with products that may cause a reaction. Action Plans for Anaphylaxis and also for Asthma are required for all children who suffer from either, and must be obtained from the family doctor. Please ensure that your child has an updated plan if they suffer from asthma or are at risk of experiencing anaphylaxis. A copy of this plan must be provided to the school immediately.

#### **BOOK WEEK 2023, 19 - 25 AUGUST**

'Read, Grow, Inspire'
Each year, the Children's Book Council
of Australia brings children and books
together by celebrating the CBCA
Book Week. This year, Kennington
Primary School will be celebrating
Book Week by providing a variety of
fun and engaging opportunities that our
students can participate in throughout
the week.

Activities will include:

#### **Annual Dress-up Book Parade**

Where - Soccer Pitch

When - Friday August 25, 10:00am

#### **Book Exchange**

Where - BER building

When – Tuesday August 22 to Thursday August 24

#### **Community Book Celebration Picnic**

Where - Soccer Pitch

When - Monday August 21, 2:20pm

#### **BABY NEWS!**

We congratulate Sarah, William, and Stella on the arrival of their baby boy Leo.



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#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

#### **Football Carnival**

On Tuesday and Wednesday KPS had 2 teams attend SSV Football Tournament. Both teams did a fantastic job and represented our school really well, displaying all of the KPS values and some great sportsmanship too.

The girls' team had a fun day playing footy against other schools from our area. It was a learning experience for the girls, who displayed the KPS values expertly, even though they didn't win, the girls learnt a lot about footy and the skills involved, most importantly they had a heap of fun!

The boys did a fantastic job in their early games beating Spring Gully and White Hills by more than 20 points. After their initial games the boys were up against some formidable foes and were beaten by some very experienced teams.

Thank you to Mr Miller and James for coaching the girls and to Brad and Mrs Bentley for coaching the boys' teams on the day.

Well done to the team members.

**KPS Girls**: Jayda HL, Maka M, Sophie Te, Sophie Th, Lacie W, Abby W, Miller G, Mia N, Anneliese T, Shaynee F, Skylar A, Mac H, Haylee H, Trin M, Grace B, Ameila C, Evie F, Skyla W and Hannah M.

**KPS Boys**: Brodie B, Toby E, Pat I, Bailey R, Fraser M, Bailey B, Dusty H, Jagger T, Ayden F, Henry G, Fletcher H, Hamish K, Ethan M, Jed M, Billy E, Tyson F, Lenny H and Eli P.



#### **KPS STUDENT AWARDS**

July 25 - July 27







**PA** Luca J



**PB** Ryan M



**PC** Ashton S-L



**PD** Chloe S

**GRADE 1** 





**1B** Jaesa W



1C Lacie D



**1D** Rudy P

**GRADE 2** 



**2A** Mason S



**2B** Prisa L



**2C** Charlotte F



**2D** Liam H



**2E** Reet K

**GRADE 3** 



**3A** Malakai R



**3B** Jethro G



**3C** Eden D



**3D** Ellia F

**GRADE 4** 



**4A** Chad V



**4B** Macie P



**4C** Teddy E



**4D** Kaylee C

**GRADE 5** 



**5A** Kadisha M



**5B** Job Peter H



**5C** Harry B



**5D** Sophia P

**GRADE 6** 



**6A** Mitchell E



**6B** Ethan M



**6C** Lucy N



**6D** Evie F

AUSLAN



**2C** Harry M





**6A** Daniel X

PERFORMING ARTS



**5A** Helena P-K

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



**2E** Felix M

HANDWRITING



PC Elise M

WRITING



**4C** Lucy P

MATHS



**PB** Zarwa D

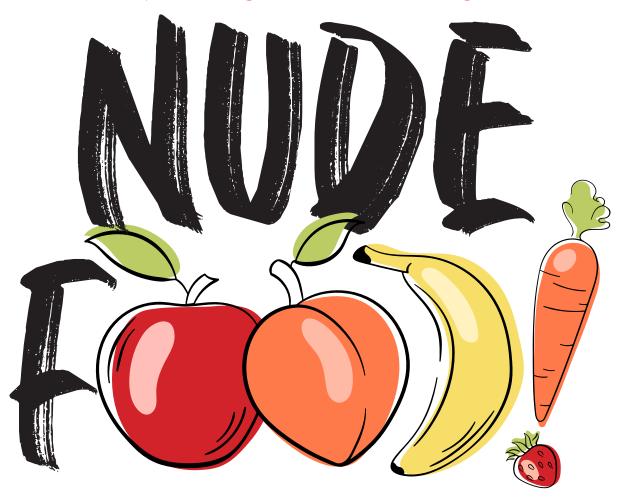
#### **DATES TO REMEMBER 2023**

TERM 3		
Friday 28 July	All Day	PYJAMA DAY - GOLD COIN DONATION
Tuesday 8 August	All Day	SSV REGIONAL SOCCER FINAL - SWAN HILL Selected Students
Tuesday 8 August	9:00am - 2:30pm	BENDIGO UNDERGROUNG MINE TOUR Grade 4 Students
Thursday 17 August	All Day	GRADE 3 - BILLABONG RANCH CAMP 8:30am Drop off at BER
Friday 18 August	All Day	GRADE 3 - BILLABONG RANCH CAMP 3:00pm Collection at BER
Monday 21 to Friday 25 August	All Day	BOOK WEEK
Monday 28 August	7:00pm - 8:30pm	SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday 6 September	All Day	CURRICULUM DAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Thursday 14 September	All Day	SCHOOL PRODUCTION - SUPERSAM

#### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 2023**

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

YOUR 2023 KPS ENVIRONMENT LEADERS, ZARA & AYMAAN, WANT TO INFORM YOU ABOUT OUR NEW & IMPROVED NUDE FOOD PROMOTION.



### NUDE FOOD DAY IS ALL ABOUT BRINGING FOOD TO SCHOOL THAT HAS NO PACKAGING OR WRAPPERS.

\* TRY TO SUBSTITUTE WRAPPERS FOR RECYCLABLE WRAPPERS & CONTAINERS, OR FOOD THAT IS NATURALLY WRAPPED.

• WE WANT TO KEEP OUR SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT CLEAN & TIDY.

 WE WANT TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF LITTER AROUND OUR SCHOOL BECAUSE THAT LITTER (AN GET INTO OUR WATERWAYS & BE DIGESTED BY ANIMALS.

• DOING EMU BOBS TO (LEAN UP LITTER TAKES AWAY FROM OUR LEARNING TIME.

MAKING A SMALL (HANGE (AN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE!

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### **Outside School Hours Care**

#### Newsletter









#### Term 3 Week 3

**Kennington Primary School** 

#### A message from Taylah, Sharon & Michael

Hi families,

In OSHC last week we had a ball creating our own boats using craft materials. The children worked on these for over an hour and the designs were very clever. We tested them in a tub of water and placed marbles in each boat to see how much weight it could hold. Our winning boat held 30 marbles! This week in OSHC we are looking at sustainability! In the coming weeks we will be planting our own food in our very own garden!









Last week we introduced OSHC awards. Each week, Taylah, Sharon and Michael will each pick one person who has displayed the school values and followed our OSHC expectations to receive an award. The winners for last week are: Ruby P and Amelia B

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 are unsure if it is updated, please come and see us.

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

Have a great weekend!

#### **Activities coming up**

National Principals Day – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> of August

National Science Week – 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> of August

#### This week's menu:

Monday: Cereal and milk

Tuesday: Rice cakes and spreads

Wednesday: Veggie hot pot

Thursday: Salad sandwiches

Friday: Cupcakes

#### 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 <u>pp.campaustralia.com.au</u> 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.









Would you like to learn Auslan?

Join Kerry to learn everyday Auslan

Monday afternoon 2.30pm-3.00pm. Meet in Staff Room. No Cost.

For further information please contact Brooke.

Email: <a href="mailto:brooke.howman@education.vic.gov.au">brooke.howman@education.vic.gov.au</a>



**Kerry Hicks** 

Kerry is Deaf Facility staff member and

Deaf community member. Her first language is Auslan.

Kerry has been a Kennington staff member for 18 years.

#### **SMILE SQUAD**

#### Smile Squad is coming to this school.

The Smile Squad team from Bendigo Health are coming to our school in July 2023.

Smile Squad is the Victorian Government free school dental program.

This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

#### How to access free dental care

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian. Sign up to Smile Squad at: https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic

OR use the below QR code:



Paper copies of the consent form are available. Please contact the school office if you would like to request one.

The electronic consent form can be translated into more than 100 languages, and the paper form is available in 13 languages.

#### **Smile Squad dental packs**

All children deserve a healthy smile, and the Smile Squad free school dental program is working hard to help make sure this happens.

Your child(ren) will soon receive a free dental pack to bring home. The dental pack contains a toothbrush, full sized toothpaste, and an oral health brochure. Please take the time to read the brochure. It's full of helpful hints and tips to help your whole family eat well, drink well and clean well – for life.

Smile Squad provides standard strength fluoride toothpaste that is generally used by ages six and over, unless recommended by a dental or trained health professional.

If your child is under six, please talk to a dental or trained health professional to find out if your child might benefit from using this toothpaste. You can also choose to put the toothpaste away until they turn six or give it to someone else in your family to use.

#### Do I need to attend my child's appointment?

No, you do not need to attend your child's appointment. You can attend if you would like to, and you can take your child to the community dental clinic if you prefer.

The Bendigo Health Smile Squad team look forward to seeing you soon.

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Kind Regards, Kristi

#### **SMILE SQUAD**



Smile Squad offers the following services to all Victorian government school students:

- free oral health promotion
- free annual dental health check-ups
- free follow-up treatment as needed.

All Smile Squad services comply with the highest safety and quality requirements.

#### **Annual dental health check-ups**

After consent has been provided, at the first appointment (the check-up), Smile Squad will check the student's teeth and provide preventive care.

Dental health check-ups will usually be delivered in a room on the school site using portable dental equipment (portable chair, portable tools, for example).

Services may include:

- teeth cleaning
- x-rays of teeth
- fluoride varnish application
- fissure sealants
- · advice about dental health and diet.

The check-up will be approximately 15 minutes long.

#### Follow-up treatment

If a student needs follow-up treatment, Smile Squad will seek consent from parents and carers, and make a second appointment. Usually, this appointment takes place in a treatment van on the school site. The van will have a fully functioning single-chair dental clinic set up.

More complex treatments may need to occur at the local Smile Squad community dental agency. These extra treatments are also **completely free of charge**.

Depending on the student's needs, treatment services may include:

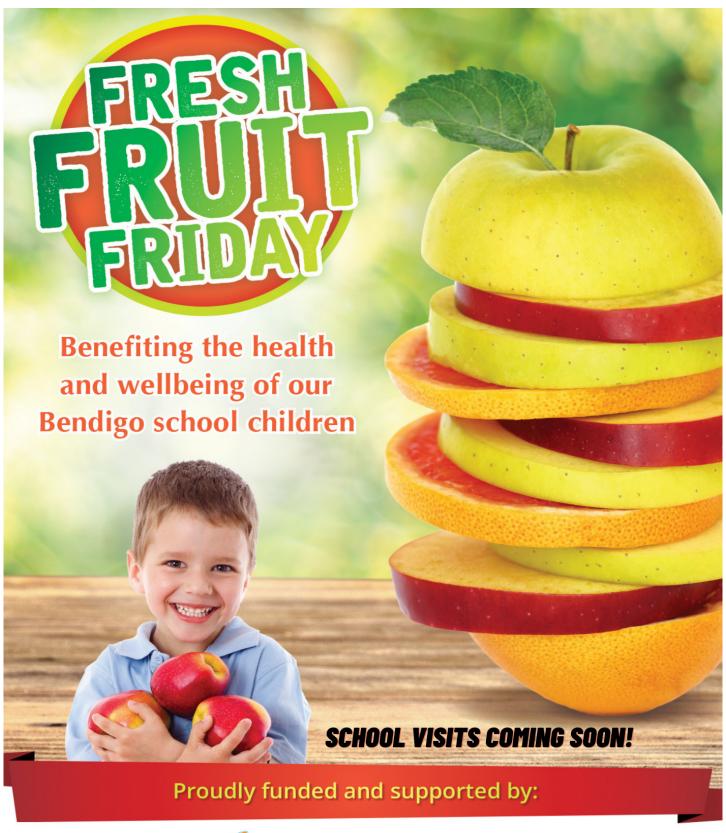
- restorations (fillings)
- root canals
- extractions
- all other general treatment required.

If the student doesn't need follow-up treatment, Smile Squad will see them again in 12 months.

The program does not include orthodontics or cosmetic treatment.

All services are provided free of charge. There are no out of pocket costs for parents and carers.

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## BENDIGO BRAVES

**FINALS TICKETS ON SALE NOW** 

**SATURDAY 5 AUGUST AT RED ENERGY ARENA** 

Funding to attend activities like:

school camps or trips

swimming and school-organised sports programs

excursions and incursions

outdoor education programs

Camps. Sports and Education Fund

Parent must be a

Eligibility Criteria

SCAN ME

health/concession card

Or families on





## **Eligibility Criteria**

- Must be a health/concession card holder;
- Be in receipt of a
- Be studying or have a child Centrelink Payment in school
- Have some regular income from work
- Be 18+ years old

**Saver Plus** 

Program includes:

Coaching on budgeting and savings

Money Minded workshops - Financial Education

Matched dollar for dollar savings up to \$500



Provides school uniforms and shoes to those that are unable to afford them.







### Financial difficulties Health issues/illness Independent living and/or homelessness

- Natural disasters Bereavement
- Domestic and family











 Students Asylum seekers

Card holders

Concession/Health Care

**Eligibility Criteria** 

Computerbank

Or children in out of

or seeking asylum; protection/bridging visas,

Chrome and PDF Maker programs including word processing, Google Low cost refurbished computers that include various





# \$125 per year for eligible primary school students \$225 per year for eligible secondary school students



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Situations include but not

**Eligibility Criteria** 

limited to:

Unemployment





Starting Tuesday 1st August for 6 weeks 3:15pm - 4:15pm

\$60 for 6 weeks, a guaranteed AFLW halftime experience & awesome goodies!

REGISTER NOW







#### **INFORMATION**

FOR PARENTS

#### **MULTI-SPORT**

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

This term we will focus on the following sports:

✓ Soccer

✓ AFI

✓ Basketball ✓ Golf

Netball

✓ Hockey

✓ Tennis

Athletics

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a funand 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 - Year 6 students.

#### S144 FOR 9 WEEKS!

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

**School: Kennington P.S** 

Day: Monday's

Start Date: 17th July

**End Date: 11th September** 

Time: 3:10pm to 4:10pm

#### **BOOK EARLY & SAVE**

Sign up online before July 1st to receive a 10% discount. Use voucher code: earlybird

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