

#### KENNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Last Friday we celebrated National Principals Day, I am grateful for the support and appreciation that our principal class team received. Your thoughtful gestures and kind words have made this day for all of us.

Kennington Primary School is a collective result of the dedication and collaboration of the entire school community. Your support, encouragement, and understanding have been valuable in ensuring that our school thrives as a nurturing and encouraging environment for our students.

We recognise the challenges that come with leading a school, and your willingness to support us at all times has been significant. Your contributions, whether through volunteer work, fundraising efforts, or simply being there for our students and staff, have made a significant impact on the school's growth and development.

On this special occasion, I extend my gratitude to each member of our school community – parents, teachers, staff, students, and all others involved – for your commitment to our school. Together, we create a positive and enriching learning space where our students can achieve their full potential.

Once again, thank you for your generous support on Principals Day and throughout the year.

## PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM

Over the next month we welcome Sharyn Gibbs from DETs Primary School Nursing Program (PSNP), Sharyn will be working with our Prep students whose parents have consented to.

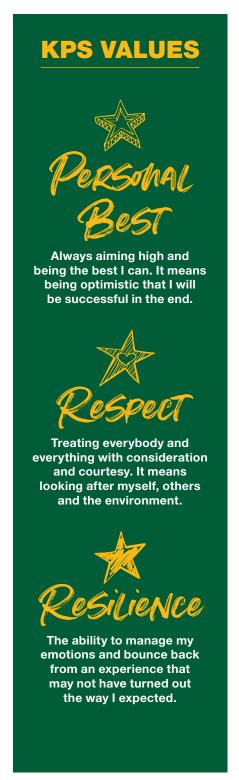
The PSNP is a free service offered to all children attending primary schools and English Language Centre schools in Victoria. Primary school nurses visit schools throughout the year and provide children with:

- the opportunity to have a health assessment
- information and advice about healthy behaviours
- a link for children and families to community-based health and wellbeing services

The PSNP is designed to identify children with potential health-related learning difficulties and to respond to parent/carer concerns and observations about their child's health and wellbeing.

Parents or carers complete the School Entrant Health Questionnaire (SEHQ) which is distributed during the first year of school. With parent/carer consent, follow-up health assessments are conducted by the school nurse as indicated.

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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.

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## BOOK WEEK 2023 - READ GROW INSPIRE 19 - 25 AUGUST

Each year since 1945 the CBCA has brought children and books together across Australia through Children's Book Week. Get ready for an enchanting literary journey as we dive into the pages of imagination during Book Week 2023! This year's theme, "Read, Grow, and Inspire," encapsulates the transformative power of books to shape our minds, nurture our spirits, and ignite our aspirations.

During this time schools and public libraries spend one glorious week celebrating books and Australian children's authors and illustrators. Classroom teachers, teacher librarians and public librarians create colourful displays, develop activities, run competitions, and tell stories relating to a theme to highlight the importance of reading. You will often see parades with students dressed as their favourite book character.

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.

On Monday August 21 we will have a Community Book Celebration Picnic. Students will read outside with their

teacher before going to read with family and friends. This will take place on the Soccer Pitch from 2:20pm.

From Tuesday 22 to Thursday 24 we will be running a Book Exchange. We would love to see students swapping books they have outgrown or no longer need for more interesting and exciting books. We are looking for some donations of books to help get the

On Friday August 25 we will have our Annual Dress-Up Book Parade.

Book Exchange up and running.

Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite literary characters and will parade to music in their grade levels. The parade will begin at 10:00am on the Soccer Pitch.

#### 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.

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.

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

Thank you for your continued 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.

#### RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS TOPIC 8 - POSITIVE GENDER RELATIONS

Learning activities within this topic focus on building an understanding of the effects of family violence and focus on the standards associated with respectful relationships.

Students develop the skills needed to solve problems, set boundaries within relationships, and play an active role within the prevention of family violence.

They develop peer support and help seeking skills that can be applied in response to situations involving gender-based violence in family, peer, community, or on-line relationships.

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## STUDENT SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

#### **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

#### **PHYSCIAL EDUCATION - NEWS**

On Tuesday August 8th, Kennington Primary School sent its Division winning team to the Loddon Mallee Regional Soccer Championship, held at Ken Harrison Reserve in Swan Hill.

The KPS team played two matches in Pool A, one against Castlemaine North and one against Irymple.

The first match started well with the team playing some really competitive soccer, however Castlemaine North managed to secure a goal and hold off an impressive attack late in the game. The second pool match against lrymple was a carbon copy of the first with lrymple going 1-0 up and holding Kennington off late in the game.

Kennington played extremely well all day against some very competitive teams, both of which went on to play in the Grand Final game.

Well done to all the students that participated. You should be extremely proud of your efforts today as you played extremely well and maintained fantastic sportsmanship throughout the day.

Thank you to Mrs Bentley and Mrs Maddren for training the teams prior to the day and to Brent Maddren who coached on the day. Thanks also to the parents who took the time to travel up to Swan Hill on the day, we appreciate your efforts.

#### **Kennington Representative team:**

Carter M, Edward A. Ethan Mc, Fraser M, Henry G, Isaiah H, James A, Jed M, Joel S, Josh T, Jonah S, Opese N,

Simon B, Simeon B and Will M.



#### **MATHLETICS NEWS**

This year students will continue to have access to the 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 students 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 in our KPS newsletter, The Link.

Jeremy Hibbs Numeracy Learning Specialist

## Gold certificates earned in the month of June and July

Maya K – 1C, Daniel X – 6A, Aymaan Z - 6A

Have a wonderful weekend **Trav** 

## **KPS STUDENT AWARDS**

## August 7 - August 10



RADE PREP	9
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Ashton K



РΒ Patrick K



PC Elise M

PD Max L

**GRADE 1** 



**1A** Emily B



1B Casper S



1C Van S



1D Remi M

**GRADE 2** 



**2A** Demi D



**2B** Molly H



2C Charlie P



2D Emma L



2E Ava K

**GRADE 3** 



**3A** Elsa N



**3B** Corey D



**3C** Caley M



**3D** Billie-Mae K

**GRADE 4** 



Edward B



Daniel W



4C Archer J



Michael A

**GRADE 5** 



**5A** Kaylarni M



**5B** Katherine L



5C Zoe K



5D Jaz E

**GRADE 6** 



6**A** Daniel X



6**B** 



6C Lenny H



6D



**1A** 



Georgia W





Grace B

AUSLAN



Vish N





6A Nadia H

**PERFORMING ARTS** 



6C Braxton H

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION** 



3C Maddi B

**HANDWRITING** 



**2A** Evie H

**WRITING** 



**1A** Callum E

**MATHS** 



**6A** Liam S

## **DATES TO REMEMBER 2023**

TERM 3		
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
Friday 25 August	All Day	BOOK WEEK PARADE - DRESS UP DAY
Monday 28 August	7:00pm - 8:30pm	SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday 30 August	7:00pm - 8:00pm	PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING
Wednesday 6 September	All Day	CURRICULUM DAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Friday 8 September	All Day	FOOTY COLOURS DAY
Thursday 14 September	All Day	SCHOOL PRODUCTION - SUPERSAM
Friday 15 September	All Day	LAST DAY OF TERM 3 - 2:00PM FINISH

## **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

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

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

## **Newsletter**









#### Term 3 Week 4

**Kennington Primary School** 

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

Hi families,

At assembly next week, we presented our OSHC gift to Mr Eddy, Mr Monaghan and Mr Roberts at Assembly. The children and educators worked together to create a canvas of thankyou messages. Brooke and Catherine helped to present this at assembly in front of the school.



#### **OSHC AWARDS**

We have introduced OSHC awards. Each week, 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 Steevi F, Brooke N and Catherine 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 Science Week – 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> of August

#### This week's menu:

Monday: Cereal

Tuesday: Apple and Cinnamon

Muffins

Wednesday: Jaffa Cake

**Thursday**: Toasts and spreads

Friday: Rice Cakes

#### 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>



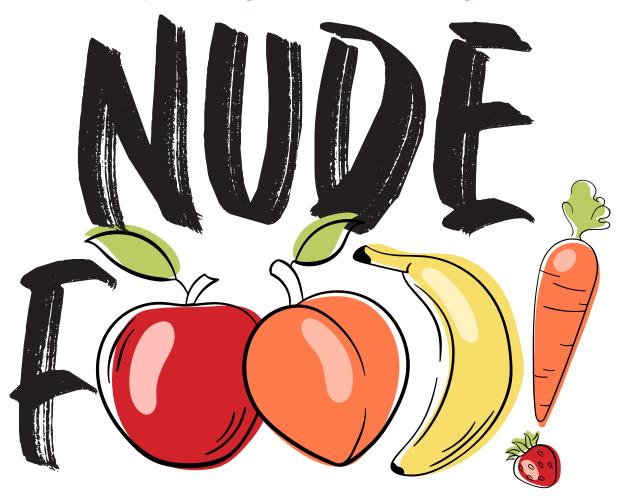
**Kerry Hicks** 

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.

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.

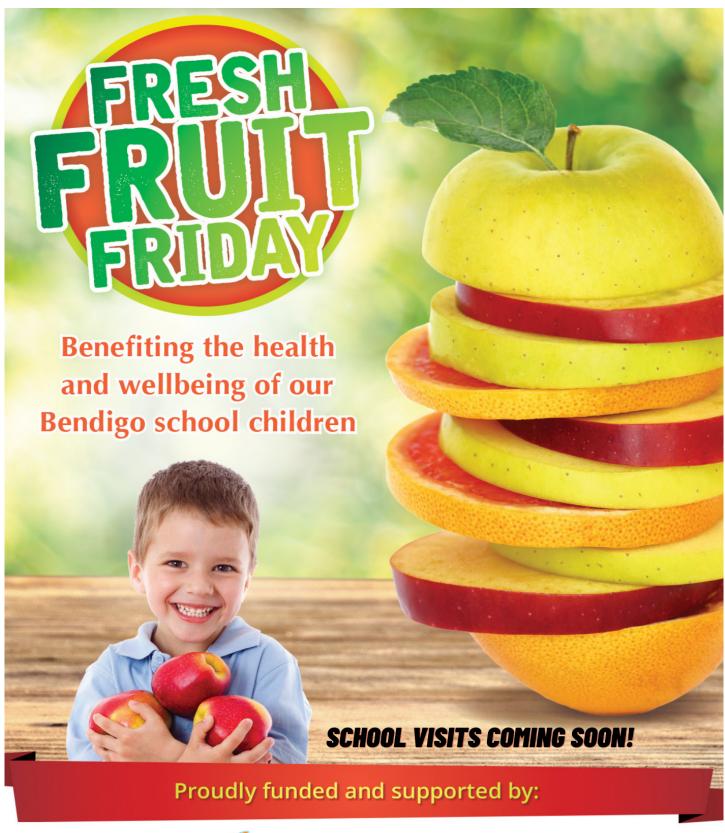
• TRY TO SUBSTITUTE WRAPPERS FOR RECYCLABLE WRAPPERS & CONTAINERS, OR FOOD THAT IS NATURALLY WRAPPED.

• 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!





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## **Players Wanted**

2023 Twilight Season

Are you an experienced netballer? Perhaps you would like to learn, or you would like to make friends in a supportive club?

We would like to hear from you.

Taking expressions of interest and questions for all
genders between 9-13 (under 11, under 13).

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