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Kennington Primary School is committed to the Child Safe Standards

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Travis Eddy



Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to everyone on their continued learning over the last week. We are beginning to really settle into the year and consolidate our understanding of everything that occurs on a day-to-day basis. This week marks the last week of our prep students transitioning into school life, next week they will begin full weeks at school. As the term continues it's important as adults within our school community, that we model the behaviours that we would like to see from our children.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

A reminder that next Wednesday, March 6 is School Photo Day. Please ensure that your children are in their full school uniform on this day and that any hair accessories are in school colours. All photo orders are to be completed online and Leading Image Photography paid directly. Information regarding online orders is contained later in the LINK.

If your child is away on the day you will need to contact the photo company direct to see if there is a possibility of catch-up session at a different school.

SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2024 – NOMINATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY MARCH 1, 2024, 4:00PM

I have sent an email regarding School Council Elections. We have 4 parent positions available for 2024. Please check your email and contact me via the office if you have any questions.

DANCE PERFORMANCE

Kennington Primary school students have been working hard all Term choreographing a song as part of their dance curriculum.

Performances from Grades Prep to 5 will be held on Friday, March 22 2:00pm, and due to the Grade 6 Camp, the Grade 6 performance will be Thursday, March 28 at 1:15pm.

We are looking forward to seeing the Kennington Community come and support.

MOBILE PHONES – STUDENT USE

A reminder that the Department of Education has in place a mobile phone ban that requires students who bring mobiles phones to school to have them switched off and securely put away during school hours.

The department is requiring all schools to ensure this ban is in place and enforced from the start of the 2024 school year.

The ban applies equally to all government schools right across the state.

This helps ensure that school is a learning environment free from unnecessary distractions and disruptions.

By ensuring mobile phones are kept away at recess and lunch times, students can interact with each other face-to-face, without the distractions

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

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and social pressures that mobile phones can cause.

I ask for the support of all our families, staff, and students in continuing to support the implementation of this policy in our school.

Further information

Exceptions: For a small number of students with particular health needs, an exception to the policy may be granted. Please contact the office if you would like to discuss this.

Emergencies: In the event of an emergency or if you need to immediately contact your child, I ask that families contact the school office on 5443 2011 who will pass on a message as required.

School mobile phone policy: A copy of our school's local mobile phone policy, which implements the government's mobile policy in line with our local context, is [available here](#).

Parent support: The [Mobile phones in schools webpage](#) provides links to resources for families to help them balance their children's time using mobile phones.

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

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

Topic 2: Personal Strengths

Children and young people need a vocabulary to help them recognise and understand strengths and positive qualities in themselves and others.

This topic provides learning activities to build this vocabulary and to use it when discussing personal, social, and ethical challenges. Research in the field of positive psychology emphasises the importance of identifying and using individual strengths. Social and emotional learning programs which use strength-based approaches promote student wellbeing, positive behaviour,

and academic achievement.

STUDENT ABSENCE PROGRAM (SMS)

We use Sentral Student Management Program to track student absences. This program allows us to send an SMS message to parents who have a child/children absent from school without an explanation. The message notifies the parent that the child is absent and asks that they notify the school as to the reason why.

Parents can either return an SMS with the absence reason, log the absence reason on the Sentral App or telephone the school on 5443 2011 and leave a message at the office.

This Student Absence Program hopefully reduces the number of students with unexplained absences.

Days absent per semester (Two terms)	
0 – 6 days	This is the normal range for school absence
7 – 10 days	This attendance is below average. This student could miss over one year of schooling from Prep to Year 10
11 – 20 days	This attendance rate is poor. This student could miss over two years of schooling from Prep to Year 10
20+ Days	This attendance rate is very poor. This student could miss over two and a half years of schooling from Prep to Year 10

If you are aware in advance that your child is going to be absent, please add it to the Sentral App, send a note to the school or phone the school. If the absence is unexpected the school should be advised either via a phone call on the morning of the absence or by a note when your child returns to school. Calls to the school can be made after 8:30am. Calls to the school or notes must be provided by parent/carer. In the case where your child has several unexplained absences you will receive a letter asking for an explanation of the absences.










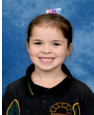

























We ask you in advance for your cooperation in this matter, as it is very important that we work together to establish good attendance patterns for your child/ren.

Trav

KPS STUDENT AWARDS

February 26 - February 29



GRADE PREP		PA Riley AG		PB Spencer J		PC Alex G		PD Eleanor T		
GRADE 1		1A Quinn G		1B Charlie G		1C Ezra M		1D Sid P		
GRADE 2		2A Patrick S	2B Silver S			2C Charlotte H		2D Casper S		
GRADE 3		3A Ava K		3B Willow J-G		3C Connor J		3D Gabriel L		3E Mohid Z
GRADE 4		4A Cooper G		4B Murray F		4C Amiya A		4D Amelia O		
GRADE 5		5A Hunter P		5B Alex M		5C Sahar N		5D Lydia N		
GRADE 6		6A Ryder H-P		6B Hamish H		6C Makanaka M		6D Aleisha H-D		
AUSLAN		3B Mason S			VISUAL ARTS			2B Emilia J		
PERFORMING ARTS		6D Kaylarni M			PHYSICAL EDUCATION			4D Thomas D		
HANDWRITING		4B Percy W								
WRITING		4A Honey' Belle FD								
MATHS		PA Will K								

DATES TO REMEMBER 2024

TERM 1

Monday 4 March	All Day	SELECTED STUDENTS Division Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 6 March	All Day	SCHOOL PHOTOS Order via Access Key, later in LINK
Friday 8 March	All Day	SELECTED GRADE 5 AND 6 STUDENTS Division Volleyball
Monday 11 March	All Day	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Wednesday 20 March	All Day	GRADE 6 CAMP - MELBOURNE More information to come via Sentral
Thursday 21 March	All Day	GRADE 6 CAMP - MELBOURNE More information to come via Sentral
Friday 22 March	All Day	GRADE 6 CAMP - MELBOURNE More information to come via Sentral
Friday 22 March	2:00pm	DANCE PERFORMANCE - PREP TO GRADE 5
Tuesday 26 March	All Day	KENNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
Tuesday 26 March	7:00pm	PARENTS AND FRIENDS MEETING
Thursday 28 March	All Day	HARMONY DAY
Thursday 28 March	1:15pm	DANCE PERFORMANCE - GARDE 6
Thursday 28 March	All Day	LAST DAY OF TERM 1 - 2:00PM FINISH

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 2024

MONDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mr Miller
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TUESDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	BREAKFAST CLUB Amphitheatre with Ms Rothacker and Ms Boyd
8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mr Miller

WEDNESDAY

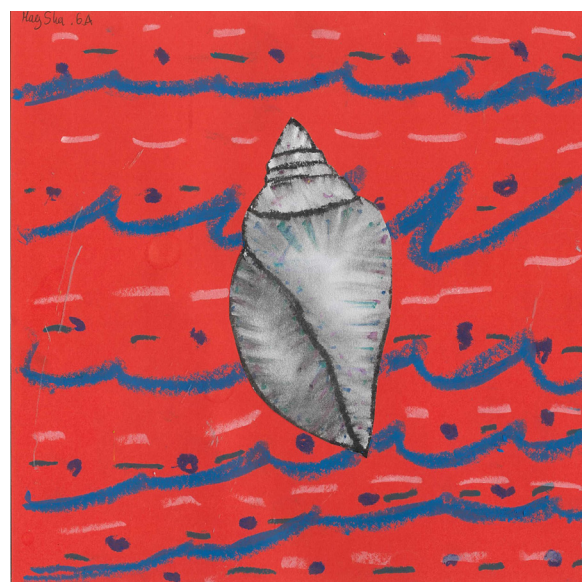
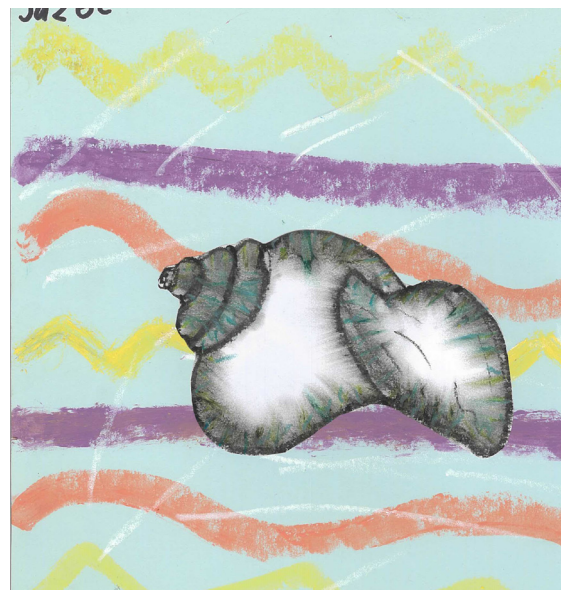
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THURSDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mrs Bentley
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FRIDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mrs Bentley
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ONLINE BOOKING

Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year.

Choose your own **FREE** background



The benefits of being online...

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
- No cash on school grounds or children's bags
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
- 18 different backgrounds to choose from - no additional cost

www.leadingimage.com.au

Kennington Primary School

Access Key

X7HZF2AB



INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Enter your Access Key



Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30pm the night before photo day.
Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.

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**KPS PARENTS & FRIENDS
ASSOCIATION PRESENTS**

HOT CROSS BUN DRIVE

In 2024, Bakers Delight, Strath Village are once again offering to supply KPS families with delicious, freshly baked hot cross buns, and donating \$2 from every 6-pack to Kennington Primary School! New Freedom Bakery, Bendigo will also be supplying families a limited amount of their famous gluten-free hot cross bun variety, with a donation of \$1.40 from every 4-pack to KPS!

Orders are accepted both online via **Sentral StudentPay+** or by simply filling in the form below selecting how many, and which variety of hot cross buns you would like. Bring your order form, together with full payment in a clearly labelled envelope with your child's name and class, into the office by end of school on **Monday 18th March, 2024**.



Please feel free to take orders on behalf of family, friends and neighbours to help maximise the donations to the school. Your hot cross buns will be delivered home with your child after school on **Wednesday 27th March, 2024**.



HOT CROSS BUN ORDER FORM



NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

SCHOOL: **KENNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

STANDARD HOT CROSS BUN 6-PACK (\$9.50 BAKERS DELIGHT)

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 **TRADITIONAL HOT CROSS BUN 6-PACK**

 **APPLE & CINNAMON HOT CROSS BUN 6-PACK**

 **CHOC CHIP HOT CROSS BUN 6-PACK**

GLUTEN-FREE HOT CROSS BUN 4-PACK (\$13.00 NEW FREEDOM BAKERY)

 **GLUTEN-FREE HOT CROSS BUN 4-PACK**

(there is only a limited number of Gluten-Free 4-packs available)

**\$2.00 FROM BAKERS DELIGHT & \$1.40 FROM NEW FREEDOM BAKERY
FOR EVERY HOT CROSS BUN PACK WILL BE DONATED BACK TO KPS!**

TOTAL COST: \$ _____

Bakers Delight

NEW FREEDOM
GLUTEN-FREE BAKERY

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KPS PARENTS & FRIENDS
ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

KPS PREPS CATCH UP

WELCOME 2024 PREP FAMILIES

The Parents & Friends Association (PFA)
welcome you to Kennington Primary School.

Come along to a catch up to meet other prep families and members of the Parents & Friends Association whilst the kids play! Whether it's your first, second, third... or sixth child starting prep it would be great to see you there. Look out for the green & yellow balloons at the playground.

DATE: Sunday 3rd March, 2024.

TIME: from 2.00pm to 3.30pm (BYO snacks)

PLACE: Strathdale Park Playspace
148 Crook Street, Strathdale.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!





States Schools' Relief Uniform Package 2024

Eligible families

Applicants who hold a current health care card.

Who is SSR?

States Schools' Relief is a not-for-profit organisation that works closely with all government schools across the state of Victoria. Each year State Schools' Relief provides assistance to families experiencing financial disadvantage with school uniforms and footwear.

SSR provides a uniform package each year to all families/carers eligible for CSEF funding.

2024 FAMILIES Uniform Package for CSEF recipients

2024 families that are recipients of the camps, sports, excursions fund (CSEF) automatically qualify for the uniform package and/or voucher.

Please contact the office for more information and order forms



3 DAY VIP EVENT

20%
OFF
EVERYTHING*



March 6th 7th & 8th



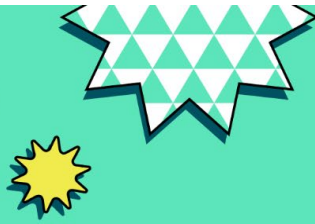
INSTORE & ONLINE

*T&C's apply, no rainchecks, savings off original prices.

Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

26.02.2024

Camp Australia – Kennington Primary School OSHC



Your
OSHC.



Last Week at OSHC

We had a great of Lego construction with a variety of themes including: animals, buildings, self portraits and fidgets. There were some very imaginative and creative designs as the children displayed strong individual and group work. A highlight was Catherine and her Lego self-portrait as shown in the photo below. There were some hot days last week and on Thursday the children enjoyed a nice cold fruit smoothie, as you can see from Van and his smoothie moustache. **This week** we are exploring bird wildlife as a theme suggested by Ruby and Annabelle M.

Enrolments for **Rocketeers Mission XIII** are now open and programs are available at the service or online. Make sure to book your places before the days fill up.

We have spaces available for both Before and After School and are happy to accommodate your needs for come. Come in and see Michael or Sharon if you need any questions answered or for a tour and visit of the service.

Catherines' Lego Portrait



Vans' smoothie mustache



What's coming up

Week 5 26 Feb-Mar 1 Birds of a feather

Week 6 4-8 March Transportation Time

Reminder

Please make sure children are bringing a hat to the program for outside play as we are a SunSmart program.

Menu this week

Monday- Vanilla Cake

Tuesday- Toasties

Wednesday- Popcorn

Thursday- Rice cakes

Friday- English muffin pizza

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 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



Benefitting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

Fresh Fruit Program in local schools

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PLAY FOR KICKS

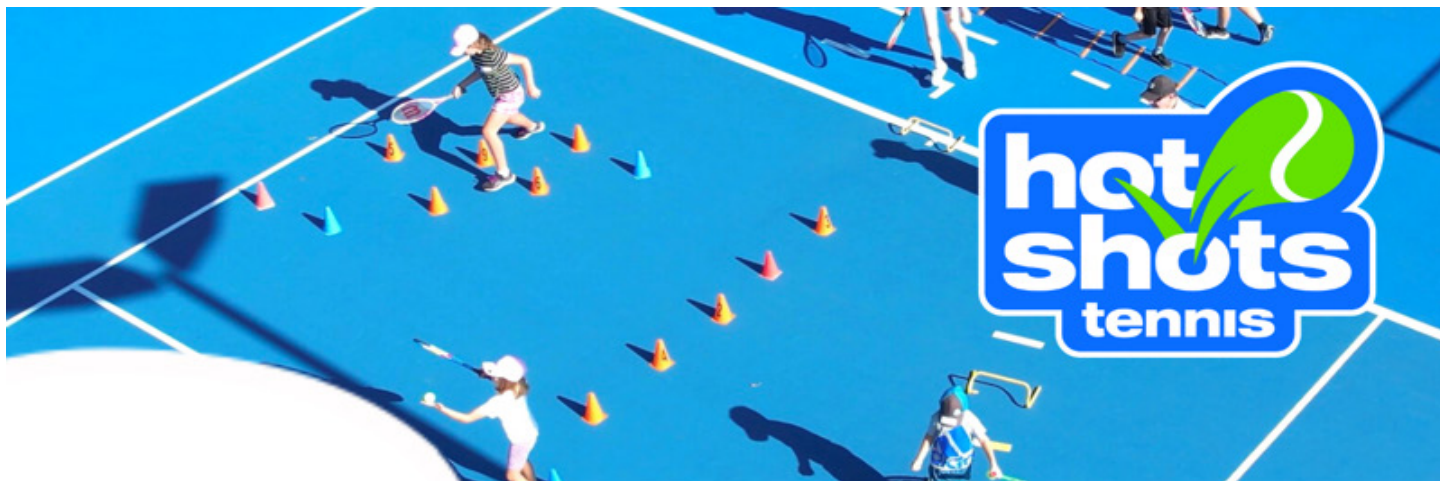


Superkick is next level fun for 7 to 12 year olds who are new to footy, or want to continue to grow their skill levels.

**KENNINGTON PRIMARY
SUPERKICK CENTRE**

**STARTING THURSDAY 29TH FEB FOR 5 WEEKS
3:15PM - 4:15PM ON THE TOP OVAL**





GIANT *Tennis*

COACHING PROGRAMS

HOT SHOTS 3-12YRS
JUNIORS & ADULTS
GROUPS & PRIVATE LESSONS
HOLIDAY PROGRAMS
CARDIO TENNIS
SQUADS
MATCH PLAY



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10-11AM SUNDAY'S
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