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Kennington Primary School is committed to the Child Safe Standards

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Travis Eddy



Dear Parents/Carers,

EDUCATION WEEK 2024 WRAP UP

Once again Education Week has been a fantastic week at Kennington Primary School. Over the course of the week, we welcomed many visitors to our school including new and perspective families.

As a part of Education Week, we held our Step into Prep Session Wednesday evening. The Step into Prep session was attended by around 50 families. Parents guided their children through school-based activities in our Prep classrooms and had the opportunity meet some of our fantastic staff.

I would like to extend a very big thanks to our school leaders, including our School Ambassadors and School Captains who provided guided tours for our guests during our Open Day and Wednesday.

2025 PREP ENROLMENTS

We are now taking Prep enrolments for 2025. If you wish to enrol your child at Kennington for Prep in 2025, please contact the office on 5443 2011 with your details. School tours can also be booked by via this number.

PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE 2024

The Premiers' Reading Challenge is back for 2024! The Challenge encourages students to read a set number of books over the year and record their efforts online.

Students in Prep to Year 2 are challenged to read a total of 30 books, with 20 or more of these being from the Challenge book list. Students in Years 3 to 6 are challenged to read 15 books, with 10 or more being from the Challenge book list. The Challenge Book List can be found at <https://www.vic.gov.au/premiers-reading-challenge-book-lists>.

The Premiers' Reading Challenge ends on September 6, 2024. Students who complete the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement.

SCHOOL SAVING BONUS

You may have seen the recent announcement of the School Saving Bonus, as part of the Victorian Budget 2024/25. We are sharing more information about how families will be able to access and use this support.

This one-off support will include \$400 for each eligible student to help families cover the costs of school uniforms and activities in 2025.

It will be available to parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025.

Cash will not be paid directly to individuals or families. Instead, families will receive the bonus as credits on their school accounts that will help meet the costs of your children's activities and uniforms.

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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

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SHAMROCK ATHLETICS – FRIDAY MAY 17, 2024

Tomorrow about 70 students from grades 3 to 6 will represent Kennington Primary School in Shamrock Athletics Carnival. These 70 students were our lead place getters in our School Athletics.

Our students will participate in a variety of events across the day that they have been practicing for during their lunch times. We wish all the participating students good luck.

GRADE 5 CAMP – SOVEREIGN HILL

Congratulations to all our staff and students who took part in the Sovereign Hill School Camp, Costume School Costume School provides students with the opportunity to fully immerse themselves in the historical period of the gold rush era.

By wearing period-appropriate costumes and participating in activities such as role-playing and reenactments, students can better understand the daily lives and experiences of people living during that time.

From all reports, everyone had a fantastic time.

TRAFFIC SAFETY REMINDER FROM THE CITY OF GREATER BENDIGO

The City of Greater Bendigo have recently received a high number of incident reports in relation to:

- families parking across designated crossing lines to drop children off at school.
- number of cars driving through the crossing when the supervisor has an active crossing and is holding a stop sign.

Bendigo Police Highway Patrol have been notified regarding this increased number of incidents and near misses. To ensure the safety of our children, parents and crossing supervisors, please remember the following Road Safety Rules

Under the Road Safety Road Rules 2017, whenever the school crossing flags are displayed, it is illegal to stop or park:

- 20 metres before a school crossing
- 10 metres after a school crossing
- within 10 metres of an intersection

If school crossing flags are displayed, you must stop for pedestrians. You must remain stopped until the crossing is clear.

During active school crossing times the speed limit is reduced to 40km/h.

ONLINE SAFETY

Office of Safeguarding eSafety Schools are often asked how to safeguard children in terms of "digital safety", our advice is always to monitor very closely what your child is doing when using technology. Every year new social media sites become popular, which then results in issues for students who may have negative comments made about them, in some cases cyberbullying also occurs.

The Australian Government has excellent information on the following website around safety, I encourage parents to visit this site whenever you are unsure how appropriate content is for your child <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>.

The comments we often hear from parents are "I don't want my child to miss out", "everyone else is online", "my child has a tantrum if I refuse them screen time" and so on.

Rather than worrying that our child will be left out, focus more on what you believe to be in their best interests. All social media sites have age limits for good reasons, such as inappropriate content and reduced security. Your digital footprint can NEVER be erased.

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International Competitions and Assessments for Schools 2024



NAME OF COMPETITION	COMPETITION DATE	ENTRY FEE
Writing - Years 3 – 6	Week of August 5	\$23.95
Digital Technology - Years 2 – 6	Week of August 5	\$19.95
English - Years 2 – 6	Week of August 12	\$19.95
Spelling - Years 2 - 6	Week of August 19	\$19.95
Science - Years 2 – 6	Week of August 19	\$19.95
Mathematics - Years 2 - 6	Week of August 26	\$19.95

The **International Competitions and Assessments for Schools** will be conducted again this year. The competitions provide an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. Each student who participates will receive a certificate and a detailed Results Letter indicating which questions they answered correctly, as well as the average mark for their state. The entry form below must be completed, and the money forwarded to school by **Monday 22th of July**. Late entries will not be accepted.

(Additional entry forms can be collected from the office)

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools 2024

Student Name:

Grade:

Competition to be Entered	Entry Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Writing - Years 3 - 6	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Digital Technologies - Years 2 -	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> English - Years 2 – 6	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Spelling Bee - Years 2 – 6	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Science - Years 2 – 6	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics - Years 2 - 6	\$
TOTAL	\$



KPS Student School Council will be running a Colouring Competition for a number of 'Free Child Ticket's' to the Moscow Circus at the Bendigo Showgrounds on Friday May 31, 2024.

All entries must be handed in before the end of day, Thursday May 23, 2024.

The winners will be announced at assembly on Friday May 24, 2024.

(Tickets must be redeemed at the Bendigo Showgrounds 48 hours before the show). Children must be accompanied by a paying adult.

Colouring Competition entry forms can be collected from the school office at any time.

KPS STUDENT AWARDS

May 13 - May 16



GRADE PREP		PA Finn E		PB Tommy M		PC Lilian D		PD Elsie M		
GRADE 1		1A Charlotte A	1B Emma C			1C Patrick K		1D Raynar J-P		
GRADE 2		2A Emily B		2B Dante J		2C Zarlee T		2D Millicent M		
GRADE 3		3A Aubrey E		3B Louis F		3C Hugh J		3D Lachlan R		3E Hutch C
GRADE 4		4A Olivia G		4B Percy W		4C Noah M		4D Damian C		
GRADE 5		5A Jack B		5B Mitchell C		5C Indy B		5D Ethan S		
GRADE 6		6A Benny S		6B Michael M		6C Dominic D	6D Charlotte T			
AUSLAN		1B Zahra T	VISUAL ARTS				6A Jackson B			
PERFORMING ARTS		3C Valerie S	PHYSICAL EDUCATION				2C Jake F			
HANDWRITING	2C Maev s									
WRITING		PD Xavier X								
MATHS		1A Max L								

DATES TO REMEMBER 2024

TERM 2

Friday 17 May	All Day	SHAMROCK ATHLETICS Selected Students
Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May	All Day	GRADE 3 AND GRADE 5 SWIMMING See Sentral attachment for Swimming times
Thursday 23 May	End of Day	COLOURING COMPETITION ENDING Pictures due to Office before end of day
Monday 3 June	All Day	PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Monday 10 June	All Day	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

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

8:15am to 8:45am	BREAKFAST CLUB Amphitheatre with Ms Rothacker and Ms Boyd
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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 Ms Rothacker and Ms Boyd

FRIDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	MORNING CLUB Stadium with Mrs Bentley
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Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

14.05.2024

Camp Australia – Kennington Primary School OSHC



Your
OSHC.



Celebrating Mother's

Our Mother's Day week of activities produced some creative and thoughtful gifts for the special women in the children's lives. From hanging pot plants painted with flair, to cards and posters produced with care, the children really worked hard to show love and appreciation to their mums and those who care for them. We hope it was a special day for all and that you were given the acknowledgement and recognition you deserve.

There is a **pupil free day on Monday the 3rd of June**. We will run a program on the day and are open from 7am-6pm. Bookings are open so if you require care please book in now as places may be limited. **So come and join the fun at before and after school sessions** 😊

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



Mother's Day craft by Alice F of OSHC

[What's coming up at OSHC](#)

[Week 5- Sports Spectacular](#)

[Week 6- Child Safety week](#)

Reminder

Please remember that if your child is not attending to please cancel the booking, as this opens up the spot for other families to book in.

Menu this week

Monday- Popcorn

Tuesday- Blueberry muffins

Wednesday- Spaghetti + Bake beans

Thursday- Sakatas w/salsa

Friday- Rumballs

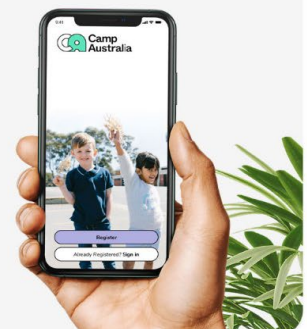
Make a booking!

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.





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