

#### **KENNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

60 Crook Street (PO Box 45) Strathdale, Victoria, 3550

www.kenningtonps.vic.edu.au

**E:** kennington.ps@education.vic.gov.au **T:** 03 5443 2011 **F:** 03 5441 7321

**T:** 03 5443 2011 **F:** 03 5441 / **Principal:** Travis Eddy

**Asst. Principal:** Luke Monaghan **Asst. Principal:** Michael Coombes

THURSDAY AUGUST 8, 2024 ISSUE 21

Kennington Primary School is committed to the Child Safe Standards



Dear Parents/Carers,

This term, our Grade 5 students have had the unique opportunity to partner with the children from Kennington Kinder for a series of engaging and educational activities.

This collaboration has not only fostered a sense of community but also provided invaluable learning experiences for both our primary school students and the younger children.

# 2024 PARENT / CAREGIVER / GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

We want our parents / caregivers / guardians to tell us what they think!

**All** families have been invited via email sent earlier this week to participate in the survey.

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online until **July to Friday 30 August 2024.** 

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / caregivers / guardians who speak a language other than English at home.

Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language.

Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

#### 2025 PREP ENROLMENT REMINDER

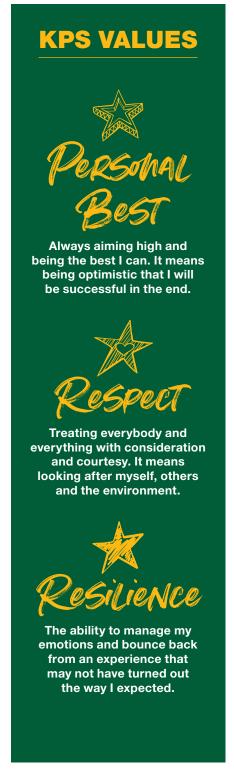
We are now accepting Prep enrolments for 2025. If you wish to enrol your child at Kennington Primary School for Prep in 2025, please contact the office at 5443 2011 with your details.

School tours can also be booked through this number.

# SUPERVISION RESPONSIBILITIES BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

At Kennington Primary School, the school grounds are supervised by staff from 8.30am before school and until 3.15pm after school.

Principals Report Continued on Page 2



### **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

#### **Continued from Page 1**

There may be staff in attendance at the school before and after those times, but those staff may be involved in tasks such as meetings or lesson preparation. This means that these staff members will not be supervising students. Some parents accompany their children to school and wait to see that they are settled. This practice is fine, and is certainly encouraged, as parents are supervising their own children.

Formal before and after school care is available within the school grounds and is operated by Camp Australia. Information regarding this program is available from the office or can be accessed on-line at <a href="https://campaustralia.com.au/schools/3464">https://campaustralia.com.au/schools/3464</a>.

# ESMART TOPIC - IPARENT - ONLINE RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES

iParent has plenty of tips and practical steps along the way so you can help your child explore safely and manage on-line issues if they arise.

iParent website <a href="https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents">https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents</a>

# 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.

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.

#### **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 Sentral Parent App or the web-based Parent Portal of Sentral. If you are having difficulty finding them, please contact us in the office.

#### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION - NEWS**

## Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term!

Jump Rope for Heart is the Heart Foundation's primary school skipping challenge that helps kids move more, have fun, and raise funds for life-saving research and programs.

This year we've got an audacious goal to see our student Heart Heroes at Kennington PS skipping through the program!

Register your child online, so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started. www.jumprope.org.au/parents

Students will be completing skipping practice during in their Phys Ed sessions this term, throughout the term you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on their Sport session in week 10 (September 16-20), this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

We will also be running a colouring in competition along side the fundraising efforts. There will be a prize for each year level within our school. Winners will be announced at the last assembly for term 3. Entry forms for the colouring in competition will be provided to your child over the coming weeks.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program! Mrs Bentley & Mr Miller

Thank you,
Travis Eddy

### **BOOK WEEK**

### **Book Week 2024** 18 – 23 **AUGUST**

The theme for Book Week this year is "Reading is Magic"

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 for Book Week include:

On Monday August 19 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 2:30pm.

On Tuesday August 20 and Wednesday August 21 we will be running a Book Exchange before and after school. 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 Book Exchange up and running.

On Wednesday August 21 we will have our Annual Dress-Up Book Parade. 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.



# **Smile Squad**

### Free dental for all Victorian government school students

Dear Kennington Primary School families,

The Smile Squad team from Bendigo Health are coming to our school soon.

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: <a href="https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic">https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic</a>

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 currently available in 13 languages.

#### Smile Squad oral health 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 oral health pack to bring home. The 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.

### **KPS STUDENT AWARDS**

August 5 - August 8





PA Ophelia B



РΒ Alexis W



PC Eden T



PD Reid G

**GRADE 1** 

**GRADE PREP** 



**1A** Sunny N



1B Lucas B



1C Cooper G



**GRADE 2** 



**2A** Bassel D



2B Silver S



2C Connor L



2D Eliza S

**GRADE 3** 



**3A** Will B



**3B** Charlie H



**3C** Maya RD



**3D** Ayla M



3E Braylan B

**GRADE 4** 



**4A** Elsa N



Murray F



Jethro G



Ella F

**GRADE 5** 



**5A** 



5B



5C





Riley S



Peyton F



Harry S



5D Ben B

**GRADE 6** 



6**A** Willow B



6B Edward A



6C Issac H



6**D** Toby E

AUSLAN



**3A** Ava K





**VISUAL ARTS** 



3B Lewis H

**PERFORMING ARTS** 



**2A** Cejay H

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION** 



4D Maddi B

**HANDWRITING** 



2D Jaxson BM

**WRITING** 



5C Isabelle S

**MATHS** 



3D Miles C

## **DATES TO REMEMBER 2024**

TERM 3		
Friday 16 August	11:30am - 2:00pm	GRADE 5 - BENDIGO WRITERS FESTIVAL Information via Sentral
Monday 19 August	2:30pm	COMMUNITY BOOK CELEBRATION PICNIC Soccer Pitch
Tuesday 20 August/Wednesday 21 August	Before and After School	BOOK EXCHANGE
Wednesday 21 August	10:00am	ANNUAL DRESS-UP BOOK PARADE Students encouraged to dress up, Parade on Soccer Pitch
Thursday 22 August	All Day	GRADE 3 - BILLABONG RANCH Information to via Sentral
Friday 23 August	All Day	GRADE 3 - BILLABONG RANCH Information to via Sentral
Friday 30 August	9:15am - 2:30pm	GRADE 4 - GOLD MINE AND TRAM EXCURSION Information via Sentral

# **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 2024**

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

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**





How your child can become a Heart Hero

Parents and Guardians Guide



Hi! Pick one of us to be your avatar when you register online! Get ready to unlock accessories and dress us up!

Have fun and learn new tricks



Sign up at

jumprope.org.au/parents



### **Outside School Hours Care**

# Newsletter









### 07.08.2024

### Camp Australia – Kennington Primary School OSHC

#### Week 4 Update

This week our theme has been the infinite place that is space. We have looked at the planets of our solar system and the means by which man can travel amongst the stars. Then we created the lunar surface of the moon using foil and the children took part in a space quiz.

We have brought back the OSHC awards for this term and our recipient for last week is Skylar Shard for her courage for speaking during school assembly when making a presentation to the school Principals on national Principal Day. Skylar displays excellent leadership traits while at OSHC. Well Done.

We also have a plethora of new resources at OSHC including dolls heads for children to hone their hairdressing skills and a bunch of cool new games for all to use as well as new play kitchen equipment. 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







Some images from this week at OSH including Skylar and her award.

What's coming up at OSHC

**Week 5- National Science Week** 

Week 6- Book Week

#### Reminder

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

#### Menu this Week

Monday-Popcorn

Tuesday- Rice Crackers w/dips

Wednesday-Blueberry muffin

Thursday-Toasties

Friday-Cheesecake

### 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.







# Aspire Bendigo Kennington





# **Book Week Celebrations!**

Dress up to celebrate the theme of "Reading is Magic"

10am - 1pm, Saturday 17th August





Aspire Kennington is inviting **YOU** to come along as your favourite book character to their Book Week party! Have your face painted, get a balloon sculpture and listen to stories and engage in book-themed experiences in our beautiful centre.



**1A THE TERRACE, KENNINGTON 3550** 

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**



### INFORMATION

**MULTI-SPORT** 

PROGRAMME

Each session will run for a duration of one hour.

This term we will focus on the following sports:

✓ Cricket ✓ Netball ✓ G

✓ AFL 
✓ Tennis 
✓ Athletics 
✓ Basketball

✓ Hockey
✓ Ultimate Frisbee

This programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and 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 - Grade 6 students.

#### 10 WEEK PROGRAM FOR \$160

Sign up at any time of the Term & only pay for the weeks remaining (\$16 per session).

**School: Kennington Primary School** 

**Day: Monday** 

Start Date: Monday 15th July

**End Date: Monday 16th September** 

Time: 3:15pm - 4:15pm

#### **TERM 3 PROGRAM SPECIAL**

Sign up for a Kelly Sports program in term 3 and receive a 40% off New Balance discount code.

Website: kellysports.com.au/bendigo

Contact: Beau Cross

Email: beau@kellysports.com.au

Phone: 0428 326 924
Facebook: Kelly Sports Bendigo



# III mckern steel\* foundation



