

# 2026 SCHOOL DATES

**27<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY**

No school for students

**28<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY**

Getting to Know You Interviews  
No School for Students, Interviews to be booked

**29<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY**

First Day of Term 1 2026

**11<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY**

Pupil Free Day  
No School for Students

**3<sup>RD</sup> OF JUNE**

Pupil Free Day  
No School for Students

## **ACTING PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Melinda Ellis



Dear School Community,

### **LAST DAY OF TERM 4 & FINAL ASSEMBLY**

A reminder to all families that the last day of term 4 is on Friday December 19. Please remember that on this day school finishes at **1:00pm**. Our final assembly will begin at 12:15pm in the amphitheatre.

### **THE FINAL LINK FOR 2025**

As we come to the end of another wonderful year at Kennington Primary School, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the many achievements, milestones, and shared experiences that have shaped 2025. It has been a year rich in learning, growth, and celebration, made possible by the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our students, and the ongoing support of our families.

From engaging classroom learning and extracurricular accomplishments to community highlights such as our recent Christmas Carols, this year has truly been memorable. Together, we have continued to nurture a culture of care, curiosity, and collaboration that makes Kennington Primary School such a special place to learn and thrive.

As we head into a well-earned summer break, I encourage everyone to take time to relax, recharge, and enjoy precious moments with family and friends. Thank you for your valued contribution to our school community throughout the year.

I wish you all a safe, happy, and restful holiday season, and I look forward to

welcoming everyone back in 2026 as we begin another exciting chapter in our school's journey.

### **FAREWELL AND BEST WISHES**

As we come to the end of 2025, we take this opportunity to farewell several valued members of our staff.

We thank each of them for their dedication, care, and contribution to our students and the Kennington Primary School community.

The following staff members will be moving on: Peter Sajko, Liam Tonzing, Cadi Watchman, Rohan Jones, Darby Fitzpatrick, Liza Whaley, Nadine Lowe, Sara Vanzella, Laura Purtil and Shae Walsh.

We wish them all the best in the next chapters of their lives.

### **CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME**

We welcome Lauren Schulz and Angela Brockett who join us at Kennington Primary School for 2026.

We also welcome the return of Catherine Moorhead who joins us for a classroom teaching position in 2026.

### **LIST OF TEACHERS 2026**

**PA:** Jamie Crawford  
**PB:** Tania Pedretti

**1A:** J'aime Perryman  
**1B:** Kim Ferguson  
**1C:** Jo Hill

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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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**2A:** Phoebe Van Heumen  
**2B:** Cath Moorhead  
**2C:** Clare Rooke/ Aimee Welton  
**2D:** Hayley Pepperell

**3A:** Brodie McDonald  
**3B:** Amy Manderson  
**3C:** Natalie McDonald  
**3D:** Lauren Schulz

**4A:** Alexia Boyd  
**4B:** Georgia Breewel  
**4C:** Marnie Grewar

**5A:** Rebecca King/ Jeremy Hibbs  
**5B:** Eliza McKinstry  
**5C:** Thomas Saker  
**5D:** Carol Rose/ Jess Symes

**6A:** Matt Morris  
**6B:** Emily Taylor  
**6C:** Lisa Gardiner/ Reece Gilmore  
**6D:** Gemma Frankel

**Phys Ed:** Deanna Black/ Isaiah Miller  
**Performing Arts:** Angela Brockett/  
Bianca Alvarez-Harris  
**Visual Arts:** Jess Crowe/ Aimee Welton  
**Technology:** Erin Frecker/ Jess Symes  
**Differentiation:** Justine Hagen

#### GRADE 6 AWARDS

Congratulations to the following  
students on receiving an award at our  
Grade 6 Graduation and Awards on  
Tuesday evening.

**Dedication to Learning Awards:**  
**6A:** Talia A and Ethan T  
**6B:** Cade A and Hei Nay H  
**6C:** Cameron S and Patrick O  
**6D:** Lydia N and Sahib S

**Citizenship Award:** Jack B and Quinn W  
**Janet Mitchell Award, Dedication to  
Community:** Bailee M and Michael A  
**Geraldine Lamaro English Award:** Lucy  
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**Mathematics Award:** Eason X  
**Visual Arts Award:** Ayden W  
**Mark Winter Performing Arts Award:**  
Isabelle S  
**Technology Award:** Abigaile S  
**Digital Technology Award:** Jason P  
**Humanities Award:** Archer J  
**BVD and Discovery Centre Bendigo  
STEM Award:** Ebony R  
**Physical Education Award:** Archie C

#### ATTENDANCE AWARDS

We are thrilled to celebrate the  
following students on their outstanding  
achievement of having 100%  
attendance:  
Zavannha C  
Remi M  
Eli M

Kirra E  
Gemma E  
Milla F

#### TECHNOLOGIES NEWS

We are excited to announce that we  
recently won 1st prize for the North  
Western Region at the 2025 Victorian  
Schools Garden Awards! This was in  
recognition of our achievements in the  
Environment Centre in Technologies this  
year.


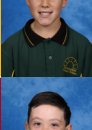
#### SCHOOL CAPTAINS 2026

We are please to announce the following  
students as our 2026 School Captains,  
Sam F and Olivia G.



On the next page is all of our leadership  
positions for 2026. Congratulations to all  
students on this great achievement.

# STUDENT LEADERS 2026

<b>STUDENT SCHOOL COUNCILORS</b>	 Isabella K	 Eve S	 Olivia G	 Ellia F	
<b>AMBASSADORS</b>	 Neeko C	 Jethro G	 Chloe T	 Zara M	 Mia P
	 Joseph R				
<b>LANSSELL HOUSE CAPTAINS</b>	 Leo T	 Ella F	 Eamon W		
<b>SANDHURST HOUSE CAPTAINS</b>	 Aidan M	 Lisa U	 Archer F		
<b>FORTUNA HOUSE CAPTAINS</b>	 Percy W	 Maddi B	 Elsa N		
<b>KENNEDY HOUSE CAPTAINS</b>	 Sam F	 Darcy K-S	 Jayda R		
<b>FITNESS LEADERS</b>	 Mia J	 Kirra E	 Lacey K	 Thomas D	 Jimmy V
	 Abdalla A				
<b>TECHNOLOGY LEADERS</b>	 Kaitlyn A	 Jacob H	 Connor M	 Eh Soe T	 Chace B
<b>LIBRARY LEADERS</b>	 Tahli H	 Lucy S			
<b>ARTS LEADER</b>	 Annabelle R	 Henry P			

# DATES TO REMEMBER 2025

## TERM 4

Friday 19 December	8:50am - 9:50am	<b>GRADE 6 BREAKFAST AND SHIRT SIGNING</b> Permission to be granted by Sentral
Friday 19 December	1:00pm Finish	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 4 2025</b>

## TERM 1 2026

Tuesday 27 January	All Day	<b>PUPIL FREE DAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>
Wednesday 28 January	All Day	<b>GETTING TO KNOW YOU INTERVIEWS</b> Book via Sentral in January
Thursday 29 January	All Day	<b>FIRST DAY OF TERM 1 2026</b>

# WEEKLY ACTIVITIES 2025

## MONDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>MORNING CLUB</b> Stadium with Mr Miller
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## TUESDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>BREAKFAST CLUB</b> Amphitheatre with Ms Rooke and Ms Boyd
8:15am to 8:45am	<b>MORNING CLUB</b> Stadium with Mr Miller
Second Lunch	<b>CHOIR</b> In 2D classroom with Ms Alvarez-Harris

## WEDNESDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>BREAKFAST CLUB</b> Amphitheatre with Ms Rooke and Ms Boyd
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## THURSDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>MORNING CLUB</b>
8:15am to 8:45am	<b>BREAKFAST CLUB</b> Amphitheatre with Ms Rooke and Ms Boyd
Second Lunch	<b>DANCE CLUB</b> In Portable classroom with Ms Walker

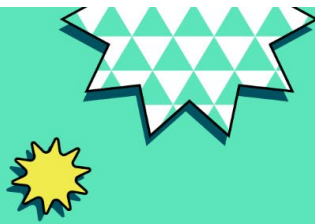
## FRIDAY

8:15am to 8:45am	<b>MORNING CLUB</b>
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## Outside School Hours Care Newsletter

18/12/2025

Camp Australia – Kennington Primary School OSHC



Your  
OSHC.



### Week 11 News

We have reached the final week of the school year for 2025 and we would like to thank all the children, families and educators for a fantastic and fun filled year. We hope you all have an enjoyable Christmas and New Year, and we look forward to seeing you all again in 2026.

*Merry Christmas + Happy New Year*

SUMMER ROCKETEERS BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN FOR ENROLMENT. WE WILL BE OPEN ON THE 22ND AND 23RD OF DECEMBER AND THEN RETURN ON THE 5TH OF JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup> UNTIL THE 27TH OF JANUARY WITH WEEKS OF GREAT EXPERIENCES AND EXCURSIONS FOR ALL TO ENJOY. PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS A HAT AND DRINK BOTTLE DURING HOT WEATHER.

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.



### What's coming up at OSHC

December 22<sup>nd</sup>-January 27<sup>th</sup> Rocketeers Holiday Program

### Birthdays at OSHC this week

We would like to wish a happy birthday to these children this week.

16<sup>th</sup> Connor

### Menu this week

Monday- Sakatas w/salsa

Tuesday- Honey Joys

Wednesday- Nachos

Thursday- Rice Cakes

Friday- Fairy Bread

### **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](http://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.



# THE ULTIMATE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



**ROCKETEERS**  
Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

**BOOKINGS NOW OPEN**

## THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT ROCKETEERS

Take the stress out of the school holidays with Rocketeers. Featuring over 500 wonderfully unique experiences that will ensure your child's school break is extraordinary!

From The Pickleball Open featuring our yummy Peachy Dreams desserts, to DIY Tie Dye Bags and Cookie Jars (filled with cookie mix!), and creating beautiful collage art inspired by Jeannie Baker's book *Window* at Big Art Day – and everything in between!



### DID YOU KNOW?

You don't have to attend the school where we operate to use our awesome holiday programs. Simply book into any of our convenient locations.



Build Friendships



Discover Adventure



Create Memories



Have lots of fun!

**BOOK INTO SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN NOW!**

**SAVE UP TO \$135 PER SESSION\***



Child Care Subsidy available for eligible families.

\*Saving is based on 90% max CCS on select Adventures (excursions). Check MyGov for your eligibility.