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Thursday 12th February, 2015

Kennington

Primary School

Kennington Primary School Values Awards

Caring	Community	Inclusion	Personal Best	Respect
Is showing concern for others and being thoughtful, and understanding of their feelings. It means your thoughts; words and actions show consideration for others.	Is working together for the common good. It means being able to work together and act positively with others.	Is respecting and valuing differences. It means we include others in work and play.	Is always aiming high and being the best I can. It means being optimistic: that I will be successful in the end.	Is treating everybody and everything with consideration and courtesy. It means looking after myself, others and the environment.
Preps	PA Jared R	PB Jesse W	PC Lily V	PD Angus P
Grade 1-2	1A Ashton F	1B Ella J	1C Jamie W	1/2D Stephanie D
Grade 3-4	2A Timothy D	2B Samuel H	2C Ashlee N-T	2D Hser Kler T
Grade 5-6	3A Todd E	3B Jacob H	3C Rocky B	3D Sarah I
Specialist	4A Will G	4B Zachary W	4C Izzy M-A	4D Moo P (A)
	5A Harry L	5B Chloe B	5C Thomas B	5D Aidan M
	6A Chloe L	6B Izzy M-A	6C Moo P (A)	6D Moo P (A)
	MUSIC: Koda C (1C) Brooklyn J (1/2D)	VISUAL ARTS: Charlie E (PC)	PHYS.ED: Andrea C (5B)	
	AUSLAN LOTE: Will G (4B)	EAL: Moo P (A)		

Dates to Remember

Term 1		
February		
Fri 13 th	3:30pm	School Interviews Online - close
Mon 16 th		Money & Bookclub order due
Mon 16 th	3:30pm – 5:50pm	School Interviews
Tue 17 th	9:30am – 10:15am	Mother Goose Library

Tue 17 th	3:30pm – 5:50pm	School Interviews
Tue 17 th	7:00pm – 8:30pm	School Council Meeting
Wed 18 th		Preps No School
Wed 18 th	11:30am – 2:00pm	Swimming Trials
Wed 18 th	3:30pm – 4:30pm	School Interviews
Tue 24 th	9:30am – 10:15am	Mother Goose Library

Wed 25 th		Preps No School
Wed 25 th		District Tennis Championships
Fri 27 th	8:10am – 8:30am	Breakfast Club
March		
Mon 2 nd	7:30pm	Deaf Facility Parent Support Group Meeting
Tue 3 rd	9:30am – 10:15am	Mother Goose Library
Tue 3 rd		P & F Icy Pole Day \$1.00
Wed 4 th	8:15am – 3:00pm	School Photos
Fri 6 th	8:10am – 8:30am	Breakfast Club
Fri 6 th		Division Swimming Carnival
Mon 9 th	No School	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tue 10 th	9:30am – 10:15am	Mother Goose Library
Tue 10 th		All Classes Let's Get Moving Program Starts
Wed 11 th		Division Tennis Tournament
Fri 13 th	8:10am – 8:30am	Breakfast Club
Fri 13 th		Prep Special Friends & Grandparents' Day
Sun 15 th	6:30pm onwards	Team China Dinner Bendigo Stadium
Mon 16 th	7:30pm	School Council AGM
Tue 17 th	9:30am – 10:15am	Mother Goose Library
Tue 17 th		Regional Swimming – Swan Hill
Thu 19 th		Division Volleyball
Thu 19 th	TBA	All Classes Let's Get Moving Evening Performance
Fri 20 th	No School	Curriculum Day
Mon 23 rd	9:15am	P & F Meeting In staffroom after assembly
Tue 24 th		No Mother Goose
Tue 24 th		Grade 3 to 6 Athletics
Tue 24 th		Grade 6 Camp final payment due
Thurs 26 th	3:30pm – 6:00pm	School Fair
Fri 27 th		No Breakfast Club
Fri 27 th	2:30pm dismissal	Term 1 concludes

Principal's Report

Dear Parents/Carers,

Student Welfare

Two of the students in our school community are receiving medical treatments, which puts them at risk if they develop chicken pox, mumps, measles or shingles.

It is very important therefore, that you **let us know immediately** if you believe that your child has **contracted or recently been exposed to chicken pox, mumps, measles or shingles**. Please contact the school office as soon as possible so that children's parents can be alerted immediately.

This protection lasts for a few weeks only and must be repeated every time the children come into contact with these illnesses.

Your child is not at risk whatsoever from this situation

Assembly

It was pleasing to see so many members of our school community at our first Assembly for 2015 on Monday morning. The prep students did a fantastic job with not only being there but with their participation in singing and signing the National Anthem and our School Song. Assembly will be held each Monday morning, and in the event of a public holiday on Monday, assembly will be held on Tuesday morning. As always parents, carers and members of our school community are invited to attend.

School Captains

At assembly on Monday morning we presented badges to the Grade 6 students who have leadership positions for 2015. We also presented badges to our School Captains Reuben W and Lauren M. It was a privilege to acknowledge these school leaders and we look forward to their work throughout the year.

Weather Conditions

It is important that our students are adequately protected from the sun. Our 'Hats On' Policy requires all students to wear a bucket or broad brim hat from the 1st September through until 30th April each year. It is important that students apply sunscreen to assist with protection. Whilst we are able to remind students to apply sunscreen, we are not able to provide sunscreen or apply sunscreen. Therefore if you want your child to reapply sunscreen during the day, they must have their own sunscreen and they must be able to apply it themselves. During extreme weather conditions, (generally temperatures above 35 degrees), students will remain inside during recess and lunch breaks.

Student Information Full Detail Forms

The forms which were given out on book pickup day need to be returned to the office ASAP, even if there are no changes.

Principal's Report continued.....

Children and Hot Cars. No Exceptions. No Excuses.

**ON HOT DAYS, NEVER LEAVE KIDS ALONE IN CARS
NO EXCEPTIONS. NO EXCUSES.**

We have been asked to publish the following information in our school newsletter.

On hot days, it is important to remember that children should never be left alone in a car.

The temperature inside a car on hot days begins to rise as soon as the door closes and within minutes the temperature inside can be double the temperature outside. Leaving children in hot cars – even for a moment – can result in injury or death.

Young children's smaller body size and underdeveloped nervous system places them at a much greater risk of life-threatening heatstroke, dehydration and other serious health risks.

Victorian legislation makes leaving a child unattended in a car a criminal offence, with penalties ranging from fines of \$2,165.00 or three months in prison.

If you are travelling with a child in a car and you need to get out, make sure you take your child with you. No exceptions. No excuses.

For more information, see: [Kidsafe Victoria](#)

Personal Possessions

The school insurance does not cover the loss or damage of personal possessions. Students are therefore encouraged to leave valuable personal possessions at home.

School Council Elections

The Annual General Meeting for Kennington Primary School Council will be held on 16th March 2015 at 7:30pm. This meeting will follow the Annual Reporting Meeting, when the School's Annual Report will be presented. There are four Parent Vacancies and two DEECD Vacancies by rotation for a two year term, and any interested parents are urged to nominate for School Council. The whole school benefits from a variety and diversity of opinion on Council, and the value of fresh ideas and enthusiasm should not be underestimated.

The current School Council is as follows:

Retiring this election	
Parent Members	Peter Dyer
	Damien Tangey
	Darren Lewis
DEECD Members	Marg Tope
	Kim Kirkpatrick
Retiring next election	
Parent Members	Darren Eldridge
	Kylie Brady
	Heather Dixon

	Erica Peak
Community Member	Gavin Salvador
DEECD Members	Trudi Jacobson
	Corrina Hartland

We thank retiring members who have made valuable contributions to School Council. Retiring councillors, who meet eligibility criteria, are welcome to nominate for further tenure on School Council.

Nomination forms are available from the office.

Nominations are to be lodged at school by 4:00pm on Friday 20th February. A ballot (if required) will be held on Monday 2nd March 2015.

Student Accident Insurance Arrangements

The Department does not provide personal accident insurance for students. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs, unless the injury is caused by the negligence (carelessness) of a Department or school council employee or volunteer.

Students' accident insurance policies are available from the private insurance market. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare. They can be obtained by parents for individual students.

Parents of students at Kennington Primary School are reminded that Kennington Primary School does not have a whole of school policy.

The Link

The Link is the main form of communication with you so please ensure that your child brings it home. The Link will be sent home with the youngest child in each family or look on www.kennington.vic.edu.au. The Link will be published on Thursdays. Sometimes, where we need to ensure that a piece of information gets to all of our school community, a notice will be repeated in a number of newsletters.

Regards

Glenda Miller

Principal

Bendigo Deaf Facility – Parent Support Group



The Bendigo Deaf Facility Parent Support Group is holding their first meeting.

Where: KPS Deaf Facility
When: Monday 2nd March
7:30pm

All parents of the Deaf Facility are invited to come along.

Parent Teacher 'Start-Up' Meetings

'Start up' meetings will be held next week.



Book School Interviews Online

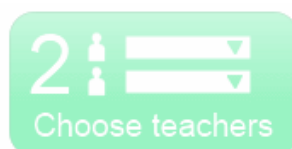
Meeting times are available after school on Monday 17th February, Tuesday 18th February and Wednesday 19th February.

The process is:

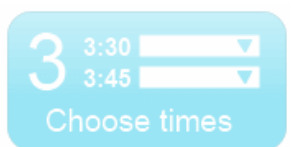
Just three simple steps and your interviews are booked:



Enter your name, your email address and the name of your student(s).



On the next page click on the teachers you want to meet with.



Click on the down arrow next to each teacher's name to select the time you would like to meet with them.

When you have finished you can print out your interview timetable, or have it emailed to you. If you want to change your interviews, you can come back to this site whenever you need to before the interviews begin.

If you do not have access to the internet, a computer will set up in the reception area where you will be able to make bookings.

Bookings Open Close **Friday 6th February at 9:00am**
Friday 13th February at 3:30pm

See attachments for School Event Code and additional information.

Team China Frozen Fridays



Four students from Kennington Primary School will take part in an exciting Overseas Learning Experience, in May.

Every Friday in February, students from KPS Team China will be selling icy-poles to raise funds for their trip to China. Students who wish to purchase an icy-pole need to hand the money to their teacher on

Thursday each week. Icy-poles are \$1.00 and will be delivered to students' classrooms at first lunch on Fridays.



KPS Team China 2015

Student Banking – Bendigo and Commonwealth Banks



Bendigo Bank



Commonwealth Bank

These services have resumed for this year, please make sure all bank deposit books are handed into the office by Tuesday morning.

PE News

Morning Clubs Program

Kennington Primary School is continuing its morning club program this year.

Wednesday - running club
Thursday - a fitness circuit and indoor games

The sessions will take place on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:00am until 8:30am in the Stadium and will be supervised by Luke Monaghan.

Visual Arts News

What a wonderful start we have had to the year in the Art Room. Grade 5 and 6 students have been exploring graffiti/tag art and have created these amazing pieces of art. Fabulous work Grade 5 and 6.



Instrumental Music at KPS 2015

There are still spaces available for students of any age who wish to learn an instrument or vocal. Information is available at the office or directly from the teacher.

Listed below are the contact details for the teachers. If your child will be absent please notify the teacher in advance.



Clarinet, Flute
Saxophone

Hayley Trounson
happy_hales85@hotmail.com

Drums

Mark Gillett
markgillett@exemail.com.au

Keyboard

Margaret Ross
margjross999@gmail.com

Guitar

Georg Jung
georgjung@bigpond.com

Vocals

Jess Fredericks
jessicafredericks@historymakers.com.au

Wendy Collishaw

Breakfast Club – Every Friday



The Breakfast Program is back for 2015! Starting next Friday morning, Friday 20th February.

Providing there are enough volunteers, it will be running every Friday morning in the canteen from 8:10am until 8:30am (this allows time for students to get to their classrooms before the bell at 8:40am).

Help - volunteers required..

If any parent/carer is interested in going on the roster please contact the office on 5443 2011. We need helpers every week but it is fine if you can only commit every few weeks or occasionally.

If we don't receive any interest this program will not run.

A big thank you to the following supporters:

- Strathdale Bakers Delight for the bread
- Foodshare Bendigo for their generous donations.

Breakfast Club is a gold coin donation, which contributes to the fresh fruit in the classrooms weekly and everyone welcome.

Roster:-

20th February

Sonia Lewis
Shona Barton
Lisa Tangey
Deb Lord

27th February

Helpers required
otherwise will be
cancelled

6th March

Shona Barton
Lisa Tangey
Sonia Lewis

13th March

Helpers required
otherwise will be
cancelled

20th March

No Breakfast Club
Curriculum Day

27th March

No Breakfast Club
Last Day of Term

Mother Goose Program

Mother Goose is a song and story group for children aged from 3-4 months to children up to kinder age. Parents or carers stay with their children and join in the fun.

The session runs every Tuesday morning from 9:30am- 10:15am.

Everyone is welcome.

Come and join in the fun and sing with your child. Learn new songs and remember the old favourites.

The sessions are held in the Library with Sonia Lewis and Sharyn Oliver.

Mother Goose Session Dates

Term 1

- February 17th and 24th
- March 3rd 10th and 17th



Parents and Friends' News

Next Meeting

Monday 23rd March in the staffroom after assembly.

Everyone welcome!



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Icy Pole Day - \$1.00

Icy Poles will be available Tuesday 3rd March.

Students will be able to purchase them at 1st lunch. (11:00am – 11:20am)

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Mothers Day and Special Friends' Co-ordinator Required!

Anyone interested in being the Mothers and Fathers' Day Co-ordinator?

Please contact the office.

If there is no interest, these stalls will not be available to our children this year.



Parent Auslan Classes

Deaf instructor Kerry Hicks is commencing Beginner Auslan classes at KPS. These informal sessions will commence on Friday 27th February at 9.00am and run for half an hour. Parents are invited to come along and learn some new signs. Please return the slip below to the office to indicate your interest. Group numbers will need to be a minimum of five people for the sessions to go ahead. You will be notified where the sessions will be held.

PARENT AUSLAN CLASSES

I am interested in attending the Parent Auslan class every Friday for Term 1, from 9:00am to 9:30am.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Name & Grade of child at KPS: _____

Community News

ASTHMA FOUNDATION – for your information



www.asthmafriendlyschools.org.au

FREECALL 1800 645 130

Sandhurst Junior Football Club Registration Day

When: Sunday 15th February
4:00pm to 5:00pm

Where: Sandhurst social rooms
QEO

Contact: Greg Murley
0419 756 237

Registrations will be taken for all age groups from Under 9's through to Under 16's.

All new and present players welcome.

Falcons Netball Club

Registration day & information session:

When: Thursday 12th February
Where: Bendigo South East College Stadium
3:30pm to 4:30pm
Queries: 0400 170 468 Heather Abdy
5441 3589 Myrt

Registrations are invited from past & new players from Grade 3 up to under 18's.

We train in the Bendigo South East College stadium & play on the school's courts on Saturdays. The competition commences April 18th.

We are currently running a competition to design the new Falcons uniform.

Registrations can also be accepted at Bendigo South East College stadium between 3:30pm to 4:30pm on Thursday 5th February and Tuesday 10th February

Kennington Primary School Hotshots Tennis Program

- ANZ Hotshot Tennis lessons are available for children in Grades one, two and three
- A six week program will be available for children to participate in commencing **Wednesday 11th February**
- Coaching sessions will be 11:00am – 11:25am during the morning school break.
- Sessions will be held under-cover.
- Fee for the coaching = \$60.00 (racquets provided for children who require one)
- Children who enrol will receive a free ANZ Hotshots tennis shirt.
- Limited vacancies so please book early

To enrol, please phone:
Stephen Storer Tennis Australia Club Professional
Coach on 0419 411 780

or

register online at www.tennisbendigo.com.au



PlayGolf Clinics

Women Beginner Golf Clinics

Belvoir Park Golf Club
77 Belvoir Park Rd, Big Hill, Bendigo

Cost: \$50 for 5 week course

Women's Clinic (Level 1)*
Fridays 27th February, 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th March 2015
Time: 9:30am assembly for a 10:00am start
Coffee and Cake - Morning Tea after the Clinics

* Level 1: For complete novice or people wishing to return to the game

Equipment provided – Dress comfortably (flat shoes) – Giveaways

Registration forms online at www.golfvic.org.au
(Click tab - PlayGolf, Clinics)

For enquiries, please contact:
Janice Klemm - 0439 462 844 or
Di Ratcliffe - 0419 534 812
or Mark Bamford - 0428 241 213



Come along and join the fun...

South Bendigo Football Netball Club Inc.

**Junior Football/Netball
Registration Day**



& Family Fun Day

**Sunday 15th Feb
10am-2pm**

Football & Netball Clinics

FREE JUMPING CASTLE

Sausages & Drinks Available *FREE ENTRY*

Games Present the Coaches@1pm

RAFFLE ALL WELCOME !!

At Harry Trott Oval (Neale Street, Bendigo)

For more details, please email Bogga at: bogaski@hotmail.com



Soccer is the game everyone can play,
join Epsom FC to become a MiniRoo today!



Come to the Epsom FC Family Welcome Day at
Epsom Huntly Reserve:

◦ Tue 17 Feb 4:30-6:30pm OR

◦ Wed 18 Feb 4:30-6:30pm

- Find out more about soccer at Epsom FC
- Chat to club coaches and officials
- Kick a soccer ball around
- Meet other players and parents



Season starts **mid April** for U6 through seniors

Registration preferred by 27 Feb, otherwise contact us

What is MiniRoos?

MiniRoos is a version of soccer that gives a fun introduction to the world game for boys and girls aged under 6 to under 12. It involves mixed teams, kid-friendly rules and Saturday morning matches played on local grounds.



epsomfc.com.au



admin@epsomfc.com.au



Cam: 0438 742 447

Online registration available



Bendigo Calisthenics Club



Calisthenics is a sport combining gymnastics, dance, ballet, apparatus work, singing and dancing all while performing on stage. It develops strength, poise, friendship, fitness, team spirit, coordination and self confidence.

FEBRUARY COME AND TRY TWO FREE CLASSES

GROUP	AGE	DAY	VENUE
Tinies	7yrs & under	Wednesday 4:15 - 5:30pm	Bendigo East Hall
Sub-Juniors	10yrs & under	Monday 4:30 - 6:30pm	Bendigo East Hall
Juniors	13yrs & under	Tuesday 4:30 - 6:30pm	Bendigo East Hall
Intermediates	16yrs & under	Thursday 5 - 7pm	Bendigo East Hall
Seniors	17yrs & over	Wednesday 6 - 9pm	Atkins Street Hall
Masters	28yrs & over	Thursday 7:30 - 9:30pm	Bendigo East Hall

Call 0490 194 011
ELLEN KELLY (PRESIDENT) or
Email: bendigocalisthenics@hotmail.com
www.bendigocalisthenics.snappages.com

ANZAC CENTENARY

—2014-2018—
*Sharing Victoria's Stories
& Making Connections*

Cr Lisa Ruffell has much pleasure inviting you to attend a

*Presentation by the Hon. Ted Baillieu,
Chair, Victorian ANZAC Centenary Committee*



The Hon. Ted Baillieu will talk about his work as Chair of Victoria's ANZAC Centenary Committee and its focus on the sharing of stories to preserve our ANZAC legacy for today's and future generations, to honour the sacrifice of our war veterans and those who loved them, and to make and mark the connections between those ANZAC veterans and their descendants.

WHEN
Monday February 23, 2015

TIME
6pm - 7.30pm

WHERE
Bendigo Town Hall, Hargreaves Street, Bendigo

RSVP
Friday February 13, 2015
Email t.oconnell@bendigo.vic.gov.au
or phone 5434 6207

Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of this event.

August 2014 marked 100 years since the commencement of the First World War. Across the globe, the ANZAC Centenary (2014-2018) is being marked by millions of people, in places of special importance and in ways personally meaningful to them.



International Competitions and Assessments for Schools 2015

NAME OF COMPETITION	COMPETITION DATE	ENTRY FEE
Computer Skills - Years 3-10	Tuesday 19 th May	\$ 8.00
Science – Years 3-12	Wednesday 3 rd June	\$ 8.00
Spelling – Years 3-7	Tuesday 16 th June	\$11.00 (Hand marking is required)
Writing - Years 3-12	Monday 15 th June	\$17.00 (Hand marking is required)
English - Years 3-12	Tuesday 28 th July	\$ 8.00
Mathematics – Years 3-12	Tuesday 11 th August	\$ 8.00

The **International Competitions and Assessments for Schools** will be conducted again this year. Last year Kennington Primary School had in excess of 120 entries in the competitions from Grades 3-6. 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 **Thursday 26th February**. Late entries will not be accepted. **(Additional entry forms can be collected from the office)**

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools 2015

Student's Name	Class e.g. - 4A	Teacher's Name	Competition to be Entered	Entry Fee
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$
				\$
			TOTAL	\$



Book School Interviews Online

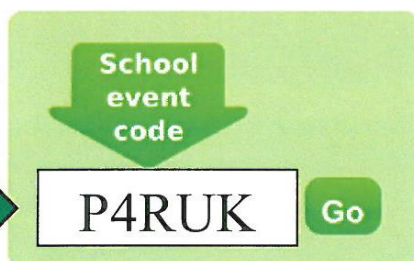
Dear Parents/Carers,

Start Up Meetings for 2015 will be held from **3.30pm – 5.50pm on Monday 16th February**, **3.30pm – 5.30pm on Tuesday 17th February** and **3.30pm – 5.00pm on Wednesday February 18th**.

You can now book meetings at times that best suit your family.
Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

BOOKINGS OPEN: Friday 6th February at 9.00am
BOOKINGS CLOSE: Friday 13th February at 3.30pm

Kennington's
code



Go to
www.schoolinterviews.com.au
Enter **THIS** school event code.
Then follow the 3 simple steps.



When you click **finish**, your meeting timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.
You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your meetings - until bookings close.

BOOKINGS OPEN ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 6th SO THAT ALL FAMILIES MAY BOOK AT THE SAME TIME

For parents that don't have access to the internet at home, at work, at a friend's house or on their phones, a computer kiosk will be available in the Conference Room next to the office from **Friday February 6th 2015 until Friday February 13th 2015**, so that parents can still make their own bookings. Office staff will be able to assist you with this process and will answer any questions you may have.

Meetings are strictly 10mins and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Parents can change their meeting bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Parents wishing to change their meeting times after the closing date, should contact the school directly on: 54432011.