TERM 1 WEEK 5 - NEWSLETTER #5

29th February 2024



From the Principal - Mrs Jenkins

Dear KGPS Families,



Annual Welcome Picnic and Leadership Presentation – FRIDAY 1st March 5-7pm

We are thrilled to invite you to our Annual Welcome Picnic and Leadership Badge Presentation happening tomorrow! It is an excellent opportunity for our school community to come together and connect with other families. Here are the details:

Event Details:

Date: Friday, March 1st **Time:** 5:00pm – 7:00pm **Location:** School Grounds

Further Picnic Information:

Picnic: Join us at 5:00pm for the start of our picnic. Bring along your own dinner or purchase a sausage, snacks and drinks from the canteen (open 5pm-6pm).

Leadership Ceremony: At 6:00 pm, we will be honoured to have Mr. Tim Richardson, our local Member of Parliament, and Mr. Mark Dreyfus, our Federal Member of Parliament, join us for our Leadership Ceremony. We will be presenting certificates and badges to our 2024 SRC members and Year 6 Leaders.

Outdoor Stage Opening: We are delighted to announce the official opening of our new outdoor stage! This project was made possible through funding from the Federal Government Upgrade Fund (\$50,000), the State Government Minor Capital Works Fund, and the generous contribution from Buxton Real Estate. Join us as we celebrate this wonderful addition to our school community.

<u>Attire:</u> Year 6 students and SRC members, please come dressed in your school uniform for photos!

Important Reminders:

School Photos: Tomorrow is school photo day! Please ensure your child is well-groomed and in their clean school uniform. There will be no assembly due to this event.

Curriculum Day: March 8th is a student-free day. Families requiring childcare can avail themselves of the program offered by Big Childcare. On this day, we will be preparing for our PYP verification visit and undertaking Professional Development activities.

Sponsorship Announcement:

We are excited to share that **Buxton Real Estate** Keysborough South/Dingley has renewed their partnership with us for another three years (2024–2026), committing \$29,000 towards our school's buildings and grounds projects. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Ozan and the Buxton team for their continued support! We are also seeking up to two more business partnerships. If you know of any businesses interested in supporting our school or would like more information, please contact Dee Smith, Business Manager, at 9792 6800 or deanna.smitheeducation.vic.gov.au



School Fees and Contributions:

Thank you to the many families who have already paid their 2024 contributions. Your support is invaluable in sustaining our teaching and learning programs. School fees play a vital role in directly funding the resources and opportunities that enhance your child's educational journey. Without these financial contributions, we would face significant challenges in maintaining the quality of education we strive to provide.

We understand that financial circumstances can vary, and we are here to support any families experiencing hardship. If you require assistance or have any questions regarding contributions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Dee Smith, Business Manager, at the school office.



School Information Night Highlights:

During our recent School Information Night, we had the opportunity to celebrate our academic successes, including student achievement data from 2023, and provide valuable insights into teaching and learning here at KGPS. Additionally, it's with great pride that I announce the recognition of Keysborough Gardens Primary School by ACARA (Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority) as one of the top-performing schools in Victoria.

Congratulations to our dedicated teachers, educational support staff, leadership team, and the families whose unwavering support plays a crucial role in the success of our students.

Thank you for being part of our journey towards excellence in education.

We look forward to seeing you all tomorrow for a wonderful evening of celebration and community!

Warm regards, Sherri

Sherri Jenkins | Principal

REMINDERS:

DRINK BOTTLE

Please ensure your child is bringing a drink bottle to school and we will continue to remind them to keep hydrated during class time!



SCHOOL HAT

As a SunSmart school our school broad brimmed hat is a requirement. If your child does not have one, we have a limited number of hats that can purchased from the school office (more arriving soon).

If your child is using the Kiss and Go please remind them to wear their hat (we will also remind them!) as there is no shelter in the Kiss and Go waiting area.

Students taking Action!



We applaud the initiative shown by Zara and Maninsha, who presented their 'Fun Squad' proposal during our recent staff meeting on Tuesday night. Armed with a carefully prepared slideshow presentation and speaking notes, Zara and Maninsha demonstrated their commitment to creating a welcoming space for students to connect and make new friends.

Fun Squad' aims to provide students with a platform to engage in weekly activities designed to foster friendships and camaraderie.

As we look forward to another year of 'Fun Squad' being one of our lunchtime activities, we anticipate a surge of support from our teaching staff. With their hands raised to assist Zara and Maninsha, we may even need to conduct interviews to select the best-

suited teacher for the job!

Congratulations to Zara and Maninsha for their innovative approach to promoting inclusivity and friendship within our school. Your efforts are inspiring and greatly appreciated.





Thank you to the following canteen volunteers for helping:
Adeline, Taryn, Naz, Daniella and Tina.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!



- Kingston S
- Sienna C
- Nathan L
- · Garvyodh D
- Daniel V
- Zeke D
- Aiden T
- Katrina K
- Zain G
- Harper S
- Lila D
- Bhaviish V

- Livini W
- Maksim B
- Sebastian B
- Hercules K
- Sierra G
- Sebastian S
- Maeson T
- Riley D
- Madelyne Y
- Celina S
- Quincy G

SCHOOL TIMES

Monday: 9:00am - 3:30pm Tuesday: 9:00am - 3:30pm

Wednesday: 8:45am - 3:00pm

Thursday: 9:00am - 3:30pm Friday: 9:00am - 3:30pm

Please note – school doors are open 15min before the bell

DIARY DATES 2024 March 2024		
Wednesday 6th	Wk 6	Year 2 Eureka Tower Excursion
Thursday 7th	Wk 6	Year 5/6 Interschool Sport
Friday 8th	Wk 6	Curriculum Day (no students)
Monday 11th	Wk 7	Labour Day/Public Holiday (no students)
Wednesday 13th	Wk 7	Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN begins Year 5/6 Parliament Process Incursion
Thursday 14th	Wk 7	Year 1 Taskworks Incursion
Monday 18th	Wk 8	Harmony Week Prep Drama Toolbox Incursion
Thursday 21st	Wk 8	HARMONY DAY Year 5/6 Interschool Sport School Council Meeting 5:30pm
Friday 22nd	Wk 8	Harmony Dress Up Day
Thursday 28th	Wk 9	Year 5/6 Interschool Sport Whole School House Sports Day 12-3pm Assembly at 3:00pm Last Day of Term 1 (3:30pm dismissal)
Friday 29th	Wk 9	Good Friday (no students)
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Our School Assembly is held every Friday morning at 9:10am



PMP Corner

#5 Transdisciplinary Learning: Beyond Subject Boundaries at Keysborough Gardens Primary

Today, we delve into one of the most unique and powerful aspects of the International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years Programme (PYP) – Transdisciplinary Learning. This approach goes beyond traditional subject boundaries, encouraging students to explore connections between different areas of knowledge.

What is Transdisciplinary Learning?

Transdisciplinary learning is a holistic approach that transcends conventional subject divisions. It integrates concepts, skills, and knowledge across various disciplines, allowing students to apply their learning in diverse and meaningful contexts. This approach mirrors real-life situations where problems and challenges are not confined to a single subject but require a broad spectrum of understanding.

Why is it Important?

By learning in a transdisciplinary way, students:

- Develop a deeper understanding of content.
- Learn to see issues and ideas from multiple perspectives.
- Become more engaged and motivated learners.
- Develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills that are applicable in all areas of life.





PYP CORNER









Tabloid Sports Carnival

Thurs 28th March 12-3pm



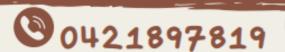
Please come dressed in your house colours.







CONTACT CASSIE TO BOOK OR BOOK THROUGH YOUR XAP SMILE APP:___





Year 5 & 6 Students and Families

FOR OUR LSC SHOWCASE WEDNESDAY MARCH 27 4:30PM-6:30PM

- Meet our friendly staff and students
- Displays from Learning Areas
- Musical performances and BBQ



Lyndhurst Secondary College - Showcase Evening

Date: 27th of March 2024

Time: 4:30pm - 6:30pm

Location: 950 South Gippsland Highway, Cranbourne, VIC, 3977

(Enter via Gate 2)

No booking required - All are welcome







Tuesday 26th March, 2024

Activities and tours from 6pm - 7pm Information session from 7pm - 7.30pm

(This will include a session on our High Achievers Program and Football Academy).

Register your attendance here



or you can register on the night.







Saturday the 16th of March from 8.30pm to 1pm

We will be having a petting stall, and the children can hold bunnies and pet farm animals.

Colouring in of Easter Cards and all children will receive a marshmallow egg.

Easter Raffle

As well as our regular stall holders!

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