

We are a Child Safe School.
All children have the right to feel safe and to learn.
We are committed to protecting the wellbeing of students in our care.

From the Principal

Parent Forum

Last night 15 of our Prep parents for 2017 were represented at our Prep forum. Information about school days, prep reading and Working with Children's Checks was presented to families. If you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher if you have any concerns or queries. This should be done after school as mornings are busy with lesson preparation.

Parents & Friends

Kingsbury Primary School has a small but dedicated Parents & Friends Group who support our school by running the Uniform Shop and planning fundraisers. They are keen to involve new members. I can assure you they are a warm and welcoming group who would love your support. Please contact the ladies in the Uniform shop on Friday mornings, if you would like to assist. Activities already planned include Easter Raffles and a Mother's Day Stall.

Library

Our library is up and running for 2017. Please see the attached flyer in the newsletter. Our books are very precious to us. If a book is lost or not returned it means other students no longer have access to it. We encourage all students and parents to look after school resources and ensure library books are cared for and returned each week. Your child's teacher will tell you your child's library day.

OSHC

Many families have an ongoing booking at After Care. Unfortunately, we are finding that some of these parents are choosing not to send their child or picking them up early from school without cancelling the booking. This does impact on the funding for the program and the number of staff required. I must insist that you contact the school office on 9462 2711 or After Care directly on 9462 2354 if you intend to cancel. This should be done as early as possible. Our Duty of Care to students means that we must know if plans are changed. Thank you for your cooperation.

Inappropriate Language

Our school is a safe place for all. For this reason I must insist that all students and families on our school site use appropriate language at all times. As adults we are role models to children and should not use words in conversation that we do not want our own children to use. Students who use inappropriate language and swear words at school will be given counselling around this and a consequence if the behaviour continues. Please discuss this with your children.

Thank you for supporting our school values.

Christine Campbell
Principal

Message from our Kingsbury Primary School Council President

I'd like to welcome all the new families to our community and hope you're enjoying everything Kingsbury has to offer. I'd also like to welcome back our families from last year. Well, we're a few weeks into the school year already. It's very pleasant to see everyone back and settled in. It was great for everyone to have a chance to meet with the teachers and our children to get an understanding of how classroom activities are progressing. It was also encouraging to see the 2017 Junior School Council induction. Well done to all the JSC members elected, and congratulations to everyone who nominated themselves to be selected. It's not easy to stand in front of all those people and speak, but you all did very well. JSC is an important part of our school.

For those of us that use the Out Of School Hour's program, there are few new faces amongst the leaders. Nick is off to a flying start as the new co-ordinator. So well done to the team there.

There is a lot going on around the school this year. And the staff has already put in a huge effort with the planning and training already.

We do appreciate the support of the school community. And if anyone out there has any suggestions or would like to offer assistance please feel free to contact the staff or school council.

Wishing you all a happy and productive year.

Nigel Proctor
School Council President

PUPIL OF THE WEEK
MONDAY 6 FEBRUARY—FRIDAY 10 FEBRUARY

1/2J	Khanh	Always ready to learn.
1/2M	Shayla	Learning —For reading every night with mum.
3/4B	Mohamed	For starting the school year with enthusiasm.
3/4H	Tallen	For his excellent friendship and teamwork skills while working with others.
5/6B	Isabella	Respect —Encouraging others to assist their learning.
5/6C	Alan	Respect & Safety —Completing bins and cleaning school.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK
MONDAY 13 FEBRUARY—FRIDAY 17 FEBRUARY

Prep P	Tianah	For showing good listening skills.
Prep V	Joel	For always following the relaxation rules.
1/2J	Shyma	For always showing all the school values.
1/2M	Tung	For showing respect in the classroom.
3/4B	Laura	For always upholding the school values.
3/4H	Michael	For demonstrating excellent study habits in Maths.
5/6B	Luke	Helping preps around the yard.
5/6C	Trent	For demonstrating interest and enthusiasm in all classroom tasks and showing respect in team activities.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK
MONDAY 20 FEBRUARY—FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY

1/2J	Tiana	For always trying her best at writing.
1/2M	Roz	For an excellent weekend recount.
3/4B	Zinah	For fantastic work in Maths.
5/6C	William	For demonstrating the value of learning by asking questions and trying his best in Maths.
Visual Arts	1/2M	For working hard and being creative.



Friday 3rd March	Carlton Football Club visit, 11.30am—1.30pm
Monday 6th March	Assembly 3.10pm Lucky Incentive Draw for payment of Essential Education Items contributions
Tuesday 7th March	School Banking Day
Wednesday 8th March	Playgroup, 9.00am—10.50am Athletics for Grades 3-6 students (all day)
Friday 10th March	Carlton Football Club Visit for Grade 5/6 Football program, 11.30am—1.30pm
Monday 13th March	Labour Day—School Closed
Tuesday 14th March	School Banking Day
Wednesday 15th March	Playgroup, 9.00am—10.50am Transition day for Grade 5 students @ Reservoir High School (all day)
Thursday 16th March	Carlton Football Club Visit for Grade 5/6 Football program, 11.30am—1.30pm School Council Meeting, 6.30pm
Friday 17th March	SCHOOL PHOTOS TODAY! DON'T BE LATE!!! WE WON'T WAIT!!

CANTEEN NEWS

Roster

Wed 8 March	Emma Bailey & helper required
Thurs 9 March	Kylie Rawson & Cindy Hodgson
Fri 10 March	Diana Edmonds, Sally Tekin & Effie Blakis



A big warm welcome to Laurie Bonney, Sarah Arnold & Shelly Bezzant for joining the canteen team. Also a big thank you to Vanessa Dean for filling in on such short notice.

Volunteers

All volunteers now require a Working with Children Check. Please visit www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au for more information.

New Items in Stock

Fried rice and vanilla ice cream cups are now available for purchase.

Christine Mounthey



A very big thank you to Miranda & Pubudu for helping out in the Canteen last week, you both did a wonderful job!!!

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US TO CELEBRATE
LA TROBE UNIVERSITY'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

LAWN LUNCH

SUNDAY 5 MARCH 2017, NOON - 5PM

Food Drinks Live music Film screenings Speaker's Corner Book Launch	Academic Lawn La Trobe University, Bundoora General Admission: \$20 Concession: \$10 Includes lunch provided by our social enterprise partners.
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50YEARS.LATROBE/LAWN-LUNCH

Retail Industry Program

Want to gain retail, customer service and sales skills? Our course is for you.

Location Merrilands Community Centre (MCC) & Northland Youth Centre (NYC)

Days Tuesday (MCC) & Thursday (NYC)

Time 9.30am—2.30pm

Dates 7 March—18 May 2017

Duration 16 sessions

Cost Concession: \$50, Full: \$95, Fee for Service: \$817

For more details please ring PRACE on 9462 6077 or visit our website: www.prace.vic.edu.au

KEON PARK STARS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

WE WANT YOU!!

BOYS & GIRLS FROM 5-15 YEARS OLD WANTED FOR 2017 AND BEYOND

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

COME & JOIN OUR FANTASTIC FAMILY & ENJOY PLAYING IN A TEAM SPORT



CORNER OF HAMER STREET & WAGGA ROAD RESERVOIR

BRING A FRIEND ALONG ON THE DAY TO JOIN & RECEIVE A DISCOUNT ON REGISTRATION FEES

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT TERRY BROOKS (PRESIDENT) ON 0404 160 808 OR ASK US ON THE DAY



Parents & Friends will be running an Easter Raffle again this year.

Donation baskets will be placed in each classroom on Friday. Can we please ask that each family donate one item to make up some wonderful baskets of prizes?

Raffle tickets will be going home soon.

Please watch this space for further information.



Discover why Charles La Trobe College is the right choice for your child's secondary education.

Parent and Student Information Night Year 7, 2018

Tuesday 21st March, 2017

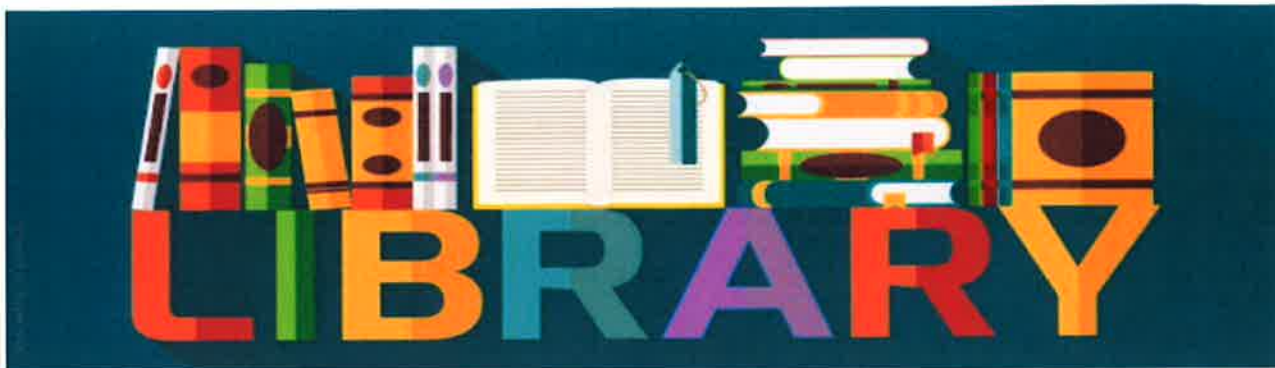
Tours from 5.45pm, Principal's Address 6.30pm

Meet the student leaders - Curriculum showcase - Canteen open for business - sample our healthy eating menu!



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Kingsbury Primary School Library Policy

Our school library provides students and staff with access to an organised teaching and learning resource. The objective is to provide and maintain a resource that meets the educational, recreational and cultural needs of the school community.

We aim to provide students with a wide range of literature to stimulate an active interest in reading:

- To further develop skills for making selections of resources that match and extend interests.
- To meet and challenge their level of ability.
- To support development of information literate learners; therefore building upon skills in accessing, processing and using information to create and present in multi-modal form.
- To provide a collection that is relevant and supportive to the enhancement of curriculum.

Library Borrowing

- Students borrow and return books each week with their teacher during their allotted class library time.
- Books are on loan for 7 days.
- Students are able to renew loans on any unfinished books.
- Students have a borrowing limit of two books in any 7 day period.
- Borrowing ceases a week before the end of terms 1, 2 and 3 and two weeks before the end of the year.

Overdue Items

- Borrowing will cease for students who have overdue books until overdue items are returned.
- A reminder notice will be forwarded for any overdue loan items requesting their return.
- For items remaining overdue for a period of one month or longer, a letter will be forwarded stating overdue items needing to be returned and the replacement cost of item(s) if the student is unable to locate and return loan items.

We aim to provide all our students with equitable access to our Library resources. This can only be done with the care and co-operation of all our Kingsbury Primary School community.

We hope you enjoy reading and sharing with your children during 2017.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION

For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef



Beat the bite!

Mosquito-proof your home



Mosquitoes are not just annoying – some mosquitoes can carry serious diseases. Follow these simple steps to stop mosquitoes breeding on your property and from getting inside your home.

Keep them out!

- Maintain fly screens on windows, doors, vents and chimneys. Screens should be no coarser than 12 x 12 meshes per 25mm, or 1.2mm. Use an even coarser mesh if you wish to keep out other smaller biting insects, like sandflies.
- If mosquitoes are particularly bad, consider using a long-acting surface spray in areas where mosquitoes like to rest. Apply according to the directions on the bottle, targeting areas like the shaded shrubbery near your home. Avoid spraying these products near fish ponds.
- Use ceiling or floor fans to reduce the chance of bites in your home.
- Use 'knockdown' fly spray against visible mosquitoes in your home.
- Consider using plug-in mosquito "zappers" or vaporisers in enclosed verandahs. These should be switched off as soon as the area is no longer in use. Consider using insect repellent at the same time.
- Use mosquito-coils in outdoor areas. These should be supervised at all times. Consider using insect repellent at the same time.
- Citronella candles are not effective unless they also contain an insecticide.
- Remember, it's best to try to prevent mosquitoes getting into your home in the first place!

Remove stagnant water so mosquitoes can't breed

- Mosquitoes can breed even in the tiniest amounts of water.
- You are first in line to be bitten by mosquitoes that breed in your own yard and garden!
- Clean up your yard and remove anything where water can collect, such as unused pots and tyres.
- Cover or overturn trailers, wheelbarrows, boats, tools and children's playground toys to avoid water collection.
- Regularly clean gutters and drains so water runs freely.
- Mend leaking taps.
- Change pet drinking bowls, bird baths and vase waters at least once a week, and more regularly in very warm weather.
- Put sand around the base of pot plants.
- Keep swimming pools well maintained or empty or securely covered if not in use.
- Keep fish ponds tidy with minimal vegetation around the edges.
- Keep lawns and gardens trimmed back to reduce the areas where mosquitoes rest.

Check and maintain your rainwater tank and water storage vessels

- Water tanks must be completely sealed. Check lids, covers and inlet pipes for any gaps.
- Fit removable screen mesh to the outlet end of overflow pipes and to all inlets.
- Make sure any water collection containers have secure lids or screens.

If you have any concerns about your health, see your doctor or phone **NURSE-ON-CALL 1300 60 60 24**

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GUITAR/BASS/ UKULELE LESSONS

Expression of Interest

Dear Parent/Guardian,

New enrolments for Term 1, 2017 and beyond are now being accepted for instrumental lessons at Kingsbury Primary school. Please take a copy of this form and fill out your details to express interest in your child enrolling in music tuition. For prompt commencement of lessons please contact Matt on 0401 324 334 or email:

matthew.ericksongtr@gmail.com

Details

Time: Thursdays (times booked per available slot)

Cost: \$30/30min or \$20/20min

All lessons are held in the school and a rental instrument can be provided for students with no access to an instrument. Lessons run weekly and are charged on a per term basis.

Regards,

Matthew Erickson (BMus, Dip.Ed (Primary, Secondary teaching))

Child's name: _____ Grade/Year Level: _____

Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____