OSHCLUB NEWS!
I am pleased to announce that OSHClub, our current provider for Out of School Hours Care, will continue in this role with a new 3 year contract for 2015 – 2018. The school has a very strong relationship with OSHClub and we have been very satisfied with the program they run for our families. This was a competitive process, where other providers were invited to make a submission as part of an Expression of Interest. Two of these providers were then shortlisted and presented to our School Council. OSHClub’s proposal was outstanding and we look forward to strengthening our partnership.

Thank you to all members of our School Council who worked on ensuring that through the Expression of Interest Process, the best result for our school was obtained.

ANZAC CENTENARY @ KPS
Have you had the chance to see our newly refurbished memorial and contribute to our Wall of Remembrance?

Tomorrow we will be holding a special Centenary of ANZAC assembly starting at 2.30pm in the gym. During the assembly our Year 6 Ambassadors and Student Voice Team will be reading out all of the 268 names contained within the KPS State School 1075 Honour Book. I have also taken photos of all the pages of these names and they are on display on our new large TV screen outside the office. All students will be able to place a poppy next to our memorial and wall of remembrance at the conclusion of the service.

Our blog this week contains some more of my thoughts about ANZAC Day and the importance of our students developing an understanding of the significance of what the day represents.

Also, make sure you get a copy of the Progress Leader this week. The top right hand corner of the cover and page 9 feature our school as part of the Centenary of ANZAC Grant we received.

WORKING BEE - THANK YOU
A huge thank you to all those that attended our working bee last Sunday. Even with the hail, rain and sun we had 34 parents attend. This enabled us to complete all the work we had planned including weeding of Peel Street and Pakington Street sides of the school, Library and Art courtyard and spreading of soft-fall and garden mulch. Jim Bradley’s dingo machine was the biggest hit as we moved 6 metres of soft-fall in 30 minutes!

If you attended and your child has not received their $5 lunch order voucher, please send them to me and I will make sure they receive it.
The Buildings & Grounds team’s next project is to hold a shorter (2 hour) working bee totally dedicated to moving the large mulch pile behind our footy goals. This will be used throughout all the garden in the school and then enable us to get ready to install a concrete slab and storage unit in Term 3 so that we can launch our Positive Play initiative.

EXCITING NEWS CONTINUES...

More exciting news for KPS! We have been awarded a prize of a visit from an elite athlete to speak with our students for our high participation level in the Premiers Active April Program.
We have also been awarded a full day Bike Education training course for 20 students as a result of the large number of students who participated in Ride to School Day.

Be Worthy!
James Penson
Principal

Message from the Assistant Principal

As educators we are always imploring our students to persist with a task or their inquiry learning until they have taken this learning through to a fitting conclusion. Well, on Sunday a large group of Kew Kids and their parents were really modelling persistence at the working bee. No matter what weather conditions prevailed they all worked extremely hard and completed all the tasks requiring attention. I congratulate them all on their fine efforts and show of persistence and, in conclusion, I do feel that Melbourne weather deserves all the criticism it gets.

Working bees are one of the ways parents contribute to Kew PS but they also help in classrooms, go on excursions and contribute to sporting events. With this in mind, Sally Marsh, a Lead teacher and myself will be running a “Parents in the Classroom” Information session which will be held on Thursday 14th May in the Senior School rooms from 4:00pm to 5:30pm. This session will be quite informal. The focus will be about reading, writing and the best ways to support students at home and school as well as the teacher in the classroom setting. Discussions will centre around, how children acquire language, the art of reading and writing as well as comprehension strategies. We would love to see many parents at this session as it will be both informative and have a hands-on component to it as well.

Finally, all our students can stop bringing their hats to school and wearing them by Friday 1st May as we have fulfilled our Sunsmart obligations for this part of the year. Please remember that hats will be required to be worn again from September.

Robin Grace

Kew Primary School Blog

This week on the blog, Mr Penson talks about ANZAC Day and how KPS is commemorating this important event.

There's also details on how students (and families) can make a poppy for KPS's Field of Poppies.

Do you have something you'd like to share on the blog? All contributions are welcome. Please drop me a line at: katrina.w@ozemail.com.au

Katrina Whelen
Family Reading Afternoon

What is it?  This is an opportunity to explore the books in the library as a family and sit down and read together.

When is it?  Wednesday 6th May any time between 3.30 – 5.30pm

Do you have Green Thumbs?  Would you like to help grow and maintain our school garden?

I am looking for volunteers to help out once a month with weeding, planting, composting and any other jobs that may come up. The idea is to build the garden into a colourful and relaxing place for classes to visit and students to enjoy whilst also complimenting the curriculum.

Please email me if you are interested.

Katie

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MOTHER’S DAY & SPECIAL PERSON’S DAY STALL 2015

The 2015 Mother’s Day and Special Person’s Day stall will be held in the Junior School hall on the morning of Thursday 7th May.

- There will be a choice of gifts all priced at $5 except for one which will be $2. Each child can purchase one or two gifts each and, at lunchtime, there will be an opportunity to purchase another from those left over (perhaps a second gift for Mum, one for Grandma or other special people).
- A limited number of gift bags will also be available to purchase ($1) on the day.
- Given that we believe in recycling and non-wastage at Kew Primary, the gifts will not be wrapped this year – rather, the children can wrap the gifts themselves (in their own artwork perhaps?).
- Volunteers will be needed to assist at the stall on the 7th – please contact Fiona Hollingsworth (Fiona.Hollingsworth@hotmail.com) if you can help either between 9am-11am or 11am-1pm. All help gratefully received!

The stall is not just a fund-raising endeavour, but is aimed at providing a convenient and cost-effective opportunity for the children to choose their parent/carer a gift – and they absolutely LOVE doing this! It not only provides them with a lot of pleasure but also provides us, as parents, a convenient solution.

Please support the Kew Primary Mother’s Day & Special Person’s Day Stall!
Only eight days till the Kew Primary Mother's Day Lunch!

A beautiful lunch, well deserved...

Friday 1st May, 12-3pm

@ Hellenic Republic, 26 Cotham Road, Kew

$77 pp includes three course shared banquet with all drinks

or

$52 for three course shared banquet with a glass of sparkling on arrival

Special dietary requirements catered for

Book now and save the date!

Prize to the Mum with the most attendees (from KPS)

Bookings can be made listing a Table Host (tables of 10 or 12) or by listing a class level with which to be seated.

www.trybooking.com/EMKA

For more details, email kewprimarypta@yahoo.com.au
Welcome to Term 2!

We have had a fantastic start to term 2 with lots of excitement and fun! This term competitions have become the next big thing with a construction competition on Monday that had close to 20 young inventors raiding the recycled materials and working in teams to create anything they could imagine. On Thursday we had another sort of competition with kids joining together to create their own TV shows by making props, scripts and costumes and performing their acts at the end of the day. It was so great to see all of the children working together to create something so special and memorable for everyone there.

As the days turn colder we have had a shift to making food that warms our insides and last week it was minestrone soup! The soup was so yummy that we had children asking for recipes and making it twice in the week.

Yoga has also become a popular morning activity with kids loving stretching and warming up for the day ahead.

Reminders

If your child is attending the program you must book in advance online, or for same day bookings please text or call the program so that we can add them to the roll. It is crucial that we have an accurate list of attendees prior to the start of each Before School Care and After School Care session to ensure our staff to child ratio is correct, in order to maintain a fun and safe environment for all children.

A selection of Next Week’s Activities

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Parent Information

PH: 0403 394 486
Email: info@oshclub.com.au
Head Office: 121 Dynning Drive, Oakleigh, Victoria 3166

BSC Hours: 7:00am – 8:30am
ASC Hours: 3:30pm – 6:00pm

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.
Managing your Asthma and Allergy: An Expert Panel Q&A

An opportunity for you to ask your asthma and allergy questions to Victoria’s top physicians.

Panelists include:
A/Prof Sarath Ranganathan  Director of Respiratory Medicine, Royal Children’s Hospital
Dr Jo Harrison  Respiratory Physician, Royal Children’s Hospital
Prof Jo Douglass  Head, Immunology and Allergy Department, Royal Melbourne Hospital
Dr Joanne Smart  Clinical Allergist & Immunologist, Royal Children’s Hospital

Date: Sunday 28 June 2015
Time: 4pm – 6pm
Venue: Ella Latham Auditorium, Royal Children’s Hospital

To register visit asthma-and-allergy.eventbrite.com.au or contact the Asthma Foundation Victoria on advice@asthma.vic.gov.au or 03 9326 7088

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2015 CANTERBURY art EXHIBITION
At Canterbury Primary School
Molesworth Street Canterbury
MAY 1-3

Opening Night
Friday 1 May 6pm-11pm
Tickets $50 per head includes wine, beers, gourmet food, catalogue and weekend entry (no stillets please)

Weekend Exhibition entry $5 (children free)
Saturday 2 May, 10am-5pm
Sunday 3 May, 10am-4pm

For further information and purchase of Opening Night tickets go to www.canterburyart.com
Snowsports Interschool Championships

Kew Primary School is entering into the Victorian Snowsports Interschool Championships for 2015. The aim of the program is to develop student skills, independence, sportsmanship and school spirit.

The Interschools event is open to all grades levels who would like to compete in alpine ski racing, snowboard, skiercross, and freestyle moguls. Students will need to be able to confidently ski on green and blue runs, however, they do not need racing experience.

Parents wishing for their children to compete at the Interschool Championships please contact Nikki Schwarz or Sonali Le Brocque. To express interest or for further enquires please email nikki@sraccountants.com.au or dse195@hotmail.com

2015 Interschools – dates and schedules

The 2015 Victorian Interschools Snowsports Championships will be held at Mt Buller from Monday 24th August to Sunday 30th August 2015.

The 2015 National Interschools Snowsports Championships will be held at Mt Buller from Wednesday 9th September to Sunday 13th September 2015.