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Message from Principal

It is always exciting to get something new as it seems like Christmas even though it is not December. That’s how we all feel at the moment because some of the new furniture, on order, for our Library has arrived! These bright, colourful and child friendly pieces will improve the look of this great learning space and will make it so much more child friendly. **This was made possible because of those parents who voluntarily donated to our Library Fund which is tax deductible.** To those parents I say a big thank you as do the students of Kew PS. Further changes to the Library are planned so please think about donating to this fund if you haven’t already.

Could I remind those parents whose name was computer generated to complete the Parent Survey that they must be returned to the school office by this Friday 2nd August at close of business.

Over the last couple of weeks there have been a number of Parent Information evenings held and it is very heartening to see the number of parents who brave the winter cold to come and listen, gather information and ask questions. The teachers spend a lot of time planning these evenings, making sure that the evening will flow, be informative and is parent friendly, not always couched in “teacher speak terms”. I would like to remind parents that on **Thursday 8th August 7:30- 8:45** they will have another opportunity to come and listen to Hugh van Cuylenberg discuss the Resilience Project and the work he will be undertaking with the teachers and students at Kew PS. Hugh is not only a very entertaining speaker but you as parents will come away from this evening with ideas as to direct, guide and encourage your children to build upon their resilience reserves.

The guidance of our students, particularly in primary school is a task we undertake together and the staff and I will continue to strive to ensure this occurs. The capacity of our young students to cope resiliently with all life’s ups and downs must be our ultimate collaborative aim.

Robin Grace

Acting Principal

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**CARE**

On **Monday 5th August** students can wear their favourite sporting teams top/scarf/beanie to school. This is for our CARE respect lesson session 6. Students will learn appropriate ways to respond in a competitive situation, both as a supporter and sportsperson.

**Ipad link for this week:**


**Term Dates 2013**

Term 3: 15 Jul to 20 Sept

Term 4: 7 Oct to 20 Dec

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Www.OSHClub.com.au

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**Volunteer required**

If you would like to volunteer to wash linen from Sickbay, please let the office know.
Message from Assistant Principal

Junior School Council

A Junior School Council is being reformed at Kew Primary School. Each class from Prep – 2 will elect two representatives, with one representative being elected from the Year 3 – 6 classes.

The Junior School Council will meet once a fortnight for approximately 30 minutes during lunch time. This will give the students an opportunity to raise and discuss issues that they are passionate about relating directly to school life. The JSC will also work closely with the Student Voice Action Group and collaborate on projects of interest.

Working Bee

The next working bee is scheduled for this Sunday (12:00 – 3:00). Work to be carried out includes: erecting a new storage shed, mulching the play equipment areas, maintenance and repairs and general cleaning up. Any time that you can spare to assist will be greatly appreciated.

Andrew Searle
Acting Assistant Principal

Kew Primary School Blog

The blog is back! Apologies for the brief break in transmission; unavoidable absence, I’m afraid. I have a number of blogs lined up for this term, but am always happy to hear from people who would like to contribute – either with an idea or a post. This week’s post is on a topic that I think doesn’t get as much airplay as it should. Check it out...

Jacqui Tomlins
Jacqueline_tomlnis@bigpond.com

Second Hand Uniform Shop

will be held on

Wednesday 7th August

3.15 –3.45

Some sports shorts available.

Sports Polo Shirts

There are still a few KPS sports house tops available for sale ($22). Please see the office for size availability.

Scholastic Bookclub orders due back Friday 9th August.
The Year 3’s looked at Concepts in Multiplication.

- 307 made an array
- 3 x 6 = 18
- 313 show grouping
- 4 groups of 5 = 20
- 312 repeated addition
- 3+3+3+3+3+3+3=21
Students in 403 have been using Ipads to track their progress with the automatic recall of number facts (i.e. timetables). Using Tablesmasters, students selected a number fact to practice, and were given questions to answer.

How fast are you? Give it a try! http://www.transum.org/software/tablesmaster/tablesmaster.asp

Students have also provided their best tip for learning!

Tania: I have mastered the multiples 11 (e.g. 3 x11, 6 x 11), and I can complete the task in 30 seconds. My next goal is to be great at the 12s!

My Tip: Get your dad to help you practice, and put a chart up in the toilet.

Nesta: I have mastered the multiples of 10, and I completed the task in 33 secs. My next goal is to be fast with the 3s!

My Tip: At home, I recall some of the number facts to my family after I have had a chat to them.

Kai: I have mastered the 11s, and I completed the task in 22 secs. My next goal is to master multiples of 12!

My tip: Practise every night!

Henry: I have mastered the multiples of 11, and I completed the task in 28 secs. My next goal is master the multiples of 12.

My tip: Get a number fact chart to look at each night.

Freddy: I have mastered the multiples of 9 and I completed the task in 60secs. My next goal is to master multiples of 12.

My Tip: Get a chart, and practise. Then eventually you can try without looking.

Owen: I have mastered the 2s and I completed this task in 30secs. My next goal is to master the multiples of 4.

My tip: Have a folder filled with questions, and on the back is the answer. You need two people, so one holds the question up and tests their partner.

Indi: I have mastered the multiples of 2, and completed the task in 31 secs. My next goal is to master the 11s!

My Tip: Practise every night!

Ethan: I have mastered the multiples of 11, and completed the task in 29 secs. My next goal is to become faster with the multiples of 12!

My Tip: Practise, practise, practise!

Ryan: I have mastered the multiples of 13, and completed the task in 50 secs. My next goal is to become fast with the multiples of 7!

Charlie: I have mastered the multiples 11, and completed the task in 24 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 7!

My tip: Practice every day!

Sander: I have mastered the multiples of 10, and completed the task in 30 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 2.
**My Tip:** Just keep trying and then it will come to you!

**Patiola:** I have mastered the 11s, and completed the task in 38 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 10.

**My tip:** Practise whenever you get a chance!

**Aidan:** I have mastered multiples of 13, and completed the task in 213 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 9.

**My Tip:** Go through the number facts before you go to bed each night, or get your sister to test you!

**Lachlan:** I have mastered the 10s, and completed the task in 28 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 11.

**My tip:** Keep practising as much as you can!

**Sam:** I have mastered the multiples of 5, and completed the task in 60 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 3 and 10.

**My tip:** Stick up a chart in your toilet so you can look at them regularly.

**Ben:** I have mastered the 11s, and completed the task in 21 secs. My next goal is to be even faster with the multiples of 11.

**My tip:** Practise, practise, practise!

**Ahmaey:** I have mastered the multiples of 10, and completed the task in 29 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 11.

**My tip:** Practise at home with mum.

**Annie:** I have mastered the multiples of 11, and completed the task in 33 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 3.

**My tip:** Jump on TablesMasters every day!

**Helen:** I have mastered number facts of 7. My next goal is to master multiples of 8.

**My tip:** Practise every day with you mum and dad at breakfast.

**Daisy:** I have mastered the multiples of 6, and completed the task in 62 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 4!

**My tip:** Before you go to sleep, try and practise them in your head!

**Mason B:** I have mastered 10s, and completed the task in 31 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 6!

**My tip:** Always try your best!

**Siena:** I have mastered the multiples of 6, and completed the task in 89 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 7!

**My tip:** Practise makes perfect!

**Keoni:** I have mastered the multiples of 10, and completed the task in 31 secs. My next goal is to be really fast with the multiples of 7!

**My tip:** Just keep practising!
L'Art

The Year 3s are busy producing Monet-inspired works this term. They'll be up on display shortly as they are fabulous! The Preps are learning about colour mixing using paints and food dyes while the 1s and 2s are exploring tints and tones. The upper grades are creating Halloween props for Q-Rock and papier mâché bowls. We're looking forward to Book Week and Father's Day projects soon as well.

DONATIONS: Thanks so much Sacha Kann (Will’s mum) for the gorgeous textural fabrics. I thought of the Level 3 Melbourne Cup Bonnet parade as soon as I saw them. Thanks too to Jayne for the pine cones from Freddie and Tom Waters’ grandma. Susie and Annie Clarke’s teapot is on display in the Art Room now. I’m sure that it will raise admiring comments straight away.

Thanks to Susie Clarke (Annie's mum) for the gorgeous teapot prop for the Art Room. It has Fabulous underglaze decorations. Thanks too to Jay and Jayne Andrews for lugging all of that cardboard to school for us to re-use. Toby and Angela Gill came bearing cardboard box gifts as well. We are very grateful!

We would greatly appreciate any donations of wool. Black wool would be particularly useful, but any colours, shapes and sizes are very welcome.

Merci beaucoup!

Bit McLean and Madame T. (Visual Arts Teachers)

KPS HOUSE ATHLETICS

Next Tuesday, 6th August is the KPS House Athletics. This will be held at Box Hill Athletics Track for all Year 3-6 students. The following is some important information to ensure your child is ready for the day...

All students need to be at their classrooms at 8:30am as buses depart at 8:45am.

Students must wear school uniform and may choose to wear a t-shirt in their house colour.

If students choose to use face paint, hairspray etc, this must be done AT HOME before they leave in the morning and not brought to school.

No iPads, phones, valuables or money to be brought to school at all that day.

Bring a rain jacket in case of bad weather.

Cross your fingers the night before that we don’t get bad weather!

Thankyou to the huge number of parents who have volunteered to help on the day. A note will come home tomorrow telling you which event you are on for the day.

Erin
Do you like writing stories?

If you do here are some great opportunities!

**KPS Peppercorn Writing Competition**

This is a Kew Primary School writing competition for all interested students – write a story or a poem or make a book. The theme is **History with a word limit of 1000 words**. Please deliver your completed story/book to Ruth in the Library or Office by Thursday 15th August. The winners will be announced during Book Week.

**Melbourne Writers Festival Writing Competition**

This is a creative writing competition for Victorian students in Years 4, 5 & 6. Write a story in 300 words or less. You need to use the following four words in your short story: **Flying, Adventure, Map, Feast**

Submit your entry by completing the online form, and uploading your story at mwf.com.au

Entries close 5pm on Monday 19 August. First prize is 4 airline tickets on Qatar Airways.

Don’t forget to vote for your favourite books from the the Children’s Book Council shortlist. Some of the books will be read in class over the next few weeks.

Grants Update

Help Us Win $5,000 towards a Running Track

Thank you to those parents, students, teachers, family and friends who have already cast your vote for Kew Primary’s running track. We have received 421 votes (as of Wednesday 31st July) and are currently in third place to win a ‘CUA Community Care’ grants for $5,000.

Kew Primary’s project is for a synthetic running track around the rim of the school’s oval. A running track would be integrated into the school’s physical education program for Prep – Grade 6 and would form an integral part of the Junior and Senior Athletics Day.

We’re up against 12 other schools in the area to take out the $5,000 prize and given the winner will be determined by community voting - we need your votes!

Voting is open from 29 July – 23 August and you can register your vote online at www.cuacommunitycare.com.au and in CUA’s Doncaster branch, Shop G045 Westfield Shopping Centre, 619 Doncaster Road, DONCASTER.

Each person can make one online and one in-branch vote. All you need is a registered email address so encourage your children, family and friends to vote (there is no age limit). CUA will then proportion the votes based on the size of the school.

Given the running track will cost $75,000, School Council will look at other ways of raising funds including applying for other grants, holding a Lap-a-thon in Term 4, voluntary contributions / donations and other fund-raising activities. So please throw your support behind this initiative.

Julie Coleman
Funding, Communication & Marketing Sub Committee

UNIFORM UPDATE

Kew Primary School now has an official school jacket!

The jacket was approved last night at School Council meeting.

The fitted rain jacket sports the school emblem on the left lapel, is lined on the inside for warmth, has reflective piping, and a hood that folds up into the collar.

We’ll let you know soon regarding price and availability. The item will be stocked with Bob Stewart, the school’s official supplier.

Girls’ pants now in stock.

The girls’ pants, both winter and summer weight, are now available from Bob Stewart's.

Summer weight: $26.95, winter weight: $29.95

Effie Alonso,
On behalf of School Council.
KPS Working Bee

ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS WELCOME

Sunday 4th August - 12pm till 3pm

Please come and help tidy up Kew Primary School
Stay for an hour or stay for three!

Please bring gloves, brooms, rakes, wheelbarrow, cordless drills, spanners and anything else that maybe useful.
Bring the kids and a water bottle.
Afternoon tea provided.

- We will be putting together a new kitchen garden shed
- Cleaning out existing tool shed and transferring tools to the new shed
- Spreading mulch around grounds Including the sandpit and gym areas

KPS WORKING BEE - RSVP
12pm - 3pm, Sunday 4th August 2013

To help with organising the jobs could you please advise Stewart Waters if you can attend.
Stewart is our new Working Bee Coordinator (and also Tom and Fredcy's dad, Grades 2&1)

Please RSVP to Stewart by 2nd August via text on 0418 355 587 or email stewart.waters@optusnet.com.au
including the number of adults and children attending and the approximate time you can help.

Thank you - your help is greatly appreciated.

RUN MELBOURNE

The 2013 Run Melbourne took place on the 20th and 21st of July in the city. Kew primary school have raised $907 for Red Cross at this event. Great job to people who participated in the very wintery weekend, and thank you to the teachers and parents who helped out in the event. Also, huge thanks to the people who donated for the Australian Red Cross.

Thank you for making a difference.
Daichi and Patrick
Program Update

Hi everyone 😊,

Welcome back to school and the new term!

We hope that you had a wonderful break and everyone stayed warm.

Kew OSHClub holiday program was jammed packed full of fun. We went to the M.C.G. and the movies to see Monster's University. The excursions are always lots of fun, even some staff who have never been to the M.C.G. had a memorable experience 😊. Other activities we did over the holidays program; Winter Wonderland, Clowning Around with an incursion; Balls of Fun Sports, Super Hero Day, Mini Master Chef, Puppet Show, Green Machine with an incursion; Snake Man Show (yes real live snakes 😐), Christmas in July and It's Italian. All went fabulously well!

With the weather still cold we will be organising more fun indoor activities, utilising the gym more often and hanging out for the warmer months. We will also offer movie and popcorn on afternoons that are really miserable days. So if your children have a movie they would love to share with everyone, bring it along. Remembering, all movies are required to be of a G rating.

Kathi, the Coordinator for Kew OSHClub, is asking all parents of the school community if they could possibly bring all their empty eggs cartons to the program. Kathi needs them for her chicken’s eggs. Who knows there might even be free ‘fresh’ eggs to the family who recycles the most cartons during the term?

*Please book your children online, if booking casually (over the phone) a casual surcharge of $2 will be added to your fees. This is very important so that we can provide care for your child.
*Please remember a late fee will be charged for late pickups; $1 per minute per child.
*Please remember to cancel your child either through your account or call 0400 394 489 and leave a message.

Have a great fortnight!
OSHClub team 😊

Next Week’s Activities

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Parent Information

OSHCl program phone: 0400 394 489
Coordinator: Kathi
Assistants: Niki, Fiona, Paul, Tim, Yee Ling, Alyssa
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

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.
COMMUNITY SEMINAR SERIES
ON
MYALGIC ENCEPHALOMYELITIS (M.E)
commonly known as ‘chronic fatigue syndrome’

Please join ME/CFS Australia (VicTasNT), the peak Victorian body dedicated to the provision of support, education, research and advocacy for people living with the disabling neurological condition M.E in a series of two seminars.

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Where: The Camberwell Library, -
340 Camberwell Road, Camberwell Vic 3124
Cost: FREE ADMISSION
(Donations gratefully appreciated)
Registration: Complete the following details and email to: admin@mecls-vic.org.au or ph: 97913100.
No entry without registration.

REGISTRATION SLIP

Which Seminar(s) are you attending? ____________________________
Number of people attending ____________________________
CONTACT NAME: ____________________________ PH: ____________________________
ADDRESS: _______________________________________________
EMAIL ADDRESS: __________________________________________
Are you interested in Membership? Yes  No
Are you interested in ME/CFS Australia (VicTasNT) contacting you further. Yes  No
Snowsports Interschool Championships

The 2013 Victorian Interschools Snowsports Championships will be held at Mt Buller from Monday 19 August to Sunday 25 August 2013.

The on-line entry system for the Victorian Interschools is now open. The entry and lift ticketing ordering system closes 1 August 2013.

The website is www.vicinterschools.com.au. I recommend you have a look at the site and sign up to the newsletter. One of the links down the left hand side called important documents has information regarding pricing, event schedule etc... which is also worth reading through.

The Interschools Snowsports Championships are a series of competitions in 5 disciplines:

- Alpine GS - Skiers are timed on a modified giant slalom course
- Skiercross - Skiers are timed on a slope style course
- Freestyle Moguls - Skiers are scored on a bumps/jumps course
- Snowboard GS - Boarders are timed on a modified giant slalom course
- Snowboardcross - Boarders are timed on a slope style course

The Interschools races are conducted under divisions according to school year levels.

- Division 1: Years 11 and 12
- Division 2: Years 9 and 10
- Division 3: Years 7 and 8
- Division 4: Years 5 and 6
- Division 5: Year 4 and under.

So I can register those children interested in participating in the Interschools, can you please email me the following information by 21 July 2013 so I can be sure I get all the information in on time.

- participants name,
- division,
- event,
- school year,
- child’s year of birth,
- child’s postcode,
- name, contact phone number and email address of parent/guardian,
- whether you need a lift ticket or whether you are a seasons pass holder at Mt Buller
- how many days you want lift tickets for if you aren’t a seasons pass holder

Entry into the Interschools costs $43 per child. Competitor Lift ticket are priced according to the number of days you want tickets for. Details about pricing are on the website www.vicinterschools.com.au

Payment for all entries and tickets will need to be made by 21 July 2013. Payment must be done in 1 transaction, so I will need to collect all monies from parents before I make the payment on behalf of our school on 1 August 2013. Please contact me to arrange transfer of monies to my account so I can arrange final payment.

Any questions, please email me at nikki@sraccountants.com.au
Please be advised that we have secured the services of Dr Michael Carr-Gregg and Dr Ian Lillico to deliver a series of parent seminars in relation to raising teenagers. These sessions are targeted at parents and teachers of boys or girls. Teachers attending will be issued with a certificate of participation for 2 PD Hours.

**Dr Michael Carr-Gregg** presents *How to Raise Happy and Resilient GIRLS!* 7pm to 9pm

August 26th, 2013 Lowther Hall, 17 Leslie Rd, Essendon

As Australia’s most high profile adolescent psychologist, Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg draws on the latest psychological research to deliver the key skills, knowledge and strategies needed by parents and teachers caring for teenage girls in 2013. He will focus on the latest research on how to create happy and resilient girls and will host a Q&A session at the end. Cost $20 Details [HERE](#)

**Secure your place!** Email rick@criticalagendas.com.au Include your **NAME**, and **No. Tickets** required.

Collect and pay for tickets on the night (No EFTPOS).

**Dr Ian Lillico** presents *Understanding Adolescent Boys!* 7pm to 9pm

August 19th, 2013 Parade College 1436 Plenty Rd Bundoora OR September 4th, 2013 Salesian College 10 Bosco St, Chadstone

This presentation covers boys at home and at school. It gives parents and teachers strategies to help boys in their growth into adults and compares childhood and adolescence. The role of parents and the teacher, nature and other factors impacting on boys' success are explained. Cost $10 Details [HERE](#)

**Secure your place!** Email rick@criticalagendas.com.au Include your **NAME, Date attending** and **No. Tickets** required.

Collect and pay for tickets on the night (No EFTPOS).