Diary Dates

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Parent/Teacher Contact: Australian Education Union work bans remain in place regarding teachers working to a 38 hour week. However, this should not deter parents and carers from making contact with class teachers on any matter of importance in relation to student learning and wellbeing. Teachers are available before school and after school. If you require a formal meeting then it is best to arrange a mutually acceptable time to meet. Often teachers are at meetings after school. By arranging a set time you can be assured that the teacher will be available to meet with you. You will be further advised of arrangements for the mid-year Parent/Teacher Interviews early next term. Teachers are mindful of their responsibility to maintain effective communication with families on any matter regarding student need/s despite the difficulties working within the work bans.

2013 – 2016 Strategic Plan

Following the completion of the School Review last year, the development of the school’s next four-year Strategic plan began. The Plan, now endorsed by the North-Eastern Region of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development can now be viewed on the school’s website under the “Our School’ tab on the Home page. The school’s 2012 Annual Report, once endorsed by school council at its meeting this month, will also be accessible on the website next term.

Voluntary School Levies

As school community members will be aware school council voluntary family levy statements were sent home last week. Support from families with the payment of levies in designated school council projects enables the council to generate funds in areas not fully covered by the school’s annual DEECD grant. In last week’s Bulletin I outlined areas where there are shortfalls in meeting council priorities. BPAY can be used if this is an easier option. We do appreciate contributions made to school council initiatives.

Labour Day: Monday 11th March.

Next Monday is a public holiday in Victoria. If you are travelling during the long weekend please drive and arrive safely at your destination. Enjoy quality time with your family.

Barry Archibald
Acting Principal
Message from the Assistant Principal

On Tuesday night I had the pleasure of attending the PTA meeting held here at school and I was blown away by the number and variety of fundraising events that this hardworking group has planned for this school year. All the proceeds from these activities go to the school to either purchase products for the children to utilize or to improve the facilities which, of course, benefits all the school community. The fund raising monies from 2012 went into creating the new sandpit and also partially paying for the dismantling and reclaiming of the area taken up by the old sandpit which is to take place during the school holidays. Supporting these events is not only a fun way to raise funds but it is an excellent opportunity to get to know other parents from different year groups to those that your children belong to. A fund raising events calendar will be distributed to the school community shortly and be posted on the school’s website as well.

As many of you would be aware I am very enthusiastic about improving the playing facilities and equipment for the students to have down time in, learn to socialize and cooperate with each other as well as learn to resolve issues in a positive way. So this is where I need you to help me to achieve these goals. One way to do this is to attend working bees. In the past two years working bees, have been attended by a small core of very dedicated and hardworking parents. My hope is that more parents and students attend working bees so that more can be achieved and that the workload is more equitable.

If you have any ideas as to how we can increase the level of participation in working bees I would be more than happy to hear about them because I would like to see the kitchen garden area completed, the front of the school spruced up and further planting of water-wise plants around the school boundaries. Every term the school needs to be weeded, swept and generally tidied and DEECD does not supply the school with sufficient funds for a maintenance person to do these tasks. Hence the need for parent participation in advertised working bees. I eagerly await your suggestions as we work together to improve the environs of Kew PS.

Robin Grace

Kew Primary School Blog

Did you know that this year the school appointed two new Leading Teachers? Well done if you did, but do you have any idea what their role is? What they’re actually going to be doing? No, me neither. So, I thought I’d ask them. For this week’s blog I spoke to Sally Marsh and Andrew Wood about why we have Leader Teachers all of a sudden and what they’re going to be doing. Check it out at: www.kewprimaryschool.com

Found

“Eyewear on Collins” dark blue umbrella

Blue tartan picnic rug

A green “Australia Zoo” deck chair in its bag

These items may have been left in the school grounds after the Peppercorn BBQ.

They are awaiting collection in the Lost Property Cupboard.

Class 313 Parents Coffee & Catch-Up.

Tues 12th March after school drop off at Kew Nursery, corner of High & Gladstone St. All welcome!
The Level 2s and 3s have been busy creating ‘Hero Boxes’ as tributes to characters that they admire. Watch out for a display of these in the foyer outside the Art Room in the next couple of weeks.

There will be no Kew Primary group marching in the Kew Community Festival this year due to Teacher Union instruction. It is the perfect chance for you all to attend as an audience and cheer all of the other community groups along.

Some lovely donations have been made recently. Thanks to Andrea Stevens (Will, Lara and Hamish’s mum) for her fancy dress gifts. Sophie Stefanos (Zoe and Julia’s mum) also contributed fancy dress items for our artwork in Term 2. Kath von Wyss (Oskar and Moritz’s mum) brought in some giant boxes, Karen Jordan (Ella and Harry’s mum) collected lots of small boxes for Construction and Imogen Cain’s mum (Christine) donated foam pieces to be used in PE or Performing Arts. THANKS VERY MUCH TO ALL OF YOU!

If anyone has a mermaid tail that they no longer use for dress-ups or some plastic swimming flippers we would love to hear from you.

Bit McLean and Madame Temple (Visual Arts Teachers)

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

Q ROCK 2013

As many of you are aware, last year Kew P.S participated in J Rock (Junior Rock Eisteddfod). Unfortunately this event has been cancelled this year due to lack of government funding.

This year, we have decided to create our own version called ‘Q Rock’ which will be part of a K.P.S Performing Arts Showcase. The major differences being no competition and no time restrictions which mean longer performance time for our students! It’s great for Kew to do something “in house” as a school community without the pressure of competing. The event will still provide students who love performing arts with the chance to be involved in a major performance. Q Rock will be performed at the Renaissance Theatre at Kew High School in late October and our theme is “Halloween”.

We had an overwhelming number of students interested in joining our on stage cast this year which has been incredibly encouraging for Performing Arts within the school. Over 150 students participated in an audition each witnessed by a team of staff. After much deliberation by our Q Rock staff team, we have selected 75 on stage cast members for this year’s performance.

Well done to all students who participated in an audition. All students should be so very proud of their efforts. Congratulations to all successful students; let the fun begin!!

Tahnee and the Q Rock staff team J
This term, students at KPS are studying ‘Heroes’ as their eUp focus. To compliment their classroom learning, Level 4 students will be studying famous French ‘heroes’. During L’Art, pupils will choose a famous French person and paint their portrait. Some suggestions...

Napoleon Bonaparte
Marie Antoinette
King Louis XVI
Jeanne d’Arc
Coco Channel
Francois Hollande
Edith Piaf
Marcel Marceau
Brigitte Bardot
Louis Braille
Victor Hugo
Marie Curie
Claude Monet
Edgar Degas
Henri Matisse
Camille Pissarro
Claude-Achille Debussy
Gustave Eiffel
Thierry Henry

......or choose your own!

**Level 4 Homework**

Your ipads will come in handy for this! Choose a ‘personne célèbre’ and find out about their life. Why are they famous? Then find pictures of them and print them off and bring to your next art class. You will use your images to create a portrait of your chosen ‘célèbre’.

Merci beaucoup, Madame Temple
On Thursday 28th or February, eight Kew students travelled to Mt Waverley Aquatic Centre to represent KPS at the Boroondara Division Swimming Carnival. The team included:

- Robbie B (50m freestyle, 4x50m freestyle relay)
- Angus A (50m freestyle, 50m butterfly, 4x50m freestyle relay)
- Angus S (4x50m freestyle relay)
- Dion B (4x50m freestyle relay)
- Will S (4x50m freestyle relay)
- Cooper L (4x50m freestyle relay)
- Sebastian G (4x50m freestyle relay)
- Rupert E (4x50m freestyle relay)

All students performed exceptionally well at this high level swimming meet. A huge thankyou to all the parents who brought their children along so they could compete on the day.

Special congratulations to Angus and the 12yr old boys relay team who have progressed to the Regional Swimming Carnival which will be held on Friday 8th March at Nunawading.

- Angus came 2nd in his freestyle and butterfly events and progresses.
- The 12yr old boys relay came 2nd and also progress.
Program Update

Hi everyone,

Welcome to week 6 (already)!

Here at OSHClub Kew we have been working on building the confidence of the preps, gradually reaching little milestones on independence in coming and going from OSHClub and we have integrated the preps with the older children by giving the upper grade children leadership roles in taking extra care of the young ones. We have also been asking the children to come up with ideas for the next couple of weeks leading up to the holidays and Easter. So far we have had a lot of input from all of the children through daily catch-ups and interviews (the children run the interviews).

A kind reminder to all families that we have children at the program who are anaphylactic and other children who have asthma. The program educators request that any food containing nuts or eggs given to your children for school snacks is not to be brought into the program. We monitor this very carefully. Additionally, we ask of all families to inform the program of any other allergies and health issues that need to be communicated to us so that we can make provisions for your child.

We are currently running a prep program of full day care on Wednesdays for the remainder of term 1. I, Kathi, am here running the program, if you have any questions, why not pop in and have a chat with me, or alternatively you can contact me on 0432 212 817 during normal business hours or kathi@oshclub.com.au

*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.
*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 J

Next Week’s Activities

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Parent Information

OSHClub program phone: 0400 394 489
Coordinator: Kathi
Assistants: Niki, Fiona, Cristal
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.
Festival Highlights

Saturday 16th March

WE WILL ROCK KEW
1.30pm-4.30pm
Hays Paddock, Longstaff st, East Kew
Come and listen to live local bands perform in a fully supervised drug and alcohol free open air environment.
Details: David Smith 0412 447 307 or david@highstreetgardenfestival.com.au

CHORAL SINGING IN KWEW WITH 5 GREAT CHOIRS
(entry suggested $5.00 donation)
3.00pm-4.00pm
Sacred Heart Church cnr. Coltham and Glenferrie High, Kew
Come and enjoy a wonderful afternoon listening to five great local choirs.

FRIDAY NIGHTS AT THE CAFE
8.00pm
Kew Community Festival Cafe

YARRA TRAMS COMMUNITY STREET PARADE
10.30am
Watch the parade coming down at Mary-Junction and proceeding along High St, and entering the main gate of Victoria Park then proceeding to the main stage in the park. The opening procession is a fine day ceremony beginning from the main stage, choreographing events and entertainment that follows.

KEMMUNDAY
10.30am-4.00pm
Victoria Park cnr. High St and Adeney Ave Kew
Bring the family; experience the fun-filled day of entertainment, face painting, Edgars Vision Animal Farm (sponsored by Rob Stewart) displays, carriage rides, exhibition selling a wide range of foods, crafts plus lots more. 3 pm in the theme and “Dance in Kew.” (Sponsored by Chemist Warehouse)

OPENING CONCERT AND FIREWORKS
6.30pm-10.00pm
Hays Paddock, Longstaff st, East Kew
Bring a picnic, enjoy THE BALLMAKERS presenting 100% Aussie popular hits from the 60’s to now, with special guests VIDA AND LINDA FIGU. Supporting musical acts are entertainers. Spectacular fireworks will conclude the evening.
Details: Kim and Ken 0416 604 243 or www.kewfestival.org

THURSDAY 15TH MARCH

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Bookings not required.

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Thank you to the following Kew Community Festival Board Members:

Annette Smith
President/Chairwoman/Board Member

Allan Hearn
President/Board Member

April Paul
Chairwoman/Board Member

Caroline Field
Chairwoman/Board Member

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Chairwoman/Board Member

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Nigel Kelly
Chairwoman/Board Member

Paul de Thorsades
Chairwoman/Board Member

Riccarto Pizzagalli
Chairwoman/Board Member

Tracey Beering
Chairwoman/Board Member

City of Boronorda: including Elsternwick, Beaumaris and Bentleigh Gardens
Chairwoman/Board Member

Many thanks to our numerous volunteers who have assisted us throughout the year and during the festival.
How do I raise a Resilient Child? - the 32 skills involved in building resilience

Date: Wednesday 13 March at 7.30pm

Presenter: Melissa Anderson, Counsellor, Pharmacist, Director of SHINE Academy for Girls and LONGFORD & FRASER for boys.

Location: Brighton Grammar Senior School: Robert Sanderson Hall, entrance off St Andrews St.

Cost: Nil. A gold coin donation to a nominated charity is warmly welcomed.

Bookings: 9596 8814 or email: info@shineacademy.com.au