Message from the Principal

Welcome to the last newsletter for this term!

What an action packed and engaging term it has been. We started back on the 13th June and launched straight into our Kewriosity Program. Michael Ymer worked in our classrooms, Footsteps rehearsals began and of course our PTA Trivia night was a great success. Mix in excursions to the Zoo, 3 Way Conferences, House Athletics, Book Fairs, Book Week, visiting authors, dress up parades, Hooptime, District Athletics, Footsteps Dance Fiesta, Life Ed and so much more. Most importantly though our classroom programs went from strength to strength and I witnessed many examples of very effective and powerful teaching and learning.

Well done to our students, staff and community for a very big term. If third term is the premiership term… we are 3 goals up and coming home with a breeze in the last!

VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOL SPECTACULAR

Many thanks to Shelley Ware and Ali Duffy for organising and assisting with our participation in the Victorian State School Spectacular this year. It was an amazingly large scale and professional production that has to be seen to be believed. I attended the 6.30pm show on Saturday night and the Hisense Arena was filled with unbelievable sounds, lights and performers.

Congratulations and well done to the students: Zoe Gladstone, Sasha Davila, Monique Dubois, Maddison Harb-Tongue, Bridget Hulls, Isabella Hutchinson, Adele Kotsopoulos, Samantha Lincolne, Talei Maharaj, Rafaela Nerouppos, Lola Nibali, Maia Ogders, Jessie O’Shannasy, Tully Sterndale, Ruvina Suriyapperuma, India Warren-Smith and Chenti Yakubu.

They would have felt immensely proud of all their work and to be a part of something so special. It was also a very special opportunity for them to be involved with internationally renowned artists and directors and to perform in front of such a large crowd.

MATHS WALK

Speaking of high quality teaching and learning, on Tuesday this week our staff spent an hour after school walking around the school sharing rich maths tasks with each other. I was extremely pleased with what was shared and this highlights to me how far we have progressed in our maths teaching. We are definitely on the right track!
The Prep team shared a counting and matching number based activity based on a lolly scramble, we heard about the Apperly Apple Farm addition and sharing task and how the Goldilocks and the 3 bears story was used to teach measurement comparisons relative with size.

The Junior School team shared the amazing work they have zone with their zoo enclosures task. This involved students developing their knowledge of perimeter, area, multiplication, division, mapping and location skills.

Middle school shared how effectively their maths program has been integrated with our Inquiry unit this term. Once again a broad range of measurement, geometry and statistics concepts were featured. This included measuring, recording and graphing weather patterns across different environments.

The Senior School presentation highlighted just how much maths learning was involved in a Design your own Golf Course project. This included measuring angles, geometry, ratios, decimals, percentages, fractions and formulas. They also shared the Around the World task and a Cricket Investigation where students had to build their own data before working on pie graphs, mean, median, mode, converting between decimals, fractions and percentages.

The common themes that were presented as part of our whole school teaching and learning focus on maths are:

- Open-ended tasks with multiple entry and exit points
- Tasks that cover multiple areas of the curriculum that can easily lead into other areas.
- Explicit opportunities for students to learn from each other
- Students generating their own first hand data to solve problems
- Drawing up on student interest, imagination and curiosity.

Overall the rich tasks in each area demonstrate connection with real life; they are built on evidence of what students can do and what they need to do next. They have a broad scope to cater for different student needs and interests, they involve application of skills in creative and engaging ways. These are not only the keys to a successful maths program but a successful school!

**TERM COSTS**

This week the Term 4 payments letters and permission slips have been sent home. All of these payments are organised on a user pays basis. They provide add on or key experiences for students and enrich the regular curriculum programs across the school. These payments are not part of the compulsory school costs each year, they are considered optional extras. As such only those students who have paid in advance are able to attend. An alternative arrangement at school is then made for those students who are unable to attend.

I also need to remind parents and carers that payment needs to be received by the due date and prior to the day of an event. Organising permission slips, bus lists, groups, etc. cannot be done on the day of the excursion. We need to be organised days before. This year our staff have spent many hours chasing forms and payments, right up to the last moment. We will start to provide only one reminder and also not accept late payment or forms. I would rather staff direct their energy and time to effective teaching and learning and supporting our students with their needs. After all there is only so much anyone can achieve in a day.

If you have any difficulty making the payments by the due date please contact me to discuss alternative arrangements such as a payment plan.
TERM 4 CALENDAR

I have attached a hard copy of our Term 4 Planner with this newsletter. It might be a good idea to print this out and put it up on the fridge at home. The events listed have also been added to our Skoolbag calendar and will be published and outlined in our newsletters each week. I always mention how important it is to keep up with what is happening at our school. The newsletter is one of the best ways to do this but I guess if you are reading this newsletter you are already know this!

GONSKI EQUITY FUNDING

You may have read in recent press announcements that schools have received additional funding for 2016. This funding is based on “equity models” to support schools that have socio-economic challenges. Some schools will receive large additional sums of money, many in the $100,000’s. These are often schools that cannot raise local funds and have little or no voluntary funding available.

Many schools in the Boroondara Network have only received the minimum of $5,000. Kew Primary will receive an additional $10,000 next year. Whilst this will assist us in some ways, the actual budget to run our school will increase by far more than this next year. This is why our compulsory and voluntary payments are so important. I am pleased to say that we have over 70% of our families contributing the voluntary payments this year. Many thanks for your continued and vital support of our school.

PARENT REQUEST PROCESS FOR TRANSITION INTO 2016

Very early next term we will begin the process of finalising our school structure for 2016. Considerations around the social, emotional, academic and physical needs of each of our students will form part of this process. Parents are able to make requests for consideration when placing their child into their 2016 class. These requests will only be accepted in writing and must be received by Friday 30th October. Please note that requests with respect to individual teacher allocation and for specific placement into a composite or straight grade will not be considered.

Details relating to the school organisation, classes of children, and the allocation of teachers will be released to parents and students prior to our first transition sessions on the 8th December.

THANK YOU FOR TERM THREE

Well we made it – the end of Term 3! Thank you to all our students who have achieved so much learning this term. I am continually impressed each day with the work and learning that I see in all of our classrooms. Thank you to our staff. This term has been a big term for all of our staff and as a result we have already achieved many of the goals we set for ourselves as part of our Annual Implementation Plan. Thank you also to all our families for your support and involvement in our school each day. One of the great things about Kew is our Kewmunity!

I hope everyone is able to enjoy a bit of a break and spend some family time together. These holidays are always a great opportunity to catch up and then get ready for the rush to the ends of the year. I encourage all of our Year 3’s and 4’s to go on some bike rides and get ready for Bike Ed next term!

Be Worthy!
James Penson
Principal
Message from the Assistant Principal

This is my last newsletter for the Term Three and so I want to take this opportunity to thank the teaching staff for all their efforts to improve the learning outcomes for all students throughout the term. It is a very busy term but one where teachers and ES, classroom-based teacher aides, can really get into the real depth of their teaching and the students’ learning, as it is traditionally a term with few interruptions compared to the other terms. Our ES staff, who work in classrooms with our PSD funded students, develop a close rapport with these students, and work incredibly hard to make learning for them enjoyable as well as getting these students to understand how successful they can be as learners. I know when I think back to the 3-way conferences held at the beginning of this term, they seem a world away from where the students have progressed to now, even in that short space of seven weeks. I am sure you as parents do appreciate the efforts of all our teaching staff and marvel at their patience and dedication to their students’ learning and well-being. They do deserve a break and so I hope all Kew PS teachers and ES staff get some much needed ‘me time’, to re-charge those batteries to come back and do it all over again for the final term of 2015.

Our other hard working ES office staff needs to be also congratulated, by being the ‘faces of Kew PS’ you first meet with you come to the office. They are always helpful in sorting out the many queries parents and visitors have and they make James and my life much, much easier.

What about our Kew Kids, whose enthusiasm for school is infectious. I spent a delightful Wednesday afternoon this week listening to and looking at the Prep’s special spaces they had created. Not only were they justifiably proud of their creations but they spoke in an articulate manner full of enthusiasm for their topic.

On Tuesday night, Andrew Wood, one of our Lead teachers organised, a walking bus tour of classrooms and the teachers from the different teams had to showcase their rich Maths tasks. These tasks were truly complex but very authentic in nature. The problem solving was quite detailed and the learning that has taken place was truly gratifying to see. One of the most useful ways for teachers to learn and improve their professional understanding of the different areas of the maths curriculum is from each other and in a classroom setting, not sitting in a lecture theatre being talk at.

During these holidays the school will be thoroughly cleaned as is normal in these breaks, but other major works will take place which is a great news story for Kew PS. Next week the final stage of our “Cooling Solutions” project will be completed when the air conditioners are installed in the classrooms being currently used by the year 5 and 6 students, that is, rooms 1 to 4. This project was the result of fund raising by our hardworking PTA who should also be congratulated for their efforts to make the conditions in classrooms more beneficial for teaching and learning. Weather permitting, Chab, our maintenance man will repaint the ramps in the Junior School and the portables with a non-slip product to ensure the safety for all students using those ramps.

Finally, a big thank you must go to our parents who contribute to Kew PS in a myriad of ways, which makes our job easier and adds to a real sense of community. For our families, I hope you enjoy some quality family time and return to school relaxed and refreshed, ready for a very busy final term for 2015.

Robin Grace

Kew Primary School Blog

All the details on our SPECTACULAR end to term three on this week’s blog!

Feel like writing a blog post over the school holidays? All contributions are welcome. Please drop me a line at: katrina.w@ozemail.com.au
Katrina Whelen
State School Spectacular

It was so exciting for Kew PS students from year 5 and 6 to be involved in the 20th anniversary State School Spectacular on Saturday. This year's theme, 'What's your Story?' paid tribute to the wonder of story telling and the power of the imagination.

We had 17 amazing students perform in the Mass Choir.
Year 5 - Zoe, Adele, Maddison, Lola, Tully and Ruvina
Year 6 - Sasha, Monique, Bridget, Isabella, Samantha, Talei, Rafaella, Maia, Jessie, India and Chenti.

We are very proud of the children who went along and performed in the Mass Choir and represented Kew PS with such style and talent.

Thanks to Ali, Gordana and James for helping us along the way. Also a huge thanks to the parents who came and watch the children perform, they loved it. Your support was invaluable.

You will be able to watch the Victorian State School Spectacular on Channel 7 on Saturday 7th December at 7pm. Tune in, you'll love it!!
Peppercorn Writing Competition

~To enter write a narrative (make up a story) or poem.

~Your entry must be no more than 300 words.

A selection of pieces will be published in our very first Kew Primary Anthology called Worthy Words

~there are great prizes for each year level.

The judges will be: Ruth Woolven, Sally Marsh and James Penson

Winners will be announced at assembly on Friday the 16th October.

Entries CLOSE: 12th October 2015

Designed by Arian Rudd and Adele Kotsopoulos
Inter School Chess Tournament

Report

Congratulations to the following students for competing at the
North Balwyn Primary Chess Tournament
Ethan, Isaac and Henry (Grade 6)
Max and James (Grade 3)
Riley and Callum (Grade 2)

Our 7 dedicated chess players headed off to North Balwyn Primary for another exciting day of chess. The team played so well they have qualified again for the State semi finals in October. Henry Davis and Ethan Coleman were our top scorers and both received a medal. Well done boys! The team came 3rd overall which was a fantastic result. Terrific team effort!

Thank you to Lelen Kemke, Lee Coleman and Louise Murdoch (Sparks) for their help with transport and supervision during the day.

Our next event will be the State Semi finals in October.
Go Team!

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop will be open Tuesday 6th October outside the Library from 3pm.
**Term 4**

**Kew Canteen Menu**

**Recess**

*Some of the below will be available at the canteen window. DO NOT pre-order.*

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**Lunch**

**MONDAY**

- Macaroni Cheese $5.00
- Jumbo Sausage Roll $4.50
- Toasted Ham & Cheese Wrap $4.00
- Toasted Baked Bean Jaffle $4.00
- Ham & Cheese Toasted French Baguette $4.00

**WEDNESDAY**

- Beef & Vegetable Noodle Box $5.00
- Frittata with spring vegetables, served with bread roll & fruit $5.00
- Toasted Ham & Cheese Wrap $4.00
- Toasted Baked Bean Jaffle $4.00
- Ham & Cheese Toasted French Baguette $4.00

**FRIDAY**

- Italian Salad Bowl — tomato, lettuce, cucumber (olives optional) $4.50
- Chicken schnitzel burger with tomato sauce, lettuce & cheese (larger roll) $5.00
- Jumbo Sausage Roll $4.50
- Toasted Baked Bean Jaffle $4.00
- Toasted Ham & Cheese Wrap $4.00
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**Recess Menu: Design Your Own Sandwich, Wrap or Roll**

- Select your bread: Wholemeal Bread, Wraps, Rolls
- Select your main filling: Fresh chicken, Ham
- Select other fillings: Extra 40c each — Lettuce, Cucumber, Tomato, Carrot, Cheese, Avocado, Spinach, Vegemite, Egg, Beetroot, Corn

Plain sandwich / wrap / roll 1 filling — no meat $1.50

We accept paper bag orders as follows:
- Please clearly write your child’s full name, class and order on the bag
- Correct money is appreciated
- Lunch orders must be delivered to the Canteen before school

Please note:
- We cannot guarantee the absence of allergens, including nuts. Parents should note allergies IN RED on bag orders

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- School Council meetings are typically held on Mondays.
- Year camp dates vary each week.
- Prep Science Incursion dates are fixed.
- Transition Day dates are fixed.
- Other events include a French Day, puppet show, and various school council meetings.
It was our final week at OSHClub for the term and the children arrived at OSH everyday excited for the activities that were ahead.

We began the week in teams ready for a ‘Treasure hunt’ each team assigned a team captain to help them complete the challenge. For the treasure hunt each team began with a clue that took them to a location, at the location there was a letter to write on their piece of paper and another clue as to where the next letter and clue would be. At the end the children worked in their group to figure out what word the letters created, the winning team won some delicious lollies 😊

During the week some of the children also had the opportunity to make yummy cookies and cream cupcakes, the children had to measure ingredients, crack eggs and stir before placing in the oven to bake, they cooked perfectly, the children did an amazing job!

Other activities we participated in such as OSHClub talent let the children’s imagination going wild!

We hope everyone has had an amazing, fun term and we will see you after the holidays!

For those attending holiday program remember to book in quickly as spaces are filling up!
We hope to see you there for fun excursions, incursions and activities 😊

Reminders
We are still on the hunt for some different photos of families travelling, could we please bring these in next week, thank you!

If your child is booked to attend After School Care but other arrangements are made for their collection (such as a family member), or they leave school early due to illness etc., please call or text the program on 0400 394 489 to let us know. This avoids us having to look around the school grounds for children who aren't actually attending ASC, and having to call parents and emergency contacts to determine the child’s actual whereabouts. We just want to know they are safe 😊

A selection of Next Week’s Activities – HOLIDAY PROGRAM

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Parent Information
OSHClub program phone: 0400 394 489
Coordinator: Harriet  Assistant Coordinator: Lauren Assistants: Niki, Issi
OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000
BSC Hours: 7:00am – 8:45am ASC Hours: 3:30pm – 6:30pm
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.
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International Day of Peace
Monday 21 September 2015
Kew Library
Come and celebrate your beautiful cranes, gather with your community and reflect on peace.

10.30am Morning tea
11am Hear the Sadako and the thousand paper cranes story. Followed by origami workshop.
12noon Lunchtime Lego
1.30pm Cultures Together Choir from Kew Neighbourhood Learning Centre
2pm Peace bracelet craft workshop
2pm Zine workshop for teens with A Zine Thing
2.45pm Meditation for peace with Janet from Meditation Capsules.
3pm Origami workshop
All day Reflections on peace. Write or draw what peace means to you and add it to our peace wall.

All activities are free and suitable for all ages.

Kew Library
Cnr Cotham Road & Civic Drive, Kew
Phone 9278 4666

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES
Monday 21 September to Thursday 1 October
(we are closed on public holiday Friday 2 October)

Baking, art and science workshops – Don’t miss out!

• Available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday (morning and afternoon sessions)
• Gather some friends and book a workshop for some messy fun!
• Includes entry for all-day play in our large play structure.

Tuesdays and Thursdays

• 10.30am -11am Campfire music (free)
• 12pm-12.15pm Story Time (free)
• 12.30pm-1.30pm Face painting ($2 per child)
• 3.30pm-4.15pm Glow Disco (free)

See you soon!

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Kew Primary School

**After School Chinese Lessons**

Welcome to 2015 Term 4 Chinese Classes with Melissa Liu in the library.

Please come and join us every Monday and Tuesday at 3.30pm from 12th Oct 2015 to 1st Dec 2015 for 8 weeks $96.00

Activities include singing, games, speaking and reading that will help your general conversation skills in Mandarin Chinese.

Teacher: Melissa Liu  Contact: 0422 600 395
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我們一起來學中文！
(Let’s learn Chinese together!)
KEW PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUPER SOCCER
GET A HEAD START! Join me a former professional at Southampton Football club in the premier league and currently the captain of Heidelberg United in the NPL for before school soccer training. I will be working on all the skills required to become a better soccer player. First touch, passing, dribbling, shooting are just a few aspects we will be learning and putting them into match play. So hurry up to secure your place as they are limited.

WHEN: Thursday
COMMENCING: 8/10/15
CONCLUDING: 10/12/15
TIME: 8.00am - 8.45am
YEAR LEVELS: P - 6
COST: $100

SPRING INTO SPORT
HOCKEY - FOOTBALL - BASKETBALL - CRICKET - TEEBALL
This program is a great way to challenge and improve your child’s motor skills and coordination within a FUN environment. We aim to develop and enhance ball skills, catching, kicking, throwing, co-operative skills and teamwork while improving strength, flexibility, hand-eye co-ordination and spatial awareness. The program offers an introduction to 5 popular sports over the course of 10 weeks.

WHEN: Thursday
COMMENCING: 8/10/15
CONCLUDING: 10/12/15
TIME: 3.35pm - 4.35pm
YEAR LEVELS: P - 4
COST: $100

SIMPLY GO TO WWW.KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU ENTER YOUR POST CODE AND ENROL FROM THERE. OR FILL OUT THE BELOW ENROLMENT FORM & SEND WITH A CHEQUE OR CREDIT CARDS DETAILS TO: PO BOX 2289, WATTLETREE ROAD, 3145

ENROLMENT FORM

☐ Super Soccer (before school) ☐ Spring into Sport (after school)

School: __________________________ Year Level: __________________________
Name: __________________________ Room No: __________________________
Address: __________________________ Post Code: __________________________
Phone: __________________________ Mobile/Work: __________________________
Email: __________________________ Medical Conditions: __________________________

At the completion of after school clinics, does your child? ☐ Go to after care ☐ Get collected

Parents’ consent: I hereby authorise Kelly Sports to act on my behalf should my child require medical attention, and release Kelly Sports Camberwell from any liability for injury incurred by my child at Kelly Sports programs.

Parent/Caregiver name: __________________________ Signature: __________________________

Amount Paid: $ __________________________ Credit card payment: ☐ Visa ☐ Master card

Card Number: __________________________ Expiry Date: __/__/____ CVV: __________

THINGS TO KNOW
Kelly Sports is a Registered Child Care provider
don’t leave forms at the school office.
Spaces are limited so please make sure you enrol online or return form to Kelly Sports.