**Diary Dates**

**Sept**
- Fri 12: Premiers’ Reading Challenge ends
- Tue 16: Whole School Circus Performance
- Thu 18: It’s ‘Phys Ed’ Time – last Prep 2015 specialist activities
- Fri 19: Last day Term 3 Early Dismissal 2.30pm

**Oct**
- Mon 6: Term 4 starts
- Tue 14: Prep swimming starts
- Fri 17: Splash Art Show Opening Gala
- Sat 18: Splash Art Show
- Sun 19: Splash Art Show Family Day
- Mon 27: Curriculum Day
- Thu 30: ‘Step into Prep’ begins

**Term Dates 2014**
- Term 3 - 14 Jul- 19 Sept
- Term 4 - 6 Oct - 19 Dec

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**Message from Principal**

Hi Kew and welcome to our newsletter.

**THANK YOU FOR A GREAT FATHER’S & SPECIAL PERSON’S DAY BREAKFAST & STALL**

Our Father’s & Special Person’s Day Breakfast & Stall were a terrific success last week. A huge amount of time and effort goes into organising such events. Congratulations to the PTA and especially Angela Gill and Fiona Hollingsworth who co-ordinated these events. Thank you also to Sally Brown our Canteen Manager for her assistance and wonderful menu.

I hope all of our dad’s enjoyed their special day on Sunday even with the footy result going the way it did!

**MUSIC PROVIDERS 2015 & BEYOND**

Space is always a premium in schools. Each DEECD school is funded to have one classroom area per 25 students. Schools are also supported to have other spaces such as an Art room and gym. Unfortunately, whilst a variety of office spaces and other small withdrawal rooms can be found in most schools, there are never enough of these spaces. On most days at KPS we have a range of extra staff members that need these spaces including school psychologists and speech pathologists. We also need effective spaces for our reading and support programs.

With this in mind, I need to ensure that the spaces we have are maximised to support our core programs. We currently use two of these spaces for private instrumental lessons. These lessons are provided by two different companies. However, from the start of next year one of these spaces (located in the Junior School Hall) will be required for reading support and the TASK program (which I hope to expand further).

As such, from 2015 the school will only be able to offer instrumental music lessons through one provider. This will be organised through an expression of interest process to be advertised before the end of this term with the final decision being made by the end of October. This provides the time required for parents to make any other arrangements as necessary for 2015. Part of the expression of interest process will be seeking feedback from parents who have students learning from one of our current providers. This feedback will assist me to make the best decision for our school. Our School Council will also be assisting through the decision making process.

Please also note that the times available for music lessons will also be adjusted in 2015. There will be no music lessons available during the morning English and Maths sessions and there will also be very limited time available for lessons after school hours.

**TRANSITION 2015**

As we near the end of Term 3, I thought that I would outline more details about our Transition Program for 2015. This program has been extended upon our previous years. In doing so, our aim is to ensure that every child feels more confident about 2015 by removing some of the unknowns before the end of 2014!
On 9th and 16th December, we will be running our whole school transition mornings. At these times we will turn the school into 2015 with all students including our 2015 Preps working with their 2015 teacher in their 2015 classrooms. Both days will run from 9am through to 12.30pm.

Our 2015 Prep Transition Program has also started. We have developed a staged approach that enables confidence and comfort to be developed whilst ensuring that our future students develop key school readiness skills. This term includes 3 x “It’s Time” sessions with our specialist staff. Next term we will be running 5 x one hour “Step into Prep” sessions on Thursday afternoons. These sessions will be organised by our 2015 Prep team for next year and they will be held in our Prep classrooms. It will be an exciting time for everyone. If you have any questions about our transition program please contact me at the school.

PARENT REQUEST PROCESS FOR TRANSITION INTO 2015

Very early next term we will begin the process of finalising our school structure for 2015. 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 2015 class. These requests will only be accepted in writing and must be received by Friday 24th October. Please note that requests with respect to specific teacher allocation 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 9th December.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A LONG WEEKEND - FORWARD PLANNING FOR FAMILIES

Whilst the Monday before the Melbourne Cup public holiday is a school day, many families often take this opportunity to spend an extra long weekend together. This is often a great idea before the mad rush to the end of the year starts up. We anticipate that many students will be absent on this day. Consequently, our staff are planning to run a modified program.

iPAD’s & TECHNOLOGY AT KEW

One of the most impressive things that I have noticed about our school is our innovative ICT leadership and program. KPS is actually at the leading edge of how technologies are used to enhance the learning environment and experience. We are constantly receiving requests for information about what we are doing from lots of different schools and recently one of our Year 5 teachers, Clio Williams presented at the iPad Learning Conference in Sydney.

Research suggests that technology alone does not improve learning outcomes. However when technology is carefully and effectively organised around connecting students and staff, significant gains can be made. We are set for some exciting times ahead as we continue to explore avenues to optimise the way our students utilise ICT for powerful learning.

Thank you to Andrew Wood and Clio Williams for presenting our Term 3 iPad information evening last week. This session outlined how our students are using Evernote to capture and record their learning. Our Term Four iPad evening will be held at 7pm on Thursday 20th November. This session will be directed towards our Year 2 parents in preparation for students moving into our 1:1 BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) program for Years 3-6.

KEW FAMILY CIRCUS (since 1870) presents “CIRCUE DU KEW” - TUESDAY 16th SEPTEMBER

Only a few more days to go before the big event. All those who registered for extra tickets on our waiting list have now been contacted and given an opportunity to purchase these. Bookings are now open to all families for the limited seats that remain.

Once again I remind everyone that students are able to have a later start or go home early the next day. We will also ensure that students who do not have this opportunity are catered for by having a more relaxed program throughout the day. Students can also wear their pyjamas or free dress to school as part of a Year 6 CARE team fundraiser. A separate note from this team will be sent home shortly.

Overall it will be a great way to finish off an exciting term!

Be Worthy!

PS – How good were the Year 3 book response 3D collages!? Check out the display outside 307.

James Penson – Principal
Message from the Assistant Principal

As this is the last newsletter for me, for the term, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the teaching staff in supporting the Circus Skills program. Without their dedication in committing time for the students to practise, they would not be as prepared or as skilled as they have become. I have attended a number of the teaching sessions and I am amazed at what has been achieved in such a short time. The two teachers, Oscar and Sam, have made such an impression on our Kew Kids inspiring them to try to be the best they can at a whole range of tricks and circus skills. Another person to give a huge thank you to is Sergei Druzhina, one of the co-founders of Little Devil Circus Skills, who has kept an eye on our progress and made sure we are ready to give you a performance treat on Tuesday 16th September at the Xavier Performing Arts Centre.

This brings me to the final aspects of planning for this event. If your child is in Show A, you will need to have them at the venue no later than 5:30pm for a 6:00pm curtain call beginning. A similar early start is needed for Show B participants as they will need to be at the venue no later than 7:30pm as that show will begin at 8:00pm sharp. All students must be wearing dark track pants and a dark top and suggested footwear is either slippers or thongs as they will be appearing barefoot on stage.

I can assure you it will be a night filled with colour, amazing skills, and stylish choreography but above all a night filled with our Kew Kids having loads of fun.

In the last week of school, on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th September a “plant in” will take place after school in the Junior School area. Over 280 tube stock native plants have been purchased from the VINC nursery and students, teachers and, hopefully, parents can help us green this area. If you can give us some of your time, please contact me and as always, many hands make light work with such a project.

I wish you all a happy September break, filled with lots of quality family and friends’ time, and then I look forward to you all returning to Kew PS with lots of enthusiasm and energy to complete the final term. How fast has this year gone and how much have we achieved!

Robin Grace

Kew Primary School Blog

House... District... Regional... What does it all mean? What comes first? Find out on the blog.

I'm looking for contributions! If you have something to share, please drop me a line at: katrina.w@ozemail.com.au

Katrina Whelen

Urgent—Donations Required for Second Hand Uniform

Our stock of second hand uniforms is running low and we desperately need donations in all sizes particularly as we will be selling second hand uniform for the whole school transition day in December.

Please leave donations at the office.
Free French Festival – this weekend !!!

Enjoy a French-themed fun day on Sunday 14 September at the Festival de Victor Hugo at the State Library! Bring the family and savour festivities for the young and young at heart, including music, food, performance and craft.

Hugo’s café, Face painting, Character dress ups and Stage Photos 12–5pm

Make your own Javert hat 1–4pm- just like Javert’s hat in Les Misérables.

Elephant of the Bastille 12–5pm- Help decorate a giant sculpture of the Elephant of the Bastille, a long-lost Parisian monument.

Painting workshop: the exiled shore 1pm, 2pm & 3pm - Paint your own landscape using paintings in our Cowen Gallery as inspiration.

Rabble rousers: historic speeches 3pm - Watch actors Helen Morse and David Tredinnick perform some of history’s most provocative speeches.

Exhibition tours 1pm & 3pm - Take a curator tour of the Victor Hugo: Les Misérables – From Page to Stage exhibition. Note: to join a tour, you must purchase an exhibition ticket from Ticketek, valid for the Festival de Victor Hugo event date, 14 September.

La Marseillaise 5pm - Led by a choir, sing the French national anthem.

Create a French flag 1–4pm - Craft your own red, white and blue flag.

Melbourne Symphony Orchestra (Times to be confirmed).

Bookings not required (Inquiries: inquiries@slv.vic.gov.au or 03 8664 7099). Venue – State Library Victoria, Library forecourt, 328 Swanston Street, Melbourne

Amusez-vous bien!

Madame T et Madame P
CyberSafety – Digital Footprint

Almost everything you do with technology leaves a trace, called a digital footprint.

- Your digital footprint is a map of everywhere you’ve been with your technology – everyone you’ve spoken to, every image, chat or comment you’ve posted, and every file you’ve downloaded.
- Digital footprints are almost impossible to erase.
- Text messages, photos and emails can be saved by the person you sent them to, and then forwarded to many more people than you ever intended.
- You can delete a blog, a comment or image you’ve put online, but many people may have downloaded and saved it before you delete it – and a copy is always saved in the site’s archive.
- Even a one-on-one IM chat can go public if the person you’re talking to decides to record or copy it.

So always THINK before you post or send.

Madame T (and the eSmart team)

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Can you spare an hour or so to help us out?

Our Splash Art Show (17-19 October) is nearly here!

Parent volunteers are a vital ingredient in making this weekend a huge success. Please click on the following link and sign up to help out for an hour or two over the weekend.

Thank you!


Monica Caldwell and Justine Seamer are putting together the fantastic KPS Student art competition and would gratefully accept any of the following items to go towards prizes for the students:

- 5 x double kids movie passes
- 3 x $20 Smiggle vouchers
- 7 x Itunes x $20 vouchers

Please contact Monica on amseamer@optusnet.com.au if you can help. Thank you.
Hi all KPS Parents and Carers,

With around 45 days until the biggest ever art weekend in KEW, it's all hands deck for the organising committee! Trybooking is open and tickets are now on sale!

Join us on October 17th at the SPLASH OPENING NIGHT. Tickets are $35pp and include a glass of bubbles, gourmet finger food, catalogue, priority access to the gallery, live entertainment, auction and champagne bar. Tickets via www.trybooking.com/FMVV. HURRY! as tickets are limited.

Paint, dance, create and engage at the SPLASH FAMILY FUN DAY on Sunday 19 October. Buy a wristband for your child and they will enjoy a day full of art activities and performances. Earlybird wristbands are available until the 19th September for $12 per child. (After 10th Sept cost is $16pc). Wristbands will be delivered to your child’s KPS class the week before Splash or will be available for collection from the Splash Admin Tent on the day. We hope all KPS students can come, so please see James or Robin if you require financial assistance for tickets. Tickets via www.trybooking.com/FMVY.

At 11am on the Family Fun Day we are excited to present SQUID STAMP: The Technology Show. Winner of the 2013 Melbourne Fringe Festival Best Kids Show Award, Squid Stamp will take you on a weird and wonderful ride through lives of the technology addicted. Join us to see this hysterical physical comedy sketch show. Tickets via www.trybooking.com/FRYF. Note: tickets are limited for this performance.

**SPLASH MARKETING**

Jellis Craig / Splash real estate boards have been put up at various locations around Borondara and posters will shortly be delivered to businesses around the area. Prior to the weekend letterbox flyers will be distributed and we will be asking if you are able to take a few to deliver to letterboxes in your street. More details will be sent out regarding this.

**POSTCARDS - Channel 9 Promo**

Watch Channel 9 on Sunday 28th September and Sunday 12th October at 5.30pm to see the Splash promotion, showcasing a gallery supporting Splash.

**Save the Date** and tell your friends!

**Term 4**

17 Oct 2014 Splash Opening Night
7pm-10pm
Tickets via Trybooking

18 Oct 2014 Art Gallery Exhibition and Sales & Wine Bar
10am-4pm

19 Oct 2014 Art Gallery Exhibition and Family Fun Day
10am-4pm
Tickets via Trybooking

**Please support us!**

Sponsor an art panel for only $30 per panel side - your name or your business name is then displayed as the sponsor of that panel. Tickets via www.trybooking.com/FAVD

**TEASER ALERT... Heard of Cosmo The Clown???? Ever played the ukulele???? What does Art Trail for all mean??? Stay tuned!**


Please contact Jayne Campbell, for more information via email: convenor@splashart.com.au.
OSHClub News
Before School / After School Care Program

Program Update

WELCOME TO OSHCLUB 2014!

Welcome to the last newsletter of Term 3. Our new structure of the week is working very well and the children are really enjoying our new look layout.

Just a reminder that in Term 4 we require ALL children to wear hats and sunscreen (provided by us) when outside. Please ensure that your child has a spare hat for OSHClub.

The brochure for Holiday Program is available online with some exciting excursions, and incursions, as well as some great theme days. Please have a look on our website for the brochure or drop by and pick one up from our Sign In/Out desk.

IMPORTANT: A quick reminder, please be sure that you are booking children in advance online. With the program growing, we need to know how many kids will be attending. Also please call or text any last minute cancellations/bookings as it is a safety precaution that we know where all children are that are enrolled for that session. Please call the program number on 0400 394 489, alternatively feel free to pop into the program between the hours of 7:00 – 9:00am and 3:00 – 6:30pm and talk to one of our staff (Between 3:30 and 4pm is our busiest time and we might not be able to assist immediately).

PLEASE CHECK YOUR ENROLMENT DETAILS ARE CORRECT AND AMEND ANY CONTACT NUMBERS.

Lastly we are also always collecting boxes and other recycled materials for the program so please feel free to bring them by. I am hoping to do more activities and programing with recycled products and teaching the children the importance of reusing items to help the environment.

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Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0400 394 489
Coordinator: Andy; Assistants: Lauren, Niki, Sam

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.
Kew Primary School
Chess Club, 2014

Term 4 commences on Friday 10th Oct

Dates: 10/10 – 12/12: (10 weeks)

Time: Friday’s 1.00pm – 1.50 p.m. – Library.

Cost: $105.00 (10 lessons) for the term.

PLEASE NOTE: If chess lessons coincide with swimming or school camp, please deduct the cost of these lessons from the total amount. Otherwise students will not receive a refund for classes missed. Students commencing after the first week do not pay for the earlier lessons.

Cheques should be made payable to “Chess Ideas” or we take payment via Visa and Mastercard. The completed form should be handed into the school office.

PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE ONLINE AT: www.chess.ideas.com.au

If your child has a medical condition we should know about please ring our office with details.

Play Chess at home against the computer.
Click on “play chess”. It’s fun!

CHESS REGISTRATION TERM 4, 2014
(Kew Primary School)

NAME OF CHILD: _________________________ GRADE: ___________

CONTACT PARENT/GUARDIAN: ________________________ Ph. #: ___________

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: ____________________________

Credit Card Details:

NAME ON CARD: _________________________ CARD TYPE: ___________

CARD NUMBER: ___________________________ EXPIRY DATE: ___________

CCV # ___________

Please enclose $105.00 and return to school office with completed form.

PLEASE NOTE THAT CHEQUES SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO – ‘CHESS IDEAS’.
**Hawthorn Community House**

**Make, Bake & Decorate**

*School Holiday Program*

Kids have fun while learning to bake chocolate chip cupcakes and pumpkin scones. Suitable for children aged 5 – 10 years.

Thursday 25 September, 10am-12pm and 2pm-4pm.

$25/session. Bookings 9819 2629.


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**Hawthorn Community House**

**Bollywood Dancing!**

*School Holiday Program*

A unique and special dance program for kids over the school holidays, for 5 -15 year olds. Bollywood Dancing is to songs with meaningful lyrics, facial expressions and body movements.

Monday 29 September, 10am-12pm.


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Montessori Playgroup

Enrolling now for term 4, children’s age 2 to 5 at Balwyn Baptist Church Hall

Children work with a qualified Montessori coordinator and parents guide their child’s work in keeping with Montessori philosophy.

Montessori approach encourages self-discipline, independence, academic skills, problem solving ability and love of learning.

Inquire: 0416 863 813