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Message from the Principal

Thanks to Jacqui Tomlins’ (school community member) initiative and industry our school now has a Blog site. Jacqui has attended school council meetings to seek school council approval to establish the site. At last night’s meeting council gave the final go ahead for the continued development of the initiative. This initiative is viewed by council as a positive vehicle to upload good news stories about our school happenings, interviews with school personnel and school community members and an opportunity for parents/guardians to provide comment about the items that are posted. For security purposes all content and comment on the site will be carefully scrutinised/edited before comments are “posted”. The link to the blog is now on the Home page of our website.

What is a Blog? A blog (a combination of two words, in this case: web log) is a discussion or informational site published on the World Wide Web consisting of discrete entries or “posts”. The emergence and growth of blogs in the late 1990s coincided with the advent of web publishing tools that facilitated the posting of content by non-technical users. Previously, knowledge of such technologies as HTML and FTP had been required to publish content on the Web. Although not a requirement, most good quality blogs are interactive, allowing visitors to leave comments. Blogging is a form of social networking. The article in Wikipedia about blogging records that “as of 16 February 2011, there were over 156 million public blogs in existence. On October 13, 2012, there were around 77 million Tumblr and 56.6 million WordPress blogs in existence worldwide.” (Tumblr and WordPress are social networking sites.)

It is anticipated that this site will spread good news stories emanating from our school about the great things that happen across our school community – happy blogging to all.

Portsea Camp

Thanks to the efforts of all staff that supervised children on the Year 6 camp last week, children enjoyed a challenging and enjoyable time away from school and family. I joined the campers last Thursday afternoon and stayed on to share the evening meal with them. I was not surprised to hear that there had been many positive comments made by camp administrative staff about the behaviour of children. I know the behaviour and teamwork shown by the children each school day to be ‘first class’. Thank you to: Chrystal Sumpton; Clare Connor; Jaci McCoombe (Year 6 teachers); Xavier Davis; Tahnee Planner; Phoebe Taylor; Alison Williams; Cindy Hartley and Chelsea Carrmichael for the significant effort put in to ensure the success of this camp. Your contribution has been very much appreciated.

December Reports

As you would be aware the Australian Education Union, (AEU) on behalf of its members is endeavouring to negotiate a new Enterprise Bargaining
Message from the Assistant Principal

As many of you would be aware by now the sandpit has been the bane of my life and that of the staff and parents alike. Not so for the students who just love all the activities they can do in it. However, I have some great news - School Council at last night’s meeting approved the quotes to have a new sandpit constructed in a far better location. This new sandpit will be larger and properly constructed so that the sand actually remains in it and is not windswept across the asphalt causing all sorts of safety issues. New shade sails will be put in place and the area will be suitably landscaped. The PTA has been fundraising to see this project get off the ground and with over $12,000 in the bank we are almost there. Special thanks must go to all those parents who work tirelessly raising funds for the school to make it a better place for the students, teachers and parents alike. I cannot get the smile off my face!

This leads perfectly to my next item which is the BUSH DANCE and PEPPERCORN BBQ happening on Friday 7th December. This is a combined school and PTA event as all the students will be learning a number of bush dances during the day and then performing them for their parents/carers that night. Also, there will be the opportunity for parents to dance with their children and be part of the fun. The night begins at 5 o’clock and it will be a great way to celebrate what has been a fantastic year for Kew PS. All proceeds from this night will complete the sandpit and re-landscape the current sandpit area. So dust off your dancing shoes or boots and be ready for what will no doubt prove to be a fun filled celebration.

Another cause for celebration happened last night when the Level Three teachers organised a science night for students and parents. It was standing room only with lots of experiments taking place and from my vantage point the parents seem to be having lots of fun, and with students learning all about science. The theme was chosen by the teachers which stems from the integrated unit of work titled “Curiosity”. However, it took the teachers and their detailed planning to come up with this unit of work that excited all the students and now obviously the parents as well. Congratulations and thanks must go to Jacki H, Andrew, Xavier, Sonia, Di P and Alison for organising such an excellent night and a fun way to learn.

Finally, I would like to remind everyone that our last working bee for the year will take place this Sunday beginning at 10 o’clock. The focus will be on tidying the kitchen garden and generally getting the school looking spruced, ready for our BUSH DANCE. I hope to see as many parents and students there as you know, many hands make for light work.

Robin Grace
News from the Library..

Premiers Reading Challenge

YAY!!! The certificates have arrived and you know we love to individually acknowledge this amazing achievement in reading. The certificates will be handed out over two weeks at assembly, as there are SOOOOOOOO many!!!

MONDAY 26th November – Prep to and including Grade 2 children

MONDAY 3rd December – Grade 3 – 6 children

So a HUGE Congratulations to the Children and we hope to see lots of parents there cheering!

Book Fair...Thank you once again for your amazing support we will be able to buy over $800 worth of amazing books for the Library and counting! We will give you the final amount when all is finalised. SO thanks again!

ALL BOOKS ARE DUE BACK ON THE 30th NOVEMBER

The Library will be closed for renovations...we will make tubs of books available to all classes for children to continue reading at school. Thanks in advance for returning all books.

Shelley Ware

J ROCK 3rd Place

National Winners!

Congratulations to the Kew P S J Rock team who were awarded with 3rd place in the Rock Eisteddfod finals. Our team came in third behind two NSW schools making us the highest placed Victorian school. This is a massive achievement for Kew and the entire team should be extremely proud of their efforts!
Junior School Performance: Wednesday 28th & Thursday 29th

Have you paid and collected your tickets?

All monies are to be returned before the night of the first performance. Tickets will be issued when payment is made. No money will be collected or tickets issued on the night of the performance. Don't miss out. Get your payment in soon!!!

Thank you to Grandparents and parents who assisted Years 1 and 2 for the Grandparent afternoon. It was a great success with fabulous food.

Year 1 and 2 Teachers

AUSSIE BUSH DANCE & PEPPERCORN BBQ

Thank you to all the families who returned their Aussie Bush Dance & Peppercorn BBQ RSVP slips by the due date of 21st November.

If you haven’t returned your RSVP slip yet, could you please return it to your class teacher asap? (even if not attending).

Kind regards,
KPS PTA

BUSH DANCE RAFFLE TICKETS have been distributed to every child this week - please ensure you check school bags and try your very best to sell your allocation.

Booklists for 2013

Booklists for next year have been distributed and should be coming home. Please check you children’s bag.
PTA News

RAFFLE:

You have your raffle tickets - now, SELL SELL SELL!!!

I would simply like to say a big thanks to the following incredibly generous KPS families and businesses who all volunteered prizes and vouchers for the Bush Dance Raffle - it’s largely thanks to you that we will hopefully raise many thousands of dollars and finally complete this sandpit/resurfacing fundraising goal! So thank you heartily to: The Rush/MacGillivray Family, the Eldridge Family, The Chong/Leung Family, the Coleman Family, the Clarke Family, the O'Meara Family, the Hollingsworth Family, the Pappadopoulos Family, the Aitkin family, the Zentner Family, the Jackson Family, Prep17 and the Year 4 Kew Katz Netball Team! I would also like to thank the following businesses: Ivanhoe Dermatology Clinic, Elgar Road Veterinary Clinic, Precision Health, Bookarestaurant, Phoenix Stationery, Endota Spa Kew, The Rice Queen Diner & Bar, The Vegie Bar, St Katherine's Restaurant, Metro Tennis and Cones Ice-cream. Not related to the raffle but ALWAYS RELATED TO THE BARBECUES - another big thank you to GLENFERRIE GOURMET MEATS for their ongoing support and donation of ridiculous quantities of sausages and burgers for the upcoming Peppercorn Bush Dance!

PEPPERCORN BBQ & BUSH DANCE - WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Friday 7th December from 5-8pm (and later!). All students will be benefitting from a fantastic incursion during the day where they will team up with their buddies and kids from other year groups to learn the Aussie bush dances and have a big laugh. The purpose of the event is to build teamwork through learning and performing, and a real sense of ‘community’ by bringing everyone together for some honest fun and giggles. All students are expected to attend, and family and friends are warmly invited to come along for dinner and a drink. There will be fantastic live music, burgers, sausages, salads, fairy floss, an awesome novelty stall and of course the best bar this side of Flinders Lane so come along and relax and celebrate 2012 at KPS.

XMAS TREES CANCELLED

Apologies to anyone counting on another beautiful KPS tree for Christmas this year. Unfortunately we are unable to purchase them for a worthwhile price so have decided to cancel the fundraiser. There seems to be quite a lot going on at the moment anyway huh?!!

Cheers
George, PTA

KPS OSHClub is looking for 1 - 2 parents who are keen to be involved with the KPS OSHClub Subcommittee starting now or from the start of 2013. If you are interested in having a say and being involved in what your kids do before and after school please let the office staff know who will pass your details on to Dominica Zentner (School Council OSHClub Convenor). Thank you!
The Kew Primary School Blog is up and running and waiting patiently in cyberspace for you to check it out: www.kewprimaryschool.com.
So far the blog has two posts – one about volunteering, and one about a member of staff – and an About page that tells you what it’s about.

Before the end of term, it will also have an update on the school’s iPad program, and a post from our first Guest Blogger.

Please read, enjoy, comment, share, and tell other people.

If you want, you can start thinking about what you’d like to blog about next year. That’d be great. Or, if you’ve got an idea that you want someone else to write about, let us know.

Thanks.

Jacqui Tomlins
**Program Update**

Hello everyone and welcome to week 10.

While the weather hasn’t been so great, we’ve been making the most of the school gym, with Paul running loads of fun games. Inside our spring craft theme has continued with birds and blossom print paintings brightening our room. Footy finals fever has hit and we are busy making football collages of our favourite teams.

A reminder that school finishes early on Friday... 2.30, and Oshclub is open from that time.

We are looking forward to hosting the holiday programme these holidays with loads of fun activities planned for the kids. Hope to see you there! 😊


At Oshclub we have been playing a lot of indoor ten pin bowling! Oshclub has changed as there are now flowers on the windows and a wall of spring that we make animals and flowers and to add to it. We have been dressing up and have enjoyed playing “X factor”, singing and pretending to be the judges. – Natasha. Year 4.

I would like to keep this as an open invitation to the families of OSHClub children, if everyone could possibly donate any empty glass jars with or without lids, old newspapers, children’s books, cardboard, paper, old magazines, wool, fabric scraps and anything else that is recyclable, even plastic drink bottles from soft drinks. A HUGE THANKS TO THE FAMILIES WHO ARE BRINGING IN RECYCLABLES :)

If you have any questions or queries please call the program on 0400 394 489, alternatively feel free to pop into the program between the hours of 7:00 – 9:00 am and 3:00 – 6:30 pm and talk to one of our staff (Remembering that between 3:30 and 4pm is our busiest time and we might not be able to assist immediately). If you would like to book your child/ren into before or after care please log on to www.oshclub.com.au and follow the prompts to enrolling (Children MUST be enrolled to use the service).

We hope to see you soon at OSHClub. Come and join in on the fun!!

OSHClub Staff

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**This Week’s Activities**

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**AASC ACTIVITIES:**

Term 3 – Soccer on Tuesdays ~ Multi-Skill Ball Games on Thursdays

Term 4 – Dancing on Wednesdays ~ Self Defence on Thursdays

A weekly updated Program Plan is located at the entrance of the OSH room for viewing. We also offer so much more every day including our ‘special activities’. Children also have a huge input on the daily activities.

**Parent Information**

OSH program phone: 0400 394 489

Operating Hours: BSC 7am-9am – ASC 3:30pm- 6:30pm

Coordinator: Kathi Rowan

Assistants: Niki, Fiona, Cindy, Paul

OSH Club Head Office: 03 8564 9000

*Please note: All families must be enrolled online to attend the program, remember it is FREE to enroll!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For the on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.*
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