



# Kew Primary School Newsletter

7th October 2009

Number: 29

Diary Dates	
<b>October</b>	
<b>Thurs 15</b>	Yr 2 City Excursion 7.15pm Community Meeting Jnr Hall
<b>Tues 20</b>	7.30pm PTA Meeting staffroom
<b>Wed 21</b>	Cultural Diversity Day
<b>Thurs 22</b>	Yr1 City Excursion
<b>Sun 25</b>	Whole School Working Bee 10am—1.00pm BBQ afterwards
<b>Mon 26</b>	Yr 4 Excursion EcoLink
<b>Wed 28</b>	Yr6 Careers Expo
<b>Fri 30</b>	World Teachers' Day
<b>November</b>	
<b>Thurs 19</b>	Parent Info Evening Preps 2010 par- ents Jnr Hall

## From the Principal

Dear Families

Welcome back to another school term!

As it is Term 4, a reminder that we require all children adhere to the school's policy of being 'sunsmart' by wearing a suitable hat while outdoors. Using a proper hat is a very practical method of helping to avoid the trauma of skin cancer – a significant problem in our country. Your support by ensuring that a hat is in the schoolbag each day is important in making sure we have all students suitably protected.

Congratulations to four of our staff who participated successfully in the recent Teachers Games held in Bairnsdale during the break. Phoebe Taylor, Sonia Hocking, Sheridan Vince and Natalie Ryan won a bronze medal in the teams lawn bowls competition! This was an outstanding achievement, given that the gold and silver medallists were all regular club bowlers! Kew PS had a team of 13 staff attend the games, competing in Tennis and Lawn Bowls. I know they all enjoyed the opportunity to socialise together and further build the professional relationship that is such a strong part of our school's culture. Well done to them all!

Planning for 2010 is well underway. If you have a prep commencing next year and have yet to enrol him/her, it would assist us greatly if you did so as soon as possible. And if your child is leaving Kew at the end of this year, a letter to your child's teacher would be appreciated as early as possible so we can make any necessary adjustments to class groups.

And don't forget the working bee on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October. I know that our Buildings and Grounds team are doing a great deal of preparation for the day, so your attendance is really appreciated!

Graham Pratt  
Principal

If any parent would like a weekly email reminder that the newsletter is online please email the school at [kew.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kew.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

Subject: *Newsletter Alert*

*If you have changed your email address please give us your updated address.*

### Canteen Roster:

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October:** Emma Warren Smith, Delma Dunoon, Jodie Cousins, Loraine Twist & Sarah Bartak.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October:** Lisa Tyrrell, Karen McGuinness, DJ Ebeling, Rebecca Aarons, Liz Gibson & Liz Beasley & Mary Leung.



## IMPORTANT - PREP 2010 ENROLMENTS

**KPS Parents:** If you intend to enrol your child for next year's Prep intake please do so now! Our enrolments for next year are filling fast and we are now sending out the information for the Term 4 Transition program to next year's Preps.

We also need to have enrolments in as soon as possible to assist us with planning for 2010

If you have friends or neighbours who have not yet enrolled please let them know also that they need to attend to this now.

### Term Dates 2009

Term 4            5 October to 18 December

### Term Dates 2010

Term 1            1 February to 26 March

Term 2            12 April to 25 June

Term 3            12 July to 17 September

Term 4            4 October to 17 December

## REMINDER

**Whole School Working Bee**

**Sunday 25th October 2009**

**10:00am to 1:00pm (BBQ to follow)**

## Performing Arts News

### Movin' and Groovin' DVD

Congratulations to all Year Five and Year Six students for their energetic and enthusiastic performance last Term. Thanks to class teachers and Vince DiMitorio also. Thanks also to Graham Pratt for his continuing support of the Performing Arts. Thanks again to Bendigo Bank for their sponsorship. Kew P.S. appreciates their support.

The show was filmed by a professional company for DVD sales to parents. As always, I guaranteed a minimum number of sales. This year I thought it prudent to make the minimum number of sales significantly less. Unfortunately, orders are still far short of that number and the school will be liable to make up the difference. Can I ask parents to reconsider, and place an order for a DVD as soon as possible. Stage Fright have extended the order period till October.

### Dance Pro

Enrolment forms were sent out last Term for Term Four lunch-time classes. Hopefully registrations and payments are handed in to the box in the office window as soon as possible to ensure the program continues. Congratulations to all Term Three participants. I hear that the concert was a great success! Dance has really taken off in Kew Primary School!



### Violin Ensemble

Yeung Ng has commenced two violin Ensemble groups on Friday afternoon. If your child learns violin and I have not yet approached him/her to join this group, please contact me this week for enrolment. Parents and students are very excited and committed to this program. It's potential for improving skills and enjoyment is virtually limitless. All Violin Ensemble students need to return their form THIS FRIDAY to Yeung, The Ensemble will now be held in the Music Centre on Friday afternoon. Thanks to Creative Music for moving their Drum lessons to Wednesday.

### Martin's Extravaganza

Congratulations to Martin and his enthusiastic devotees for their fabulous concert. What a wonderful enriching contribution Martin is making to our school!

### New Seven Octave Keyboard.

The school has purchased a seven octave keyboard. This is a great addition to our resources. All other keyboards are 5 octave.

### Recorder Incentive Program

Most of the Year Three and Four students have earned Performing Arts awards in Term Three for their commitment to practising their instrument. Congratulations to all parents who have encouraged their budding musicians.

What a busy Term it was! Year Twos to Year Four, please enrol for Dance Pro by the end of this week.

*Julie Campbell*

*Performing Arts Teacher*



As a new initiative, our school has been selected to be a part of the AeroSkools gymnastics program run by Active After-School Communities. This After School Care program will involve teaching children aerobic movements and stretches as well as helping them to gain gymnastic skills which will eventually form a routine. At the end of the term children will perform their routine alongside multiple other schools.

Will be running this program on a Thursday night from 4-5pm for 7 weeks in the Music Centre. There is no extra charge and spaces are limited.

If you would like your child to be a part of this experience, please speak to Sheridan or Kathryn.

### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS about Kew Primary School (from the Education Subcommittee)**

**Q:** If I have a question about the school should I ask the class teacher first?



**A:** If the question concerns your child, the class teacher should be able to answer your question and if not, will direct you to the appropriate person.

If it is difficult to speak directly to the teacher, perhaps because you work full-time, it is possible to email the office and they can forward your email.

If the issue is an administration one (eg. payment for excursions) please speak to the office staff: Sandra, Debbie, Kelly, Shelley or Sheridan. If the issue is an OSH (Out of School Hours) one, please speak to the OSH coordinator, Sheridan Vince.

Some useful contact numbers are:

KPS office phone: 98538325

KPS email: [kew.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:kew.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au)

KPS fax: 98533029

OSH phone: 98533781

OSH mobile: 0411 444316

OSH email: [kposh@bigpond.com](mailto:kposh@bigpond.com)

If you need to speak to the vice principal, Scott McCumber, or the principal, Graham Pratt, you will probably need to make an appointment through the office.

*\*This is a new item for the Newsletter, with one question and answer (Q&A) appearing each week. You will then be able to find previous Q&As on the school's website.*

Education Sub Committee

## Bide ED Trail Ride a success!



Students, Parents, Brothers and Sisters of Grades 3 & 4 recently took off on their much anticipated trail ride to Hays Paddock. Students from Level 3 had been honing their cycling skills in the school playground on Friday afternoons over the previous 3 weeks as a part of Level 3's collaboration time with Xavier. The main aim of the Bike Ed program was to give students at Kew PS the essential skills to ride safely in the local environment.

The last day of term 3 saw 140 students complete the 6.5km ride along the Yarra from Kew PS to an awaiting picnic and free-ride in Hays Paddock. The students and teachers really appreciated all parent support that was received over the 4 weeks of Bike Ed.

Xavier Davis, P.E./Sport

### School Music Program at KPS Term 4

Learn keyboard, guitar, violin, drums. Come and join in the fun of learning to play keyboard, guitar, violin, drums, here at the school. Creative Music for Schools conducts a School Music Program of private or small group classes each week here at the school aiming to give children an excellent grounding in music. Children will learn to read music and play their chosen instrument. Lessons can be started at any time during the school year. Tuition costs from \$13.40 per lesson (payable per term) and enrolments are now being accepted for term 4. Interested parents should call Samantha during business hours on 9818 2333 for more information or visit our web site [www.creativemusic.com.au](http://www.creativemusic.com.au)

1, 2 look what we do

Every Wednesday in Term 4 from 9.15 till 10.30am the students in Yr 1 and 2 have collaboration time.

Today we had a fantastic start to

1, 2 look what we do

Look out for Xavier's scooter note ... that's when your child will have to bring a scooter and a crash helmet to school.

If you have any questions please see your classroom teacher.

### Pupil of the Week

For:

PPD	Lily W India W	100% effort that she put into writing at time diary. Using super listening skills in class, and contributing to our class discussions
PBC	Monique D Aston C	Doing a terrific job learning her words and reading so well in her guided reading group. Showing tremendous improvement with his writing and being so enthusiastic.
1FR	Stella K Isabella S	Staying on task and working really hard. Great work Stella. Being a cooperative and extremely helpful member of the class.
1DP	Elyse T Joel B	Being a very good listener. Working very well during class time.
2MW	Goldie O Heshan H	Her extensive information on her chosen animal the Giraffe for her animal project. His oral presentation of his Animal Project.
3PI	Billie P	Being focussed and concentrating well in class.
3PT	Rachel B Jacob K	Excellent focus during multiplication activities. Beginning Term 4 in such a focused and happy manner.
3RC	Charlie B	A positive approach towards his peers and his work!
4NR	Jovana D	Always putting 100% into every activity and consistently producing excellent work. Well done Jovana!
4WH	Kyna X	Working extremely hard on her writing and producing great results!
5MH	Johnny K	Always being so helpful and supporting his peers.
5KB	Linda Y	Consistently working well and staying focused on tasks
6KL	Alexander V	His outstanding presentation on Cyprus -very entertaining!
6SJ	Millie F	Settling back into Term 4 well and showing great focus in class. Great job Millie!

#### Wanted House to rent

Kew Primary School Family are looking for a house or town house to rent, long term.

If you can assist please call Angie 0405 251 600.



#### Massive Garage Sale—146 Pakington St, Kew (KPS family)

(% of Proceeds to go to Dickson Foundation)

This Saturday 10th October 8am start—good quality clothes, toys and homewares—ph 0419 853 504 for further information.

**COMMUNITY CONVERSATION**  
**THURSDAY OCT. 15 at 7:15pm**  
**KEW PRIMARY JUNIOR HALL**

Families of Kew Primary School and the Kew community PreSchools (KPSA kinders) are invited to attend a community conversation to discuss development at the Uniting Church Bodalla Nursing Home (opposite the school).

In July the Uniting Church announced the site will shortly be sold for development. The School Council has notified the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development, the Minister for Education and the Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development.

This forum is facilitated by the Kew Primary School Council. Attendees include:

Kew Primary School Principal and School Councillor,  
Graham Pratt

Kew PreSchool Association Enrolment Officer,  
Naomi Allen

Boroondara City Council Community Development  
Director, Ms Jackie Briggs

Boroondara City Councillor for Studley Ward,  
Cr. Phillip Healey

KEW COMMUNITY KITCHEN

Wednesday is salad day. All salads are \$3.50 each. Please order online via *Lunch Monitors*, or by paper bag at the office before 12 midday on TUESDAYS.



**No late orders accepted.**

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

Mexican Salad with guacamole and corn chips.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October**

Tuna pasta salad OR Tofu pasta salad.

Reminder that **Tuesdays is Sushi day**. Select from salmon, chicken teriyaki, cooked tuna or avocado sushi roll. Orders accepted online via Lunch Monitors ONLY, before 12 midday on MONDAY. No paper bag orders and no late orders accepted.



Lunch Monitors is a quick and simple to use online ordering site. After ordering, please check you receive a confirmation of your order via email. If there is no confirmation then the order has not been processed and your child won't receive any lunch. Queries about ordering online or setting up an online account can be directed to Lunch Monitors on 1300 132 338 or [info@lunchmonitors.com.au](mailto:info@lunchmonitors.com.au)

KCK needs volunteers. If you are able to spare a short time on Wednesday mornings from either 9-11:30 or 11:30-1:30 please contact Claire Raeburn on 0414 967 170 or [clairetiesler@optusnet.com.au](mailto:clairetiesler@optusnet.com.au)

Thank you. Miriam Eldridge

**Year 6 Careers Expo - Help Wanted!**

Just a reminder that we are organising a Year 6 Careers Expo for Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October. If you would be interested in talking to a group of students about your field of work, please fill out the form below and return it to your child's classroom teacher.

**Arnold and Alexis**

School Captains

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred day: (please circle)

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>, October**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup>, October**

**DancePro Reminder: Year 1-4**

will again be providing excellent lunch time dance classes for years 1-4. Registration Forms were sent home last term. The Box to leave your forms in is at the school office.

Program starts 2nd week Term 4 . Depending on how many enrol will depend on how many groups and which days the program runs. So please reply NOW if you wish to participate.

**In Your Shoes- Unwanted Footwear Collection**

**In Your Shoes** is an unwanted footwear collection program which aims to divert reusable shoes from landfill. Collected shoes are then redistributed to local charities and international communities so disadvantaged people might benefit.

A group of year 6 students have formed a committee to collect all unwanted but clean and wearable footwear from families at Kew Primary. Students will be collecting shoes at school for the next two weeks. What a perfect opportunity to spring-clean your wardrobe and assist disadvantaged people both locally and overseas. With your help we are hoping to collect over 100 pairs of shoes!

Please send all unwanted shoes to school with your child by **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October**.



## Community Notices

*Start the exciting Tennis journey  
at TEAM TENNIS!*

**>> TEAM TENNIS provides the complete pathway for students to fulfil their dreams in tennis!**

**>> Players can start as early as prep in after school tennis lessons progressing to training squads and playing competition tennis.**

**>> All highly qualified coaches all selected because they are great with children!**

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**Contact Paul at TEAM TENNIS on  
9859 2437 or**

**email [paulgaff@teamentennis.com.au](mailto:paulgaff@teamentennis.com.au)**

**with any enquiries.**



*TEAM TENNIS*

***"for all that's good"***

**APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE  
22<sup>nd</sup> ASIAN PACIFIC CHILDRENS CONVENTION  
FUKUOKA JAPAN, JULY 2010**

Applications are now open for the 2010 APCC, which will be held for approximately 12-15 days from the middle of July 2010. To be eligible, children must have been born between 1st September 1998 and 31st August 1999.

This is a unique event, which allows approximately 350 eleven-year-old children from 43 regions around the Asian Pacific rim to share in a truly international exchange and we highly recommend this opportunity being offered to Victorian students.

Applications close 21 October 2009; application forms and full details can be downloaded from [www.ajsvictoria.org.au](http://www.ajsvictoria.org.au) or **Jacki Hopkins (Transition Co-ordinator, 6JH - room 3)**.

Any questions please contact Heather Darbyshire, APCC Liaison Officer on 9455-1037 or email [apcc.australia@gmail.com](mailto:apcc.australia@gmail.com).

***Doncaster Park Kindergarten Market,***

***Saturday October 10, 10am - 3pm,***

***18 Studley St, Doncaster.***

***Clothing, beautiful handmade crafts, cake stall, preloved goods, children's lucky dip, silent auction, wine tasting, jewellery and more!***

**Basketball players wanted**—6-8yo girls and boys to form new basketball teams for the Summer Season starting in 4th Term.

Places also available in the older age groups and being a larger club we cater for beginners and experienced players

Visit [www.thebasketballedge.net](http://www.thebasketballedge.net) or phone

Mark Walker 0416 030 562

### **Mini Field of Women at Xavier**

Sunday 11 Oct at Xavier college, Barkers Rd, Kew. The event is to pay tribute to all those affected by breast cancer in our community. Mini Fields of Women are displays of 100 pink lady silhouettes symbolising the 13,000 Australian women diagnosed with breast cancer each year and the 2,600 women who die from breast cancer each year.

[www.bcna.org.au](http://www.bcna.org.au)

### **Kew Swimming Club**

Superfish is fun! Kew Swimming Club

**Term 4 Registration Day Sunday 11th October** at 4pm at Strathcona . Ph. Darren Tullberg 0409 635 643 or President Craig Kipping 9899 6161 for more information.

Funky Music Dance & Drama Lessons at  
Kew Primary School Term 4

Starts first Monday of term 4,

teaching children how to sing, dance and act.

3.45 till 4.30pm in the Junior hall.

Any questions please phone

Kirsty Vis

0430569632 or 94812864

Box Hill Hospital is the largest acute hospital within Eastern Health. We have 398 beds, six operating theatres and a 29 cubicle emergency department. At Box Hill Hospital, we provide a range of services including emergency, maternity, acute medical/surgical, specialty medicine and mental health services to our local community.

Nurses and midwives experience an exciting and forward-thinking work culture as part of a supportive team.

Open Evening

Date: Wednesday 14 October

Time: 6pm – 8.30pm

Venue: Level 3, 5 Arnold Street, Box Hill

Contact: Please phone Amy Mackay (03) 9895 3372

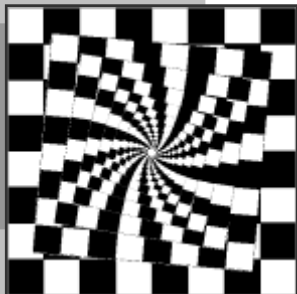
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- Emergency Department
- Operating Theatres
- Maternity
- Neurology
- Adolescent ▪ Nurse Bank

Come and learn more about nursing at Box Hill Hospital.

Tours will be available.

Play



# Kew Primary School Chess Club, 2009

Term 4 commences on **FRIDAY 9TH  
OCTOBER**



## Chess Ideas

**Dates:** 9/10 (FREE), 16/10, 23/10, 30/10, 6/11, 13/11, 20/11, 27/11, 4/12, 11/12 (10 weeks)

**Time:** 1.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$72.00 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.

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

**Ph: 9532- 8370**

**Fax: 9532- 8360**

**Mob: 0407 811 030**

**P.O. Box 3158  
Ripponlea 3185**

[admin@chessideas.com.au](mailto:admin@chessideas.com.au)

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**CHESS REGISTRATION TERM 4, 2009  
(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:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EX-  
PIRY DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CCV #** \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose **\$72.00** and return to school office with completed form.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT CHEQUES SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO – 'CHESS IDEAS'.**