**Education Week at KPS**

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<td>Visit Years 3-6 Classrooms</td>
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<td>Recess with students. Canteen available</td>
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<td>Book Fair in hall, showing how to set Skoolbag, band and assembly set up</td>
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**Other activities**
- Mon 28th ICAS English Test
- Wed 30th Debate vs Bronte
- Mon 4th The NED Show

**Canteen Sausage Sizzle**
- Lunch Thursday 31 July after assembly.
Dates Term 3
In addition to the advertised dates the following is planned. Details are to follow in the forthcoming newsletters

**August**
- 4th The NED Show & P&C Mufti Day
- 5th Year 4 Week of Tastes
- 11th ICAS Maths Test
- 12th Zone Athletics Carnival
- 18th Zone Athletics ½ day
- 18th Yr 3 to NIDA
- 19th K-6 Multicultural Day
- 20th 6.00pm & 7.15pm Interrelate
- 25th Korean Delegates Visit
- 26th K-6 Scienza Viva Show
- 30th Yr 6 Fund Raising at Bunnings

**September**
- 2nd Sports Photos
- 3rd Regional Athletics
- 4th Years 3-6 HONK Jr at Nida
- 5th P&C Father’s Day Breakfast
- 8th - 10th Year 4 Camp to Gosford
- 11th Year 6 Life Education Visit
- 19th K-6 Walkathon & P&C Bake Sale

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**Notes Home:** Year 4 Week of Tastes

Congratulations to Min Yong for winning the poster competition for Honk Jr to be held at NIDA on September 4. Have you bought your tickets yet?

**WHEN:** Tues 29th – Thurs 31st July
**WHERE:** KPS School Hall

Farewell

Mrs Karen Carroll has announced her retirement after 34 years at Kensington PS effective Friday 8 August. Her achievements have been valuable as she directly educated over a thousand students and contributed to so many thousands more across a wider school context. So whilst a simple thank you stated here does not seem enough she will no doubt enjoy the many best wishes of the community over the next two weeks.

Traditionally, in the school a gold coin collection is being accepted for a student, parent and community present to be given to Mrs Carroll. Should you wish to contribute please send in the gold coin and give to the teacher on duty each morning.

For the past few months Dominque from Germany and Paige from the USA have acted as interns across Kindergarten. They leave with our sincere thanks for supporting student learning mainly in kindergarten.

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**TERM 3**

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<td>28 Education Week ICAS English Test</td>
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Congratulations
Arielle and Maisie (Choir) will be joined by Bianca (Dancer) as part of the Create East performances held in NIDA on July 30.

PSSA 18 July 2014  AFL -Moore Park
Juniors v Bronte won Score 27-19
Player of the Week: Richard
Seniors v Bellevue Hill won Score 50-1
Player of the Week: Akul
Summary: Very strong winds affected both games but nonetheless the Junior & Senior teams kicked accurately. Akul made some great plays in all areas of the field. The Juniors had a close tussle but eventually won the game.

Netball v Double Bay Blue at Moore Park
Junior As lost Score 0-9
Players of the Week: Carla & Heidi
Junior Bs lost Score 0-2
Players of the Week: Maria & Lauren
Senior As won Score 16-6
Players of the Week: Hannah & Serra
Senior Bs won Score 9-8
Player of the Week: Liana & Vanessa
Next opponent: Bellevue Hill

164 parents have signed up to our app. We have just under a half of our community with up to date information about school activities.

1800 page views occur each week with our website, up from 1300

Our new instant messaging system to parents has come online. It’s free!

Go to your apple or android store look for Skoolbag and then look for Kensington Public School. You can personalise the messages sent by ticking the year groups. E.g. Years 5&6

Have a look at the students in Canberra and the Snowy Mountains Gallery on our website.
Click here

100 Word Challenge
2C have started a blog where they are limited to 100 words to respond to a stimulus picture. Using the iPads they place their ideas for the rest of the class to see. In addition this blog can link into the Primary English Teaching Association blog where trained teachers give feedback to the children about their stories. It is terrific for feedback! Each week they will have a new stimulus picture for their 100 word challenge.

One day I woke up out of my extremely comfy bed and my extremely comfy bed was in an extremely messy room. I was having a normal Monday morning which was going to school. Then I said goodbye to my Mum and Dad and walked to school (which was just across the road). When it was recess at school the first thing I had was an extremely squishy banana when I had just finished opening it, it said “thank you that feels much better” said the banana my eyes popped out wide I had never seen a talking banana all the other kids were just staring at me laughing there eye balls out and then the banana was just staring at me laughing too then I squished him back in to my lunch box hardly!!! Laila

A boy called John has spent all lunch carving his banana a face. Now he has now time to eat it. Now he has to find a way to get more time. And after school it’s all soggy...and his mum wants him to EAT IT. Otherwise he has no desert. Which one should I do? Eat a soggy banana and eat desert or don’t eat it and don’t get desert. There’s only one thing to do...EAT the banana. I open my mouth and bite the banana it taste...not that bad. I take another big fat bite. I finish it in 1 minute and all that’s left to do is chuck the skin away. I get my desert. And I’m happy. Jack

In the dull, dirty fruit bowl a small pile of bored, dry fruits lay quietly. When a knock on the door caught their ear they got more excited, inside stood a tall thin lady with short blond hair, a long dress and big shining, blue eyes.

The lady walked to the fruit bowl “these fruit are rotten already “she complained and threw the fruits in the smelly bin. “Uh oh”gasped the fruits “HELP!” Just then the fruits found a last banana still in the fruit bowl. Anni

The K-2 Blog is available at kenso.weebly.com Password: K2kenso
Parent Forum for 2015-2017 Planning

The first of five parent sessions over the next two terms, to develop directions in which the school will be heading over the next three years, was held recently. These meetings will explain to parents what changes are happening to the curriculum. You may be aware of the Australian Curriculum that is currently being implemented across each government, private and Catholic school across the country. You may also be aware that the P&C have been raising funds to support teachers in the resources they need to implement the new syllabus documents.

Further meetings will be held on:
16 September 16 October 20 November

Peer Support 2014

On Tuesday and Thursday of Week 1 all Year 6 students participated in Peer Support training to prepare them as facilitators of the Peer Support program. The students thoroughly enjoyed both days and have gained many skills that will help them in life. These skills included, effective communication, active listening, and demonstrating empathy, making decisions, problem solving, assertiveness and perseverance.

Many of the activities challenged the students to work in groups and complete tasks in a given time frame. Later this term the students will work with a partner to lead a group made up of students from Kindergarten to Year 5. They will deliver short lessons to the group based on an anti-bullying program.

C. Espinosa, Peer Support Coordinator

Mrs Blanch in the library needs volunteer help for bookweek. Can you assist?

Honk! Junior

Music: George Styles
Book and Lyrics: Anthony Drewe
A part of the Broadway Junior Collection
Thursday 4th September 2014 @ 7pm
NIDA, Parade Theatre
Child $15.00 Adult $25.00
Payment @ www.kensington-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Tickets will be sent home once payment has been received.
P&C News

HO HO HO

Christmas in July is coming, don’t forget to return your RSVP’s for seats on a table and your raffle ticket books tomorrow. Please make sure the raffle ticket stubs have the buyers name and phone number on them so that we can contact the lucky winners easily if they are not there on the night.

The raffle prizes are fabulous for young and old and there are some even better ones up for sale at the Silent Auction on the night along with lucky door prizes, Trivia Champion prizes and other special ways of winning some fantastic experiences.

Thank you for supporting our major fundraising event.

Book Week is coming up in August and KPS is celebrating on 4th August, with a chance to get creative and raise some money for our toilet roll dispensers. Our second Mufti Day of 2014 will have a book character theme. No need for it to be expensive or a lot of work. Here is just one of the wealth of costume idea pages on the interwebs. Gold coin donation. Please note, that this is a change to the school uniform requirement on the NED note.

4th Aug is both NED day and Book Week Mufti Day.

PAVe

Preventing Anxiety and Victimisation through education

Our school will take part in PAVe, an exciting new research project taking place in NSW and WA primary schools. The purpose of the project is to evaluate two interventions that enhance students’ social and emotional learning and foster the prevention of bullying behaviours (Friendly Schools Plus and Cool Kids: Taking Control). Grades 3 and 4 students are being invited to participate by completing a confidential survey on four occasions over the next three years.Your school will implement Friendly Schools Plus.

A parent and student information letter and consent form for the project has recently been sent home with students in Grades 3 and 4. Parents in these grades are asked to discuss this project with their son or daughter and submit the consent form online via

PAVe Parent Information and Consent Form

OR return the completed consent form to their child’s teacher by Friday 8th August 2014

Read about the PAVe project in the Daily Telegraph

Further information can also be found at http://www.centreforemotionalhealth.com.au/pages/PAVe.aspx
WHERE: KPS School Hall
WHEN:
Tuesday 29th & Wednesday 30th July
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.   3:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday 31st July – OPEN DAY
8:30 – 11:00 a.m

Children will also be able to purchase books during lunchtime on these days.
All sales – cash only

During this week, the children will receive a leaflet outlining some of the book titles available during our Annual Book Fair which is to be held next week.

They have also been invited to take part in a Poster Competition. This involves making a poster based on the theme:

**Book Fair Garden – Catch the Reading Bug**

There will be two book voucher prizes awarded for students in years K-2 and 3-6. These posters will be displayed around the school to publicise our Fair. The winners will be announced next Monday.

To help make the Fair a success, it would be wonderful if some people would be able to assist me during any of the times advertised above as well as helping with packing up on the Thursday from 3:00 p.m.

Would you please contact me either in the Library or by emailing me through the school so that we can confirm details.

S. Blanch, Relieving Librarian

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**Welcome to 1V**

Mr Stanley Wu is working with the students in 1V as a part of his teacher training program.

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**ICAS Computer Results**

**Distinction:** Yr 6 Julian, Nirooshan, Tamsin, Agatha, Yr 4 Amy, Sarfaraz, Yr 3 Samuel, Aiden, Susanna and Tri

**Credit:** Yr 6 Akul, Yr 5 Kevin, Ayeshah, Vanessa Yr 4: Kevin, Aaron, Sumi, Sophie, Nicholas, Adrian, Chris, Alex, Heidi Yr 3 Leesia, Alexandra, William, Jonas, Georgia, Harrison, Timothy, Jeremiah, Lauren, Ren-Shyan, Jesse, Bess, Jack, Charlotte, Claudia, Elise

**Merit:** Yr 6 Pia, Hayden, Yr 4: Samantha, Dean, Jehudah, Adem, Florence, Anuj Yr 3 Angelina and Wilson

**Participation:** Yr 6 Han, Arielle, Issey, Min Yong, Maisie, Kayla, Ian, Miriam, Yr 5 Estefany, Natalie, Zi Yi, Yunsh, Emily, Yr 4 Andy, Maithreyi, Brendan, Carla, Alex, Kevin, Mandy, Maximillian, Samadhi, Amina, Aghia, Jennifer. Yr 3 Arushi, Miguel, Samuel, Montanah, Sienna, Zara, Nathan and Lara

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**School Banking**

Welcome back to Term 3 to all our school bankers!

To anybody who has been thinking of signing up for school banking, we will be having an account sign on day at next Thursday’s KPS Open Day and Book Fair.

It's really simple-parents just need to bring your driver’s licence. You can also sign up your younger siblings not yet at school (you just need to bring their birth certificate).

There are only 153 days until Christmas. Why not start saving for something special and help our school at the same time!

*The School Banking Team*