Years 3-6 Presents

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

Education Week

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<td>Visit Years 3-6 Classrooms</td>
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<td>Visit K-2 Classrooms or Debate in Library KPS vs Waverley</td>
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<td>11.00 – 11.30</td>
<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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Canteen Sausage Sizzle

On Open Day the canteen is providing a sausage sizzle for both parents and students. Please order using the form found on the school website, our Skoolbag app or on the note sent home.

Notes Home This Week

1. Zone Athletics Carnival
2. Stewart House Bag
3. Honk! Rehearsal

A reminder to Years 3&4 students that the 'PAVe' note is now due back at school. Please check the website or complete online at
PAVe Parent Information and Consent Form

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

School Banking

"Remember School Banking Account opening at tomorrow's Book Fair from 10am. Parents you just need to bring your drivers licence. If you have been meaning to sign up to school banking this is your chance!"
**WHAT an AWESOME Trivia Night**

I hardly know where to begin with all my thank yous. Friday was the most amazing evening and we raised an amazing **$7000** for our wonderful school. The final amount, once all costs are in, will be announced at the next P&C meeting.

Thank you to the wonderful Trivia Night Committee Vicki Tonner, Ilana Lamont, Angie Stephenson, Jude Swain, Caroline Bayot, Meredith Forby and Jackie Price. They were so imaginative, as well as being extremely hard working and great at sourcing fantastic prizes. I had an absolute ball and we've received lovely feedback from the parents who attended.

Greg Tonner as MC and Saxon Francis as Grand Quiz master, who did a sensational job of building an exciting atmosphere during the night.

Thanks to the parents who supported us, by attending and/ or buying raffle tickets and silent auction prizes. It's wonderful to feel the community spirit.

And a big than you to the teachers for coming along to join our community event. It's good to see our children's educators have such a great range of knowledge. Last but not least, thanks to Mrs MacDonald for drawing the raffle.

Welcome back from her European travels to our treasurer Helen Mourkas and another big thank you to Meredith Forby for holding the fort in her absence.

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.

Have you bought your Honk tickets?
Dates Term 3

**August**

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
31st HONK Sunday Rehearsal 12 noon to 4pm

**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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A HUGE THANK YOU!

Due to the generous plant donations from our school community, our first ever green wall is officially completed! We are very excited to see that our little succulents have already started to flourish. The busy gardeners at KPS have been keeping a watchful eye and have been taking great care to protect the plants during play time. We would like to say a special thank you to Mr Gollan and Betty who have helped with watering and planting along the way.

What a wonderful effort by the Kensington community! Well done everyone.

and also...

Thank you to Susan Mitchell for her kind donation of two Birds Nest Ferns to further develop the garden at the base of the large playground tree.

The K-2 Blog is available at [kenso.weebly.com](http://kenso.weebly.com)
Password: K2kenso

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Who’s Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf? Not 3B!

3B has been reading the story of the Three Little Pigs. We have read and compared ‘traditional’ telling of the fairy tale and have compared these to modern versions. We have learnt that the ‘big, bad wolf’ isn’t always the villain!

We were inspired by this artwork as it reminded us of the stories we had read. When we examined it we used our knowledge of literature to interpret the work and make connections to characters we knew. We looked carefully at how layers, shadow, line, size and shape were used. When we created our own versions of this artwork, we used watercolour, pen and coloured pencil.

In the Room:

ICAS Science Results

Congratulations:

High Distinction: Yr 6 Julian, Nirooshan, Yr 3 Tri, Samuel, Harrison, Jason

Distinction: Yr 6 Akul, Pia, Yr 4 Peter, Aaron, Kevin, Sophie, Audrey, Alex, Brendan, Florence, Nicholas Yr 3 Shafin, Georgia, Susanna Yr 2 Anni, Anna, Leann, Charlie, Elizabeth, Xin Yi, Dean, Kai, Macauley, Oscar

Credit: Yr 6 Minyong, Arielle, Jai, Yr 5 Charlotte, Edward, Zi Yi, Kevin Yr 4: Sumi, Adrian, Alex, Andy, Heidi, Sarfaraz, Anuj, Amy, Chris Yr 3 Jeramiah, Ren-Shyan, Aiden, Lauren, James, Bess, Samuel Yr 2 Lara, Charles, Tiara, Ethan, Sandy, Maddie, Laila, Danny, Isabella

Merit: Yr 6 Maisie, Agatha Yr 5: Natalie Yr 4: Adem Yr 3 Leesia, Arushi, Sienna Yr 2 Daniel, Savya, Ellis


Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

197 parents have signed up to our app. We have 1/2 of our community with up to date information about school activities.

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
**Two Great Achievements from Randwick Boys’ High**

Our school participates in a number of competitions that run to challenge students academically. The most recent set of results came from the International Competitions Assessing Schools (ICAS) group in Science.

We were delighted to learn that 65% of our participating students achieved a credit score or better. One student scored in the top 2% globally, a very impressive result, and he did it for the second year running!

Another great achievement recently is in basketball, where Randwick Boys’ High School was placed third in the state in the Shell Cup. This was the first time we had been involved in this competition and, although our boys looked tall, they were dwarfed by some of the players they encountered. This also was a very impressive effort from a group of committed young men.

**Stewart House Clothing Appeal**

Stewart House supports school children in need of medical and emotional support. The NSW Department of Education and Communities provides infrastructure and staffing support for this school. All other costs associated with the children’s stay are met from charitable donations.

Every year Stewart House benefits financially from collections of clothing in schools. The Smith Family generously provides bags and undertakes the collection, then pays Stewart House for each kilogram received. About $25,000 is raised each year from this collection.

This week students will bring home a clothing bag to support the Stewart House Clothing Appeal. This might be the perfect time for you to start a ‘Spring Clean’ and generously donate clothing that is still in good condition, to help raise money for Stewart House.

Bags can be dropped off in the wet area near the primary toilets.

**Collection date: 22 August 2014.**

Thank you – SRC

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Buddhist SRE News

Last week we received information that the Buddhist SRE teacher, Leo Birch, will be taking leave from teaching classes at Kensington PS for the remainder of Term 3. We have contacted the Buddhist Council and at this stage they are unable to provide a replacement teacher for this time. It is anticipated that Leo Birch will return to teaching classes next term. Students who are enrolled in Buddhist SRE classes will join students in non-scripture classes for the remainder for this term.
Year 2 Sportspro
Wednesday 23d July 2014

2C were doing throwing and catching skills with the scoops.

Games and Sport  GSS1.8
Performs fundamental movement skills with equipment in minor games.
• throws a small ball or beanbag overarm to a partner, using high and low pathways
• identifies the most efficient ways of using a variety of games equipment, eg grip, stance, action

2S were doing practicing their gymnastic skills.

Gymnastics  GYS1.10
Follows a simple sequence that links basic movement patterns.
• takes weight on different parts of the body, using small and large bases of support, eg hands, knees, feet, back, hips
• transfers weight using a variety of body shapes and positions

2RP were doing groovy dance moves.  Dance DAS1.7
Performs simple dance sequences incorporating basic movements skills and patterns
• follows and repeats simple movement skills and patterns to specific rhythms, eg walk-walk-jump-jump
• performs locomotor skills at different speeds, eg walk fast, slow, heavily

Australian Government assistance for National Capital excursion
Students from Year 6 have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital. While on this tour, they participated in a variety of educational programs focused on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognise the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education. To assist parents in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding of a $20 per eligible student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme toward the travel expenses incurred. This contribution will be paid directly to the school in the coming weeks.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program.

Venues that the Year Six students visited included the CSIRO, Parliament House, The War Memorial, Questacon and Old Parliament House. Students also spent time in the snow at Thredbo. We hope that the excursion was a rewarding experience for all students.

Mr Rimmer

Student Awards
3B Jack P, Jason, Jennifer  3W Maddy, Jesse
4/3C Zoe, Andy  4R Ari, Sammi
5/4C Sophie, Patrick  6/5E Kayla, Shiyu
6D Tamsin, Manea, Alexander

Mandarin  Georgia 3B, Zi Yi 5/4OC, Maithreyi 4R

Bulmarra Wins House Points