Wed, Aug 6, 2014 | Term 3 | Week 4

Calendar Title

Week 5

Tuesday, August 12th
Zone Athletics Carnival

Week 6

Monday, August 18th
Zone Athletics 1/2 Day Carnival
Year 3 to NIDA for ‘Time After Time’ show

Tuesday, August 19th
Multicultural Day.

Wednesday, August 20th
Interrelate 6pm and 7.15pm

Week 7

Monday, August 25th
Korean Delegation Visit

Tuesday, August 26th
K-6 Scienza Viva Show.

Saturday, August 30th
Yr 6 Fundraising at Mitre 10

Sunday, August 31st
12noon-4pm Honk Jr rehearsal

Week 8

Tuesday, September 2nd
Sports Photos

Wednesday, September 3rd
Regional Athletics Carnival

Thursday, September 4th
7pm Yrs 3-6 Honk Jr at NIDA

Friday, September 5th
Father’s Day Breakfast

Week 9

Monday-Wednesday, September 8th-10th
Year 4 Camp to Gosford

Thursday, September 11th
Year 6 Life Education Visit

Week 9

Friday, September 19th
Walkathon at Kensington Oval

P&C Bake Sale

Members of the band entertaining at Open Day during Education Week

The smiles of parents say it all!

The finale from our forthcoming production of HONK!
Premier's Spelling Bee

Over the past few weeks, all classes in the primary have been busy conducting their own spell-offs to determine who their best oral spellers are. Congratulations to the following children who performed the best in their class.

6D-Pia, Serra, Nirooshan and Han
6/5E-Adam, Agatha and Ian (YR 6), Alisiya and Matthew (Yr 5)
5/40-Daniel and Jamie (Yr 5), Peter & Audrey (Yr 4)
4R-Alex and Carla
4/3C-Andy and Zoe (Yr 4) and Tri (Yr 3)
3B-Jack and Arushi
3W-Timmy and Shafin

On Monday and Tuesday we conducted our own school spell-offs and these children won their stage competition and will now represent our school later in the term in the district spell-offs.

Stage 3-Nirooshan and Agatha (reserve Pia)
Stage 2-Peter and Arushi (reserve Audrey)

Congratulations to all children who competed in our spell-offs. The standard was very high and the words very challenging.

Mrs K. Carroll

Book Fair

Our Book Fair was the best ever! Many children will be busy reading their new books, as well as having new pencils, pens and sharpeners to use at school and posters to decorate their rooms.

A gigantic THANK YOU to the group of helpers who worked tirelessly to make the Fair such a success.

Also, thank you to Effie Mokas for her generous donation to the Thomas Flowers Library Fund which will allow us to purchase some wonderful new resources and books for our library.

Sandy Blanch, Teacher Librarian

MindQuest

MindQuest is an exciting enrichment program designed to challenge and extend gifted and talented primary students. MindQuest caters for gifted and talented primary students from years one to six. In the past these courses have proved successful for a range of students

- gifted and or talented students
- gifted underachievers
- students of well above average abilities with a special interest

Students are generally nominated by their schools. However, if you believe that your child would benefit from attending the program, please contact MindQuest www.mindquest.net.au

Student Merit Awards
Knowledge, Honour and Community

3B Katia & Harrison, Bronze Lara
3W Connor & James
4/3C Tri & Kevin Bronze Sienna & Edeline
4R Cassini & Brendan Bronze Tristan, Alex, Sophie, Mandy, Maithreyi, Cassini, Adrian, Alejandra, Ari, Dave, Emily, Isabel, Talia
5/4OC Sasha & Edward
6/5E Mikaela & Lachlan
6D Min Yong & Hayden Bronze Manea, Pia, Hannah, Natalie, Bianca, Gabrielle, Camilla, Shaun, Maisie, Will, Miriam, Safwan, Alexander

P&C Mufti Day

‘Minecraft Steve’ and some friends who photobombed the picture.

2/1S uniform for the day – a selection of book characters
PSSA - 1 August

AFL - Moore Park
Juniors v Clovelly A lost Score 24-21
Player of the Week: Alex X
Seniors v Randwick won Score 78-1
Player of the Week: Gianni
Summary: The Junior game was highly competitive and the winning goal from Clovelly came in the last few minutes. Clovelly are leading the competition.
The Seniors dominated maintaining their lead on the ladder.
Next Opponent: Juniors v Bye, Seniors v Coogee

Netball v Coogee Blue at Moore Park
Junior As lost Score 3-4
Players of the Week: Carla & Audrey
Junior Bs won Score 3-1
Players of the Week: Talia & Zoe G.
Senior As lost Score 5-17
Players of the Week: Vanessa
Senior Bs won Score 13-5
Players of the Week: Lucy, Maisie & Eden
Next opponent: Special congratulations to Vanessa who played up in the Senior As and tried so hard against an excellent opposition.
Next Opponent: Bronte

and...
Mirrabooka wins the house points competition for week three

Notes Home or Due
1. Years 3&4 PAVe notes due on Friday. Please assist us in getting 100% of notes back
2. ‘Scienza Viva’ An activity K-6 celebrating Science Week

Stop Press
Thank you Hayden 6D supported by Akul for taking the Open Day photos and organising them so well, which are displayed on our foyer TV.

Kensington Public Alumni
Tracking and engaging our school’s graduates

The Alumni Project
As part of acknowledging the proud history of NSW public schools, we are focusing on celebrating the success of our graduates.

From Prime Ministers to Premiers, Oscar winners to Olympic gold medallists, Nobel Prize winners to Australians of the Year, Supreme Court judges, business leaders and artists, there are many eminent citizens whose paths began at a NSW public school.

We should acknowledge, and celebrate, our alumni.

Lionel Murphy is one such graduate from Kensington Public School.

Our way of acknowledging these past students is to record their names on a permanent display through a Buy a Brick program. Please look for the order form at the end of this newsletter or on the website at:

Please spread the word to as many past students you know and get them to record their name on our Alumni Walkway.

Go to Android or App Store and search for Kensington Public School
**Multicultural Day 2014**

This year our annual celebration of Kensington Public School’s wonderfully diverse community is to be held on:

**Tuesday 19th August, 2014**

**What is Multicultural Day?**
To start the day students will be involved in lessons to learn more about the countries and cultures that make up our diverse school.

**How can families be involved?**
Parents, grandparents, families and friends of KPS are invited to join us for a shared lunch in the playground at 12.30pm. All children are asked to bring along a plate of food to share. You may like to bring along something that you enjoy eating from your country of birth or that is unique to your culture.

*Parents can bring the food with them at lunchtime. Alternatively, children can bring their plate in the morning and deliver it to the staffroom – please note we do not have facilities to heat food.*

Please label containers and platters.
*Please remember our NUT FREE school rule (including peanut oil) and ensure food is safe for all children to eat. Please supply a paper plate or an empty lunchbox and a fork for your child and your guests.*

Finally, you are invited to join us for the concert at 1.45pm in the playground.

**What do the students wear?**
All students K-6 are invited to wear national costumes of significance on the day. If not, school uniform (Australian colours) is to be worn.

If it is raining our shared lunch will take place in classrooms and the concert will be postponed to a later date.

We look forward to seeing you all on our special day!

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**Creative Writing in 2/1S**

Students in 2/1S have been developing their creative writing skills through a weekly writing prompt. Last week students in 2/1S were given the following image to write about:

**The Baby Who Put Paint Everywhere- Lily**

Once upon a time there was an orange, black and white cat that was very, very clever. One day he was painting the dirty, black, chipped wall of the house blue.

Meanwhile, the tiny baby called Madeline was crawling slowly around the big black house. All of a sudden she crawled into the room where the cat was painting. Then she accidentally tipped over the can of paint and it went EVERYWHERE! The tiny baby Madeline started screaming loudly. The mother came into the room and gave Madeline a big hug and she stopped screaming. The cat stared angrily at them both, for now he would need some more paint.

**The Evil Baby- Isabella**

The evil baby hit the nice, little cat and the cat became very angry.

The next day the cat found the evil baby and said, “Why did you hit me?” The baby answered, “because I wanted to!” The cat got so mad that he hit a can of bright, blue paint and all of the blue paint came splashing out onto the big, evil baby and it started to cry and said “Why did you paint me? The cat answered, “Because I wanted to!”

**RBHS News**

**Record Numbers Attempt Selected Gifted Class Placement Test**

On July 26, a record number of applicants sat for entry in the 2015 Randwick Boys’ High School Gifted and Talented Program. The program has proved to be enormously successful in its first year, with students involved showing their talents in a range of areas: in writing and drama, music and performance, technology, sport and community initiatives.

In 2015, we are looking forward to seeing the program expand as another cohort of well-rounded, intelligent, curious and engaged young men join our learning community. We are pleased that so many of the students attaining placement in the program are from local Primary Schools. This certainly illustrates that the program is well received by the community and is filling a need identified by the community.

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

Password: K2kenso
Pindaree Wins Debate
It was close debate held on Tuesday afternoon around the topic that 'Zoos Should Be Closed'.

Mr O’Connor said ‘That the strength of the debate and support from all speakers made it difficult to adjudicate a winner’. However the winner was decided by a close margin and congratulations was given to all speakers.

Balamarra Affirmative: Sophie, Ullhas, Zoe with Brendan advising

Pindaree Negative: Amy, Audrey, Nirooshan and Maithreyi advising. Chairperson was Nicholas

Interrelate has the answers!

Many parents find it hard to discuss or answer questions relating to sexuality education . . . We know how to ‘help break the ice’. Interrelate programs are interactive, family focused and presented in the context of caring relationships. Our fully trained and experienced educators, who adhere to a strict code of ethics, conduct the program.

6.00pm Session 1: “Where Did I Come From?”
1 hour – Years 3, 4, 5 & 6
In this session children are eager to learn more about how their bodies work and the differences between males and females.

7.15pm Session 2: “Preparing for Puberty”
1 hour – Years 5 & 6
This session helps to prepare children and parents/caregivers for the physical, social and emotional changes associated with puberty. Changing emotions and relationships with families and peers are addressed.

Yr 4 Week of Tastes
Mini lean burgers were on the menu this week for Year 4 cooking classes. Our Gastronomy guests gave tricks and tips in the art of cooking. Check out our Gallery on the website.

Interrelate SCHOOL SERVICES presents
A SPECIAL EVENING PROGRAM

FAMILY COST: 1 session $25 per family + 2 sessions $30 per family

Please Note: The Family Cost is GST exclusive
The GST is payable/claimable by the School/Organising Body

Where: KENSINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
When: Wednesday, 20th August 2014
Time: 6:00 pm SHARP (”Where Did I Come From?”) 7:15 pm (”Preparing for Puberty”)

Please Note: Specialty books are available for purchase on the night.

A SPECIAL EVENING PROGRAM

Name of Family: .................................................................

No. attending: □ Session 1: “Where Did I Come From?” □ Session 2: “Preparing for Puberty”

Amount enclosed: $ ___________________ □ Cash □ Cheque (please make cheques payable to school)

Or pay online through our website
Premier’s Debating Challenge

A BIG congratulations to all the wonderful students who represented Kensington PS in this year’s Premier’s Debating Challenge. All of them have all done a fantastic job and should be very proud of themselves. Their efforts have been marked by some great victories and very narrow defeats.

The Teams

The Chatterboxes
6D- Pia, Hannah, Manea, Camilla
Maisie, Bianca

The Killers
6D Serra, 6/5E- Amy, Mikaela, Liana, Jai and Julian

Well done to you all! Mr O’Connor

Community Spirit 1

The initiative Luca showed during the holidays to bake ginger crunch cookies and selling them through his parents work, raised $218 to donate to Sydney Children’s Hospital. He presented the money last week.

Community Spirit 2

Thank you to the many families who contributed to the farewell present for Mrs Karen Carroll. After 34 years of teaching the Kensington community we will miss her knowledge and support and it was such a kind and caring thing for the community to show their support through the gold coin donation towards her farewell.

Mrs Deborah Richards will teach 4/3C for the remainder of the year from Monday 8 August.

iPad mini Raffle - $2

Tamsin Colley has done it again!

It is a terrific honour for Tamsin Colley, her parents and the school to be selected to compete at the Interstate Cross Country Championships to be held in Albany, WA. From August 21-26, Tamsin will be representing our community. She continues to be a worthy representative of our state and school.

Of course you can appreciate that the costs associated with being selected are considerable due; to the cost of air fares, apparel and state sporting administration levies.

Like last year, to assist in meeting these costs the school will hold a raffle over the next two weeks.

Tickets $2

Drawn Tuesday 19 August at Multicultural Day

These tickets will be on sale before school in the playground so please join in and support our talented athlete.
Recognising Our Past and Present Students

The recent Open Day theme looked back over 60 years of celebrating Education Week. One of the ideas being generated, through the media, was to have schools connect with past students. At Kensington Public School we would like to invite any past students and/or families to buy a brick for installing at school as a way of remembering their time at KPS.

**Current families might like to buy one as well.**

So if you know of any past students please encourage them to have their name recorded in the grounds of the school, through this offer.

**OFFER CLOSES 7 OCTOBER 2014.**

(Pay at www.kensington-p.schools.nsw.edu.au and look for 'Make a Payment')

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**ENGRAVING DETAILS – MAX 17 CHARACTERS PER LINE**

Please print clearly using ALL CAPITAL. Max 3 lines per paver.

Each box represents a character (letter, number, punctuation mark or space).

No hand drawings on this page, please use reverse side.

**OPTION 1 – COMPLETE UP TO 3 LINES IN AREA 1**

**OPTION 2 – COMPLETE UP TO 6 LINES FROM AREAS 1 AND 2**
INSTRUCTIONS FOR HAND DRAWN PAVERS

Follow these simple RULES to produce a quality engraved paver

- Use only a quality Black marker pen with a tip size no less than 2 mm thick. We recommend an ARTLINE 70 High Performance marker available at most stationery stores and supermarkets.
- **DO NOT USE BALL POINT PENS, PENCILS, CRAYONS OR COLOURED MARKERS.**
- If you are drawing over a pencil sketch, ensure that all pencil marks have been erased.
- Keep drawing and text large and simple. Do not use fine details, as they will not appear on the finished product.
- Do not use digital images. The engraving process has been setup for hand drawn images only.

**GOOD DRAWING SAMPLE**
- Simple sketch
- Large writing
- Thick Lines

**POOR DRAWING SAMPLE**
- Digital Drawing
- Used Pen
- Thin lines

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