Roosters Against Racism

On Thursday afternoon Anthony Minichiello from the Sydney Roosters came to Kensington to speak to the Stage 3 students about the negative effects of racism. It was a very informative visit and the students learned a lot about what racism is, where and when it can occur, and why it is unacceptable in our society.

All students were very respectful and participated enthusiastically. A special congratulations to Dean Panay of 5E who was a standout performer during the trivia, answering every question that was asked!
Reminders

**Parent CPR and First Aid Course**

CPR Kids empowers parents and families with the lifesaving skills of baby and child CPR & First Aid. Our hands-on 2.5 hour class covers the most common First Aid scenarios affecting children, including:

- CPR
- Choking
- Drowning
- Head injury
- Poisoning
- Broken bones
- Burns and more

All our expert instructors are paediatric nurses, midwives or paramedics, who have experienced first hand everything they teach. All participants receive:

- A3 poster covering topics learned for fast reference
- Access to CPR Kids TV – videos to refresh your skills
- Emailed copy of A life. A finger. A pea up a nose - a practical guide to baby and child First Aid By Sarah Hunstead

Babies and breastfeeding are always welcome. Limited spaces, book now to secure your place.

**Date:** 13th of May  
**Time:** 10:30am  
**Venue:** School Hall  
**Cost per person:** $90  
**Contact:** Nicholas Breslin and Jacqui Byrnes

To secure your place, please email Jacqui Byrnes at jacqui.byrnes@hotmail.com.

Disclaimer (This family have no connection to the company – just thought the course was excellent and possibly of interest to others at school, including Nick who will be doing it)

**SPEECH AND DRAMA**

2nd Term Grades 3-6 ONLY

Speech and Drama is commencing 2nd Term on Tuesday, 5th May for a 7 week term. These classes are held in the library 8 am – 9 am and are for Grades 3-6 only. In these classes students learn the benefits of clear, confident speech, poetry, mime all in a fun atmosphere. These classes complement the key learning areas in the school curriculum. Fee for the 7 week term is $98.00 per student, 10% discount for siblings. If you have not already re-enrolled your child, or wish to enrol your child please contact Sheila on 9365 0992 or 0404 961 3358. Class size is limited.

There are so many worthwhile charities seeking money and support and requests come at a minimum weekly for schools to involved. How do you choose? The disaster in Nepal begs for our support. Tomorrow, Thursday 30th April we ask all students to bring in a gold coin as a part of the SRC support for this cause.

**NAPLAN**

Students in Years 3 and 5 will participate in the 2015 National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) on the following dates.

- 12 May Language and Writing
- 13 May: Reading
- 14 May: Numeracy

Please visit the following website for further details about the program and types of questions asked.


**Thank you**

The recent heavy rains and hail storm demonstrated to us that the decision to install a hard cover COLA was the right way to go. Thank you for supporting us by fundraising towards the $131 000 cost our KPS community.

A huge thank you to the P&C last night who donated $6 000 towards safety bumpers for the ten poles that were erected on the new COLA. Each pad will have our logo and a value listed.
A Second KPS OOSH

Squiggler, the new OOSH initially had some delays in finding a suitable venue within close proximity to KPS (Kensington Public School). I can now inform you that we have recently found a very exciting space. Due to the high volume of kids needing before & after school care from KPS, we had originally struggled to find an appropriate facility to meet the regulatory requirements set out by the Department of Education and Communities. With over 100 children on our waitlist we are required to have over 1000 square metres of unencumbered indoor and outdoor space. If you know our area well you will understand that finding an available space such as this is almost impossible.

As we are in the final stages of negotiation with the property manager, I cannot name the property or it’s location but I can tell you that it will be a 5 minute drive from KPS and as part of our service we will have buses in place to transport your kids between our centre and KPS before and after school.

We are still working behind the scenes to have a spectacular program to keep your kids entertained and amused. We are also working on programs to enhance and support your child's learning at KPS.

Assuming the rest of the application process runs smoothly, we are hoping we will be approved and running by the 4th of May. If you have already registered with us you can expect a call from us in the coming days to confirm your child’s enrolment. If you have not yet registered your interest in our service, or if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Daryl directly on 0434 720 094.

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop is ordering winter jackets. If you would like to order a winter jacket please fill in the order form and return it with payment to the uniform Shop by: **TUESDAY 5TH MAY**.

Order forms are available from the uniform shop, school office, the Skoolbag app or on our website.

There has been a marked increase in the use of tracksuit pants creeping into the school.

These tracksuit pants for boys are **not a part of the school uniform**. Last night’s P&C meeting discussed the uniform at length and reaffirmed our uniform as it stands. The school trousers are available from our uniform shop.

It is very disappointing to see an increase this year in a move away from our uniform. From pink and purple bags, to a variety of coloured shoes and white socks instead of green.

We have over many, many years been very proud of the community expectations and positive comments about our school including the ‘look’ of our students. This makes it extremely disappointing when any style and variation of the correct uniform is worn to the school.

Thank you so much to those parents who value the history and honour of the school and go out of their way to ensure their child contributes to this school pride each and every day by ensuring that correct uniform is worn.

K-2 Assembly Roster

**Tuesdays 2.20pm**

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Notes Home

Year 4: Expression of Interest (EOI) Camp
Stage 1: Show Ticket contribution and Costume needs
K-6: School Photos

Our Uniform Shop Video can be viewed here [http://youtu.be/HEIdmbYJoO4](http://youtu.be/HEIdmbYJoO4)
Say Cheese!

What better way to spoil all the hardworking Mums out there than with a professional photo of her gorgeous family. This photoshoot is our first of many P&C fundraisers in Term 2.

When: Friday 8th May (from 4.30pm) and Saturday 9th May (from 8.45am) – book your time slot and pay online via www.trybooking.com/HITO Bookings are required by Monday 4th May.

Where: Kensington Public School – in the hall.

What to Expect: Each family booking will get a 20 minute photoshoot with the photographer. The photographer will take a range of photos, some of just the children, some of Mum and Dad and some of all the family together. You will have approximately 60 images from which to choose your favourite.

All families are then invited to view the photographs for approximately 15 minutes. As part of your booking fee you will receive two 10’x13’ copies of your favourite photo (same image). There is also an opportunity to purchase additional digital photos, photo prints, albums etc.

All prints will be delivered to the school within 3 weeks of the photography session. The P&C will let you know from where and when to collect the photos.

What to Wear: The photographers will send you further information nearer the time but I have found some useful images on Pinterest. Just type in “Family photoshoot what to wear” and a range of styles and colour choices will pop up. This is a good place from which to start your planning. Also, we have been informed that the backdrop to the photos will be white.

Date of the Next Meeting

Monday 25th May at 9.15am in the OOSH room. We look forward to seeing you there.