Art Club

Parents may be aware that we have a number of different art club opportunities at school. In addition to the after school activities provided by the Squiggler OOSH runs 4 lunchtime programs each week.

On Tuesday and Wednesdays students in Years 3-6 who love art or wish to develop their skills further can join Jhani to explore various media and techniques.

Each Thursday and Friday a small group of Kinder to Year 2 students are using lunchtimes to develop their artistic skills.

The examples provided here are by the K-2 group. In this two day activity last week the students used water colours to paint the fish and followed this with pastel mixing to highlight and create the background.

Congratulations to our talented K-2 students Jolie, Fangi, Ming, Vivian and Arin for wonderful artworks.

Performing Arts News

Soiree: On Tuesday 16th June we will be holding our first music soiree for the year. This will involve all children in the Senior and Junior Bands, Senior and Junior Choirs and Violin Ensemble. The Infant Choir will be performing in Term 3.

All students performing will need to wear their Performing Arts Uniform. All children need to arrive at school by 5.30pm and go to their allocated classrooms for warmup. Soiree will begin at 6pm and finish by 7pm. Any children who wish to perform a solo need to see Ms. Fredman.

Under the Big Top: Thank you again to all those parents who have helped with costumes. We are looking for two parent helpers for each performance to help with dressing the children and makeup. If you are interested please see your child’s class teacher. I am also looking for a parent who will be able to film the show for archival purposes. Please let me know if you are interested. Thanks Ms. Fredman

Bookclub is due back no later than Wednesday 10 June

Books can be purchased either online or by placing the order form in an envelope with your child’s name, class and total amount. The envelopes should go to the class teacher before 10 June. On line Payments http://parentpayments.scholastic.com.au/

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Sydney Observatory Excursion

Year 2 visited the Sydney Observatory on Monday 1st June to supplement the Science Unit 'What’s the Weather?’ which they have been studying. At the Sydney Observatory they measured the temperature, wind speed, UV meter, atmospheric pressure, found the direction the wind was blowing and identified cloud types. They also visited the Museum of Contemporary Art and were lucky enough to see the wonderful 'Light Show'.

Smart Start Financial Literacy

These free workshops are being held for Years 1-6 over two days on Thursday 11 June for Stage 1 and Wednesday 24 June for Stages 2 and 3. This course is operated by the Commonwealth Bank which was recommended to us by our terrific volunteers who operate the student school banking program.

STAGE 1 In this workshop, students learn about money as a concept, what it is, what it’s worth, and how to keep it safe. Guided by Captain Cash or Money Girl, students are excited about becoming superheroes with their money. By challenging them to 'Spend to Their Needs' and 'Wait for Their Wants', students are able to distinguish between their needs and wants and prioritise spending accordingly. Using fun rhymes, hands-on activities and colourful characters, this workshop puts students on a lifelong path of practising solid financial habits.

Several concepts are covered, including:
- introduction to notes and coins
- recognition of Australian currency
- keeping money safe
- the difference between needs and wants
- using money in exchange for goods and services

STAGE 2 Coach Cash – the students’ very own personal money trainer – inspires students to become ‘cashletes’ that exercise their money muscles by making savvy spending decisions. By encouraging students to understand the factors that influence their spending, through a practical comparative shopping exercise, this workshop equips students with the skills and knowledge they need to maximise saving and spend smarter, now and in the future.

Several concepts are covered, including:
- credit cards and keycards
- earning money
- spending habits
- comparative shopping
- maximising savings

STAGE 3 This highly applicable workshop gives students a practical framework for realistic, financial goal setting, by encouraging them to 'See It, Earn It, Save It'. Using engaging activities, students learn about opportunities to earn money now, and are excited about making their savings goals a reality. By encouraging creativity and smart saving, students are empowered to start looking after their money immediately as well as for the future.

Several concepts are covered, including:
- goal setting
- earning money
- saving strategies
- interest
- banks

**Athletics Carnival** A huge thank you to the parents, students and teachers for a successful carnival. Special thanks to convenor Miss Croft. The bake sale was well supported so thank you parents who continue to give to this school.

**Peer Support**

Peer Support has been running smoothly so far and the stage 3 leaders have been working very hard to deliver their sessions each week. The leaders have been learning to work as a team and to be prepared before each session. This involves sharing responsibilities, making decisions and problem solving. The students have been learning about how friendships can change, the importance of networks and the role that friends play in each other’s lives. This week the students will learn about the importance of taking turns and having consistent rules throughout a game.

**PSSA Results** Friday 29th May

**Soccer** V Glenmore Rd at Queen’s Park.

- **Juniors:** lost  Score: 5-1
- **Player of the Week:** James K
- **Seniors:** won  Score: 5-3
- **Player of the Week:** Ege

**Highlights:** The Senior game was very exciting with many great attacking players from both sides. The juniors suffered their first loss of the season. James scored a brilliant goal in the first half to level the scores but the opposition proved too strong.

**Next Opponent:** Vaucluse A

**Netball** v at Moore Park.

- **Junior A:** Won Score: 11-2  Amelia
- **Junior B:** lost  Score: 7-2  Jemma
- **Senior A:** lost  Score: 14-4  Aliya
- **Senior B:** lost  Score: 16-9  Carla

**Highlights:** Junior A team demonstrated excellent throwing skills and worked well together, Sammi also shot some great goals. The Junior B team have improved and are beginning to learn the game. The Senior A&B teams tried hard.

**Traffic Congestion**

The school is attempting to have a safer alternative when picking up students of an **afternoon**. We need your help in letting the council know that the congestion on Doncaster Avenue has caused unsafe conditions for students during pick up time.

To let council know of your concerns and request a change to Bowral Street we ask you to sign a petition. [http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/pick-drop-safety-first](http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/pick-drop-safety-first)

The school proposes the following change so we can have a pick up zone which is safer.

Firstly, students would be picked up from the double gates on Bowral Street. Walkers would leave via the Todman Ave gate with the Doncaster Ave gates remaining locked.

Cars join the queue at the end of the line from the corner of Todman and Doncaster Avenues; continue to roll forward along Doncaster and turning left into Bowral Street. Parents would turn down the passenger visor where the family name would be displayed and the child/ren would be called to the gates by megaphone. Students would get into the car at one of the five stations available the car then continues down Bowral Street and the next car moves into the station. **Please no U turns! You must turn left into Anzac Parade.**

Families with one child should be in line for a 3.00pm-3.05pm pick-up. Families with two children at school should join from around 3.10pm and those with three or more should join from 3.15pm. Should your child not be at the station you will be asked to go around the block.

It is proposed we give this a trial from Tuesday 9 June until the end of the term, despite there being no Kiss & Drop zone in place on Bowral St. This will only work if cars join the line in an orderly way on Doncaster Ave and continue a roll forward motion. Anyone trying to join in the line will stop traffic on Doncaster Ave causing the usual congestion. **Please note that this procedure only applies to the AFTERNOON session. We also need parent volunteers to help at the stations.**

### Main Points for Afternoon Pickup

1. Prepare a sign for your cars passenger visor.
2. Doncaster Gates are locked.
3. All car pick-ups via Bowral double gates.
4. All pedestrians leave via Todman gate.
5. **Orderly** entry to the traffic line.
6. Students will need to arrive promptly at the gates from class.
7. Please no getting out of the car.
8. Please go around the block if your child is not ready.
9. Take note of best pick up times.
Multicultural Day 2015

The annual celebration of our school's wonderfully diverse community is to be held next Tuesday 9th June.

Students are invited to wear national costumes of significance on the day. If not, school uniform (Australian colours) should be worn.

We would like to invite parents, grandparents, families and friends of KPS to join us for a shared lunch in the playground at 12.30 pm.

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. Please bring a paper plate or an empty lunchbox and fork for your child and your guests to use.

*Please remember to keep the food NUT FREE (including food cooked in peanut oil) to ensure the food is safe for all children to eat.

We will ask you to complete the form to label all of the ingredients in your plate of food.

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

We ask everyone to bring in a gold coin donation to go towards Sharmin’s annual sponsorship on Multicultural Day.

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**Tuesday 14 July, 2015**

Mufti Day – Thursday 11th June
Mufti Day is not far away. Don’t forget your gold coin donations on Thursday 11th June.

Minions Movie Night – Friday 19th June
**TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE.** Tickets cost $15 each and are available to purchase from [www.trybooking.com/HUXD](http://www.trybooking.com/HUXD). If you would prefer to pay cash please print out a booking form from the BLOG and hand it into your class teacher with the correct money. Proceeds from the movie night will pay for new readers for years K-2.

Christmas in July Trivia Night (Adults only) - Friday 24th July
Some great prizes have already been sourced for the raffle but we still need more. If you are able to donate a prize please contact kensopandc@gmail.com. We are looking for experience prizes, sporting memorabilia, beauty products, electrical products etc. Please ask family, friends, anyone you can think of to help make this fundraiser a success. This is our major fundraiser of the year. All proceeds will go towards new speakers for the Shade Shelter.

Waiting Gate Concerns
At the last P&C meeting on 25/05/15 some concerned parents asked for a discussion on how we could improve the waiting gate process. With increased pressures on parking around the Kensington area now and even more so in the future when the Light Rail construction starts the congestion around the waiting gate is only going to get worse.

It was agreed that in the long term the solution would be for the waiting gate to continue around the block to Bowral St – with pick ups only allowed on this street. In order for this to happen we would have to petition Randwick Council’s traffic committee. Daryl Lo has said he would head up a committee regarding this so if you would like to be involved please contact him on this email: lo.daryl@gmail.com

Without the support of the whole school in letting council’s traffic committee of our concerns we will continue to have this increasingly unsafe situation when picking up our children. Join the petition at [http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/pick-drop-safety-first](http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/pick-drop-safety-first)

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Please see the BLOG (link attached) for more information. 

Date of the Next Meeting
The next P&C meeting will be Tuesday 23rd June at 7.30pm in the Library. The agenda will be uploaded to the BLOG one week before. Hope to see you there!