Mascots from Balamarra, Mirabooka, Pindaree and Kurpinta

Georgia reaches the end of her race

Kensington Swimming Carnival Results 2016

Congratulations to all children in Balamarra who contributed to a fantastic win for their house this year. Balamarra was closely followed by Kurpinta, Mirabooka and Pindaree.

The standard of swimming has improved enormously over recent years thanks to the efforts of parents and children.

Special congratulations to the following children who won their events

- Open, 100m freestyle..... Montanah and Jesse
- 12 yr, 50m freestyle..... Ale and Aiden
- 11 yr, 50m freestyle .... Cassini and Jesse
- 10 yr, 50m freestyle ... Alva and Jack
- 9 yr, 50m freestyle... Sienna R and Ethan
- 8 yr, 50m freestyle....Carolyn and Liam
- Jnr breaststroke.... Bronte and Jack
- 11 yr breaststroke....Cassini and Tengjun
- Snr breaststroke.... Amina and Frankie
- Jnr butterfly......... Lara and Jack
- 11 yr butterfly .... Cassini and Jehudah
- Snr yr butterfly ...Amina
- Jnr backstroke .... Bronte and Jack
- 11 yr backstroke..... Cassini and Jehudah
- Snr backstroke..... Ale and Ari

The following students will be representing Kensington at the Zone Carnival on 2nd March at the Des Renford Aquatic Centre. Their selection was based on placings and times from our school carnival.


Congratulations to all students and good luck!

Mrs Karen Davis
**PSSA Results**

PSSA results from games played on 19 February 2016

**T-Ball/ Softball v Darlinghurst A at Queens Park**

**Juniors** lost **Score** 22-20 **Player of the Week** Sienna P

**Seniors** won **Score** 10-5 **Player of the Week** Carla

**Highlights:** The T-ballers batted extremely well in their first competitive game, especially Sienna P, Alva and Bronte. The Softballers worked well as a team in a high standard game. Carla did not let the ball go past her as a catcher and Tahlia fielded well.

**Oztag at Queens Park**

**Junior Boys v Bellevue Hill** won **Score** 7-1 **Player of the Week** Lachlan

**Senior Boys Gold v Darlinghurst B** won **Score** 6-1 **Player of the Week** Jonas

**Senior Boys Green v Darlinghurst A** lost **Score** 2-6 **Player of the Week** Zac

**Highlights:** There was some fierce defence and spectacular attacking play from all teams. Zac proved elusive with his dazzling display of footwork. Frankie was solid in the defensive line making some crucial tags and Richard came up with a try-stopping tag with a last minute dive just before the try line. Putting in the hard yards, Adem scored a memorable try after taking possession of the ball on the half-way line.

The Juniors displayed a brilliant team attitude and scored outstanding tries from both kick offs.

Most impressively though, was the way all boys supported and encouraged each other, even helping out the opposition with explanations of some game playing strategies when they were unsure.

The three teams should be congratulated on the way they played and represented Kenso.

**K-2 Term 1 Assembly Roster** Tuesday 2.20pm

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**Canteen**

A reminder that the canteen will remain closed for Term 1. However, a tendering process has been started with a view for a new operator in place by Term 2.

Thank you for your understanding with this issue.

**Notes Home**

- Year 5& 6 Canberra Expression of Interest Note
- Gifted and Talented Art Classes (limited notes)
- P&C Parent Details Sheet
- District Swimming Carnival
School Council Elections
Our School Council is due for re-election and we are seeking nominations. All parent nominations should be in a sealed envelope to the Office by 3 pm Friday 4th March 2016.

- Ballot papers will be in the newsletter of Wednesday, 9th March with voting papers to be returned to school by 3 pm, Friday, 18th March 2016.
- The election process must be concluded before the next Meeting to be held at 6:30 pm on Tuesday 23 March, 2016.

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**Uniform Shop**
Due to the availability of our parent volunteers, the Uniform shop will now be open every Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 8.30 am to 9.00 am.

**After School Pick Up**
Thank you to the parents who use the drive by pick up each afternoon. The process is smooth and effective.

However, we are experiencing some challenges within the playground after school as there are so many clubs, two OOSH centres and an ever increasing number of students playing after the bell has gone. Some students are not leaving the school promptly causing some confusion as to who is supposed to be in which area of the school. This is of course a major duty of care issue for the various groups that use the school.

From today one of the executive staff will patrol the playground asking students and parents to move to the room or area they are supposed to be. For example, the KPS OOSH will mark the K-2 roll in their room with the 3-6 roll being marked in the hall. Other clubs such as Technotastic, Art classes and Homework will go to their rooms. The Squiggler OOSH is always clear as to where their children are to meet.

This allows the staff to determine which students are still in the playground and move them to the right area for pick up or to go home ensuring a more effective duty of care by the various groups using the school each afternoon.
A successful AGM took place last night and the new P&C committee were voted in. The new committee members are as follows:

**President**
Sophie Kysil

**Vice President (1)**
Leeza Fuzi

**Vice President (2)**
Louise Zaverdinos

**Treasurer**
Kylie O’Reilly

**Secretary**
Megan Escott

Good luck to the new committee! We look forward to a year packed with fun events for the children – and one or two for adults!

Class Parent lists will be starting up again this year as it is a useful way of contacting other parents regarding P&C events, arranging playdates, birthday parties etc.

If you would like to be the Class Parent for your class then please let your teacher know.

All that is required is the collation of an email list of the parents in your class and then the periodic (probably twice a month) email distribution to the parents on your list. Easy!

**P&C Minutes**

If you are unable to come to P&C meetings then don’t forget that you can access the minutes on our BLOG.