Zone Swimming Carnival

Last Wednesday a number of students represented our school at the Zone Swimming Carnival at Des Renford Aquatic Centre. They are all to be congratulated for their efforts, enthusiasm and behaviour. Congratulations to Jack Year 5 who will now proceed to the Regional Swimming Carnival.

Congratulations to Jack Year 5 who came first in the junior backstroke and third in the junior butterfly at the Zone Swimming Carnival.

School Council Representatives

The School Council aims to enable school community participation in the planning and management of the school and to foster closer links between the school and its community.

Recently we called for nominations for three (3) parent reps on the Council. Three nominations were received and therefore there is no need for an election.


The P&C President, Sophie Kysil, also joins the Council. In addition, John Sunman is a co-opted member of the community on the Council.

The teacher representatives are:

together with the Principal, as the executive member, for a total of nine (9) participants. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday March 29th at 6.30pm.

Ideas are being sought through the Council to spend a $10 000 grant to foster community participation.

24th March at 8.30am

KEEP CALM AND TOAST SOME HOT CROSS BUNS

Thank you to the Pham Family at Bakers Delight for donating the buns for the P&C event
PSSA Results
PSSA results from games played on 4 March 2016.

T-Ball/ Softball v Randwick A at Queens Park
T-ball lost Score 23-17 Player of the Week Sienna F.
Highlights: Alva smashed the ball into the outfield and Sienna F. fielded brilliantly.

Softball lost Score 15-13 Player of the Week Talia
Highlights: Talia set us up in the 1st innings with a great catch. It was a close game and very skillful with everyone contributing.

Oz tag at Queens Park
Junior Boys v Rose Bay B won Score 7-0 Player of the Week Christian
Senior Boys Gold v Bellevue Hill B won Score 8-2 Player of the Week Frankie
Senior Boys Green Bye

Highlights: Our Juniors stepped up this week, playing like seasoned professionals. Again, the defense was fierce with great tagging from all members of the team. Some clever passing enabled the boys to create space in attack and resulted in 3 tries from plays of the ball behind the halfway line. The Senior team demonstrated speed, discipline in defense and a hunger for the win. Keanu was brilliant with tags all over the field. James and Jonas were a great combination when at dummy-half and first receiver, showing quick hands with their passes. Frankie and Adem both left the opposition in their wake as they ran half the length of the field to score their tries.
All players should be congratulated on another great week of Oz tag.

Congratulations to Sami Year 6 for her selection in the NSW PSSA State Tennis Carnival to be held on Tuesday 3 May to Friday 6 May in Tweed Heads.

Notes Home
- Year 2 ICAS Competitions Note
- Year 3-6 ICAS Competitions Note
- Year 6 Personal Development Lesson Note

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.

2017 Year 7 Selective High Tests
Applicants for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2017 are required to take the Selective High School Placement Test to be held from 9.00am to 1.30pm on Thursday 10 March 2016.

The test centre for students from your school is:
Sydney Boys High School
Moore Park, SURREY HILLS NSW 2010

All parents were sent a letter telling them which test centre their child is required to attend. They were also sent a copy of a document called, Test Information for Parents and Students.

K-2 Term 1 Assembly Roster Tuesday 2.20pm

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Languages Other Than English Survey
The school is fortunate to embrace families from 40 language backgrounds. A recent survey of languages found Kensington Public School has people who can speak or understand:

- Albanian
- Arabic
- Assyrian neo-aramaic
- Bengali
- Bulgarian
- Cantonese
- Chinese other
- Croatian
- Czech
- Filipino
- French
- German
- Greek
- Gujarati
- Hindi
- Hokkien
- Indonesian
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Malayalam
- Mandarin
- Marathi
- Mongolian
- Nepali
- Persian (excluding dari)
- Polish
- Portuguese
- Punjabi
- Russian
- Serbian
- Shona
- Sinhalese
- Spanish
- Swahili
- Swedish
- Tagalog
- Tamil
- Telugu
- Thai
- Tongan
- Turkish
- Vietnamese
Repeated items – for your information

**Fiji Appeal**
One of our parents has set up a go fund page for the school to channel any fundraising for the Fiji cyclone appeal. [https://www.gofundme.com/rkr9wq3j](https://www.gofundme.com/rkr9wq3j).

Thank you to Jaylei (4C) and Tahlia (2O) and their mother for providing the school community an opportunity to support our Pacific neighbour.

**Easter Raffle**
Easter is just around the corner and each year at Kensington Public School, we hold an Easter egg raffle to raise money for the Sydney Children's Hospital in Randwick. Each child is asked to bring in an Easter egg or festive item to be placed in their class prize baskets. There will be 4 prize baskets for each class to win. SRC reps will begin selling raffle tickets in class from Thursday 10th March.

Each ticket will cost 50 cents or 5 for $2.00.

Please notify your child’s teacher if you are able to assist with making up the prize baskets.

**Easter Hat Parade**
There will also be K-2 Fancy Hat Parade on Thursday 24th of March. It will be held under the COLA from 9.15-10.15am. Parents and friends are invited to attend, or come along early to enjoy hot cross buns and coffee, which is being sold by the P & C.

Each child in K-2 is asked to make or decorate a festive hat at home with their parents/carers and bring to school on Monday 21st of March. Thank you and Happy Easter!  **Ms Fredman**

**Harmony Day**
On Monday 21st March our school will be celebrating Harmony Day which celebrates Australia’s cultural diversity. It’s about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. It is a day for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common.

The central message for Harmony Day is that ‘everyone belongs’, reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness to all Australians.

We ask that children wear something orange and bring in a cut-up orange to eat at recess.

We will also collect a gold coin that goes to our sponsor child Sor in Cambodia.

**SRC**
Students in the SRC will hold a fundraiser every Friday selling “Zooper Dooper” ice blocks at lunch to KPS students.

The cost is $1.

**Ethics Teachers – Volunteers Required.**

Would you like to volunteer and be trained to facilitate ethics classes at Kensington Public School?

Please visit the Primary Ethics website [www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au) to find out more and reply to the KPS Ethics Coordinator, Brad Tarlington ([btarlington@gmail.com](mailto:btarlington@gmail.com)), if you are interested in participating.

**Entertainment Books on sale**

This year, the Sydney Entertainment™ Book and Entertainment™ Digital Membership will again sell for only $70. The Sydney Greater West edition will sell for only $65, with $14 being contributed to KPS.

Each book contains over $20,000 of value!

If you would like to purchase a book, please let the school know and we will arrange for John Donohoe to pre-order one for you and arrange to have it hand-delivered to you, or he can direct you to the payments page (for those requiring digital membership).

Uniform shop is open every **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** morning from 8.30 am to 9.00 am.
Three reasons why you can’t miss out on Hot Cross Buns:

1. Freshly baked and generously donated by the Bakers Delight (thank you Pham Family!) - they’re perfect for an easy afternoon tea. Your kids might not forgive you if you don’t buy any!

2. Deliciously soft – a delight to your tastebuds and your tummy.

3. All proceeds to Year 6 Leavers Tshirts – a KPS tradition and meaningful ritual for Year 6 kids on their journey towards High School.

Where to get your Hot Cross Buns:

- At the K-2 Easter Parade 8.30am – 9.30am Thu 24 March at aschool. Six-packs $4, singles $1. And grab a barista-made coffee to kickstart your day!

- Pre-order online here by 2pm Fri 18 March. Six-pack $4.30 (includes 30c booking fee). We’ll send the buns home with your kids on Thu 24 March.

http://www.trybooking.com/KRQE

Meet the P&C

This week we introduce you to the P&C Committee. Look out for them and say hello! Suggestions for fundraising and social events are always welcome. Beyond the Committee there are lots of other parents who help out in so many ways - not enough space for all your photos but a HUGE thank you to all of you.

Sophie Kysil – President
Kids at KPS: Jordan in 2B and Joshua in 1E
I’m very excited to be on this year’s P&C and contributing to my children’s education in an active way – particularly via fund raising which I hope many parents will be involved in.

Kylie Ziros – Treasurer
Kids at KPS: John in 1E
I’m pleased to be serving my first year on the P&C. My husband went to KPS, so it’s lovely to support the school and see it evolve and flourish.

Megan Escott – Secretary
Kids at KPS: Alexander in 1E
I’m delighted to be serving a second year on the P&C committee and look forward to a number of exciting events we have planned for the year.”

Leeza Fuzi – Vice President
Kids at KPS: Aidan in 1C
I’m passionate about raising money for the school to help our children’s education.

Louise Zaverdinos – Vice President
Kids at KPS: Sandy in 5/4K and William in KC
I’m really looking forward to doing more to support all KPS kids via P&C activities.

Mark your diary...

- Hot Cross Buns 8.30am – 9.30am Thu 24 March at school, or preorder by 2pm Fri 18 Mar

- MUFTI Day Tue 5 April – a uniform-free day for the kids, gold coin donation

- Next P&C Meeting – all parents & care-givers warmly welcomed! 7.30 pm Tues 29 March (School Library)

- Class Parent Forms – please return to your child’s teacher via Communications Folder
Parents...

Booking interviews with your child’s teacher is as easy as 1 - 2 - 3:

1. Enter your details
First enter your name, your student's name(s), and your email address.

2. Choose teachers
On the next page, pick the teachers you want to meet.
First select the subject or year, then choose from the list of teachers.

3. Choose times
Then you'll see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you.

When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. And if something comes up, you can return to the site and change your interviews whenever you want.

You can start right now - just enter the school code and press "Go".

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P.O.Box 41, Kensington 1465
Phone (02) 9663 3955
Email: kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
www.kensington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
The creation of an Alumni garden at KPS is an attempt to recognise the history of the school. 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 your time n being a part of a wonderful learning community.

**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. We operate the program each year and close the activity on the last day of Term 3 of the school year.

**OFFER CLOSES 23 SEPTEMBER 2016.**

(Pay at [www.kensington-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.kensington-p.schools.nsw.edu.au) and look for ‘Make a Payment’)

**OPTION 1**

$30

Standard Name

(up to 3 lines of text or picture)

**OPTION 2**

$50

Double Name

(up to 6 lines of text)

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**PARTIAL ENGRAVING**

- **Zoe Smith**
- **Chelsea Priamo**

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- **Johnstone Family**
- **Charlie, Samantha & Brian**

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