

***We are a Child Safe School.
All children have the right to feel safe and to learn.
We are committed to protecting the wellbeing of students in our care.***

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 16th June	<i>Interschool Sports vs. Thomastown (Away game) Pie drive orders close (due by 9am)</i>
Monday 19th June	<i>Semester 1 Reports available on Compass Assembly, 3.00pm</i>
Tuesday 20th June	<i>Prep 2024 School Tours, 10.00am</i>
Wednesday 21st June	<i>Student Led 3 Way Conferences, 11am-5:45pm Pie drive orders delivered</i>
Thursday 22nd June	<i>Canteen open for recess sales only</i>
Friday 23rd June	<i>Term 2 ends @ 1.30pm</i>
Monday 10th July	<i>Term 3 commences for all students, 9.00am Assembly, 3.00pm</i>
Tuesday 11th July	<i>Prep 2024 School Tours, 10.00am</i>
Wednesday 12th July	<i>Playgroup, 9.00am—11.00am Uniform Shop open for sales, 9.00am—10.00am</i>
Thursday 13th July	<i>Canteen open for sales</i>

From the Principal,

Greetings all in the Kingsbury community.

This will be our last newsletter for Term 2, so I wanted to conclude with a quick wrap up and a big highlight.

First the highlight.

Last Thursday, twenty of our students joined forces with Sonic Productions to collaborate on a creative sound scape. It involved our students recording sounds from our school environment, editing them using some fairly advanced IT skills and blending them with back beats. Sounds really complicated doesn't it !!!! After three hours of solid effort the groups came back with some outstanding products. More importantly the way that the students collaborated was just top draw.

In fact, Jason (one of the instructors from Sonic) sent me a text providing some feedback on how the session went.

“Brett, thank you for today and I wanted to follow up because it was such a pleasure to be at Kingsbury. The kids were amazing and we were very impressed with what you are doing. We have never seen a group produce such great content.”

It's probably what we have come to expect from our students and they never fail to deliver. We look forward to our next special event (our Literature Group) which will run in July with some students from Grades 3-6.

Now the rest of the information

Three -way conferences will be held on Wednesday June 21st. **Students only** need to attend at their conference time with their parents on that particular day. It is a great opportunity for parents, teachers and students to talk about their first Semester of learning. **Please book through Compass.**

Our **Tutor** program has re-booted for the next twelve weeks. Our Grade 3-6 Numeracy tutoring started with Kerrie on Tuesday and will continue on in Term 3. We also look forward to welcoming Sonia to our team who will be working with some of our senior students on Literacy.

From the Principal (continued)

In the Junior School , Anne Atkinson will continue her work with small groups on Literacy and Numeracy. Anne does a great job and the students she works with always show the benefit of her expertise. A new program will also commence in Term 3 that I am sure will be one that will be successful. Our two Arts specialist Alice and Renee will be running small group sessions on a Friday supporting students with collaboration. The sessions will involve students working on a piece of art (visual or performing) that requires communication, teamwork and decision making. Alice and Renee will run the sessions on alternate Fridays.

2024 Preps

I can't believe it, but we are already planning for 2024. If your child attends Kingsbury and they have a sibling at kinder, we look forward to them joining us in the new year. The process is very simple, just get an enrolment form from the office and return it to the office. Ideally, we would like these forms submitted by July 28th Our Prep teachers (Mrs Valkanis and Ms Nguyen) are preparing a terrific program in the back half of the year.

Thank you to

Sarah (the mum of Tianah, Alexis and Kayden) who does so much work around our school . Sarah not only does;

- Playgroup
- Uniform
- School Council
- Fundraising

but she also helps out in the Prep classroom. Sometimes it's easy to take the work of someone like Sarah for granted. But today won't be that day. So from us to you.....**THANKS!**

While we are at it, I would also thank to Cindy (Destenee's mum) who runs our Canteen. It's a fun part of life at KPS and without Cindy's efforts it wouldn't be half as good as it is.

When you see them say thanks. They sure do deserve it.

Lastly

Mobile Phone/Watches

A friendly reminder that our Mobile Phone Policy states that all phones and devices that connect to cellular networks and/or can take photos/videos, are handed in at the start of the day. These are then returned to students at the end of the day. Any students who are carrying these devices are required to follow this policy and we appreciate your support in this and ask you to have a conversation with your child if this relates to them.

Traffic/Car Parking

Further to student safety, we thank everyone who adheres to the local government and Vic Roads laws regarding the use of vehicles in and around both the school and community. Unfortunately, we have heard complaints of cars sitting across driveways and students exiting cars when not properly parked.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation and support with this matter that impacts not only student safety but that of the wider community.