

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 10th May	<i>Mother's Day Stall & Raffle</i>
Monday 13th May	<i>Bike Ed Program continues</i> <i>Assembly, 3.15pm</i>
Tuesday 14th May	<i>Year 3 & 5 Naplan Testing</i> <i>School Enrolment Tours, 10.00am</i>
Wednesday 15th May	<i>School Banking Day</i> <i>Year 3 & 5 Naplan Testing</i>

From the Principal,

Ramadan

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar and is observed by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting to commemorate the first revelation of the Quran to Muhammad according to Islamic belief. This annual observance is regarded as one of the Five Pillars of Islam. The month lasts 29-30 days based on the visual sightings of the crescent moon, according to numerous biographical accounts compiled in the hadiths. (Information provided by Wikipedia). Ramadan commenced on Sunday 5th May and concludes on Tuesday 4th June.

Mother's Day Stall

As part of our fundraising program, our Parents & Friends Group have run a Mother's Day stall, today, Thursday 9th May for all students. There was an assortment of gifts for students to purchase, ranging from 50c to \$5.00. If your child forgot to bring their money today, the stall will also be open tomorrow morning, Friday 10th May, from 9.30am for a short period of time. A Mother's Day Raffle will also take place tomorrow at 3.15pm in the Isurava building. We thank our wonderful volunteers for organising this event. I wish all mothers and grandmothers a wonderful Mother's Day on Sunday 12th May.

Student Absences

Parents are required to ensure their child attends school and to provide an explanation for their child's absence from school. This can be done in 3 ways, preferably before 10.00am on the day of absence:

- ▶ A telephone call to the school office on 9462 2711.
- ▶ A message via our "Flexibuzz" app (free download on the App Store)
- ▶ Email kingsbury.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au

I must be able to determine from the records if the excuse given was reasonable in terms of the parent meeting their legal obligations. Parents should promptly inform the school for their child's absence so that the school can:

- ▶ Determine if the child's absence needs to be excused by the principal, in line with school policy
- ▶ Determine the appropriate follow up to ensure the child's education and wellbeing is supported
- ▶ Record if the parent has a reasonable excuse for not meeting their obligation to ensure their child attends school each day.

Earlier this week our absence processes were audited by the Department of Education. We have been reminded that it is our legal obligation to ensure that a reasonable explanation is provided by parents for all student absences. I ask all parents to comply with this responsibility. If you are planning on taking an extended family holiday or returning to home countries, a letter of request must be submitted to me prior to the holiday.

Samples of letters going home

Attached to this newsletter are sample letters which will be sent home on a monthly basis, should we have no record of why your child was absent on a particular day.

From the Principal (continued)

Naplan and Attitudes to School Survey

Students in Years 3 and 5 will undertake Naplan Testing next week. For many children, this will be a new experience, particularly as in 2019, the testing is conducted online. Testing will be conducted over the whole week. You can help prepare your child for next week by:

- Ensuring they arrive at school on time and 'Ready to Learn'.
- They have had a good night's sleep, breakfast and have snack/lunch for during the day.
- Discussing Naplan with them. Naplan is just one form of testing, to see how your child is doing on a particular day and time. Teachers know each child very well and will also undertake other assessments so they can tell you and your child how they are going at school. This information will be shared in School Reports and Conferences at the end of the term.

The Attitudes to School Survey asks students in Years 4-6 how they think they are going at school and how well they are supported by the teachers and the school. We ask students to be fair and respectful when they are choosing their answers and we take their responses seriously. This 'student voice' helps us plan future activities and curriculum.

Election Day Barbecue

We still require many more helpers to run our Election Day Barbecue on Saturday 18th May, successfully. This is an opportunity to showcase our school, raise money and be part of a community event. Please write your name on the roster in the office if you can assist.

Vietnamese Cultural Class

This class begins tomorrow at 9.00am. It is a chance to celebrate the Vietnamese culture with students of Vietnamese heritage. We will be playing games, singing and having fun—in Vietnamese. It is not too late to join us. If your child would like to come along tomorrow and they have not signed up— please see me in the morning. I will be joining in with the fun.

Modelling gratitude to children

At the end of each day is a perfect opportunity to remind children to be grateful for the opportunities they have. I used to do the following activity with my children each night over dinner.

Instead of pestering your children with questions such as, "How was school?" and, "What did you do today?", teach them to reframe their day by asking the following questions instead.

Everyone must answer three questions:

- 1) What did someone do today to make you happy?
- 2) What did you do to make someone else happy?
- 3) What have you learned today?

I love this simple exercise for how it helps us all find the positive in every day. It teaches gratitude, nurtures optimism, and recognises kindness. It doesn't matter what may have happened at work or school, or how stressed any of us may have felt when we sat down at the table; the whole mood seems to lighten after playing the game. I learnt things about my kids that they'd probably never have thought to tell me otherwise. Try it. It might just become the highlight of your day.

Thank you for supporting our school

Christine Campbell
Principal



We are excited to be taking part in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you. From now until June 25th 2019, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker sheet. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school or you can drop them into your local Woolworths collection box. The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more! We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at School.

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09/05/2019



Our records indicate
was absent, late or left early, without explanation, on the following occasions:

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Date	Morning	Afternoon	Reason for Absence
31/01/2019	Absent	Absent	_____
01/02/2019	Absent	Absent	_____
28/03/2019	Absent	Absent	_____

Could you please provide explanations for each of the above absences in the space provided and sign and return this form to home group teachers Mrs S BEVAN & Ms S Cunado
OR Complete and return this letter to the above address at your earliest convenience.

Mrs Christine CAMPBELL
School Principal

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

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This letter is to confirm that . absences on the following days are recorded as follows:

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Date	Morning	Afternoon
01/04/2019	Unexplained	Unexplained
02/04/2019	Unexplained	Unexplained

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Absences recorded as 'Parent Choice Unauthorized' or 'Unexplained' indicate you have not met your responsibilities under the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006* to ensure your child attends school at all times, because you have not provided a reasonable excuse. If your child has repeated absences classified by the Principal as 'Parent Choice Unauthorised' or which remain Unexplained, you could be issued with an Attendance Notice from a school attendance officer. If you are having difficulties ensuring your child attends school each day or require support, please contact the school for advice.

If you have any queries about the recording of these absences, please contact the school office. If you have any future planned absences, please discuss these with your child's home group teacher who will advise on the required process.

Mrs Christine CAMPBELL
School Principal

CANTEEN NEWS

Roster Term 2

Wednesday 15th May

Cindy Hodgson & Marjorie Hodgson

Thursday 16th May

Canteen soup day

Friday 17th May

Sarah Arnold, Alicia Nelson & Effie Blakis



Special Soup Day Lunch

Canteen Special Soup Lunch Day is Thursday 16th May. Order forms have been sent home and more are available from the School Administration Office or the Canteen. If you don't want soup you can still order from canteen menu.

Parent Volunteers

Canteen is still in need of volunteers if you like to help please see me in canteen or fill out form on back of soup order form.

New products

Vegetarian Fried Rice \$4.70 each and Vegetarian Pastie \$3.40 each (new recipe)

Term 2 & 3 Specials

Hot Chocolate with 2 Marshmallows \$1.80 each available Recess only please pre-order

Hot Jam Donuts \$1.50 each available Recess & Lunch please pre-order.

Christine Mounthey

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

MONDAY 29TH APRIL—FRIDAY 3RD MAY



00A	<i>Genevieve</i>	For great work in Reading Groups.
1/2A	<i>Sao</i>	For great reading work.
1/2B	<i>Jasmine & Afridah</i>	For excellent reading, well done.
3/4A	<i>James</i>	For working cooperatively and helping others.
3/4B	<i>Khoa</i>	For always working hard to get his work completed.
5/6A	<i>Aditya</i>	For being an active participant in class discussions.
5/6B	<i>Calista</i>	For working well in her history group.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE FUNDRAISER



**The upcoming Election will be held on
Saturday 18th May 2019.**

We will have polling booths at school and we are hosting a sausage sizzle fundraiser on the day.

If you can provide us with an hour of your time, please pop into the school office and add your name to our roster.

These barbecues are run for the benefit of our students and to ensure we can provide quality programs and excursions.

KINGSBURY OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

THIS WEEK AT THE PROGRAM

A small rearrangement in our room this week has prompted a rediscovery and love of the dress ups. It has been great fun seeing the crazy characters and voices that the kids have created just with a change of outfit; in fact, I think we might have a few future Hollywood actors and actresses in our program!

Regular users of Before and After Care know that we are all looking forward to an upcoming activity and display where we are sharing baby photos of ourselves. If you or your child would like to participate, please be sure to bring in a favourite photo as soon as you can. We can't wait to see all the little faces and guess who is who!

This week's Junior Leader is Verity from OLW for always being a kind and caring member of our group. Well done, Verity!



Getting creative with Jenga pieces at Before Care. Kevin built the tallest and sturdiest tower and was declared the ultimate winner!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
BREAKFAST	Toast and cereal	Toast and cereal	Yogurt and granola	Toast and cereal	French toast
AFTERNOON TEA	Cheese toasties	Bolognese	Risotto	Chicken noodle soup	Banana bread
ACTIVITY 1	Woodwork	Cooking: Raspberry bliss balls	Puppet making	Cooking: Triple-choc cookies	Card making
ACTIVITY 2	Sandcastle competition	Tail tiggly	Foot golf	Dance games	Bocce
FREE PLAY IDEAS	Connect Four, domino challenge, draw a portrait of a leader, charades.				

Cross Country

On the 7th of May, 27 senior students competed in District Cross Country at Edwardes Lake. Although the weather was cold, everyone gave it their best shot and most came out successful.

The ten year olds ran 2000 meters and the eleven and twelve year olds ran 3000 meters. Although everyone tried their best only five kids made it through to Divisional, but we are still proud of everyone.

- ▶ Joey came 8th in the under ten boys
- ▶ Mia Mc came 7th in the eleven year old girls
- ▶ Jovan placed 2nd in the eleven year old boys
- ▶ Jake P placed 6th in the twelve year old boys
- ▶ Jasmin placed 7th in the twelve year old girls

We are extremely proud of everyone who ran and we can't wait to see how Divisional will come out.

Students of Kingsbury Primary attended the School Service as the school obtained its name from a member of the 2/14, Pvt. Bruce Kingsbury. He was the first Australian to win a Victoria Cross on Australian soil. The school colours are those of the 2/14 Battalion. Kingsbury Primary has a close association with the Battalion with students participating in many of the Associations events.

Ferntree Gully ANZAC Ceremony and the 1000 steps

On Wednesday the 1st May, the senior students were lucky enough to attend the ANZAC Ceremony for Schools. The event was run by Craig Iskov, the President of the 2/14 Battalion Association. Many representatives from the 2/14, 2/16 and 39 battalion attended.

The ceremony started shortly after we arrived. We were told stories of the soldiers' plight on the Kokoda Trail in Papua and the Fuzzy Wuzzy Angels who helped the Australian soldiers. We paid our respects with the last post and minute of silence and laid a wreath in their honour at the base of the statue *Mates*.

Once the ceremony was over, we prepared ourselves, ready to climb the 1000 steps, to see how it felt to walk, only a miniscule amount compared to the soldiers. It may have been difficult but it was amazing to see students helping one another to reach the top. Together we made it to the top, where three monuments stood in honour of those who died on the Kokoda Trail.

We walked down and headed back to the bus feeling accomplished, knowing that together, as a group, we completed something in honour for those who gave so much to defend and fight for our country.

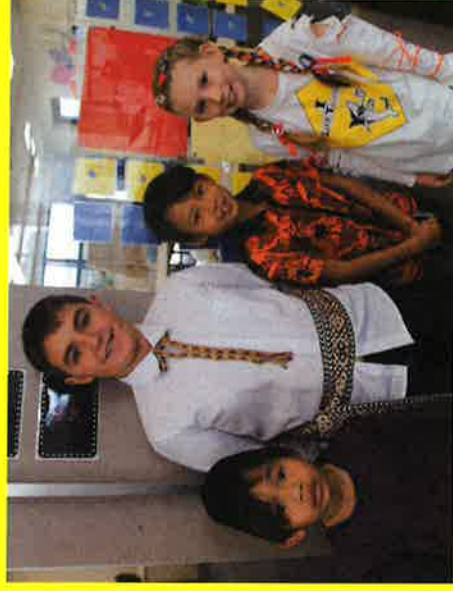
One of our students is visually impaired student (legally blind) decided he wanted to participate in the experience. Together with one of our staff, he not only climbed the 1000 steps but also walked back down to catch the bus.

Amaani, Kiki and Jasmin





KINGSBURY Primary School



2020 FOUNDATION (PREP)

TRANSITION AFTERNOON

Friday 16th August 2019

2:30pm—3:30pm

Bring your kinder age child to enjoy
an afternoon of activities and
information for parents.

EDUCATION WEEK OPEN MORNING

Tuesday 21st May 2019

9:00am—11:00am

2020 FOUNDATION FAMILY AFTERNOON

Thursday 23rd May 2019

2:30pm—3:15pm



SCHOOL TOURS

Every Tuesday at 10:00am

During Term 2

Bookings required

Alternatively, book a
personalised tour with the
Principal.

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