

Kenthurst Public School

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Term 4 Week 8

Friday 7 December 2018

Principal's Report

As the end of year fast approaches it is time to reflect on a magnificent year of achievements. Through academic success, sport, performances and behaviour this has been an exemplary year. New bathrooms have been built, classrooms refurbished, STEAM has been introduced and will continue next year in Science and Technology lessons. The Library has been refreshed with glass sliding doors and a new sport shed has been built that now contains all of our sports equipment in one easy accessible location. A half court concrete slab will be poured over the holidays, to accommodate our tennis players and enthusiasts; which is exciting.

School reports are now completed and we are all looking forward to our Presentation Assembly on Tuesday with some amazing achievements to celebrate. Our school leadership team will also include our House Captains for 2018.

This morning I had the pleasure of attending carols at the Bendigo Bank - Galston, our students performed many carols, led by Miss Allen. We thank the Bendigo bank manager Mr Gary Mangan for his generosity, support of our school and a kind donation of \$200. Our students were very excited to receive hot chips, a drink and a show bag.



I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the phenomenal team of teachers we have here at Kenthurst PS. Some of our teachers have had babies and we are thrilled when they bring them into show us and for cuddles. *A huge thank you to...*

Mrs Moore, Mrs Light, Mrs Ristuccia, Mrs Gibbs and Mrs Murphy who are so committed to their profession and contribute to reports, work extra hours eg setting up the Book Fair etc etc.

Staffing for 2019 is still being finalised and we appreciate your understanding in this matter. Situations change for people and we have always been fortunate in the quality of teacher who wants to work at our school. Only the best!

Our Reading Recovery program has been an incredible success under the leadership of **Ms Carol Edwards**. So many children have benefitted from her expertise and knowledge. The success has been extraordinary. Ms Edwards will be retiring this year and we all want to thank her for the legacy that she leaves and the *difference* she has made to children's lives. Enjoy lots of travel and please come and see us as we will miss you terribly.

Please check the dates for next week as it is extremely busy.

Looking forward to seeing you at our Presentation Assembly.

Yours, in quality education.

Caron Dodd

Principal



Just a reminder to check students bags before we get to the end of the year for any items not belonging to them, hats, jumpers etc

Diary Dates

Week 9 – Term 4

10 th December, Monday	Book Fair
11 th December, Tuesday	Book Fair 9.45am Awards Ceremony
12 th December, Wednesday	Book Fair
13 th December, Thursday	Book Fair Ends Year 6 Graduation Year 6 Farewell – Castle Hill RSL
14 th December, Friday	

Week 10 – Term 4

17 th December, Monday	
18 th December, Tuesday	K Factor
19 th December, Wednesday	Movie Day Last Day Term 4
20 th December, Thursday	Staff Development Day
21 st December, Friday	Staff Development Day

Important Dates – Term 1 - 2019

Wednesday 30th January – Students Years 1-6 Return

Monday 4th February – Kindy 2019 start

Friday 8th February – Swimming Carnival

Kindergarten Excursion to Calmsley Hill City Farm



Cuddling up to the animals in the petting farm



Milking a cow



Meeting a friendly rabbit



Going on a tractor ride



Enjoying the dog show



Watching a sheep be sheared

"A Day At The Farm" by Early Stage 1

I saw a big cow.

I saw a big camel.

My favourite part was
milking the cow and the
tractor ride too.

By Amiya

I saw a dog.

I saw a cow and I got to
milk it too.

My favourite part was the
dog show.

By Flynn

I saw a camel.

I saw a goat.

My favourite part was
watching the dog show.

By Liam

I saw a bunny and I got
to pat a bunny.

I saw a camel and it was
very big.

My favourite part was
the tractor ride.

By Abigail

From Mrs Tully and Mrs Popova -

On Monday, the 19th November, Kindergarten went to Calmsley Hill City Farm. It was a wonderful day with many excited children eager to experience "farm life."

In the morning, the children were given the opportunity to milk a cow, pet some traditional farm animals and enjoy a tractor ride.

After lunch, we were treated to a whip cracking show. Some of our students were chosen to have a turn and did an excellent job of cracking the whip.

In the afternoon we got to experience a very entertaining dog show and watch a live sheep shearing.

The children and teachers had a truly memorable day.



Petting a lamb



Viewing the snakes



Cracking a whip.



Enjoying the farm



A special thank you to all our parent helpers on day!



Move over Serena Williams.. Here comes our JESSICA

On Thursday 22nd Jessica played in the NSW PSSA Tennis Knock-out Year 6 Tournament at Parramatta. She played extremely well and came Runner up in the Year 6 girls singles tournament and came 1st in the Year 7 girls singles tournament.

An extremely good result, Go Jess!

80's Disco

Well Done - The SRC raised \$370, they have chosen to send the money to the Salvation Army.







SCHOLASTIC  Book Fairs

You're invited to our Scholastic BOOK FAIR!

Reading Is Out of This World!



Choose from a huge selection of books at the Fair!

Date: Fri 7th Dec - Wed 12th Dec Time: 8.30am - 4.00pm

Place: Kenthurst Public School Learning Centre

TO THE BOOK FAIR AND BEYOND!

Find these books and hundreds more at the Fair!

 SCHOLASTIC

P&C Wrap Up 2018

Another year is ending, and the P&C has had an amazing year raising funds for our school. We are proud to say that through our school community's support and the tireless efforts of our volunteers we have raised over \$25,000!!!

These funds have already been put to amazing use in the form of brand-new laptops for Stage 2 and 3 and brand-new iPads for Stage 1 and Kindergarten- which means in every classroom there is NOW enough WORKING devices for 1:2 ratio- which our teachers tell us is making a significant difference to their class groups, especially with numeracy and literacy. Well done Kenthurst!

Thanking you so much:

2018 saw us say good bye to some of our fabulous and integral committee members- **Tamela Biasi**, our Vice President, has been a huge part of the school community, the P&C Team & our inaugural Team Fireworks 2018- we are very grateful for the hours and hours of her time, blood, sweat, heart and effort she has put towards our school. Tamela, we wish you all the best with your new adventures and will miss all that you do at KPS. Thank you for everything you have put your heart and soul into.

Sheridan Binns, our secretary. Sheridan has held a vital role on our P&C Team and works tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that all our meetings are professionally minuted and documented as well as continuously putting her hand up at our events to offer hours of assistance. Thanks so much for everything.

Team 2019:

2019 P&C Team has been voted in and we are excited to announce the team to the school community:

President	Emma Comito
Vice Presidents	Cassie Brockman Kelly Turnbull
Treasurer	Rose Barnes
Secretary	Sonja Djukic
Fundraising	Tina James
Class Parent Co-Ordinator	Kylie Mote
Canteen Manager	Vanessa Collits
Uniform Shop Manager	Kylie Mote

Our team is very proud to be heading up the P&C and cannot run properly without the school community support- we welcome all faces to our meetings and any compliments or complaints you may have, feel free to contact any of the executive team.



Together we want to ensure the KPS has all the facilities, education & opportunities that our children deserve.

Keep an eye out each month for when the next meeting will be and be rest assured should you decided to attend, you will be more than welcome!

Plans for 2019...

The P&C aims to have an even more amazing year in 2019. We will only have 4 events that will require volunteers- so lock them in your diary now and feel free to pop your hand up when the time comes- our community of helpers is always looking for more to join!

- 1) **Fireworks 2019- Sat 6th April 2019 from 3.30pm- THE EVENT OF THE YEAR!** Plans are already underway, and we would love as many hands as possible helping at this event- the more help, the more we can do and therefore the more funds we can raise- funds that go straight back to your children's schooling. Details to come soon about just how you can get involved- it was a huge success in 2018 and we cannot wait to have it again!
- 2) **Mother's Day Breakfast & Stall-** a fun morning celebrating mums and the children absolutely love going shopping at the stall purchasing little gifts for their mum and grandma- we would love to have many dads cooking breakfast for the mums!
- 3) **Father's Day Breakfast & Stall-** celebrating all things dad and again, it is the cutest watching & helping the children shop for dad and granddad at the stall.
- 4) **Grandparents Day-** the P&C crank up the coffee machine and we love to see lots of helpers on the machine – makes for a fun and easy event to help at!

Wishing our school community a restful and fun Christmas and looking forward to seeing you in 2019!





Kenthurst Funzone Vacation Care

December 2018 – January 2019

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				Christmas Craft + Sports 20/12/2018	Movies 21/12/2018
Week 1				 Christmas decorations Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 READING CINEMAS Child 1 Child 2 Child 3
	Craft Day 14/1/2019	Pool Day 15/1/2019	Treasure Hunt 16/1/2019	Basketball Camp 17/1/2019	Tie Dye Art 18/1/2019
Week 2	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3
	Multicultural Day 21/1/2019	Pool + Bunnings 22/1/2019	Make a Movie 23/1/2019	Soccer Camp 24/1/2019	Carnival Day 25/1/2019
Week 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Crocodile encounter at Bunnings Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3	 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3
		Pool Day 29/1/2019			
Week 4		 Child 1 Child 2 Child 3			



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Booking Form

Family Name		Parent Name	
Child 1		Age	
Child 2		Age	
Child 3		Age	
Contact number		Email	
Total Sessions		Amount Due	

Service rates- Incursions: \$65 Excursions: \$75

Please sign here to acknowledge that your child is attending the above Days

Signed _____ Date: _____

I acknowledge the deposit paid is non-refundable even due to sickness and change of circumstance or mind.

Signed _____ Date: _____

Failure to notify the centre of cancellations less than 2 days (48 hours) prior to the scheduled day of attendance will result in the full charge for the day's service.

I give permission for my child/children to leave the centre and travel by our bus.

Signed _____ Date: _____

I give permission for my child/children to view appropriate PG movies either at the cinema or at the centre.

Signed _____ Date: _____

I give permission for my child/children to travel by car with a fully licensed staff member if need be.

Signed _____ Date: _____

I acknowledge that if my child does not have his/ her own water bottle when on an excursion I will be charged \$3 for the use of a Funzone owned water bottle.

Signed _____ Date: _____

All children attending centre excursions days are required for safety reasons to wear Kbaso blue top.





Kenthurst Funzone Vacation Care

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VACATION CARE HOURS

Open: 7am till 6.00pm

For 5 – 13 year olds from primary schools within the Hills community.

Please see program for daily fees.

Bring lunch, morning/afternoon tea and water for the day.

A \$30.00 non-refundable deposit is required to secure each day's booking.

Bookings will not be secure until the total deposit is paid and forms are correctly filled in and returned via hand or email back to staff at the centre. We do not accept verbal bookings.

To make a booking: complete and return the Kenthurst FunZone Vacation Care booking form available from the centre or via email, together with your deposit.

For more information call 0477 333 116 or email centre@kenthurstbasc.org.au

All outstanding fees must be paid prior to bookings.



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- Adults dealing with stress, teens (exam stress) children, babies, colic, etc;
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- Hormonal imbalance, excessive worrying, the elderly, after cancer treatment;
- Muscular tension etc,

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