



Kingswood Park

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EDITION

September 2020

...NEWSLETTER...

Kingswood Park students have a number of exciting things happening in Term 4 with weekly Dance2BFit lessons and Nulungu Dreaming also visiting weekly in the lead up to NAIDOC week.



**Always Was,
Always Will Be.**

8-15 NOV 2020

A MESSAGE FROM MRS SNELL

I have truly enjoyed my first few weeks as Principal at Kingswood Park Public School. I am getting to know our students, families, routines, systems and programs.



We have had a few changes to staff in the past few weeks with Miss Creasey returning to Bidwill PS as Instructional Leader and Miss Ryder now the teacher of S1C. These are wonderful promotional opportunities for both of these teachers. Due to our increase in student numbers we have also been given permission to advertise for a permanent second Assistant Principal. The process for this will occur in Term 4 with the successful candidate starting in 2021.

The school is currently reflecting on what we do well and what we can improve as School improvement is at the heart of the work we do as teachers and school leaders, and needs to 'touch every classroom' and impact every student. As we work through this process we will be asking for our parent community to provide us with feedback too as community engagement is a critical factor for improving the progress, achievement and wellbeing of our students. We will be asking for this through our Facebook page and our Seesaw app. We would love to have all parents and carers engaging with one or both of these platforms.



We continually update our Facebook page as the main source of information and celebration for our school community.



Class teachers use Seesaw to communicate and share learning directly with parents. Please ensure you have downloaded the FREE Seesaw Parent and Family App.

If you would like to speak with your child's class teacher, supervisor or Mrs Snell regarding a concern please make an appointment by calling our office or sending a message to the class teacher on Seesaw. The teacher or our office staff will pass on your request to the appropriate person. Staff will make contact with you to organise a mutually agreeable time for all.

Dance2bfit will be happening at school on Fridays next term. Dance2bfit is an energetic, innovative and fun way to get fit and funky with the latest dance styles to the hottest music tracks. This is a great program to improve the fitness levels of students while they are having a great time. Dance2bfit has been developed specifically for NSW Primary Schools under the PDHPE syllabus where students have fun learning a new dance each class.

EXISTING GUIDELINES FOR OPERATION

We are currently awaiting the Term 4 Guidelines for School Operations to be released before we make any decisions about the things that normally happen in Term 4 such as transition programs, award assemblies, graduations, farewells or excursions. Early in Term 4 we will advise parents of what we will be doing and send a calendar of key dates. We appreciate your patience as we navigate these unprecedented times.

YEAR 4 - 6 CANBERRA CAMP

Unfortunately, due to Covid 19 we have made the very difficult decision to cancel our 2021 Canberra Camp.

INCURSION/EXCURSION FEE REFUNDS

Due to COVID 19 many of our planned activities and events have been cancelled or restricted this year. As a result we have been ***refunding fees paid for Incursion/Excursion, Camp and Dance Group.***

Refunds are processed through the Department of Education and can take up to 30 days.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES

Drop off and pick up will remain the same for at least the beginning of Term 4. With all K-6 students to enter through the main gate on the office side of the school with parents dropping the children at the gate. Please do not enter the school with your child unless you have an organised meeting or interview. Please organise your child to order lunches themselves and if they are late please buzz at the gate and the office staff will organise safe entry into the school. There is no need to sign your child in by coming into the office.

The preschool gate is only to be used by preschool students and 1 parent to enter to sign your child in at the preschool. This system has been working extremely well so please continue to follow these procedures when entering the preschool.

The afternoon collection of students will remain the same with K-2 classes dismissed from the gate at 2:45 when parents collect them. The 3-6 students will be dismissed at 2:55 using the same procedures. Please let the office know if there are changes to the pickup routine for your child or if you are going to be late to collect your child.



ENROLMENTS

Kingswood Park PS is currently accepting enrolments for the 2021 school year for all years from Preschool to Year 6. If you have a child to start preschool or Kindergarten next year or know of anyone in our area who has a child to start in 2021 please contact the school office to begin the enrolment procedure.

Email: kingswoopk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Kingswood Park Public School Little Tracks to Big School Transition to School Program

We welcome children and their families starting Kindergarten the following year to our weekly transition to school program.

**Starts Tuesday 13th October
9.30-10.30am,
in the park across the
road from the school.**

Please contact the school on 4721 4414 or
text/call Amanda on 0423 720 492
for any further information

Art, Craft
and Music

Sand, Water
and Mud
play!

Group
Activities

Lots of fun!

Stories and
Games

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
<p>1 day per fortnight</p>	= 4 weeks	= Over 1 year missed
<p>1 day per week</p>	= 8 weeks	= Over 2.5 years missed

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A MESSAGE FROM MISS CREASEY



To the families of Kingswood Park,

It is with great sadness that I am writing this message to you. My time at this amazing school has sadly come to an end. I remember walking in three years ago feeling extremely nervous and unsure about the path ahead of me. That feeling soon disappeared as I was greeted by smiling students and welcoming families. It didn't take long for me to feel a part of the KPPS family and I knew I was at the best school in Penrith. To all the students I want to say a huge thank you for all the laughs, the memories and things we learnt together. Being your teacher has been an absolute privilege. You have never ceased to amaze me with the wonderful work you produce and the achievements you have made. To the families and community I want to say thank you for always being supportive, for the chats and laughs we have shared and the love and support you show for your child's education. To the incredible staff at KPPS, you welcomed me into your family with open arms. I have learnt so much from you all and that has made me into the teacher I am today.

To the current S1C, boy this is tough to write! I am going to miss each and every one of you so much. Your smiling faces that greet me each morning, the enthusiasm you show towards learning, the way you fill each other's buckets and the way we share a laugh. You are now in the amazing hands of Miss Ryder who will keep me up to date with all your achievements. Keep being the amazing, authors, illustrators and mathematicians I know you all are.

Thanks for the best time KPPS, I will miss you all so much and I wish you all the best for your future endeavours.

From Miss Creasey

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are now selling our school shirts in the school office for \$22 as the supplier has relocated to St Marys. Please see the office staff if you wish to purchase school shirts.

CLOTHING POOL

We welcome pre-loved school shirts, shorts and jumpers. We aim to create a clothing pool for families who require assistance with updated school uniforms for their children.

2020 P&C

No P&C meetings will be held until further notice.

PBL Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded the following PBL awards for Term 3.

BRONZE

S1T

Jaydan C
Daniel E
Nael S

S2W

Amol M

S3LW

Corey P
Jarred J
Nioka W

SILVER

S1T

Emelia C
Zayne M
Tyler W
Pyper D

S2H

Zayd S

S2W

Joey G

S3D

Saif S
Jason C
Savelii M
Hunter C
Luatasi S

S3LW

Natasha O
Jayden L

GOLD

S1C

Abbey W
Anna T
Lillyanna R
Eva C
Thomas T
Antonio I
Chaya R
Azden J
Immigon M
Liam S
Riley T
Leilani R

S1T

Tyler M
Jet H
Astrid C
Abbigail R

S2H

Gabrial W
Kurtis M
Lakshit H
Kelsie-Rose W
Aleeah S
Jye G
Mia W
Nikyah J
Destiny T

S2W

Kiara J
Charvelle K
Adelle A
Lachlan S
Hayden B
Cody M
Jamie Lee M
Zanna F
Jayde Marie W
Xzavier J

S3D

Aarin H
Charlotte D
Alyssa D
Nerissa E
Tayla S
Luca T



LEARNING FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS

The Smith Family provide Learning for Life Scholarships for many children at Kingswood Park Public School. Our school works in collaboration with The Smith Family. If you would like more information about Learning for Life Scholarships please speak to Mr Kean.

CANTEEN

Lisa is our canteen manager. We ask you to continue to support our canteen, which provides quality and healthy lunch items for our students. **There is no credit provided** and we encourage ordering before the start of school. We continue to transition into a Healthy Canteen which will introduce new foods for our students. There will also be small price increases to reflect increases from suppliers.

OOSH (Out Of School Hours care)

Penrith City Council facilitates OOSH, every morning and afternoon from our Orana room to provide quality before and after school care. If every Kingswood Park family used this service at least once a week it will be a viable resource for the council to keep open. Please see the ladies in the Orana room for more information or ring the council directly on **4732 7844**

BIKES AND SCOOTERS

Students who ride a bike or scooter to school must wear a safety helmet. Bikes and Scooters enter and exit via the front school gate. Bikes and scooters **must** be locked while in the rack provided as the school does not take responsibility for lost or stolen property. If students do not follow these school expectations parents will be notified and students will be asked **not** to ride their bike or scooter to school.

Keeping safe around school crossings

For your child's safety, it's very important to ensure they use the school crossing.

At all crossings you must wait on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road.

If there's a School Crossing Supervisor, wait until they have stopped the traffic and called you to cross.



If you are driving, you must not proceed until the School Crossing Supervisor's hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the crossing supervisor indicates that you may proceed through the crossing.

Children's crossings

Children's crossings are usually part-time crossings that operate before and after school hours. They can also operate at other times when children use the crossing for excursions or during break times. When 'Children Crossing' flags are displayed, you must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross. Drivers must remain stationary until the crossing is clear of pedestrians.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au



SYDNEY REGION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

CARE SERVICES

Come down to our SRAC Hub to meet the team and find out how we can assist you, your family or someone you know.



**Art Class
BBQ Yarn Up
Bingo**



Craft – Traditional and Modern

Domestic Cleaning

Life Skills

Mens Group

Music Class/Band

School Holiday Program

Shopping Assistance

Womens Group



Please do not hesitate to call for more information



**Contact Our SRAC Office
(02) 4721 1536**





SYDNEY REGION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

WATES MUSIC CLASS

**NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE
VIA ZOOM**



\$25 per lesson

or
completely billable to NDIS plan



Call to book your session today

Contact our SRAC Hub to book your place
(02) 4721 1536



SYDNEY REGION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

ART CLASS



Come along to our SRAC group
and begin your artistic journey by
creating amazing pieces every
Tuesday with Uncle Bryan Boney

10:00am - 3:00pm

51-57 Henry Street, Penrith



Please contact our SRAC office if
you wish to join
(02) 4721 1536

51 - 57 Henry Street, Penrith NSW 2750





SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Suitable for all skill levels focusing on fun practices that build into technical ability

GLENBROOK OVAL GLENBROOK
SEPT 29TH - 30TH - 1ST OCT
9AM - 12:30PM | \$150
OPEN TO AGES U6'S-U14'S

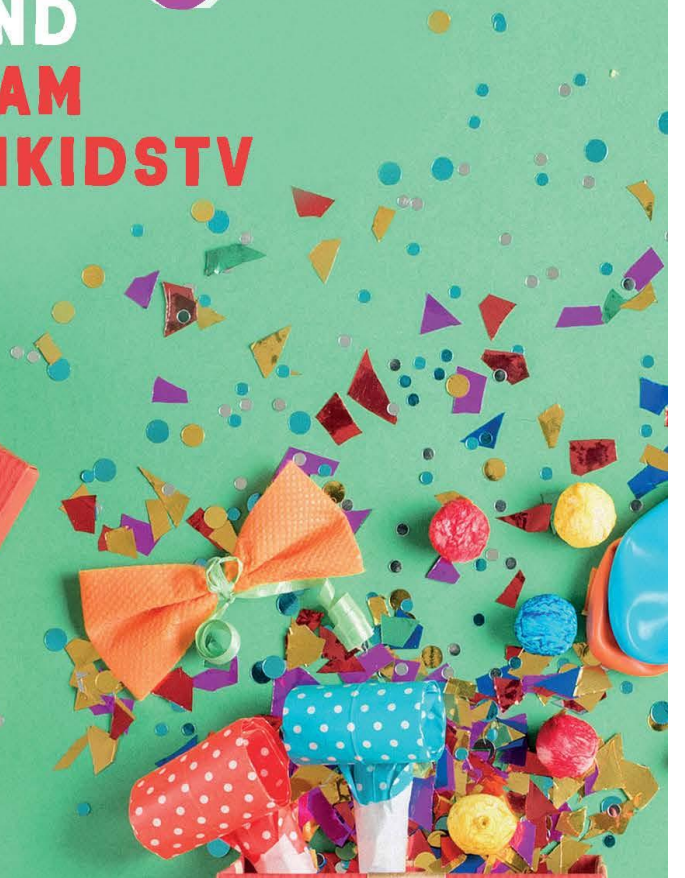
📞 Contact Mario on 0450227508

Register now fusionfootball.com.au

Covid Safety plan in place

CHOCTOBERFEST UNWRAPPED

OCTOBER 1ST & 2ND
STARTING AT 9:30AM
ON YOUTUBE AT INKIDSTV



GET YOUR FRIENDS
TOGETHER FOR A WATCH
PARTY AND JOIN THE FUN.

PRIZES TO BE WON!

YEAR 5 & 6 CAN REGISTER FOR OUR
SMALL LIVE STUDIO AUDIENCE AT
INCHURCH.COM.AU/CHOCTOBERFEST

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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ABSENCE EXPLANATION NOTE



STUDENT NAME: _____

CLASS: _____

DATES STUDENT WAS AWAY: _____

REASON: _____

Signed (parent/carer)

Date

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