

From the Year 5/6 Learning Community Leader - Mr Serpanchy



Dear KGPS Families,

Wow, it's amazing to think that we are already in Week 8 with Term 3 holidays fast approaching! It's been fantastic to see all the different learning that has been taking place for our students here at KGPS over the past few weeks. We have had incursions, excursions, House Athletics, District Athletics, 3/4 camp, School Disco, and a Year 2 sleepover still to come!

5/6 District Athletics

On Monday 28th August students who finished in 1st and 2nd place for their events at our House Athletics Day made the trip to Duncan McKinnon Reserve to compete in the Noble Park District Athletics. Students participated in a range of track and field events including, shot put, discus, long jump, triple jump, 100m sprint, 80m hurdles and 4 x 100m relay. I would like to congratulate all students who went and participated in their events, they all did an amazing job representing Keysborough Gardens Primary School. A special shout out to the following students who finished in the Top 3 for their events.

- Amelia Chring: 1st Place - 100m & Triple Jump & 3rd Place - 4 x 100m Relay
- Felyssiah Tao: 1st Place - 100m & 2nd Place - Hurdles
- Erika Pok: 2nd Place - Shot Put & 3rd Place - 4 x 100m Relay
- Fate Porchea: 3rd Place - 4 x 100m Relay
- Isherdeep Dhillon: 3rd Place - 4 x 100m Relay

I would like to also like to extend a big thank you Mr Sandler and Miss Ngov for supporting students throughout the day.



Father's Day Stall

On Friday, September 1st, we extend a warm invitation to all fathers and special guests to participate in an afternoon of Father's Day/Special Guests activities with their children in their respective Learning Communities.

Special Assembly: 2:00pm - 2:15pm

- We will commence with a special assembly to provide an overview of the exciting activities planned for the day. This will be an opportunity to get a glimpse of what your child has been working on and what you can look forward to.

Following the Assembly:

- After the assembly concludes at 2:15pm, we kindly request that all fathers and special guests join their child or children in their Learning Community to engage in the planned activities together.
- This promises to be a enjoyable afternoon, strengthening the bond between fathers/special guests and their children while celebrating Father's Day.

We look forward to seeing you there and sharing in this special experience. For further details or any questions, please contact your child's home group teacher directly.

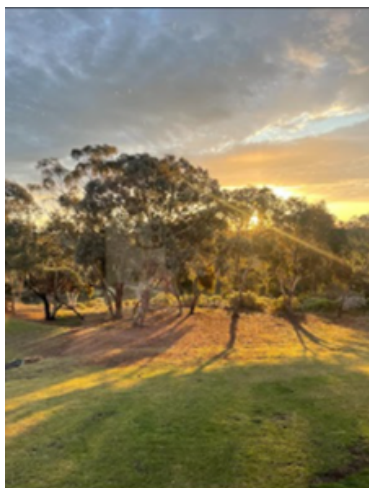
School Disco

A HUGE thank you to the many parent volunteers as well as Mrs Deanne Barrie for organising the event! Thanks to Mrs Chum DeSilva for organising snacks and drinks and the KGPS staff who volunteered their time to attend the event.



Year 3/4 camp

The 3/4 Community, teachers and parent volunteers started their week with a drive to Camp Sunnystones. Students, staff, and parents were excited to head to camp where they participated in a range of different activities including, survival games, geocaching, low ropes, bush cooking, archery and hut building. We look forward to hearing more about their camp adventures!



Year 2 sleepover

There is a lot of excitement in the Year 2 Community at the moment as the students prepare for next week's Year 2 Sleepover. Their soft toys were feeling a little bit nervous about staying over at school with their year 2's so the toys are having a practice run this week. The Year 2's have been sharing lots of different 'calming down' and 'cheering up' strategies with their soft toys to help them with their nerves. The sleepover will be jam packed with fun activities, an exciting movie, tasty food and an engaging theatre incursion as well as lots of opportunities for the Year 2's to connect and play with their friends. We cannot wait!



Planning week

During Week 9, Classroom Teachers will collaborate with their teams to structure and plan the teaching and learning activities for students in their Learning Community for Term 4. This process will allow your child's homegroup teacher to outline the upcoming Unit of Inquiry and identify the key concepts to be addressed in Literacy and Numeracy for the upcoming term. Your child's specialist lessons will also be scheduled on the same day that their homegroup teacher has the planning day. You can refer to the provided schedule for planning week to determine when your child will have their specialist sessions.

Here is the timetable for Planning Week:

Monday - Year 1

Tuesday - Year 3/4

Wednesday - Year 2 & Year 5/6

Thursday - Prep

Athletics carnival champion & House winner

Congratulations to all students for participating in the Athletics Carnival. A special congratulations to the winning house, Keys! It was a very close result with Yingabeal House finishing only a few points behind! The Keys House Captains were presented with the perpetual plaque at assembly last week. A fantastic result for Keys who was also the winning house for the Cross Country Carnival in Term 2!

Congratulations to the Level Champions who were also presented with engraved medals. These students earned the highest number of points in their year level, across the 6 events.

8/ 9 years- Kiara Walsh & Raymond Wang

10 years- Maeson Tay & Salih Unal

11 years- Kim Neang & Caden Khim

12/13 years- Amelia Chring & Luca Dimovski

Kind Regards,

Ryan

**Ryan Serpanchy
Year 5/6 Leader**



From the Art Teacher - Miss Grace

This week the Grade 5/6 students have continued working on their Frida Kahlo inspired self-portraits. The students have used mirrors to accurately sketch out their features (quite successfully) and to delve into symbolism and imagery that can be used to represent their personality, morals and beliefs. Our next steps are deciding what 2 methods we will use to add colour, texture or collage to our art.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!



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| • Zachary C | • Sunny Y |
| • Pia T | • Raideep D |
| • Harin L | • Marley R |
| • Sandy W | • Sienna C |
| • Nikka V | • Kim N |
| • Gurnaz K | • Ariyan N |
| • Oudom A | • Kerim K |
| • James Y | • Julian K |
| • Maksim B | • Quincy G |
| • Jared N | • Christine B |
| • Arjun S | • Sebastian A |

DIARY DATES 2023

September 2023

Friday 1st (no morning assembly)	Wk 8	Father's/Special Person's Day Stall (8:30am- 9:30am) Father's Day Activities (2:15pm - 3:15pm) Assembly 2-2:15pm
Friday 1st	Wk 8	Prep - Responsible Pet Ownership Incursion
Monday 4th	Wk 9	Planning Week
Tuesday 5th	Wk 9	Year 1 Botanical Gardens Excursion
Wednesday 6th	Wk 9	Year 5/6 Wanyara Incursion
Thursday 7th	Wk 9	SSS Choir All Day Rehearsals Year 2 Sleepover Cuppa & Chat (9am - 10:15am)
Friday 8th	Wk 9	SSS Choir All Day Rehearsals
Sat 9th	Wk 9	SSS Matinee & Evening Session (John Cain Arena)
Tuesday 12th	Wk 10	Prep ACMI Excursion
Wednesday 13th	Wk 10	Year 5/6 Life Education
Friday 15th	Wk 10	Last Day of Term 3 Footy Day 🏈

October 2023

Monday 2nd	Wk 1	Term 4 - First Day back
Monday 9th	Wk 2	Year 1 Marvellous Minibeasts Incursion
Friday 13th	Wk 2	Year 5/6 Immigration Museum Year 2 Visit to Keysborough College
Mon 16th - Fri 20th	Wk 3	Prep - Year 2 Swimming
Mon 23rd - Fri 27th	Wk 4	Year 3 - 6 Swimming
Monday 30th	Wk 5	Year 3/4 Moonlit Sanctuary

November 2023

Friday 3rd	Wk 5	Year 5/6 Aspire Leadership Program
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 **Gratitude**

 **THANK
YOU
SO MUCH**

- Thank you so much to the following canteen volunteers: Taryn, Xing, Adelene, Kaz and Anu R.
- To all the wonderful parent volunteers and staff that helped out at our school disco.

Our School Assembly is held every Friday morning at 9.10am

PYP Corner

#5 Enhancing Literacy and Numeracy through PYP

In our journey of understanding the Primary Years Programme (PYP), it's essential to explore how this unique framework enhances the development of foundational skills, such as literacy and numeracy, while still aligning seamlessly with the Victorian Curriculum.

At our school, we recognise the crucial role of explicit instruction in teaching these core skills. There is a time and place for direct, focused teaching, particularly when it comes to literacy and numeracy. This ensures that students are equipped with the foundational knowledge and skills they need to navigate through their academic journey.

In the context of the PYP, this explicit instruction is blended with real-life applications, providing an opportunity for students to apply and consolidate their understanding in a variety of contexts. For instance, literacy skills are fostered not just through reading and writing exercises, but also through researching, presenting, and engaging in rich discussions during Units of Inquiry.

Similarly, numeracy is brought to life beyond the traditional mathematics lesson. While explicit instruction provides students with essential mathematical knowledge, the Units of Inquiry give students opportunities to apply mathematical thinking to real-world problems, making connections between maths and other subjects.

By intertwining explicit instruction with inquiry-based learning, the PYP provides an enriched learning environment that enhances the literacy and numeracy skills of our students. And importantly, this approach aligns with the standards and benchmarks of the Victorian Curriculum, ensuring our students are well-equipped and on par with their peers in other Victorian schools.

PYP CORNER



SUPPORTING THE LEARNER PROFILE AT HOME

Fostering Communication at Home

This week's Learner Profile attribute is "Communicator." Communicators understand and express ideas confidently and creatively in multiple languages and modes of communication. They collaborate effectively and respect the perspectives of others.

Below are some activities that you can take part in with your child/ren to help develop their understanding of being knowledgeable.

1. *Show and Tell*: Encourage your child to share about a favourite toy or book. This fosters verbal communication and listening skills.
2. *Puppet Play*: Create simple puppets and put on a puppet show. This encourages creativity and storytelling.
3. *Picture Descriptions*: Use pictures and ask your child to describe what they see, promoting vocabulary and expression.
4. *Group Games*: Play games that require teamwork, such as a relay race or a group building project.
5. *Presentation*: Encourage your child to prepare a short presentation on a topic of interest to share with the family.
6. *Pen Pal*: Encourage your child to write letters to a family friend, relative, or a pen pal to practice written communication.
7. *Book Discussion*: Discuss a book that your child is reading. Encourage them to share their opinions and perspectives.
8. *Collaborative Projects*: Encourage siblings or friends to work together on a project, fostering teamwork and cooperation.

By encouraging communication in different forms, we support our children in expressing their ideas confidently and respecting the ideas of others.



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ALL CARERS/PARENTS WELCOME! CUPPA, CHAT AND BOOKS!

*Would you like to know more about how to encourage your child's love of reading?
Join with other parents and carers for some informal tips from our teachers.
Enjoy a cuppa and chat at the same time.*



COME AND JOIN US!
AFTER DROP OFF 9-10:15
FRIENDSHIP & COMMUNITY
CUPPA. GET SOME POINTERS FOR HOW
TO HELP YOUR CHILD ALONGSIDE
OTHER PARENTS AND CARERS



PRE- SCHOOL CHILDREN
WELCOME!
ACTIVITIES
PROVIDED!

Thursday 7th September





L-R: Cr Rhonda Garad, Mayor Cr Eden Foster, Junior Mayor Tasneem



Hi, my name is Tasneem and I am the 2023 Junior Mayor for the City of Greater Dandenong.

I am so grateful to be able to share some of my amazing opportunities this year and what a difference they have made to me.

I have taken part in two Council events recently, the Reconciliation Week event in Springvale and the *One Tree Per Child* tree planting initiative.

I made speeches at each event and immersed myself in Australia's Traditional Custodian history and culture. I learnt more about going green and what it means for everyone to protect, preserve and foster the environment. If we take care of mother nature it will take care of us. The *One Tree Per Child* initiative is an example of an action that helps us get further to a carbon emission-free future with pollution-free air.

In my opinion we should be the voice of a generation and I think incorporating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories and perspectives into schools is extremely important. We can help to achieve reconciliation by educating all Australians about the Traditional



Custodians of the land we often take for granted. As we are the future of Australia, it is especially vital for us to learn about the different aspects of their rich culture and implement their sustainable practices as well.

The City of Greater Dandenong is a child-friendly city and kids from all local areas have a say. It means so much for me to experience just how much the Council does for us and how it can be overlooked by many. The opportunities for the youth are amazing in Greater Dandenong and I advise anyone to step out of their comfort zone and give a new opportunity a go.

Wow!

Check out our
KGPS superstars in
the most recent
Dandenong Council
News/Magazine.
Well done Tasneem
& Gemma!



Find ways to make your move and visit: greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/make-your-moveambassadors to find out more.



Gemma from Keysborough

FATHER'S DAY/SPECIAL PERSON STALL





Thursday 31st August
8:30am - 1:00pm and 3:30pm - 4:00pm
and
Friday 1st September
8:30am - 9:30am

Gifts range from \$1 to \$7

Students to bring money in a named envelope or plastic bag.




YOU ARE INVITED

KGPS FATHER'S DAY AFTERNOON



Join us to celebrate fathers and special people

FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

2:00 - 2:15
ASSEMBLY IN THE GYM

2:15-3:15
ACTIVITIES IN THE LEARNING COMMUNITIES

SEE YOU THEN!

SCOUTS & SCHOOLS MONSTER RAFFLE

1st
Hyundai Venue
Valued at \$27,190 (incl. on-road costs)



2nd
3-Day Uluru Adventure including flights for two.
Valued at \$3,900

3rd
Aquaplanet Max stand up inflatable paddle board kit.
Valued at \$999

\$2
Per ticket

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big CHILD CARE

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT O.S.H.C?

NEXT WEEK 4th-8th September
MONDAY: soccer club/miniature chairs
TUESDAY: Vic-kids recipe
WEDNESDAY: Paper flowers
THURSDAY: Elephant toothpaste experiment
FRIDAY: Obstacle course

WE'VE JOINED THE VIC KIDS EAT WELL MOVEMENT

As part of our ongoing goal to encourage kids to eat healthier foods, we have partnered with Vic-Kids Eat Well. Vic-Kids Eat is a program that teaches children how to make healthier choices and using healthier ingredients instead of sugary sweets in recipes.

HOLIDAY CARE



REMINDERS

For any bookings or cancellations please notify us via text message on 0421 897 819 or make booking changes directly on the Xap app. Please be mindful to cancel your bookings 48 hours prior to commenced date to avoid fees.

Please ensure that you're signing your child in and signing out of the centre. If you're unsure about the process as well as your Xap code, please let us know! The Educators are more than happy to help!

Any donations including books, cardboard boxes, toys, jars and or containers, can be given a second life here at Big Childcare. 😊