

From the Prep Learning Specialist- Mrs Baker



Dear Parents, Carers & Guardians,
As you'll read in this newsletter, there are so many wonderful things happening across our school. We can't believe we are already approaching Week 8 - what a busy and exciting term it has been!

Get Ready, Set, Prep!

It's that special time of year when we welcome our newly enrolled Prep students for 2026 to our 'Ready Set Prep' pre-transition sessions. The smiles, curiosity and readiness for learning have been a joy to see! We can't wait to continue building these connections during the formal transition program which starts at the end of November. Over the past few weeks, I have had the pleasure of visiting some of our local kindergartens, sharing stories and songs with the four-year-old groups. These visits have been a wonderful way to build connections with our wider community.

Celebrating Dads & Special People - Friday 5th September

This Friday, we will be celebrating the dads and special people of KGPS! We look forward to welcoming all Dad's and special people into our learning communities from 2:30pm for a variety of fun activities. Please note: there will be no morning assembly on this day.

Our Father's Day stall has been buzzing with excitement this week, as students carefully chose gifts for their special people. Tomorrow it will be our Year 5's and 6's turn. A heartfelt thank you to our amazing parent volunteer, office staff and Deanne Barrie who helped make the stall such a success - we couldn't do it without you!

Go Team KGPS! - District Athletics

Today, 45 of our students proudly represented KGPS at the Noble Park District Athletics event at Ross Reserve. We hope they had a fantastic day and look forward to celebrating their efforts and achievements when they return.

Book Fair Success- Lamount Books

A huge thank you to Michelle Drummy and Elinor Hanson for organising and running our Book Fair. With so many wonderful books purchased, not only did our students find treasures to enjoy at home, but the proceeds will also go towards new books for our library.

Year 3 Camp at Sunnystones

Year 3 had an amazing time at Sunnystones Camp! Students loved trying new activities such as archery, hut building, bush cooking, low ropes, geocaching, and even held a very enthusiastic talent show at night.

Even though the weather was a little wet and wild, nothing could stop the fun. Students showed our school values by working as a team with respect, and showing independence and excellence by helping with meals, washing up, and keeping cabins tidy.

A big thank you to our parent helpers Desimir, Anu and George, and to our special visitors Mrs Jenkins, Mrs Matlock and Buddy, who joined us for lunch on the second day.

"Camp was a really fun experience and I can't wait for Year 4 camp!" - Katerina

"I had a really good time with my friends and my favourite part was making the bush clay animals." - Camila

Year 3 camp was full of fun, friendship, and great memories!



Pupdate

Our 5/6 students recently welcomed a very special visitor in Art. It was so nice to have him join us in a different space where we normally wouldn't have him! Buddy, our wellbeing dog, brought comfort and joy to the classroom with his calm and friendly presence, helping students feel relaxed and focused as they created their incredible paintings. Our 5/6s say that it was their quietest and most productive Art session they have had in a while! With Buddy by their side, creativity flourished and the results were nothing short of amazing!



Hats Required Starting This Week!

With September here, it's time that all students are wearing hats!

Starting Monday 1st September, our SunSmart policy is in effect. All students are required to wear their school hats while outdoors. Students without hats will be required to sit in shaded areas.

Need a replacement? School hats are available for \$18.50 from PSW Hampton Park or through the school office.



Prep-2 Swimming Starts Next Week!

Swimming begins next week for Prep to Year 2 students. Please check the Compass post for all the details on what to bring so your child is ready for the pool. Enjoy the rest of the week everyone and let's hope we get some Spring sunshine to enjoy this weekend.

Warm regards,
Teresa

Teresa Baker | Prep Learning Specialist



2025 Terms

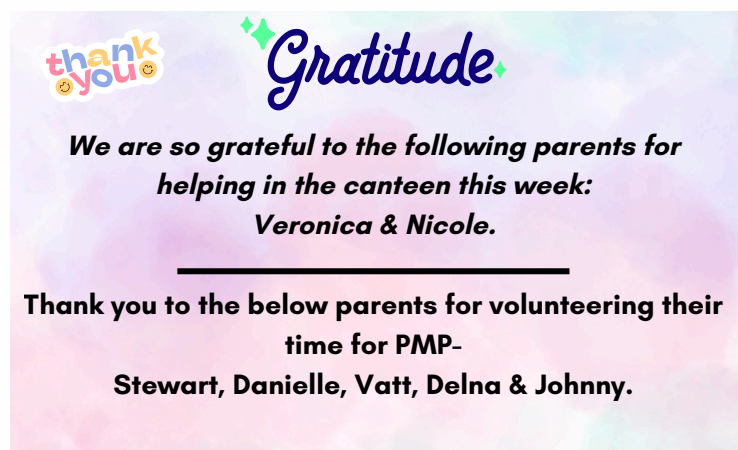
Term 3
21st July
to
19th September

Term 4
6th October
to
18th December

Student Free Days & Public Holidays:

Semester 2

- Monday 3rd November
(Prof. Practice Day- Curriculum Day)
- Tuesday 4th November (Cup Day)



thank you

Gratitude

We are so grateful to the following parents for helping in the canteen this week:
Veronica & Nicole.

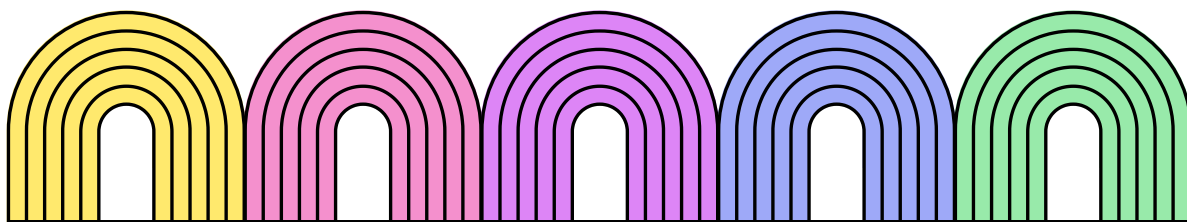
Thank you to the below parents for volunteering their time for PMP-
Stewart, Danielle, Vatt, Delna & Johnny.



SHOP
SECOND HAND

Second hand uniform will be open on:

- Monday 8th September 3:30pm- 4pm
- Tuesday 9th September 8:45am- 9:15am



PERFORMING ARTS NEWSLETTER

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING

There has been so much going on in the Performing Arts space this term!

Mindfulness/Yarning/Acting/Performing/Devising/Making Music/Writing

PREPS

Preps have been learning to dramatise the classic story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. They are making masks in art and making music and acting in Performing Arts.

GRADE 1/2

We have been bringing to life the story of Handa's Surprise using storytelling, acting and music. We have learnt some Djembe drumming and African Dance moves.



GRADE 3/4

We have gone on a mythic journey through Myths and Legends from around the world and devising our own mash up myth. Some students have shared myths from their cultures too!

GRADE 5/6

The 5/6 students have been learning about monologues and have had opportunities to refine their acting skills. They are now in the process of writing their own original monologues which are shaping up to be creative and entertaining!



Bugs Belong – Year 3 in STEM

This week, our Year 3 students became entomologists (scientists who study insects) as part of their STEM learning. Students designed and created their very own bug catchers before heading to Pencil Park to observe insects in their natural habitats. Using magnifying glasses and science tweezers, they carefully explored bugs they found for recording findings next week through drawings and labels. The next stage of their learning is to explore the significance of insects in the ecosystem, along with their body parts, diet, and habitats.

This unit is connected to our Program of Inquiry, where students have been learning Australia's history begins with its Indigenous people, and that the First Australians showed deep respect for the land, animals, and even the smallest creatures.



It was wonderful to see our young scientists showing curiosity, care, and respect for nature while developing their STEM skills. A big thank you to the parent helpers who joined us on the adventure!



Father's Day Stall



Prep - Year Four:
Thursday 4th September

Year Five and Six: Friday
5th September

Great gifts for Dad
or
your Special Person!!



Father's Day
and



Special Person's Afternoon

Come and join us on
Friday 5th September
from 2:30pm for a
fun filled afternoon!



FOOTY DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Friday 19th September



HALAL BEEF SAUSAGE AND BREAD
&
ICE TUBE
\$5.00

VEGAN/VEGETARIAN SAUSAGE AND BREAD
&
ICE TUBE

\$5.50
***SAUCE PROVIDED**

ADDITIONAL SAUSAGE & BREAD \$3.50
ORDER VIA COMPASS APP BEFORE 8:00pm 17th SEPTEMBER

***NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED.**

All proceeds will go to buying student cooking equipment

Donate Your Unwanted School Uniforms!



Do you have school uniform your child
has outgrown or no longer need?
We're collecting gently used school
uniform.

- ☒ Clean and in good condition
- ☒ All sizes welcome
- ☒ Drop off at the school office



Thank you for your support!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED


HELP!! Canteen Volunteers Urgently Needed.

We need your help to help assist Chum our
canteen manager in the canteen.


Please click [here](#) to add your name to the roster.
Please ensure you have a Working With Childrens
Check.

*Without volunteers the canteen cannot open.



September 2025

Friday 5th	Father's Day Stall Year 5/6 Father's Day Afternoon (2:30pm - 3:30pm)
Monday 8th	Year 2 Info Night Sleep Over - 5:45pm Year 5/6 SECASA Incursion
Monday 8th - 12th	Prep - Year 2 Swimming 
Thursday 11th	Year 4 Maloga Art Incursion
Thursday 18th	Yr 5/6 Indigenous STEM Incursion School Council - 5:30pm
Friday 19th September	Footy Day  (Sausage Sizzle Day) Last day of Term 3 - (3:30pm finish)

October 2025

Monday 6th	First Day of Term 4
Wednesday 8th	John Monash Science School Little Scientists (Yr 5/6 Selected Students)
Tuesday 14th	Foodbank- Wear Purple Day 
Wednesday 15th	Student Advisory Group
Thursday 16th	Year 2 Sleepover School Council - 5.30pm
Thursday 30th	Year 5 Aspire Higher Leadership Incursion

November 2025

Monday 3rd	Curriculum Day (no school)
Tuesday 4th	Cup Day (no school)
Wednesday 5th	Prep Moonlit Sanctuary Excursion
Thursday 20th	Buddy's Birthday   Prep Transition (Group 1: 8:30am- 9:15am) (Group 2: 9:30am-10:15am) School Council - 5:30pm

Whole School Event

No School

Our School Assembly is held every Friday morning at 9:10am

NEWSLETTER

Team
Kids

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Last Friday, our Book Week Party was a wonderful success, with children and educators coming together to celebrate their love of books. Costumes brought favourite characters to life, and book-inspired activities encouraged children to build strong connections with stories, enhancing both literacy skills and creativity.

As we head into the warmer months, the children have been thoroughly enjoying the sunshine and active play outdoors. A highlight has been the use of the school's Gaga Ball pit, where games were filled with laughter, energy, and friendly competition. The children also enjoyed AFL goal kicking, working together to improve their skills while encouraging and supporting one another. These activities not only promote physical development but also strengthen children's communication and teamwork skills.

Looking ahead, we are excited to continue our rich program of activities as Term 3 draws to a close. Next week, we will explore the Indra Jatra Festival, a traditional Nepalese celebration held from the 11th to the 15th of September. This experience will support children in developing awareness of cultural diversity and encourage respect for the values and perspectives of different communities.

This week, I liked playing badminton and playing in the Gaga pit - Naysa M. Grade 5

TEAMKIDS CLUBS

Monday

Lego Masters Club

Tuesday

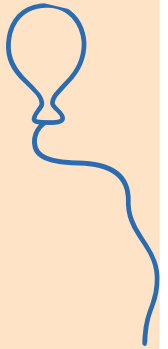
Cooking Club

Wednesday

Epic Games Club


Thursday

Super Sports Club



IMPORTANT DATES



 Thursday 11th September | Indra Jatra Festival

 Thursday 18th September | Chuseok (Korean Harvest Festival)

 Friday 19th September | Footy Day



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Service Email: KeysboroughGardensPS@teamkids.com.au

Head Office Email: info@teamkids.com.au



7:00 AM START
6:30 PM END

PLEASE ARRIVE BY 9AM ON EXCURSION DAYS



IN-HOUSE



INCURSION



EXCURSION

MON · 22nd SEP	TUE · 23rd SEP	WED · 24th SEP	THU · 25th SEP	FRI · 26th SEP
Footy Finals Fever	The Big Goose	The Bad Guys 2	Dreamtime Journey	
Get ready to run, kick, handball, and have a blast- because today is all about AFL Footy! Whether you're a footy superstar or trying it for the rest time, let's go for the win and enjoy a true Aussie game of footy!	The cat's out of the bag! TeamKids is going to The Big Goose for a day full of animal fun. There'll be reptile & sheepdog shows, plus all the farm animals you can possibly feed.	Today, you are off to the movies to witness The Bad Guys struggling to find trust and acceptance in their newly minted lives as Good Guys, when they are pulled out of retirement and forced to do "one last job". * Rated PG, Allergy Alert	Get ready for an exciting day full of stories, games and fun as we learn about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures – the oldest cultures in the world!	
Daily Fee \$95	Daily Fee \$120	Daily Fee \$118	Daily Fee \$103	
After Max CCS* \$9.50	After Max CCS* \$12.00	After Max CCS* \$11.80	After Max CCS* \$10.30	

MON · 29th SEP	TUE · 30th SEP	WED · 1st OCT	THU · 2nd OCT	FRI · 3rd OCT
TK Spy Academy	Green Screen Magic	Electric Explorers	Kangaroo	Pit Stop Pro's
Today we are turning into spies to crack codes, uncover mysteries, and complete top-secret missions! Get ready to test your sneaking skills and solve hidden puzzles. Your mission begins now, Agent – do you accept the challenge? *Allergy Alert	Step into the spotlight with our green screen experience! Kids will have a blast exploring acting, electrifying surprises! Kids will scenes with amazing digital backdrops. It's a magical, fun-filled dive into the world of movies!	Join TeamKids for an EPIC Electrical Adventure with taking on roles, and creating fundive into the world of electricity and even create their own light bulbs. It's a hands-on adventure that's sure to spark their curiosity and excitement.	Today, you are off to the movies to watch Chris and a young Indigenous girl named Charlie team up to rescue and care for a group of orphaned joeys in a remote community in the Outback. *Rated PG, Allergy Alert	Get ready to zoom into a high-energy day full of racing fun and fast-paced challenges! Whether you're a speedy driver or a creative pit crew member, it's time to rev your engines for a day full of fun, movement, and imagination!
Daily Fee \$80	Daily Fee \$122	Daily Fee \$103	Daily Fee \$118	Daily Fee \$106
After Max CCS* \$8.00	After Max CCS* \$12.20	After Max CCS* \$10.30	After Max CCS* \$11.80	After Max CCS* \$10.60

*Child Care Subsidies may apply. \$5 Admin Fee per family. \$10 Late Fees apply within 7 days per child. Payment plans available.

**Experience/Activity Fee. Programs may be subject to change. Third Party Payment Fees apply. See Terms and Conditions for cancellation policy

FIND A VENUE

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CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE

BOOK TODAY!





Bike Safety



Wear your helmet!



- Wearing a helmet is compulsory for adults and children.
- Wearing a helmet keeps your child safe.
- Make sure the helmet is worn correctly!



REMINDER

Black clothing is not part of our school uniform. Please wear navy blue

Being at school matters!!



Attending school every day helps children succeed. Being away can lead to gaps in knowledge and a sense of being 'behind,' which can impact learning.

Being at school helps build relationships and prepares children for the future.

We will contact you if we have concerns about your child's attendance.

Only keep your child home if they are ill.

Equates to:



Communication with school staff

Our staff have the right to enjoy their evenings and weekends without being expected to respond to messages or emails.

Teachers and Education Support staff are not required to reply to phone calls, emails, or Compass messages from parents or students after 5pm or on weekends.

We ask that families understand and respect these boundaries.

Any non-urgent communication will be answered within 2 working days, and urgent matters will be addressed within 24 hours or the next working day.

For urgent matters please call the school between 8:30am and 4:00pm

Thank you for your understanding and support!

Mobile Devices

All phones brought to school must be switched off and given to teachers for safe keeping.

This includes any device that may connect to or have a similar functionality to a mobile phone such as a smart watch.

Smart watches must have their internet connectivity switched off during school times.

When a student is not complying with this mobile phone policy, we will be required to follow a process in line with our existing student engagement policies.

Mobile phone Policy.



Early Arrival at School

There is NO supervision for students before 8:40am.

For your child's safety

- **Stay with your child until 8:40am**
- **Or, book them into TeamKids**



Student Safety

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 am at the Canteen.

Come along!



Parent Helpline



Professional telephone counsellors are available to discuss issues including:

- Child behaviour and development
- Parent-child relationships
- Education
- Bullying
- Living with adolescents
- Family violence
- Family breakdown and parental stress



Non-English speaking callers can access the Translating and Interpreting Service.

Hearing impaired callers can access Parentline through the National Relay Service.

Parentline is available every day of the year from 8am to midnight.

Kids Helpline



Medication

If your child requires medication during the school day, a Medication Authority form must be signed by the parent/carer. Please contact the office.

Students cannot administer medication themselves (except older students requiring Ventolin).



KGPS Community Pantry

Our KGPS Community Pantry is located next to the Lost Property cupboard in the front office. The pantry operates with a simple message: *take what you need, give what you can.*

The pantry is stocked with essential non-perishable items. Adults are welcome to take items when needed.

We kindly invite donations of non-perishable items to help keep the pantry running.

If you have items at home you won't use, your contributions would be greatly appreciated.

We would like to express our gratitude to Foodbank and families who have already donated.



Uniform Reminders

The wearing of uniform is compulsory at Keysborough Gardens Primary school.

Navy blue items are to be worn.

Black items are NOT part of our uniform.

All our uniform can be purchased at PSW, Unit 1, 9-11 South Link, Dandenong South, 3157 or
online [click here](#)



polo shirt



long sleeve shirt



jumper



zip up jacket



bag



shorts



pants



skort



summer dress



broad brim hat



school beanie



winter tunic



white skivvy



navy or white socks

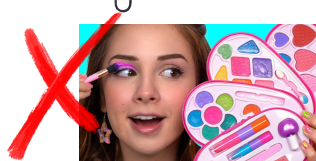


navy tights



black shoes or
runners

These items are not permitted as part of our uniform





NEPEAN PSYCHOLOGY & COUNSELLING CENTRE

Assessment Packages

Educational and behavioural assessments identify a child's strengths, challenges, learning styles, and problem-solving abilities. They can help address issues like poor academic performance, difficulty retaining information, attention difficulties or learning concerns.

At Nepean Psychology & Counselling Centre, all of our psychologists hold a master's degree qualifications, and we are committed to working closely with teachers and schools to facilitate practical recommendations and strategies that can be used at home and in the classroom.

Nepean Psychology & Counselling Centre works closely with your child's school to provide convenient assessment services. While we collaborate with the school, assessments are conducted in our clinic to ensure a comprehensive and supportive environment. This partnership helps streamline the process, saves you time, and we currently have minimal wait times.

Our Assessment Packages include:

- ADHD Assessments
- Intellectual (IQ) Assessments
- Achievement Assessments
- Educational Assessments
- Autism Assessments
- Behavioural Assessments

Please see over the back for package pricing. We also offer NDIS assessments.

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