

From our Learning Specialist - Mrs Matlock



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parents/carers and families,

It has been a really busy start to term 3. I feel like we have just returned back from the school holidays yet we are already nearing the halfway point of the term. This week I have been around the school saying hello to lots of new students at KGPS. Mrs Jenkins highlighted at assembly last week how we could all think about our focus value of **Empathy**, as we know that starting at a new school can be a huge change for students as well as families. We would like to officially welcome all of our new students and their families to our KGPS community.

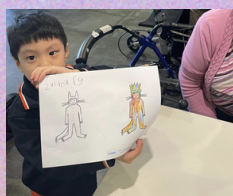
Pupdate

Buddy has officially been on tour this week! This week he has been with Mrs Fairweather in the Year 1 Learning Community... and he has been coming home exhausted every day! I can't wait to hear from our amazing Year 1 Learning Community about what they have been doing with Buddy and sharing their experiences with him. He is looking forward to heading upstairs with Miss Grandy and the 3/4 team next week.



Prep Arcare Excursion

Yesterday a group of our prep students, supported by our Year 6 Wellbeing Leaders, visited Keysborough Arcare. The students excitedly hopped on the bus and travelled the 5 stops to Stanley Road, where we met with Kerry from Arcare. Focusing on the Central Idea, 'Throughout time, people have shared stories', our preps shared a story with the residents and then did some craft together, chatting about stories from when they were younger! We look forward to continuing to visit Arcare over the coming weeks.



100 Days of Prep

Last Friday our Prep students reached the milestone of 100 days of learning. To celebrate, they did all things 100. They brought in 100 of something. They dressed up as though they were 100. They watched 100 (and 1) Dalmatians. They wrote about eating, doing and buying 100 of something and they made '100 days kinder' crowns. We are all very proud of our 'Prep students' achievements and are looking forward to hundreds more days of learning!



School Opinion Survey

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents/caregivers/guardians think of our school. The survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training, that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. A random sample of approximately 30 per cent of parents/caregivers/guardians have been selected to participate in this year's survey. The data from the survey is published annually on the 'My Schools' website and is included in the School's Annual Report. The data is used to identify our school's strengths as well as areas to further develop. If you received a link to the survey via email (and letter), please complete the survey by **Friday 8 September 2023**.

eSafety - Online Safety for Every Family

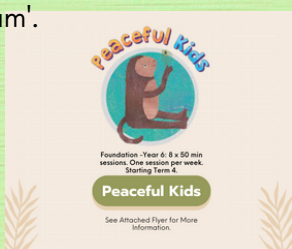
People from culturally and linguistically diverse communities have a broad range of digital literacy skills. Young people are often highly digitally connected. eSafety undertakes research, consultation and community engagement to understand the online risks and identify the needs of people from different cultural and linguistic backgrounds. They have developed a range of tailored resources that are translated into multiple languages. Please see the links below for resources available in the following languages:

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| Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander | Thujjānj (Dinka) | Macedonian | Soomaali (Somali) |
| عربي (Arabic) | Tagalog (Filipino) | Melayu (Malay) | South Asian (English) |
| Khmer (Cambodian) | ελληνικά (Greek) | नेपाली (Nepali) | Español (Spanish) |
| 简体中文 (Simplified Chinese) | Hazaragi | Pacific Islands (English) | தமிழ் (Tamil) |
| 繁體中文 (Traditional Chinese) | हिंदी (Hindi) | پارسی (Persian) | ภาษาไทย (Thai) |
| دري (Dari) | Italiano (Italian) | ਪੰਜਾਬੀ (Punjabi) | Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese) |
| | Karen | Samoa (Samoan) | Türkçe (Turkish) |
| | 한국어 (Korean) | | |

Peaceful Kids Program

As you may have seen over the past couple of weeks in our newsletters, in Term 4, we are excited to be starting the program 'Peaceful Kids'. Peaceful Kids is a well-being program with a focus on mindfulness and positive psychology. The program is run by Lisa Webber, an experienced Primary School Teacher. She has been a Peaceful Kids Facilitator since 2019 and is also an Art Therapist. Her passion for children, education and wellbeing has led her to teaching children about mindfulness and how important it is to look after their mental health. As a mum of 4 young children, Lisa understands the importance of giving children the knowledge and power to regulate their emotions and to be able to help themselves (or ask for help) when in times of stress or uncertainty. Students from Foundation – Year 6 can enrol in the program, which consists of one 50 minute session each week for 8 weeks.

Please email Lisa (lisawebber@outlook.com.au) for pricing information. For further details, please refer to the flyer on Compass regarding enrolling your child in the 'Peaceful Kids Program'.



IB-PYP Consultant Visit

As a PYP candidate school, we work closely with the International Baccalaureate Consultancy Team to refine our processes and the way we teach to align with the PYP program. This week, Mr Gammon spent two jam-packed days with Marcia, our PYP consultant, talking with teachers and students, and reviewing our Program of Inquiry and the PYP implementation at KGPS. It was such a fantastic opportunity for our teachers to ask questions and our students to share their learning. For those new to our school, [this short video](#) shows a small glimpse into the Primary Years Program.

School Uniform

As the term has progressed, we have noticed a range of non-uniform items being worn throughout the school. It is important to note that our school uniform policy, which was developed by our School Council in close consultation with our school community, aims to foster a sense of community and belonging. It encourages students to develop pride in their appearance, supports Keysborough Gardens Primary School's commitment to ensuring that our students feel equal and are dressed safely and appropriately for school activities. It also reduces student competition on the basis of clothing and enhances the profile and identity of the school and its students within the wider community.

Please ensure that your child is wearing our correct school uniform, including black school shoes or runners, and our school jumper or jacket. A range of other uniform pieces including long and short sleeve shirts, pants, shorts, leggings and dresses are available for purchase from PSW.

Now is also a good time to dust off the school hats, put them through the wash and rename them ready for our SunSmart program to recommence in week 9 this term!



Kind Regards,

Rebecca

Rebecca Matlock | Learning Specialist

PYP Corner

#1 An Introduction to the PYP

Welcome to the first edition of the PYP Corner! As many of you are aware, our school follows the Primary Years Programme (PYP), a curriculum framework developed by the International Baccalaureate (IB). This innovative approach to learning engages students in a journey of self-discovery and personal growth, preparing them to become active, caring, and lifelong learners.

The PYP curriculum is designed around the learner, putting students at the heart of education. Its aim is not just to provide students with knowledge but to develop skills, attitudes, and dispositions that will empower them to navigate the world, contribute to society, and continue learning throughout their lives. The PYP framework is holistic, encompassing the intellectual, emotional, physical, and social development of children aged 3-12. In upcoming editions of the PYP Corner, we'll delve deeper into the core components of the PYP. Stay tuned as we explore this enriching journey together!



PYP CORNER



THANK
YOU
SO MUCH

Gratitude

Thank you so much to the following
Canteen Volunteers:

Amali, Veronica, Louise, Mia
and Adelene.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

GOOD
WORK!



DIARY DATES 2023

August 2023

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| Thursday 10th | Wk 5 | Athletics Carnival Years 3 - 6 (9am - 1pm) |
| Friday 11th | Wk 5 | Keysborough College Band Visit |
| Tuesday 15th | Wk 6 | Whole School Science Incursion |
| Wednesday 16th | Wk 6 | SSS Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday 17th | Wk 6 | School Council Meeting |
| Friday 18th | Wk 6 | Curriculum Day No Students at School |
| Monday 21st | Wk 7 | Book Week Begins |
| Mon 21st - Wed 23rd | Wk 7 | Life Ed Year 5/6 |
| Thursday 24th | Wk 7 | Year 6 Graduation Photos |
| Friday 25th | Wk 7 | Book Week Dress Up Day & Parade School Disco Prep - Year 2 (5pm - 6pm) Years 3 - 6 (6.15pm - 7.15pm) |
| Monday 28th | Wk 8 | District Athletics |
| Mon 28th - Tues 29th | Wk 8 | Life Ed Year 5/6 |
| Mon 28th - Wed 30th | Wk 8 | Year 3/4 Camp |
| Thursday 31st | Wk 8 | Year 3/4 Remote Learning Day Father's/Special Person's Day Stall (8.30am - 1pm & 3.30pm) |

September 2023

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| Friday 1st | Wk 8 | Father's/Special Person's Day Stall (8.30am) Father's Day Activities (2.15pm - 3.15pm) |
| Friday 1st | Wk 8 | Prep - Responsible Pet Ownership Incursion |
| Tuesday 5th | Wk 9 | Year 1 Botanical Gardens Excursion |
| 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 Sessions (John Cain Arena) |
| Tuesday 12th | Wk 10 | Prep ACMI Excursion |
| Friday 15th | Wk 10 | Last Day of Term 3 |

- Prep A
- Prep B
- Prep C
- Prep D
- Alvin C
- Sia S
- Tiffany A
- Sandamali R
- Tavion Z
- Valerie Y
- Kaye H
- London B
- Manisha G
- Emily S
- Gemma D
- Isabell H
- SSS Choir
- Prep B
- Sierra G
- Luca D
- Ryan B
- Gracie R
- 5/6 A
- Ayan M

Well
Done!

SCHOLASTIC

Book Clubs

BOOK CLUB

"DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR ORDERS IN FOR BOOK
CLUB! YOU CAN PROCESS YOUR ORDERS ONLINE AT:
[HTTPS://BOOKCLUBS.SCHOLASTIC.COM.AU/](https://bookclubs.scholastic.com.au/)"

Our School Assembly is held every Friday morning at 9.10am

From the Performing Arts Specialist Teacher - Mrs Main

THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS

SPECTACULAR

The State Schools Spectacular choir have had an exciting start to Term 3. On Wednesday July 19th, the students travelled into the city on the train to rehearse with other Victorian schools in the mass choir at the stunning venue of the Melbourne Town Hall. We spent the day rehearsing all 13 songs and adding in harmonies, it was such an amazing day singing with so many other wonderful schools. Congratulations to the SSS choir on representing KGPS in such a positive manner, you are all superstars! Big thank you to Elly Durakovic and Rituparna Chowdhury for assisting us on the excursion.

Our next Melbourne Town Hall rehearsal will be on **August 16th**. Please see Compass for all the details.



KGPS Band News

Our talented music students in the KGPS school band have been performing every week at assembly as welcome music and during the National Anthem. It's been so exciting to see this ensemble progress this year, and we are growing! New members who are in Years 3 - 6 who take music lessons are encouraged to come and participate. Our next exciting performance will be with the Keysborough College band, who are coming to perform at our assembly next week. 50 students are part of the Acacia band and they will be showcasing two of their pieces that they have been working on towards their performance at the Victorian Schools Music Festival later in August and we will be working together to form a mass band for the anthem and our KGPS band pieces.



Our wonderful Senior Choir members received their choir badges recently. We are currently working on a special performance for assembly with the KGPS Band.

Year 5/6

Year 5/6 students love playing basketball and listening to music, so why not perform a fusion of both! As a whole Learning Community the 5/6s will be presenting a special performance at assembly in a few weeks. With 3 lines of basketball choreography, and staying in time with each other it's been a lot of fun putting it together in PE and Performing Arts class. Keep practising at home 5/6s!



Year 3/4

This term, the 3/4 Learning Community classes have been learning how to play in a band using a visual music score in class. Each class has vocals, bars, keyboards, guitars and a percussion section to form their own band. Students who undertake music lessons privately or through ABC music have been playing their main instrument and undertaken some leadership roles! Keep up the great work 3/4s!





KGPS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The House Athletics Carnival for grades 3 – 6 will be held on **Thursday 10th August at KGPS from 9am – 1pm**. Students will participate in their age groups in a series of track and field events—long jump, triple jump, shot put, discus, 80m hurdles and 100m/200m sprints. All competitors should dress in their House colours and will earn points towards their House! The winning House will be awarded the perpetual trophy!

We welcome all families to attend the event.
If you are able to assist the teachers with running an event on the day please contact Miss King or Miss Anderson on Compass.



KGPS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

GRADE 3-6 | 9 – 1PM
SCHOOL OVAL



THURS
10TH
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From the Visual Arts Specialist Teacher - Miss Grace

The year 3 and 4 students have been exercising their painting skills by creating a natural scene within an item which would usually be found in landfill or polluting our environment. This juxtaposition of the natural vs polluted showed their understanding of how artists can use techniques to inspire and move the viewer in response to a global issue. Well done!

BIC's Term 3 Classroom Cleanout Competition

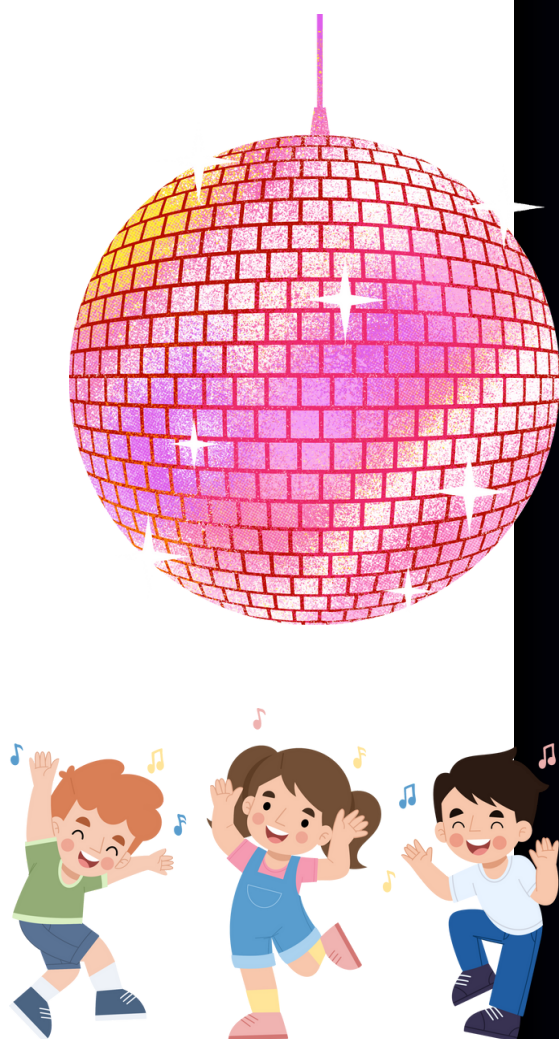
Recycle your used and broken writing instruments with BIC's Best in Class Recycling Program for your school's chance to win a BIC prize pack!

Dear Families/Carers,

Keysborough Gardens Primary School is collecting **old or broken** stationery to be recycled. These will be remoulded into products like benches, picnic tables, and even playgrounds. If you have any stationery at home that are **no longer in use**, please send them with your child to school.

Thank you for your support!

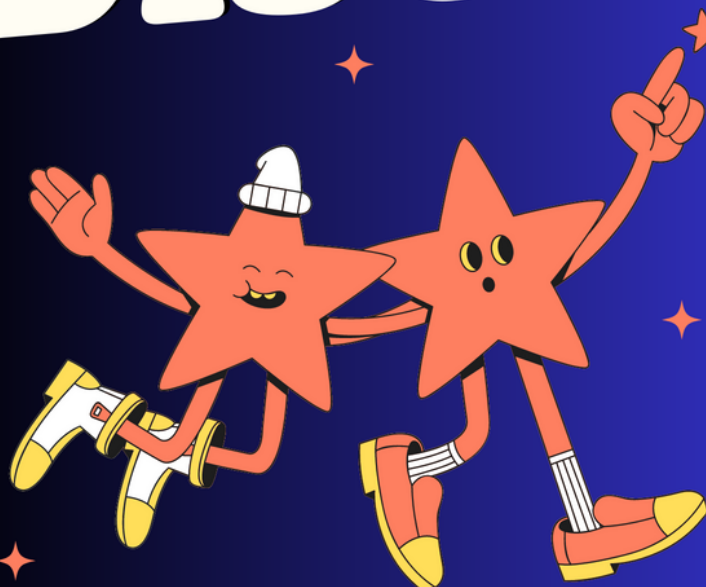




KEYSBOROUGH GARDENS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

It's time to

Disco!



FRIDAY 25 AUGUST 2023 | IN OUR GYM

**Prep - Two: 5pm until 6pm
Three - Six: 6:15pm until 7:15pm**

BOOKINGS THROUGH COMPASS !!

\$12 PER CHILD

THIS EVENT IS FOR KGPS STUDENTS ONLY.

KEEP THE DATE FREE! FRIDAY 25TH AUGUST

We are holding our first ever school disco on Friday 25th August!!!

There will be two sessions:

Prep - Two from 5pm until 6pm and Year Three - Six from 6:15pm until 7:15pm.

Bookings for the disco will open on Compass on Thursday 20th July

\$12 per student which includes entry, a bottle of water and complimentary glowstick and packet of chips.



We will also need parent volunteers to assist with supervision.

Parents will need a Working With Children Card.

Please refer to Compass and click on the link to volunteer.



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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Over 100 prizes to be won!

Buy a ticket and not only could you win big, but you'll also be supporting youth to gain skills for life and help develop the next generation of leaders in your community!

Help young people in your local community.
www.scoutsvictoria.com.au



Keysborough Gardens Primary School
scoutsvic.raffletix.com.au/keysboroughgardensps

KEYSBOROUGH COLLEGE EXTENSION AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

A NEW PROGRAM FOR 2024

We are thrilled to introduce the Keysborough College Extension and Enrichment Program, designed for our most ambitious students. In 2024, the College will commence a select entry program for eligible Year 7 students that possess high potential to excel in English and Maths.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT PATHWAY

We understand that choosing the right pathway for your child is a critical decision. Our program is designed to provide your child with the skills and knowledge they need to excel in their future endeavours. We invite you to explore the opportunities our program offers and to consider how it can help your child realise their full potential. To find out more about the program, please visit our College website or contact the school directly, a member of the high ability team would be happy to speak to you about the benefits for your child.

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

There is no cost associated with the Keysborough College Extension and Enrichment program, however your child must be enrolled at Keysborough College in 2024 to be eligible to undertake the Edu test exam, a requirement that will determine your child's suitability for the program. Register via the QR code below or via the Keysborough College website. Registrations close on the 7th of August 2023.

The exam will run 9.00am - 11.30 am
Saturday 12th August 2023
Keysborough College Acacia Campus
28 Isaac Rd, Keysborough, 3173.





Free flu vaccine for children

Free flu vaccination available for children living in the City of Greater Dandenong. Bookings are essential as supply is limited. Follow the links below to make a booking for your child at one of the three flu sessions available.



Saturday 5 August
39 Clow Street, Dandenong
10.00am-12.30pm



Thursday 10 August,
Dandenong Civic Centre
3.30pm-4.30pm



Wednesday 16 August,
Springvale City Hall
3.30pm-5.00pm

Keysborough Freedom Club

FREE* KINDER 2024

• PLAY • LEARN • GROW

Keysborough Freedom Club is a community operated child care centre run by a parent committee. We strive to ensure that all who join us feel at home and part of the family. We are proud to create an environment that is warm and welcoming. We are trained to provide quality programming in line with the EYLF and based on your child's interests.

Bring your child in to see for yourself!

- Sessional 3 x 5hrs
- Sessional 2 x 7.5hrs
- Integrated into Long Day Care 7.30am to 5.30pm
- Wrap around care and holiday program available

ENROL now!

* Free Kinder applies to 15hrs of funded kinder per week. Integrated Kinder is also subject to CCS

BOOK A TOUR TODAY!
9798 6696
Or www.freedomclub.org.au





Keysborough Secondary College's
production of

Disney Aladdin JR.

Music by
Alan Menken

Lyrics by
Howard Ashman, Tim Rice and Chad Beguelin

Book by
Chad Beguelin

August 3 at 7pm
August 4 at 7pm
August 5 at 3pm and 6pm
Chandler Community Centre

Based on the Disney film written by
Ron Clements, John Musker, Ted Elliott & Terry Rossio
and directed and produced by John Musker & Ron Clements

Director
Kathleen Spaul

Music Director
Basil Rizopoulos

Choreographer
Fiona Chamley

Stage Manager
Cassidy Laird Smith

Disney's Aladdin JR. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are
supplied by
Music Theatre International, New York, NY
212-541-4684 mtishows.com

**NATIONAL ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER
CHILDREN'S DAY
EVENT**

DATE **FRIDAY 4TH AUGUST** TIME **4 PM - 6.30 PM**

'LITTLE VOICES, LOUD FUTURES'

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|---------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| FACE PAINTING | FOOD | CASEY 360 BUS | ENTERTAINMENT |
| BLACKSNAKE PRODUCTIONS | CULTURAL GAMES | MELBOURNE FOOTBALL CLUB | |

LOCATION: MYUNA FARM
182 Kidds road, Doveton 3177

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scan the QR code to book tickets to any of
the 4 shows Aug 3rd, 4th & 5th

**big
CHILDCARE**

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

**18TH OF AUGUST
STUDENT FREE DAY**

We are open from 6:30am-6:30pm.
Please make sure to book your
children via the app or work phone.
For cancellations please give us
48-hours notice. The app does not
change ASC to Curriculum day
automatically.

NEXT WEEK
MONDAY: SOCCER
TUESDAY:
FOOTY/ BANANA BREAD
WEDNESDAY: COMMUNITY HOUSE PROJECT
THURSDAY:
GLITTER SENSORY JAR
FRIDAY: MECHANICAL HAND

HOLIDAY CARE

For our upcoming holiday program, any
suggestions regarding activities and
general program planning please do not
hesitate to share some ideas with us. We
would love to have community voice in
our program.

Furthermore, on the 27TH of September,
we are doing foods around the world! If
you have any recipes or food ideas that
you think the children might like, please
share it with us, or, if you can come and
teach us! Please be mindful that we are
a nut free service and any recipe ideas
that you have must be provided to us
before the commencement of the
session.

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 ensure that you're signing in and
signing out children correctly. If you do
not remember your code, please send us
a text message with your name so we can
text you the code.

Any donations including books, toys or
containers and jars that can be given a
second life would be greatly appreciated