

From the Principal - Mrs Jenkins



Dear KGPS Families,
Welcome back to school for another action-packed term. I hope all our families and staff had a great break and enjoyed their respective religious celebrations.

Sibling Enrolments - Preps 2024!

Do you have a child you intend to enrol in Foundation/Prep class 2024 here at Keysborough Gardens Primary School? If so, collect an enrolment form from the office and return it as soon as you are able. We are receiving an increasing number of enrolment enquiries within & beyond our zone and your cooperation will assist with our forward planning.

Working Bee



Our first 2023 Working Bee is planned for Saturday 6th May, 10am to 12 noon. With many jobs planned, we hope to get a good turnout of parents. Please refer to the notice sent home for further details including the RSVP slip. (Which is also included in the newsletter)

2023 Parent Payments

Thank you to the parents who have paid their financial contribution for 2023. If you are yet to finalise your contribution you may do so via Compass or pop into the school office and make a payment via EFTPOS. Please note the excursion levy of \$125 due date has been extended until Friday 5th May. This levy covers the cost all the incursions and excursions planned for 2023.

Mother's Day events- Save the Date!

We are hosting a Mother's (special friend's) Day afternoon on Monday 15th May from 2:15pm. We'd love you to join us to share in some fun activities with your child/ren.

Our Mother's Day stall will be open on Tuesday the 9th May.

Further information below!



Cross Country

We are looking forward to our 2023 Year 3-6 House Cross Country next Thursday 4th May. Our 3-6 students will be running at Tatterson Park and on Friday 5th May our Prep -2 students will be running a cross country course around the school. We would love family members to attend and cheer on the students.

Year 5/6 Camp

Not long now until our 5/6 students head off to their 3-day camp at Grantville. We are hosting an online Camp Parent/Carer Information session on Monday 1st May at 6pm. Please refer to the Compass post for details.

Please find the link to the session here:

<https://eduvic.webex.com/meet/serpanchy.ryan.r>

The 5/6 teachers, Mrs Caroline Bond (Classroom aide), Mr Simon Gliddon (3-6 SubschooL Leader), Miss Lauren Butcher (Pre-service teacher) and Mr Adam Sikora (parent) will be attending the camp. Ms Fiona Grace will be taking Mr Gliddon's class while he is at camp.



Curriculum days and Public Holidays -Term 2

As per the last newsletter here are some dates for your diaries:

- Monday 8th May - Curriculum Day*
- Friday 23rd June - Curriculum Day*
(last day of term Thursday 22nd June)
- Monday 12th June- King's Birthday

*Big Childcare will offer a program on our Curriculum Days.

AGM- Tonight at 5:30pm - 6pm

5:30pm-6pm tonight is our Annual General Meeting. We will be sharing our 2022 Annual Report with our School Council and the community. To register your attendance please contact Mrs Dee Smith, Business Manager at the office on 9792 6800 or email deanna.smith@education.vic.gov.au

The 2022 Annual Report and the Principal's Reflections of 2022 document will be sent out via our newsletter in the coming weeks.

New Big Childcare Manager

Welcome to our new Big Childcare manger Madiha Asif! Madi joined Big Childcare as manager during the recent holiday program. Please see her profile later in the newsletter.

ANZAC day

On Wednesday Mr Serpanchy, Mr Gammon and I attended the ANZAC School Service at the Shrine of Remembrance in Dingley. Our School Captains, Tasneem and Ariyan spoke at the service and Chenulya and Neyahra laid a wreath at the shrine on behalf of the KGPS community. It was a beautiful service, and our Year 6 leaders did a fantastic job representing KGPS.



Did you see us in the Star Journal?

Thank you to Dymocks and Rotary!

Kind regards,

Sherri

Sherri Jenkins | Principal



DIARY DATES 2023

April 2023

Thursday 27th	Wk1	AGM 5:30pm / School Council Meeting 6:00pm
Friday 28th	Wk1	Assembly 9:10am

May 2023

Monday 1st	Wk2	Year 3/4 Science Works Excursion
Thursday 4th	Wk 2	Yr 3-6 House Cross Country 9-1pm
Friday 5th	Wk 2	Assembly 9:10am
	Wk 2	Prep- 2 Junior House Cross Country 10:45-11:30am
Monday 8th	Wk 3	Curriculum Day (no students)
Tuesday 9th	Wk 3	Year 1 Museum of Art & Play Excursion
	Wk 3	Mother's Day Stall 8:30-1pm
Wednesday 10th	Wk 3	Year 5/6 Camp
	Wk 3	Mother's Day Stall 8:30 & 3:30pm
Thursday 11th	Wk 3	Cuppa & Chat 9-10:15am
Friday 12th	Wk 3	Assembly 9:10am
	Wk 3	Growing with Gratitude Incursion Yr 3/4
	Wk 3	Year 5/6 Campers Return
Monday 15th	Wk 4	Mother's Day Afternoon Celebration 2:30 - 3:30pm
Tuesday 16th	Wk 4	Year 2 Science Works Excursion
Thursday 18th	Wk 4	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sport Mt Hira
Friday 19th	Wk 4	Assembly 9:10am
Monday 22nd - 24th	Wk 5	Dental Health Services
Friday 26th	Wk 5	State School Spectacular OSPS
	Wk 5	Assembly 9:10am District Cross Country 10-1pm

Mother's Day Stall - Tuesday 9th May and Wednesday 10th May

Our Mother's Day Stall will be open for our children to purchase gifts for mum or a special person on Tuesday 9th May. Please send along cash in a named envelope or zip lock bag.

Gifts range from \$4- \$15.

Any student who forgets to bring along their money on Tuesday can purchase a gift on Wednesday 10th from 8:30am until 9:15am and 3:0pm until 3:45pm

Mother's day stall Volunteers needed!!

Are you able to help out at our Mother's Day Stall on Tuesday 9th May for an hour or so between 8:45am and 1pm? If you can spare some time, we would love you to help. Please ring the office on 97926800, email us keysborough.gardens.ps@education.vic.gov.au or pop in and let us know. All we need is your name and the time you would like to help.

No experience needed, just some spare time and a smile!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

Well Done!



- All of Prep A
- Luna Piacentini
- Elissa Sok
- Sophia Mohammadi
- Kaia Bennet-Williams
- Ronny Walsh
- Asher Nguyen
- Hari Purushothaman
- Tengz Huang
- Quinn Van Twuiver
- Johann Heri
- Alya Gulluoglu
- James Yingpanyathikun
- Isabella Ha
- Shenal Fernando
- Catherina Nguyen
- Hannah Lu
- Ratu Mohd
- Madison Oates
- Levi Jarmen
- Andy Ryan

Apply now to enrol your child in Foundation (Prep) for 2024

The Department of Education has released a new statewide timeline for enrolling in Foundation (Prep) for the 2024 school year.

If you have a child starting primary school in 2024, it's time to enrol. Make sure to submit your enrolment application by Friday 28 July 2023.

If you are enrolling the sibling of a student at our school for Foundation in 2024, and both children will be attending our school at the same time, your child is prioritised for a place at our school as per the department's Placement Policy.

It is important to follow the statewide timeline to enrol your child in Foundation. Enrolling your child in line with the timelines allows us to plan our classrooms, staffing and transition activities and ensures your child has the best start to school.

For more information, please read about when and how to enrol your child in Foundation at vic.gov.au/enrolling-foundation-prep.

If you are seeking to enrol your child into Foundation next year, please contact our school office on 97926800 or keysborough.gardens.ps@education.vic.gov.au to request an enrolment form.

From the PE Teacher- Mrs King House Cross Country Carnival

Next week we will be holding our annual House Cross Country Carnival. Students will be running a course with a distance set dependent on their age. All students are expected to participate with all race finishers earning points for their house towards an overall House Cross Country winner.

We are still in need of more volunteers to help on Thursday morning at Tatterson Park. Please complete this google form ASAP if you are able to support on the day.

Below is an approximate order of events (weather dependent):

Grade 3-6: Thursday 4th May @ Tatterson Park 9:30am

12/13 year olds (3km)

11 year olds (3km)

10 year olds (2km)

8/9 year olds (1km)

Prep- Grade 2: Friday 5th May @ KGPS school grounds 9:50am

Prep & Buddy run (1 lap of school oval)

Year 1 (2 laps of school oval)

Year 2 (2 laps of school oval)

Students are encouraged to wear their House colours and should wear clothing/footwear appropriate to run in. The house colours are:

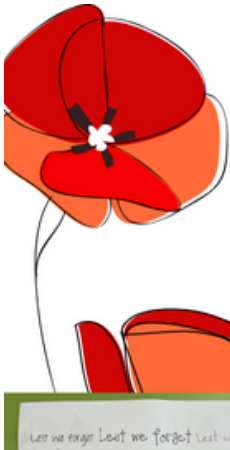
Good luck to all students!

Kind regards,

Jaiden

Jaiden King | PE Teacher





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ANZAC DAY



On Monday and Wednesday, across KGPS, we showed respect and gratitude to our ANZAC's by learning about their sacrifice and all they have done for our country.

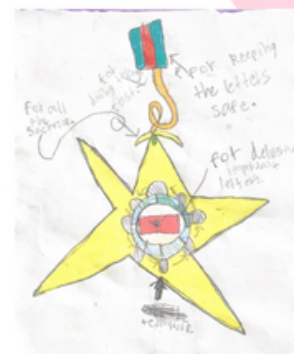
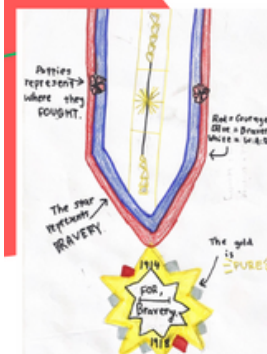
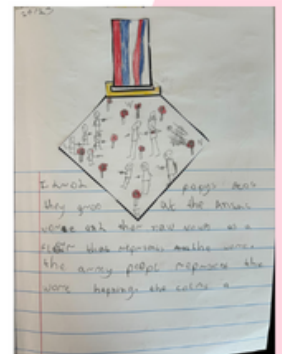
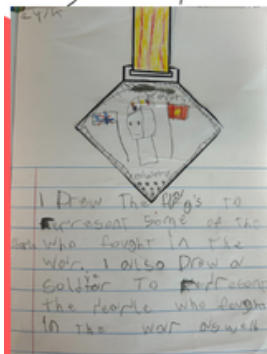
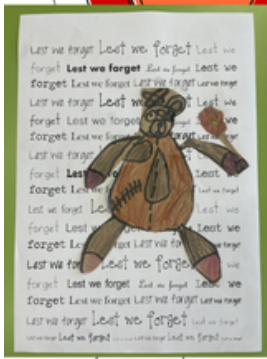
The Prep students were introduced to the ANZACs through the book ANZAC Ted. They then created their own teddy and made connections between the book and their own experiences of bravery.

The Year 1 students learned about the importance of ANZAC day by reading the story 'Anzac Ted' by Belinda Landsberry. They went on Anzac Ted's journey through the story to learn about the ANZACs and why it is important to remember the men and women who served in the War. After the story, the students made their very own Anzac Ted!

When learning about ANZAC Day this year, the Year 2's explored the difference between celebration and commemoration. Students then designed a medal with symbols to represent their understanding and wrote some sentences to justify their choices.

The Year 3/4 community watched a BTN ANZAC special where they learnt about the brave and courageous people and animals who served in the war. They then designed their own medal of courage and labelled what the different aspects symbolised.

On Wednesday, four of the Year 5/6 leaders attended an ANZAC Day Service. Ariyan and Tasneem gave an amazing speech and Chenulya and Neyahra respectfully laid a wreath on behalf of KGPS.





Whole School

Parents and families come along and join us for a TERM 2 WORKING BEE



SATURDAY, 6th May 2023, 10.00am – 12.00pm

Dear families,

Term 2 Whole School Working Bee will be held on Saturday 6th May at 10.00am for the parents and students.

Any amount of time you can contribute will be greatly appreciated, even one hour would be great, as a number of labour-intensive tasks are planned for these mornings. It's also a great way to get to know other parents!

The convenor for this Working Bee will be **Mr Russell McLeod**. Please see **Russell** upon your arrival, (near the sandpit next to the water tanks) for the tasks list.

Complimentary **snacks and drinks** will be provided for all adults and children!

TO ASSIST WITH PLANNING, PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE REPLY SLIP BELOW.

Thank you in advance for contributing to the maintenance and beautification of our grounds to the benefit of all students.

Yours sincerely,

2023 School Council Buildings and Grounds Sub- Committee

AREA	STANDARD JOBS LIST JOB	EQUIPMENT REQUIRED School has only a small amount of equipment therefore if you have your own to bring would be great, please clearly name this.
General Weeding	Clearing weeds – around <u>fenceline</u> and garden beds	Spade, broom, gloves
Playground	Rake mulch – even out surface	Rake
Entrances/Outside Buildings both PAPE (Performing Arts/PE building) and Main Building	General sweeping/blowing around exterior to remove leaves/debris from doorways, removal of cobwebs around door frames, windows and wiping down of surfaces.	Brooms, blower, gloves, clothes for surface wiping, wheelbarrows.
Outdoor seating/benches	Oil wooden benches	gloves
Mulching	Relocate the mulch to the front garden bed (along <u>fenceline</u>)	Wheelbarrow, spade

Please note children attending must be accompanied by a parent/guardian

Please return this slip to your child's teacher or the office by THURSDAY, 4th May. Thank you

REPLY SLIP - Working Bee Saturday 6th May - 10.00am – 12.00pm

YES, I am able to attend, number of people attending (including children)

Parent/carer Name/s: _____

Child/Children's Name/s: _____

Grade/s: _____



Meet Your OSHC Centre Manager!

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CHILDCARE

My name is

Madiha Asif



My Qualifications are

Bachelor of Business
Administration 2007-2012

CERT III Early Childhood
Education & Care 2014

Diploma Early Childhood
Education & Care 2015

Screened & Trusted

- ✓ Valid VIC Working With
Children Check
- ✓ COVID-19 Vaccinated

About Me

I have been working in the education industry for the last nine years and love working with children. I am looking forward to building warm relationships with the school community.

In my spare time I enjoy exercising, reading and listening to music.

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