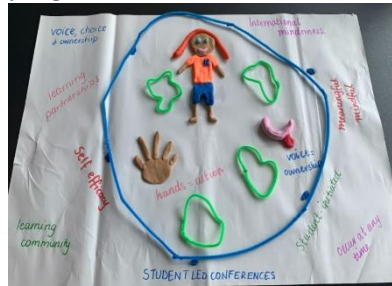


## From the Prep-2 Subschool Leader- Ms Matlock

### Dear Parents/Carers, Making the PYP Happen

As a candidate PYP school, we need to complete a range of Professional Learning in order to be accredited as an official International Baccalaureate School. Last week, on Thursday and Friday, our teachers participated in a two-day workshop where we learned about ways we can further embed the inquiry process, transdisciplinary learning and student agency and action! Our teachers were very **open-minded** and **risk-takers** as they explored new ways of learning and improving their teaching and learning programs!



### Breakfast Club

This year, we are fortunate to have partnered with Foodbank Victoria to start a Breakfast Club at our school. Running Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 – 8:45, the club provides students with a variety of healthy, Victorian grown or manufactured breakfast foods and provides a warm and welcoming space for students when they arrive at school! Any student can come to the canteen area to see Miss Harly and our team of wonderful volunteers for some breaky to start their day!



### Harmony Day

Over the next two weeks, we will be celebrating Harmony Day and Action Against Bullying Day in our teaching and learning programs. Harmony Week celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. This Friday, we will be holding a special assembly to celebrate our cultural diversity and taking action. Students are encouraged to come dressed in their cultural dress or orange, the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect.



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## HARMONY DAY & ACTION AGAINST BULLYING DAY

*Celebrating Our Cultural Diversity & Taking Action*

**FRIDAY 17TH MARCH**  
**9:15 AM ASSEMBLY IN THE GYM**  
**VACCINATED PARENTS WELCOME**

**COME DRESSED IN ORANGE OR YOUR CULTURAL DRESS FOR OUR PARADE.**

### Planning Week Timetable

In week 10 (28<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April), our teachers will be participating in our termly Planning Week. During this week, students participate in a slightly modified timetable, where their specialist sessions for Mandarin, Visual Arts, Performing Arts and PE are all scheduled on the one day instead of being scheduled across the week. Teachers will still be at school on their planning day, as they plan exciting and engaging learning experiences for the upcoming term. As the timetable is finalized, teachers will remind students of their 'Special Specialist Day' for week 10.

## Year 1 Excursion

On Tuesday, there was a flurry of excitement in the year 1 space as the teachers marked the roll and a very large bus arrived in Kiss and Go, ready to take the year 1s off on their excursion to the Cranbourne Botanical Gardens! This excursion was used as a provocation for their new Unit of Inquiry, focusing on how 'the environment plays an essential role in our world'. There were some very tired students (and teachers) when they arrived back at school, and I heard the best parts included finding out about why we need plants, planting their own Native Plants, touching worms and playing on not one, but two different playgrounds!! Thank you to our incredible Year 1 teachers for planning and facilitating a wonderful excursion.



**OnPsych is now available at our school!**

Do you find that your child is having emotional or behavioural issues? Are they struggling socially?

We are now working with OnPsych to have a registered psychologist / accredited mental health social worker to support your child and provide counselling during school hours, at our school.

These services are provided at the school at NO COST through Medicare bulk billing. The psychologist/mental health social worker will work collaboratively with you, your child, and the teachers to maximise opportunities for positive growth.

If you believe that this might benefit your child, please contact the school office on 97926800 or [keysborough.gardens.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:keysborough.gardens.ps@education.vic.gov.au) and request a Parent Pack for further information.

## STAFF MEMBER IN PROFILE:

### SOPHIE TANNER- 5/6 TEACHER

Hello everyone!

My name is Sophie and I am very excited and thankful to have joined KGPS this year. I teach in our year 5/6 learning community and have previously taught at various schools as a CRT. Before that, I was an Inclusion Support Person in a number of OSHC services, as I am very passionate about inclusive education and student engagement. I first discovered my passion for teaching when I volunteered at a rural school in Malaysia. Outside of teaching, I love to play netball. I'm also a keen Essendon supporter and love the AFL. I look forward to the year of learning and fun ahead!



### RYAN SERPANCHY- 5/6 LEADING TEACHER

My name is Mr. Serpanchy. I am extremely happy to be leading and teaching the 5/6 learning community in 2022. I have a background in exercise science, physical activity and nutrition and am currently in my sixth year of teaching, having spent the previous years teaching Years 4, 5 and 6. I am an enthusiastic and engaging teacher who loves anything sport related, in particular AFL and Soccer. I support the Sydney Swans in the AFL and Manchester United in the English Premier League. In my spare time, I enjoy going to the movies, hanging out with friends and family and playing local footy on the weekends. I enjoy travelling around Australia and have been lucky enough to travel to many countries in Europe. I would also like to explore more of Western Australia, Northern Territory and the rest of the world. I am looking forward to the rest of the year ahead at Keysborough Gardens Primary School in 2022!



Kind Regards,

*Rebecca*

Rebecca Matlock



*We are Grateful to you:*

Thank you to the following parent helpers who attended the Yr1 excursion: Scott Bilston, Jason Caruana, Teuta Lumanovski

Thank you to this weeks canteen volunteers: Daniela Leon, Yuan Ma & Hien Le

## DIARY DATES 2022

### March 2022

Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 8	Assembly 9:15am
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Wk 9	Yr 3/4 Camp Gundiwindi (Wed-Fri)
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 9	Yr 5/6 Interschool Sport (Away)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 9	Assembly 2:55pm
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Wk10	Planning Week

### April 2022

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Wk 10	Assembly 2:55pm
Tuesday		Special Food Day
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 11	School Photos
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 11	Last day of Term 1- (3:30pm finish) Assembly 2:55pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 1	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 1	Start of Term 2- students back at school
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 1	State School Spectacular Rehearsal

### May 2022

Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 3	Yr 3&5 Naplan Writing
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 3	Yr 3&5 Naplan starts

- Assembly every Friday at 2:55pm



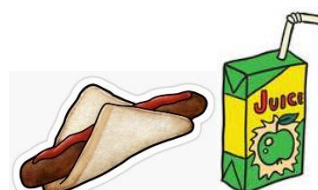
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CHILDCARE

**AUTUMN ADVENTURE!**

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Pay as low as \$13 for a Home Base Day at 85% CCS\*  
\*Subject to Income and Activity Testing

Limited spots available! Book online now.

### Special Food Day - Tuesday 5th April

At end of last year we had arranged a house sports day where there was an option to purchase a lunch pack from our canteen. Sadly, this was cancelled due to COVID.

We are re-scheduling this special food day for Tuesday 5th April, this includes a sausage, packet of chips and juice box all for just \$5.00.

**If you purchased a pack at the end of last year you won't need to purchase this again.** You will be able to see your order in Compass Canteen - My orders - Past Orders to confirm this. Or if you are unsure please email your classroom teacher who will be able to confirm if an order was placed. All orders must be in by 8pm Sunday 2nd April to assist with catering. Please understand that no late orders can be accepted so to avoid disappointment get your orders in early.



# EASTER RAFFLE

*DEAR PARENTS,*


*WE ARE REQUESTING DONATIONS FOR OUR EASTER RAFFLE.  
THE RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN AT THE LAST ASSEMBLY FOR TERM 1.  
IF WE COULD REQUEST YOU TO BRING ALONG AN ITEM OR SO AS  
PER THE LIST BELOW IT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.*

*PREPS - CHOCOLATE EGG OR BUNNY*

*GRADE 1 & 2 - CHOCOLATE EGG OR BUNNY*

*GRADE 3 & 4 - BOOKS, ACTIVITY BOOKS OR CRAFT ITEM*

*GRADE 5 & 6 - BOOKS, ACTIVITY BOOKS OR CRAFT ITEM*



*DONATIONS CAN BE BROUGHT IN ALONG WITH YOUR CHILD OR DROPPED  
OFF TO THE OFFICE AND PLACED INTO THE BOXES PROVIDED.*

***DONATIONS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN  
THURSDAY 31ST MARCH***



*KINDEST REGARDS  
FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE*

