## Term 3 Week 1- Newsletter #1

14<sup>th</sup> July 2022

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## From the Acting Principal- Mrs Deanne Barrie

#### Dear KGPS Families,

Keysborough Gardens

Primary

Welcome back to term 3. I hope that you all had a good break and are ready for a busy second semester! This year has just flown by so quickly; before we know it, December will be here!

Sherri Jenkins is on Long Service Leave and will be returning halfway through next week, so it is my pleasure to step in as Acting Principal while she is on leave.

#### Kiss and Go

Thank you to all our families for supporting our new Kiss and Go procedures while the upgrade of the Prep area takes place. If you are using the Kiss and Go area, please have your child/ren's names on the left-hand side of your dashboard to speed up the process of collecting your child.

Our wonderful ICT Leaders and School Captains created a short video to share with the school community. You can watch it by clicking <u>here</u>.

#### Upgrading our school grounds

There has been a lot of groundwork activity taking place during the holidays, which is very exciting!

The Prep area is being refurbished to include new paths, artificial turf and seating.

Near the basketball courts, construction has begun in readiness for the second playground. This will be a muchneeded addition to our outdoor spaces! I overheard some students trying to guess what is going to happen with this space; now they will know!

It is anticipated that both of these areas will be completed by mid to late August depending on the rain.

Finally our shade sail posts have been installed in the area between the main building and the Performing Arts and Physical Education building. We are now just waiting for the sails to be installed. Hopefully, that won't be too far away. It will be great to have this area shaded once Summer comes along.





#### **Student-Led Conferences next week**

Our Student Led Conferences will be held next week on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July** and **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. These studentled sessions, which also involve the student's teacher, expand upon the written report, providing some examples of your child's work and achievements.

Information on how to book and secure your time was sent out via our COMPASS communication platform. We look forward to seeing you and your child/ren at the conference. Bookings will close next Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 4:30pm.

Due to the high number of COVID cases and Influenza in the community, we are requesting that all parents attending these conferences wear a mask and cancel their appointment if showing any cold or flu like symptoms.

We can organise another time or a Webex session for you if any member of your family is unwell and you are unable to attend.





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# What's the difference between a Student-led Conference (SLC) and a 'Parent/teacher meeting'?

A Student-Led Conference is an opportunity for your child to lead you through their learning journey so far this year, acknowledging progress, celebrating successes and noting the 'next step' in their learning. Teachers and students have prepared guidelines, portfolios and activities for this 15 minute session.

A parent-teacher meeting is an opportunity for parents and teachers to sit down together to discuss your child's progress as well as any concerns or issues either parents or the teacher may have. Teachers are always available for this throughout the year.

The SLC session is not intended to be a parent-teacher meeting. It is centred on and led by the student. If you wish to discuss or raise anything with your child's teacher, please contact them to make a separate time to meet.

#### NAIDOC WEEK

NAIDOC Week celebrates the history, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. It is celebrated by all Australians and is a great opportunity to learn more about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

The NAIDOC 2022 theme – **Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!** – was chosen by the National NAIDOC Committee. It recognises the history of getting up, standing up, and showing up – from the Frontier Wars to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities fighting for change today, and the courage not to lose momentum for change.

This week all year levels have been participating in classroom activities that will explore key Aboriginal & Torres

Strait Islander perspectives, peoples, histories and stories.

At Assembly this Friday, each year level will be proudly showcasing their activities.



#### KGPS UMBRELLA FUNDRAISER

Order your limited edition KGPS umbrellas now! These black umbrellas with our school logo are compact, so they will fit into school bags. Order via Compass, by clicking on the Canteen link and selecting <u>SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER</u>.



Order quickly as stock is limited!!

#### **Canteen Volunteers**

We are in urgent need of volunteers to support our wonderful Canteen Manager, Chum De Silva, on Wednesdays and Fridays. You do not need to commit to helping out every week, but we urgently need more helpers. Please find link: <u>Google Form</u>

#### **Student Absences**

If your child is absent from school, it is essential that you add a note or an explanation for each time your child is absent from school via the Compass portal. We have many students with unexplained absences. Each week we will be sending a communication to families that have not added notes for absences.

Please read the fact sheet here.

#### **Active Travel**

Thank you again to those families who are supporting our Active Travel Initiative by walking or cycling to school. Not only is it reducing traffic congestion, it is also developing happy, healthy, active KGPS students.

If you are walking or cycling, and need to cross Homeleigh or Chapel Road, please, please, please use the lights to cross!

Enjoy the rest of your week and stay well!

Kind Regards,

## Deanne

Deanne Barrie | Acting Principal

## PREP ENROLMENTS CLOSING SOON

Our Prep enrolments for 2022 will be closing soon. If you know of any families that have not yet enrolled, please ask them to contact the school as soon as possible.

Prep students who reside in our zone and siblings of students already enrolled are guaranteed a place at KGPS. You can check our school zone at <u>Find my School</u>.



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DIARY DATES 2022		
July 2022		
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 2	Student Led Conferences 3:15pm-7pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Wk 2	Student Led Conferences 3:45pm-5pm School Council Meeting 5:30pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 3	Yr 3/4 Lume Excursion
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 3	Interschool Sport Division Finals
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 3	Yr 3-6 House Athletics Day (Ross Reserve)
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 3	100 Days of Prep Celebrations
August 2022		
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 4	SSS Mass Dance Rehearsal Primary Principals Day
Monday 8th-12th	Wk 5	Prep-Yr 4 Swimming 🛛 🗻
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 5	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser
Monday 15th-19th	Wk 6	National Science Week 👳
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 6	School Council Meeting 5:30pm
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wk 7	Book Week 🚂
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 7	School Disco 🍯
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 8	Fathers Day Breakfast Fathers Day Stallscience
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Wk 8	Fathers Day Stall Yr 5/6 Camp (returning Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept)
September 2022		
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 8	Fathers Day
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 9	District Athletics (Ross reserve 9:30- 1:30pm) SSS Mass Rehearseal
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 9	SSS Mass Rehearseal
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 9	SSS Performance
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 10	Division Athletics (Ross reserve)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 10	Last Day of Term 3 - Dismissal 3:30pm
<ul> <li>Assembly every Friday at 9:10am</li> </ul>		





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Students use our piano/keyboards and guitars during the lesson at school!

All other instruments should be provided by the students.

We provide reports twice a year, an end of year concert as well as prepare students for AMEB exams.

For more information email our office or visit the FAQ page on our website.

- The tuition fees start from S139 per term (group lessons)
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- Individual lessons from \$380 per term
- Private ZOOM lessons available all year round
- New students are required to buy 1-2 books depending on the instrument
- Fees are paid ONLINE only by VISA. MasterCard or Debit Card (No Cash or EFD)
- Instruments are available for purchase or rent on our ONLINE SHOP
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