

## From the Prep Leader- Ms Matlock

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a busy few weeks it has been here at KGPS! This week was another busy week as we held our annual Parent Information Evenings on Tuesday night. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to showcase our teaching and learning programs as well as provide parents/carers and families with year level specific information. Thank you to all of our families that attended these sessions. If you were unable to make it, our recorded sessions have been made available online via Compass.

Whole school information session link:

<https://youtu.be/I00wjtI7aYM>

## Staff Professional Development

At our school, we are strong believers in the importance of lifelong learning. This week our teachers participated in another 'Breaky PD' session, focused on research-based strategies for teaching literacy (reading, writing and speaking and listening). Thank you to Mr Gliddon, our Literacy Curriculum PLC Leader, for delivering this key professional learning session for our teachers.



## Developmental Play

In the Prep Learning Community, our students have been learning through play experiences each day. We use these opportunities to facilitate friendships, model social skills and teach problem solving behaviours. This week our preps have been playing tabletop games in small groups, role playing and developing their fine motor skills through activities such as manipulating playdoh and using peg boards and building blocks.



## Wellbeing

Our school promotes positive behaviours and part of our approach is to implement school-wide positive behaviours to support all our learners. Our current Units of Inquiry explore 'How We Organise Ourselves' and 'Who We Are'. Our students across the school have been learning about school routines, expected and unexpected behaviours and working hard on developing their Learning Community Essential Agreements. Students have also continued to develop their emotional literacy through the use of the Zones of Regulation.



## Prep Play Space

This year, we have continued to build our Prep Play Space. Each day we set up engaging play experiences for our students in our Prep Play Area. Some of the popular play choices have included dress ups, building blocks, basketball and the Mud Kitchen. It has been wonderful watching our preps continue to explore social situations through play outside and getting to know their new prep friends. We will keep adding to this play space and are encouraging our students to let us know what things they would like in this area so we can continue providing engaging opportunities.



## Save the date: Welcome Picnic & Leadership Badge Presentation!

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 5-7pm**

We hope to see all of you at our Welcome Picnic in a few week's time! The picnic will include our Year 6 Leadership Badge Presentation. We look forward to seeing you there!





## KISS AND GO ZONE

### PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR.



To ensure the **Kiss and Go** runs effectively and to abide by local laws please do not leave your car unattended in the Kiss and Go zone. Thank you for your cooperation.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!


- ◆ Harper Skeggs
- ◆ Ethan Lim
- ◆ Camila Sakaci
- ◆ Alex Pham
- ◆ Chenuk Desilva
- ◆ Nahyura Talagala
- ◆ Jacob Zhu
- ◆ Mahimna Patel
- ◆ Mariana Chour
- ◆ Amani Ahamed
- ◆ Elena Guov
- ◆ Vivaan Srivastava
- ◆ Felyssiah Tao
- ◆ Isabella Duong
- ◆ Lavinia Kolar
- ◆ Bailey Crawford
- ◆ Jamie Nguyen
- ◆ Joshua Chen
- ◆ Ethan Peng

### DIARY DATES 2022

#### February 2022

Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 4	Assembly 2:55pm (via Webex)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Wk 5	Prep Assessments
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 5	Assembly 2:55pm (via Webex)
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 6	Preps starting full week

#### March 2022

Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 6	Assembly 2:55pm (via Webex) Welcome Picnic & Leadership Badge Presentation 
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 7	Curriculum Day- no school
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 7	Curriculum Day- no school
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 8	Labour Day Holiday- no school
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 8	Yr 1 Excursion (Cranbourne Botanical)
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 8	School Council 5:15pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 8	Assembly 2:55pm (via Webex)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Wk 9	Harmony Day
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Wk 9	Yr 3/4 Camp Gundiwindi (Wed-Fri)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wk 9	Assembly 2:55pm (via Webex)

#### April 2022

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Wk 10	Assembly 2:55pm (via Webex)
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 (via Webex)

- Assembly every Friday at 2:55pm (currently via Webex until further notice)



#### A Big Thank You to:

**Pawlovski family**- for treating our staff with yummy baked muffins and for donating 'Koh' cleaning products to the school.

**Mr Gammon**- thank you for organising the video for the Curriculum Information Night.

#### Book Club Issue 1

 SCHOLASTIC

Orders due by: **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February**  
[scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP)

 Book Clubs

Every Child Deserves a Good Book

Our school receives rewards of FREE books and learning resources for all purchases made through Scholastic Book Club by families! Please keep this mind for when you are purchasing books or other resources for your children! The best gift any parent can give a child is the love of books and the joy and benefits of independent reading for fun. Children who read at home, or are read to, have a head start on reading success in school. Happy reading!

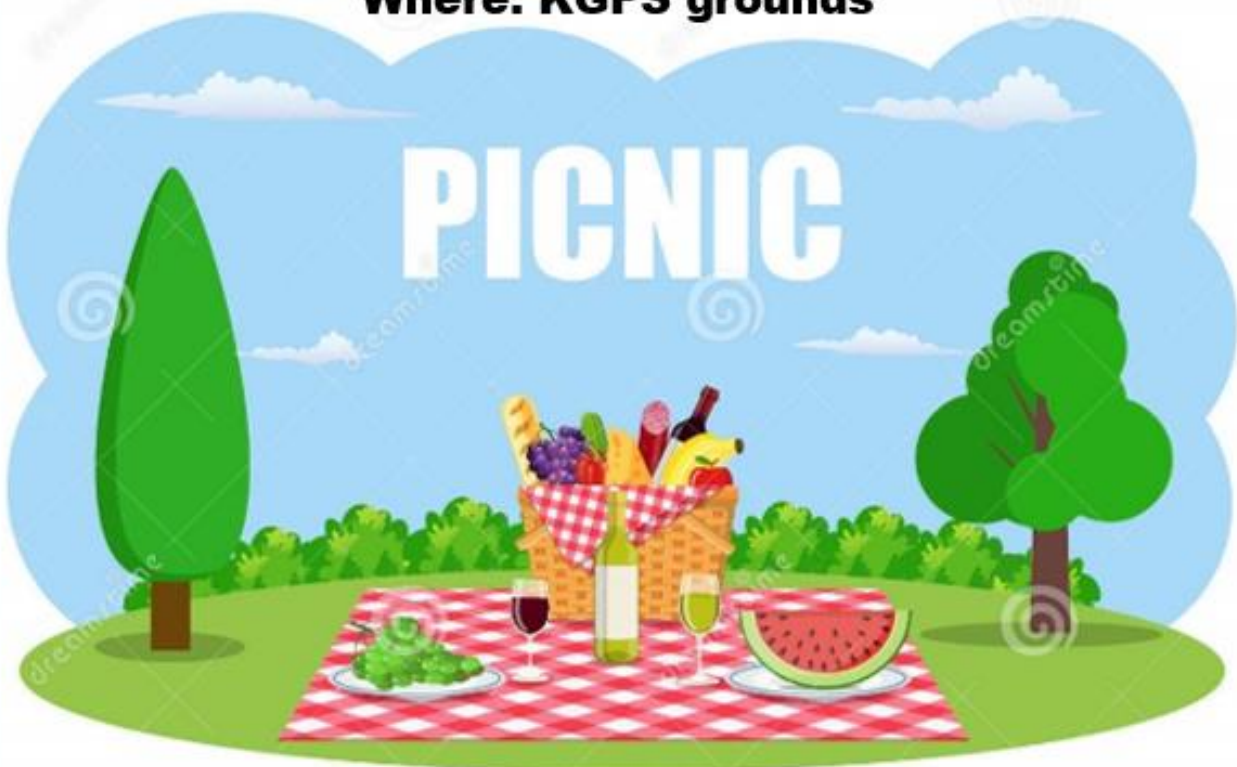


# **SAVE THE DATE!**

## **Welcome Picnic & Leadership** **Badge Presentation**

**When: Friday 4th March 5-7pm**

**Where: KGPS grounds**



**More details coming soon.**