

From the Inclusive Education Leader- Mrs Cadby



Dear Parents, Carers & Guardians,
We are already halfway through Term 3, and with the warmer weather approaching, a reminder that all students will need to be wearing their school hats from the beginning of September. This week, our Year 3-6 students participated in the swimming program at the Toby Haenen Swim Centre – well done to all who took part and demonstrated our school value of Excellence!

We also have plenty of exciting events coming up, including the Grade 3 Camp to Sunnystones, Book Week celebrations, our Father's Day afternoon and stall, and the Prep-Year 2 swimming program in Week 8. It will be the end-of-term break before we know it, so be sure to mark all of these important dates in your diaries!

Hat Season is Almost Here!

With September just around the corner, it is nearly time for hats to make their return! From 1st September, our SunSmart policy will be back in place, meaning all students will need to wear their school hats when outdoors. Now is a great time to check that hats are clean, clearly labelled, and ready to go.

If you need a new one, hats can be purchased from PSW Hampton Park or through the school office for \$18.50.

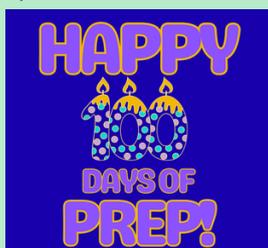


100 Days of Prep

This Friday our Preps will celebrate the milestone of being at school for 100 days!!

We can't wait to celebrate this very special day.

Watch out for some pictures in next week's newsletter.



Prep Dreamtime Drama Incursion

On Monday our Prep students took part in a Drama Toolbox incursion as part of their Unit of Inquiry, 'How We Express Ourselves'. Students explored the many ways people can share stories, from acting and role-play to the use of costumes and movement. They had the opportunity to practice their own storytelling skills by dressing up as animals and acting out the much-loved Indigenous Australian Dreamtime story, Tiddalick the Frog.



Book Week - Next Week!

Next week we will be celebrating Book Week! Our Book Week Dress Up Day will be held on Friday 29th August, with a Book Week Parade taking place during Assembly. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the parade and join in the fun.

There is not too much time left to find a costume, so now is the perfect time to start planning! The theme for Book Week this year is 'Book an Adventure'. Your child can come dressed as their favourite book character or as an adventurer ready to set off on an exciting journey.

We can't wait to see the creativity and imagination come to life on the day!



Dress up Day!
Friday 29th August

BOOK AN
Adventure



Pup-date Update

Buddy has started visiting the Year 1 students each Thursdays this term! The children have been so excited to welcome their furry friend into the Learning Community, and Buddy has been enjoying plenty of pats and attention. This week, he joined in with our mental maths sessions, offering a supportive paw as students worked through their answers. He then jumped into phonics, keeping a careful eye on our spelling practice. We love having Buddy in Year One!



Year 3-6 Swimming Program

This week, our Year 3-6 students participated in the swimming program at the Toby Haenen Swim Centre. Learning to swim and developing water safety skills are essential for all children, especially as we live in a country where swimming and water activities are such an important part of life. We commend all students for their efforts throughout the program, showing the PYP Learner Profile of 'Balanced' by taking care of their physical wellbeing and developing lifelong skills, and 'Risk-Takers' - by challenging themselves and trying their best in the pool. Well done, everyone! We look forward to the junior school swimming program for Prep to Year 2 students in week 8.



State School Spectacular Updates!

Our amazing KGPS performers took part in Rehearsal 4 of the Victorian State Schools Spectacular, joining over 20 schools in a full-day hub rehearsal.

This session focused on some of the biggest behind-the-scenes elements of the show - costume changes, prop practice and learning how to enter and exit the stage like true professionals. We could not be more proud of their teamwork and growing confidence.

A reminder that tickets are currently on sale via Ticketek - they are selling fast, don't miss out!

Mark your calendars for the Week 5 Assembly - a special sneak peak performance is coming your way!



Share Your Voice: Parent Survey

This week, 130 randomly selected families will receive an email invitation to participate in the Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey. This annual survey, conducted by the Department of Education, helps schools gain valuable insights into families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The feedback we gather will play a crucial role in shaping our future planning and improvement strategies. The online survey takes about 20 minutes to complete, and we greatly appreciate the time taken by those selected to provide their input. Once you have completed the survey, please return the reply slip to the office to receive a special treat from Mrs Jenkins!

ICAS Assessments

Well done to all the students who participated in the English test last week! On Friday, 29th August, students sitting the Maths test will have their turn. We are so proud of every student who has taken part in ICAS, demonstrating our school value of Excellence by giving their best effort and persisting when challenged.

Warm regards,
Andrea

Andrea Cadby | Inclusive Education Leader

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE STUDENTS OF THE WEEK!

KEEP IT UP!



- Ayberk K
- Leopold L
- Ayan M
- Hercules K
- Jermaine R
- Farisha Z
- Angela N
- Amara R
- Muhammad Z
- Naveed U
- Ellie L
- Aleah B
- Aiden P
- Darpahi P
- Kyzer L
- Gurnaz K
- Eloise F
- Ratu M
- Mia C
- Dylan N
- Lucas J
- Brandon Y
- Faith K
- Dua Z
- Alex D
- Charlie P
- Sophia M

Lamont Book Fair Visit

The Lamont Book Fair is arriving next week, just in time for Book Week! Join us in the Learning Gallery from 27th August - 3rd September to explore a wonderful range of books. Every purchase helps support our school, so it is the perfect chance to find a new favourite story and give back at the same time. Look out for the Compass post regarding open times.



2025 Terms

Term 3

21st July
to
19th September

Term 4

6th October
to
18th December

Student Free Days & Public Holidays:

Semester 2

- Monday 3rd November (Prof. Practice Day- Curriculum Day)
- Tuesday 4th November (Cup Day)

Gratitude

We are so grateful to the following parents for helping this week:

Adeline, Michelle & Sonu.

Thank you to the below parents for volunteering their time for PMP-

Lucas, Filiz, Dixita, Nicole, Danielle, Delna, Jessica & Vatt.

Thank you to our parents who assisted with our Year 3-6 swimming Program



KEYSBOROUGH SECONDARY COLLEGE
COMMUNITY DAY

CELEBRATING THE DIVERSITY OF OUR COMMUNITY!

Discover the vibrant sights, sounds, and flavors of our community at our COMMUNITY festival—a wonderful opportunity for families from all backgrounds to come together and share in an unforgettable experience.

BOOK NOW
SATURDAY 13th Sep 2025

TIME- 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
VENUE- ACACIA CAMPUS
28, ISAAC ROAD KEYSBOROUGH VIC , 3173

Entry - Gold Coin Donation

ATTRACTIONS

- DIWALI CELEBRATION
- CULTURAL PERFORMANCES
- MUSIC
- MARKET STALLS
- KID'S ACTIVITIES
- ANIMAL FARM
- FACE PAINTING
- HENNA TATTOOS
- FOOD STALLS
- MARKET STALLS
- GIANT PUPPETS

SPECIAL PERFORMANCES
NARTHANALYA ACADEMY OF DANCE AND MUSIC
GS HEER BHANGRA ACADEMY

Father's Day Stall



*Prep - Year Four:
Thursday 4th September*

*Year Five and Six: Friday
5th September*

Great gifts for Dad
or
your Special Person!!



♥ Father's Day ♥
and
Special Person's Afternoon

Come and join us on
Friday 5th September
from 2:30pm for a
fun filled afternoon!



KGPS Book Week
25 - 29 August
2025

**BOOK WEEK DRESS UP PARADE AT
ASSEMBLY
FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST**

♥ Donate Your Unwanted School Uniforms!



Do you have school uniform your child
has outgrown or no longer need?
We're collecting gently used school
uniform.

- ✓ Clean and in good condition
- ✓ All sizes welcome
- ✓ Drop off at the school office



Thank you for your support!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HELP!! Canteen Volunteers Urgently Needed.
We need your help to help assist Chum our
canteen manager in the canteen.
Please click [here](#) to add your name to the roster.
Please ensure you have a Working With Childrens
Check.

*Without volunteers the canteen cannot open.



FOOTY DAY SAUSAGE SIZZLE

Friday 19th September



**HALAL BEEF SAUSAGE AND BREAD
&
ICE TUBE
\$5.00**

**VEGAN/VEGETARIAN SAUSAGE AND BREAD
&
ICE TUBE**

**\$5.50
*SAUCE PROVIDED**

ADDITIONAL SAUSAGE & BREAD \$3.50
ORDER VIA COMPASS APP BEFORE 8:00pm 17th SEPTEMBER

***NO LATE ORDERS ACCEPTED.**

All proceeds will go to buying student cooking equipment



**SCHOOL
PHOTOGRAPHY**

**KEYSBOROUGH GARDENS PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

**Year 6 Graduation Photo:
MONDAY 1st September 2025**

Order at order.schoolpix.com.au

Orders for absentees can be placed using your original order flyer 3 working days after the absentee session.

Misplaced your order flyer?
Please visit www.schoolpix.com.au and use the student search to find your child's unique ID or contact our Customer Care team on 1300 766 055 or help@schoolpix.com.au.

August 2025

Friday 22nd	100 Days of Prep
Monday 25th -27th	Year 3 Camp to Sunnystones
Wednesday 27th	Year 5/6 Multicultural Tour Excursion

Book Fair

Friday 29th	Book Week Dress Up Day 
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September 2025

Monday 1st	Year 6 Graduation Photos  Year 5/6 SECASA Incursion
Thursday 4th	District Athletics Carnival Father's Day Stall Prep- Year 4
Friday 5th	Father's Day Stall Year 5/6 Father's Day Afternoon (2:30pm - 3:30pm)
Monday 8th	Year 2 Info Night Sleep Over - 5:45pm Year 5/6 SECASA Incursion
Monday 8th - 12th	Prep - Year 2 Swimming 
Thursday 11th	Year 4 Maloga Art Incursion
Thursday 18th	Yr 5/6 Indigenous STEM Incursion School Council - 5:30pm
Friday 19th September	Footy Day  (Sausage Sizzle Day) Last day of Term 3 - (3:30pm finish)

October 2025

Monday 6th	First Day of Term 4
Wednesday 8th	John Monash Science School Little Scientists
Tuesday 14th	Foodbank Wear Purple Day
Wednesday 15th	Student Advisory Group
Thursday 16th	Year 2 Sleepover School Council - 5.30pm
Thursday 30th	Year 5 Aspire Higher Leadership Incursion
Friday 31st	World Teachers Day

Our School Assembly is held every Friday morning at 9:10am

Athletics Day 2025



Congratulations to all our students who participated in this year's House Athletics Day!

It was fantastic to see so many athletes giving their best effort, showing excellence, determination, and great sportsmanship throughout the day. A huge thank you goes to our teachers and the many parent volunteers who helped make the event such a success.

Finally, a big well done to all our competitors, and congratulations to Yingabeal House, who claimed victory by just 2 points in a thrilling finish!





Kids getting in or out? Find a legal park first.

SAFE CROSSINGS, SAFE KIDS.
transport.vic.gov.au/schoolcrossings



Department of Transport and Planning



Bike Safety



Wear your helmet!

- Wearing a helmet is compulsory for adults and children.
- Wearing a helmet keeps your child safe.
- Make sure the helmet is worn correctly!



REMINDER

Black clothing is not part of our school uniform. Please wear navy blue

Being at school matters!!



Attending school every day helps children succeed. Being away can lead to gaps in knowledge and a sense of being 'behind,' which can impact learning.

Being at school helps build relationships and prepares children for the future.

We will contact you if we have concerns about your child's attendance.

Only keep your child home if they are ill.

Equates to:



NEWSLETTER



WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

We have had a wonderful week at the program, with the warmer afternoons giving us more opportunities to enjoy outdoor play. The children have been actively involved in two planned physical experiences each day, designed to build their fitness, teamwork, and awareness of the importance of movement in keeping our bodies healthy. Some of the highlights have been fast-paced games of Octopus and the energetic Ball Relay Pass, both of which had everyone laughing, cheering, and encouraging their teammates.

Cooking Club was another highlight this week, where the children prepared and cooked their own roti. They learned about the history and cultural significance of this much-loved flatbread, developed important life skills such as measuring and kneading, and of course enjoyed the delicious results of their hard work. Activities like this encourage children to explore different cultures while also building independence and confidence in the kitchen.

Next week, we are looking forward to celebrating Book Week with a special party on Friday 29th August. Themed food inspired by children's stories will be on the menu, including vegetable "insects" with dips and crackers for a bug-themed tale, and spaghetti pancakes as a nod to Mr Messy. There will also be plenty of book-inspired games and activities, and we can't wait to see the children's imaginations come alive as we celebrate our love of reading together.

IMPORTANT DATES

-  Friday 22nd August | 100 Days of Prep Celebrations
-  Wednesday 27th August | La Tomatina (Tomato Festival)
-  Friday 29th August | Book Week Party in After School Care

TEAMKIDS CLUBS

Monday

Lego Masters Club

Tuesday

Cooking Club

Wednesday

Epic Games Club

Thursday

Super Sports Club



Service Mobile: 0432 096 335

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Office Phone: 1300 035 000

Head Office Email: info@teamkids.com.au

Communication with school staff

Our staff have the right to enjoy their evenings and weekends without being expected to respond to messages or emails.

Teachers and Education Support staff are not required to reply to phone calls, emails, or Compass messages from parents or students after 5pm or on weekends.

We ask that families understand and respect these boundaries.

Any non-urgent communication will be answered within 2 working days, and urgent matters will be addressed within 24 hours or the next working day.

For urgent matters please call the school between 8:30am and 4:00pm

Thank you for your understanding and support!

Mobile Devices

All phones bought to school must be switched off and given to teachers for safe keeping.

This includes any device that may connect to or have a similar functionality to a mobile phone such as a smart watch.

Smart watches must have their internet connectivity switched off during school times.

When a student is not complying with this mobile phone policy, we will be required to follow a process in line with our existing student engagement policies.

[Mobile phone Policy](#)



Facebook

Please like our Facebook page. This page is used by the school to share events and updates at the school.

[KGPS Facebook](#) and Instagram.

Any other Facebook pages are not officially authorised by representatives at the school.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 am at the Canteen.

Come along!



School start on Wednesdays

School starts at 8:45am and finishes at 3:00pm every Wednesday.

Please remember to be here on time.



Early Arrival at school

There is NO supervision for students before 8:40am.

For your child's safety

- Stay with your child until 8:40am
- Or, book them into TeamKids



Student Safety

Medication

If your child requires medication during the school day, a Medication Authority form must be signed by the parent/carer. Please contact the office.

Students cannot administer medication themselves (except older students requiring Ventolin).



Contact Details

It is important the school has your most current phone, home and email details.

If you change any details please tell us as soon as possible.



KGPS Community Pantry

Our KGPS Community Pantry is located next to the Lost Property cupboard in the front office. The pantry operates with a simple message: *take what you need, give what you can.*

The pantry is stocked with essential non-perishable items. Adults are welcome to take items when needed.

We kindly invite donations of non-perishable items to help keep the pantry running.

If you have items at home you won't use, your contributions would be greatly appreciated.

We would like to express our gratitude to Foodbank and families who have already donated.



Uniform Reminders

The wearing of uniform is compulsory at Keysborough Gardens Primary school.

Navy blue items are to be worn.

Black items are NOT part of our uniform.

All our uniform can be purchased at PSW, Unit 1, 9-11 South Link, Dandenong South, 3157 or online [click here](#)



polo shirt



long sleeve shirt



jumper



zip up jacket



bag



shorts



pants



skort



summer dress



broad brim hat



school beanie



winter tunic



white skivvy



navy or white socks



navy tights



black shoes or runners

These items are not permitted as part of our uniform



FREE

PAEDIATRIC

FIRST AID TRAINING

Wednesday 27th August, 6pm-9pm



Springvale Rise Primary School

355A Springvale Rd, Springvale VIC 3171



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