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IMPORTANT DATES

January 2020:	
Wednesday 29th	Year 1—6 students commence
February:	
Monday 3rd	Foundation students commence

Here is a photo of Ella (our therapy dog) and her Prep friends on a recent dress up day. Don't they look adorable??



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL TEAM

Dear Kingston Heath PS Families;

As 2020 comes to a close, we find ourselves reflecting on the truly extraordinary community that is Kingston Heath Primary School. It has been a privilege and an honour to be part of the many celebrations and traditions that mark the close of another school year; from our Year 6 Graduation to our Celebration Concert.

This last fortnight saw us farewelling our Year 6 Graduates, who are moving on to different places and challenges. These young people did themselves and all of us proud with inspiring graduation speeches and a passing of the light of leadership during the final Candle Ceremony. We wish them every success in their future endeavours, and we know that their friendships forged, strengths discovered and honed, and learning undertaken during their time here at KHPS will serve them well.

Our 2020 Year 6 leaders were announced last week. It was very challenging to name our final leadership group, as so many of our Year 5 students over the years have successfully lead our school in a multitude of ways. A special congratulations to our 2020 School Captains and Vice-Captains:

Sienna Diacoyannis (C) and Riley Bride (VC)

Zach Shaw (C) and Caleb Riach (VC)

I would like to thank each and every member of our teaching team and our whole staff for their commitment and dedication to our students and our school. Lauren, Shelley and Deb ensure that every person who comes through our front door is warmly welcomed and supported with receiving the information they require. They make it look easy to run the school, and we are all grateful for their service.

Our education support staff also work tirelessly in the background to support our students, programs and grounds. Thank you to each of them for their commitment and dedication to our fabulous school: Sam, Kaye, Margie, Jacqui, Joe, Alan.

Much gratitude goes to our teachers for establishing and maintaining a positive and productive environment in every classroom and throughout the school, ensuring that each of our students has maximum wellbeing and achievement outcomes.

Our School Council members have also supported KHPS this year. The role of School Council is to provide guidance and oversight of the school's finances and strategic planning. We have appreciated the many ways in which our School Council have worked with the school to support and promote our planning and school review processes. Huge thanks to Elfie Kavaratzis, Paul Khazaal, Fanoula Ferro, Peter Hulbert, Fiona Scott, Maria Batras, Justin Starling, and Karen Roberts.

You may have heard that our Fundraising Committee raised in excess of \$15,000.00 this year!!! A huge shout-out goes to Sam Porteus and Ngiare Sedevcich for organising our fundraising committee and events. We will be working with next year's students use this money on the purchase of robotics and other STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Arts & Mathematics) resources, as was decided at the end of 2018.

And finally, to our many volunteers who have brought to life our numerous programs, such as the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program, participated in a working bee or cared for our chooks and garden – Grazie Mille! Every person who volunteers makes our school a better place.

Regarding your child's class in 2020. We had classes ready to publish on the 'Step-Up' day, and then we had to change these not once but twice in the final weeks of school. This is because families informed us of their intentions for 2020 very late. We know it is difficult to understand but it is true that in a school of our size only a few students can make a significant difference to how we set our classes. I wish to thank all of our staff for the numerous hours they put into setting and then resetting classes to make sure that in 2020 every student has every opportunity to thrive within the best possible learning environment. **Letters have been posted today to your mailing address on record at the school advising you of your child(ren)'s class(es) in 2020.**

And the survey says... The survey about which specialist learning programs might best be taught by a teacher other than your child/ren's classroom teacher showed strong coherence amongst staff, students and families. We have taken into consideration the results of this survey and other school factors, and can share with you that in 2020, these subjects will be: **Visual Arts/Music (one semester of each)** and **Health & Physical Education**. We thank you for engaging with the survey that informed this decision. The **Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden** program will continue to be an important part of our program offerings at KHPS in 2020, as will our study of **Italian**. These will be organised in different ways at different year levels and we will communicate this with you early next year. Every Victorian Curriculum learning area will continue to be taught at every year level, as guided by the Victorian Curriculum.

At the end of every school year, we find ourselves in the unenviable position of needing to say farewell to members of our community, including some staff. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following staff for their commitment and service to our school: **Amy Jones (Foundation)**, **Andrea Smith (Year 3/4)**, **Chris O'Connor (PE)**, **Samantha May (ES Library)** and **Charlotte Birbeck (Year 5/6)**. Each of these members of our team have left their mark on Kingston Heath Primary School and will be missed by students, families and colleagues alike.

We also want to address a rumour that Kingston Heath Primary School will be merging with another local school. I have been informed by very senior Department of Education officials that this rumour is completely unfounded and without merit. If you hear others in our community or the wider community spreading this rumour, please inform them that this is not true.

Though it is the end of a school year, already our teaching staff have begun planning the learning environments and programs for 2020. We have great teachers at Kingston Heath Primary School. Research (John Hattie) tells us the many things that the most effective teachers provide, and KHPS teachers provide these things on a daily basis:

- engaging environments and a passion for learning
- support and challenge for all students, coupled with high expectations
- structure and stability
- feedback and goal setting
- encouragement and emotional support
- advice for parents
- diagnosis of learning and teaching toward 'the next step'

The first day of school in 2020 is **Wednesday 29th January**. We look forward to learning and growing with you for another year.

On a personal note, we wish to thank you for all of your support throughout this year. It is always exciting to join a new community, and we often remark upon what a warm welcome we have each received. Thank you for your open dialogue and sharing so much of yourselves. All of our children benefit through our strong partnership.

We wish you a safe and happy holiday season. May you find peace and joy, and continue learning and growing. See you in 2020!

Sherri Lake and Karen Roberts

Principal Team, Kingston Heath PS

Year 5 and 6 Learning Update



The last few weeks have been busy, productive, memorable and emotional in 5/6. There have been numerous trips, events and assignments that the students have been involved in. What a way to end an amazing 2019!



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Year 3/4 Learning Update



Date	What's Happen- ing?	Central Idea	Learner Profile attribute/ ATL focus	English and Maths focus
This week..	* Step Up day	Beliefs and values motivate human behaviour (Who We Are)	Learner Profile attribute: Inquirer ATL focus: Research skills	English - Procedural writing and free choice word study. Maths - Multiplication
Next week...	* Class parties * Celebration concert	Beliefs and values motivate human behaviour (Who We Are)	Learner Profile attribute: Open-Minded ATL focus: Social skills	English – Free writing Maths – Mystery maths problems

Each fortnight we will include a question that you and your family can discuss.

Table Talk Question - What are your favourite memories from 2019? Were there any challenges that you overcame?

Comic book sale

On Tuesday and Wednesday after school a group of grade 3/4 boys set up a stall with comic books and pictures they had made throughout the year to raise money for The Royal Children's Hospital. They worked very hard together to create their comics, with each of them contributing through writing, drawing and editing. They also did a fantastic job managing the stall including handling the money they made and ensuring that everyone received the correct change. Well done boys on your amazing effort!





It was very fun learning how to use money and sell all the comics and posters that we made. We raised over \$60 which is going to the Children's hospital for Christmas. Adin B.

It was really cool working with everyone else selling all the comics. We had been making the comics for more than half a year, so it was cool to see all of our hard work paying off. Luca D.

Step-Up Day

On Tuesday the year three and four students had the opportunity to work in their new learning centres for 2020. It was a great opportunity to have a feel of what to expect in their new year levels. The feedback from the students was that it was a fun morning and that they are excited about next year!

Inter schools sports for 2020

The year four students had an exciting day on Thursday afternoon participating in different events in preparation for the 2020 interschool sports. The events included Volley Stars (volleyball) Kanga Cricket and T-ball.



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Year 1/2 Learning Update



Date	What's happening...	Central Idea	Learner Profile attribute/ ATL focus	English	Maths
9/12	We will continue our UOI, Where We Are In Place and Time.	Communities Care for Different Places.	LP: Caring and Reflective ATL: Communication skills and Research skills.	Students have been learning about connections to places around the world and connections Indigenous people have to the land.	Students have been learning about transformation, symmetry and patterns.
16/12	We will finish our UOI, Where We Are In Place and Time.	Communities Care for Different Places.	LP: Caring and Reflective ATL: Communication skills and Research skills.	Students will be writing about their connection to a place of their choice and learning about special and sacred places in the world.	Students will finish their maths learning by consolidating their general number skills.

Table Talk Time

Some things you could discuss...

Why can we have connections to multiple places?

What are some different ways we care for places around the world?

Gingerbread Making

We are certainly in the swing of Christmas and loved decorating gingerbread men in the kitchen with Mrs. Funnell. We chose our favourite icing colour and used smarties, sprinkles and marshmallows to decorate. YUM!



Maths Fun

We have been learning all about transformations, patterns and symmetry. We have enjoyed turning, flipping and sliding shapes to see how this alters what it originally looked like. We have also created fun patterns and challenged our partners to identify and continue the pattern. We finished off with some fun symmetry drawings, recreating the other half! We tried our best to make it exactly the same!



Caring for our School

Currently, the Year 1/2s are inquiring into how 'Communities Care for Different Places' and we were fortunate enough to have Emma and Lisa come as guest speakers to discuss how they help to look after our School. It was engaging and fascinating to learn all that they do for us in our School and why it is special for them, and the connection they have to the place and how they can care for it. The students enjoyed discussing their own personal connection to the school and listening to ways they can help keep this place special. Thanks Emma and Lisa!



Foundation Learning update



Date	What's happening...	Central Idea	Learner Profile attribute/ ATL focus	English	Maths	Reminders
16/12/19	This week...	Everyone has a role in the community	Caring	Reading with expression and making connections	Place value	End of year concert Tuesday 17 th Dec Class party Tuesday 17 th Dec Early finish Friday 20 th @ 1:30pm
23/12/19	Next week...	School holidays				

Foundation Graduation





Have a wonderful and safe holiday break!

Table Talk Time: This section is for families to use as a prompt to have discussion about of our unit of inquiry, over the dinner table. 'Discuss: 'What things do people do to make a good community?'



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FOODIE MONDAY/FRIDAY

Sausage rolls, pies and pasties are available for the children to purchase.

Sausage rolls cost **\$3.00**

and pies/pasties cost **\$4.00**

Yoghurt ice-creams will again be on sale for \$2.00

Please note if there is a Munchy Monday FUNdraising lunch on, there will be **NO** Foodie Monday running that day.



KHPS DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

19th: Erica E
19th: Shanaya G
20th: Rafael S
20th: Kaea S
21st: Daniel D

25th: Savannah S
25th: Amirali K

28th: Oliver S
28th: Kosta L
29th: Samantha V
29th: Peter S





ENROLLING NOW for Term 1 2020

Kingston Heath Primary School offers Private and Group Instrumental Music lessons during school hours.

Lessons are conducted by local music school Poco Music. Instrumental lessons are offered in Piano, Ukelele, Guitar, Bass, Drum kit, Brass, Woodwind, Strings and Singing. Lessons are taught by fully qualified teachers in a fun environment.

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***COST of lessons: \$38.00 Private 30 min lesson
\$28.00 Private 20 min lesson
\$25.00 per child for a dual 30 min lesson***









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 <p>FROZEN 2 NOV 28 PG</p>	 <p>THE ADDAMS FAMILY DEC 5 PG</p>
 <p>STAR WARS THE RISE OF SKYWALKER DEC 19 CTC</p>	 <p>JUMANJI THE NEXT LEVEL DEC 26 PG</p>
 <p>CATS DEC 26 CTC</p>	 <p>SPIES IN DISGUISE JAN 1 CTC</p>
 <p>MY SPY JAN 9 CTC</p>	 <p>DOLITTLE JAN 16 CTC</p>

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Netball Players Wanted

REGISTER NOW!

Autumn Season 2020

Cheltenham East Dolphins Netball Club are currently looking for new players to join our netball family

Registrations are now open for the 2020 Autumn Season running from February to June 2020

All games are played at KDNA, Dales Park, Oakleigh South on Saturdays.

Teams available NSG, 11 and Under, 13 and Under, 15 and Under and 17 and Under

What physical benefits will you get from joining netball

- Improves hand eye co-ordination
- Builds up muscle strength and stamina
- Improves the body's flexibility and strength
- Increases reaction time
- Improves overall fitness

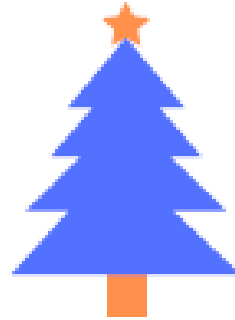
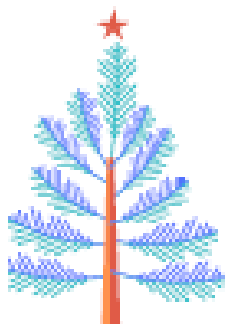
What mental benefits will you get from joining netball

- Make new friends
- Team work and cooperation skills
- Improve social and verbal skills
- Boosts confidence
- Learn to deal with adversity,

Contact our Registrations Officer Marina

Email: cedncregofficer@gmail.com





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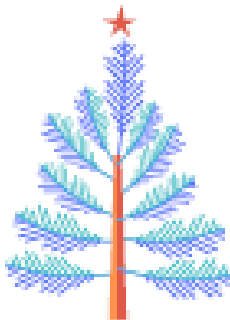
MONDAY
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- art/craft
- cooking
- games
- secret santa

TUESDAY
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