



Whole School Newsletter

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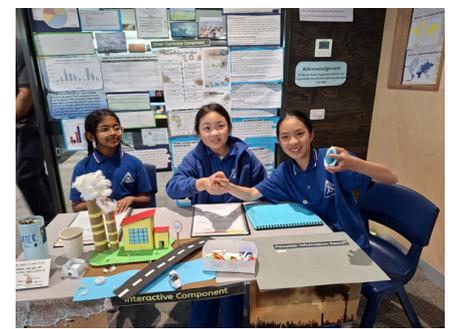
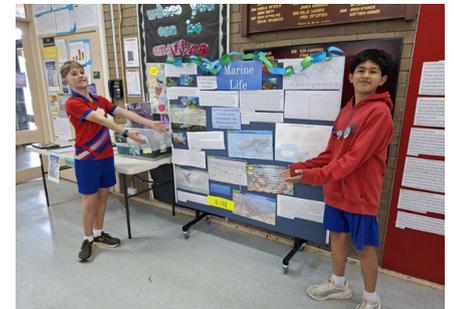
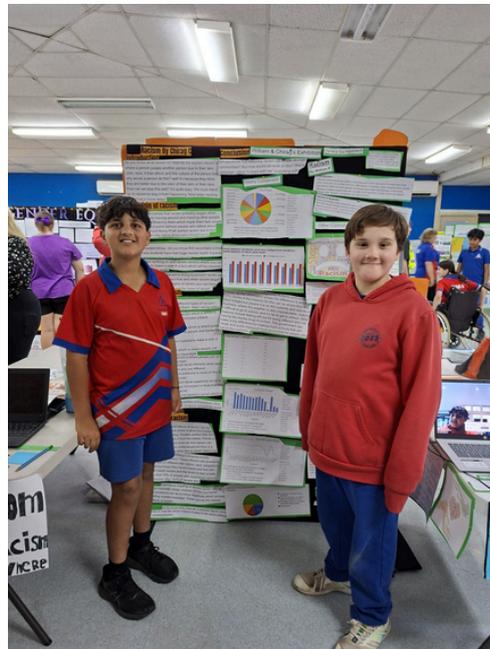
Upcoming Key Dates

- Wednesdays** - Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am (last entry 8:35am)
- Thursday 30th October** - Year 5/6 Exhibition continues 9:10am-12:30pm
- Friday 31st October** - World Teachers Day
- Monday 3rd November** - Student-Free Day (no school - TheirCare open for bookings)
- Tuesday 4th November** - Public Holiday (no school)
- Thursday 6th November** - Grandparents Open Morning 9:00-10:00am
- Friday 7th November** - Whole School Assembly 2:50pm
- Friday 21st November** - Foundation - Year 1 Excursion to Moonlit Sanctuary
- Tuesday 25th November** - Foundation - Year 2 Assembly 3:00pm
- Friday 12th December** - School Celebration Concert 2:45pm
- Wednesday 17th December** - Year 6 Graduation 4:30-6:30pm
- Friday 19th December** - End-of-year Assembly 12:45pm, followed by 1:30pm dismissal

*Dates/times are subject to change and this list is not exhaustive.
We regularly communicate key dates via Compass and the Weekly Happenings.*



Some photos from Day 1 of our Year 5 & 6 Exhibition. A reminder that the Exhibition continues tomorrow morning!



Principal's Report

We seem to be flying through the term, with end of year preparations already commencing! As always at KHPS there is a wonderful sense of energy and excitement around the School. Our students and staff are busily preparing for several key events that highlight the vibrancy of our school community.

School Fete - Donations and Updates

Our much-anticipated **School Fete** is fast approaching **SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER!** Thank you to everyone who has already contributed donations and volunteered their time – your support is invaluable in making this event such a success. We are still seeking donations for our stalls and raffles, including items such as lucky jars, soft drinks and chocolate blocks.

Please keep an eye on the **Weekly Happenings** for regular updates, including class stall rosters and ways you can get involved. We will soon be calling for baked goods for the very profitable cake stall. Cake Stall donations for these can be dropped at the school office on Friday 14th November. The fete promises to be a highlight of our school calendar and a wonderful celebration of community spirit.

Year 5/6 I.B. PYP Exhibition

Our **Year 5/6 students** are preparing for their **International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (PYP) Exhibition**, a culminating event that showcases their learning, inquiry, and action across the year.

This is an exciting opportunity for students to share their passions, communicate their ideas, and demonstrate their skills as confident public speakers and lifelong learners. We warmly invite families and community members to attend and celebrate the students' achievements.

Cybersafety and Online Awareness

Families may be aware of the **Federal Government's proposed ban on social media use for children under 16 years old**, which aims to support children's wellbeing and online safety.

From the e-Safety Commissioner: [Social media age restrictions | eSafety Commissioner](#)

From 10 December 2025, age-restricted social media platforms will have to take reasonable steps to prevent Australians under the age of 16 from creating or keeping an account.

The restrictions aim to protect young Australians from pressures and risks that users can be exposed to while logged in to social media accounts. These come from design features that encourage them to spend more time on screens, while also serving up content that can harm their health and wellbeing.

While no formal assessments have been made, the age restrictions are likely to apply to [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Snapchat](#), [TikTok](#), [X](#) (formerly Twitter) and [YouTube](#), among other platforms. [Social media age restrictions | eSafety Commissioner](#)

At KHPS, we continue to educate students about responsible digital citizenship, respectful online behaviour, and strategies to stay safe when using technology. We encourage families to have ongoing conversations at home about online habits, privacy, and the appropriate use of digital platforms. Thank you for your continued support in helping our students grow into kind, capable, and confident learners.

Katelyn Joyce
Principal

In case you missed it...

Some recent posts from our official social media accounts

Our Years 3-6 students shone during our Student Excellence Showcase at the end of term. We were proud to see so many families and community members in attendance to share in our students' learning, including: Our Healthy Lifestyles students did sports and exercise demonstrations and cooked up a storm for our visitors, the Animal Studies group shared their projects on an animal of their choosing, the Wellbeing group presented their sensory toolkits and projects about mental health and wellbeing, Drama and Movie Making students had the opportunity to play their movies to an eager audience (we certainly have some future actors, screenwriters and directors!), and the Digital Design group blew us away with their Canva skills! (21st October)



Our annual Student Excellence Showcase was once again a success at the end of term, with a huge community turnout! Foundation to Year 2 programs included: Our Author Studies group showing their crafts inspired by the works of Julia Donaldson, our Dance crew performing their routines to a cheering audience, the Science students demonstrating mind-blowing experiments and our proud Tech Explorers showing how they earned their badges for learning new tech skills! (16th October)



Our 2025 mixed volleyball team proudly represented our school and district for the division finals.

With incredible teamwork, humility and sportsmanship they secured the win and are off to REGIONALS!!

We couldn't be more proud of their KHPS spirit, the many lunch time trainings they've participated in, and how they've supported one another along the way.
(22nd October)



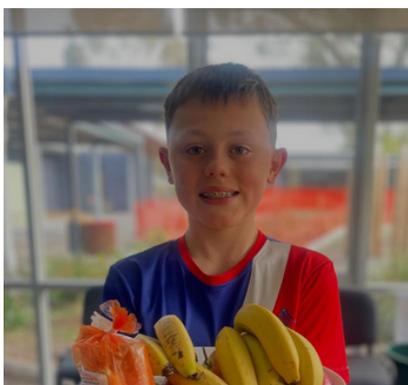
The sun is shining at Kingston Heath ☀️
(15th October)



🍏 Breakfast Club at Kingston Heath Primary! 🍷

What a fantastic first morning — smiling faces, full tummies, and a great community spirit to start the day! ❤️
A huge thank you to our amazing volunteers and to Foodbank Victoria for their generous support providing healthy breakfast options for our students. 🥛🍞🥕

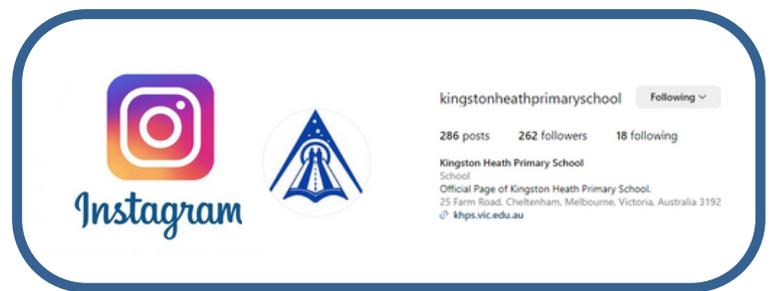
Each class will also enjoy a fruit bowl of delicious fresh fruit and vegetable options on Wednesdays and Fridays..
It's the perfect way to begin the school day — together! 🌟 (8th October)



What a way to end the term! Our footy day and sausage sizzle was loved by all. An enormous thankyou to our friends at Free Agency, a casual relief teacher and education support agency, for their generosity in lending us their bbq (cook included!) for the day, and donating the sausages and bread. (19th September)



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Instagram - @kingstonheathprimary school



School Council President's Report

Welcome to Term 4 ... which has started with a bang!

Super excited about the upcoming Kingston Heath Primary School Carnival on Sat 15 Nov from 1pm-7pm. I look forward to seeing you all there and getting involved in the lead up and on the day.

School Council met on Wed 29 Oct and then spent some time exploring the Yr 5/6 PYP Exhibition - their "capstone" project of the year. It was fascinating to see all the student's such in-depth inquiry into their issue - a true reflection of the PYP. Congratulations to all of the 5/6 students and to the 5/6 teachers led by Ms Riley our PYP Coordinator.

As always, feel free to contact me on rory.sackville@education.vic.gov.au if you'd like to discuss any School Council matters or at school drop off or pick up

Regards,

Rory Sackville

School Council President / Father to Amelia in Year 5 and Ivy in Year 2



Foundation News

Foundation students have been enjoying their Intensive Swimming program at Waves over the past week. Travelling on the bus has been a highlight for many students as has been the opportunity to consolidate skills and learn new ones.



Back in the classroom students have painted their plant pots (thank you for the tins) and are excited to plant seeds and watch them grow. This learning relates to our Unit of Inquiry 'Sharing the Planet' where students will learn about living things and how taking care of them (or not) helps them grow and live.



Year 3 & 4 News



Kitchen

This term Year 3/4 students work in the kitchen every Friday for 90 minutes in small groups with Caleb and parent volunteers. The students are very excited to cook and they appreciate the volunteers for making this experience engaging. In week 1, the students made rice paper rolls and bahn mi.



Swimming

For 8 days, the students have been heading on a bus to Waves for their swimming lessons. We are proud of their effort, resilience and improvements in their swimming skills, including water safety!

Year 1 & 2 News

English

We have been enjoying learning all about the different elements you can use when writing poetry. The students explored onomatopoeia, rhyming couplets, alliteration, rhythm and patterns. The students each wrote their own poems using the different poetry elements.

<p><u>My Song of Rhymes</u> I stay where I lay, I stand where I land I sit where I lit In a big pit</p> <p>By Riley 1/2B</p>	<p><u>Acrostic Poem</u> Rain just went away Awesome Incredible Not edible! Blue Orange Wet ground</p> <p>By Oliver 1/2A</p>
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We have also been exploring the world of Readers' Theatre! Through reading, rehearsing and speaking out loud, students are given the chance to use expression, work collaboratively with their peers, support each other and work out how to negotiate roles. The stage and seating area in our lovely new building has been used to perform the Readers' Theatre pieces to each other! Students also brainstormed how to be the best audience when watching others perform. The next step would be to add in actions to the performances!

Our next Literacy focus will be persuasive writing. Students will look at the purpose of persuasive texts (to influence audience members' beliefs, attitudes, and values) through the use of mentor texts. Students will explore different strategies needed to persuade someone about a topic or issue. Look out, parents! Your child may come home trying to persuade you to buy them a new pet or iPad!

Maths

During Mathematics lessons students have been looking at the value of money and adding money to make a purchase. They were given a 'wallet' of money and some shop items with prices attached and were required to purchase the items with their money. They recorded which coins they used to purchase each item.

Students have also continued to work on their place value knowledge and expanded into multiplication and division. The students used a think board to show at least 4 different ways to record multiplication equations, including arrays, repeated addition, pictures (such as 4 cookies with 3 chocolate chips each) and as 'groups of'.

Year 5 & 6 News

All Systems Go - Year 5 & 6 Exhibition

What an amazing exhibition! Our students should be proud of their effort and work throughout the past 13 weeks. Students were given the opportunity to investigate an issue or topic of interest to them based on one of two central ideas:

- Equal Opportunities Strengthen Communities.
- Earth's Biodiversity Thrives when Ecosystems are protected and Respected.

This week, students were busy putting all their amazing displays together, ready to present their exhibition to the KHPS school community. What a fabulous job they did.

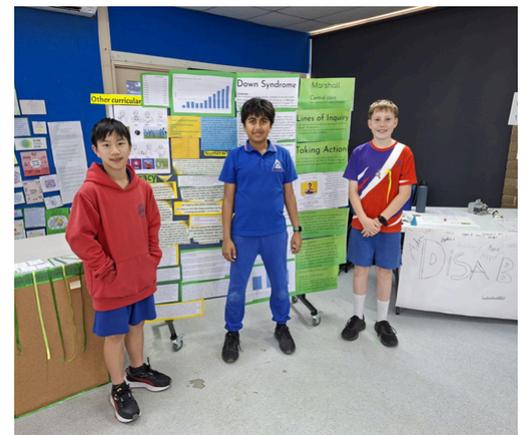
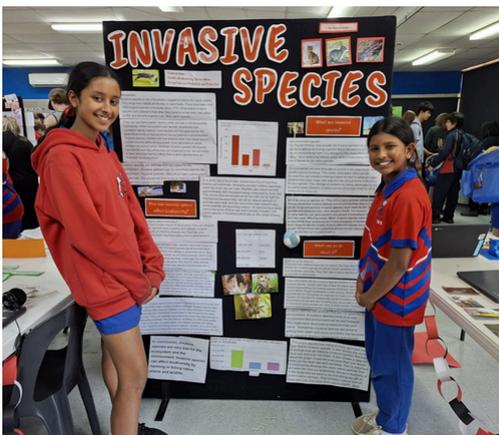
"My topic is gender equality, a highlight of my time throughout the exhibition was learning some information that I didn't already know about gender equality, such as how tax and income differs between genders. When presenting, I'm looking forward to teaching younger students about this topic and also teaching the wider school community about gender equality." - *Rayne M.*

"I have been learning about mental health, I chose this topic because when we initially looked at the topic I thought it would be interesting to learn more about mental health and how it impacts younger kids because we are all still at school. Sadly, I discovered that 1 in 10 Australian kids, aged between 4 to 11 have had a mental health disorder. I am excited to be able to present my work with my best friend to the school community." - *Emily B*

"Marine life is really interesting and I wanted to learn more about life under water. I was amazed to discover that between 65% to 75% of the earth is covered by water. Mimic Octopuses are fascinating creatures because they have the ability to mimic others, such as coral or rocks so they can hide from prey. To display our work, my partner, Alex and I constructed a life size box, where people can go inside to learn more about our topic." - *Zach A*

"Kabir and I have been researching racism in sport. I have really enjoyed being able to work on a variety of activities to present, such as making videos, building a pledge board, and Kabir made a website. For our interactive piece I wrote some questions and people will have to sort the questions into the correct topics. Next year, I will be a Year 6 student, and I'm already looking forward to completing an even better exhibition next year." - *Angus S*

The Exhibition continues tomorrow morning until 12:30! If you haven't had a chance to visit yet, please pop in and celebrate our Year 5 and 6 students' inquiry.



Le Page PS Social & Fundraising Committee invite you attend

Cyber Safety Parent Info Night

Presented by Susan McLean

Australia's foremost expert in the area of cyber safety, and a member of Victoria Police for 27 years.



**NOVEMBER
17TH
6.30-8PM**

- **Parents Only** Information night
 - **\$15 tickets** available to purchase through **Trybooking** for our wider community, all are welcome
- <https://www.trybooking.com/DGVGY>

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Details of Susan's credentials & more information on the course can be found here:

www.cybersafetysolutions.com

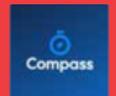
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