



Whole School Newsletter

Issue 3 – Wednesday 20th May, Term 2 2026

Principal's Update

Welcome to another exciting term at KHPS. It has been wonderful to see students continuing to demonstrate our school values in classrooms, on the playground and throughout all learning spaces. Over the past few weeks, our School-Wide Positive Behaviour focus has centred on:

- Listening to instructions the first time, every time
- Listening and speaking respectfully
- Being in line and on time

These expectations may sound simple, however they play an incredibly important role in creating calm, safe and productive learning environments for all students. We are already seeing many positive examples of students demonstrating responsibility, respect and self-management across the school. Thank you to our families for supporting these expectations at home as well.

We are also very excited to introduce a range of new lunchtime clubs beginning in Week 5. As well as our Wellbeing Lunch Room which is open daily, these clubs provide students with additional opportunities to connect, develop friendships, build teamwork skills and explore new interests during break times. Students will be able to participate in:

- Gardening Club
- Basketball Club
- Board Games Club
- Four Square
- Chalk Activities
- Soccer Club

We look forward to seeing students engage positively in these activities and thank our staff for their enthusiasm in supporting these opportunities for students.

A highlight of the past fortnight was the incredible success of the Year 3-6 Camp. Our students represented the school with pride and demonstrated our values of perseverance, collaboration and respect throughout the experience. Whether challenging themselves during activities, supporting their peers, or showing gratitude and respect to camp staff, students should be extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves. Camps provide wonderful opportunities for students to build independence, resilience and relationships, and it was fantastic to see so many students step outside of their comfort zones and experience success.

Thank you to our staff who dedicated their time and energy to making the camp such a memorable experience, and to our families for your ongoing support of our school programs. We look forward to another positive and productive few weeks ahead.

Carly Bourke
Principal

Monday 25th May – Foundation – Year 2 Assembly, 3pm
Tuesday 2nd June – Years 3-4 Assembly, 3pm
Thursday 4th June – Years 5-6 Assembly, 3pm
Friday 5th June – **Student-Free Day** (TheirCare open for bookings)
Monday 8th June – **Public Holiday**
Monday 15th June – **Whole School Assembly, 9am**
Thursday 25th June – **School Production** (2x Matinee performances, details to follow)
Friday 26th June – **Term 2 finishes, 2:30pm dismissal**

In case you missed it...

The following appeared on our official social media accounts

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As Term 1 comes to a close, our Foundation students are hopping into the holiday spirit! 🐰
✨ With excitement building for a special visit from the Easter Bunny over the school holidays, Ms H and our Foundation class have been busy getting creative in the kitchen—baking and decorating their very own Easter Bunny cookies! 🍪 We are so proud of their creativity and enthusiasm. What a wonderful way to celebrate the end of a fantastic term! (1st April)

On Monday 30th of March, KHPS ran their House cross Country. What a wonderful day was had by all. We held the event at 50 acres and students either ran 2kms or 3kms. The top 5 students from each age level will now represent KHPS at the District Cross Country. Thankyou to the kind parents who came to help on the track. (15th April)



Our 5/6 students have started a unit looking at colour. Here they are mixing primary and secondary colours to make tertiary colours. (12th May)



Watch this space! The final stage of our \$5.99 million school upgrade has commenced, which will feature an outdoor gathering space with new shade sail, outdoor furniture and landscaping to complement our recently-completed basketball courts. (13th May)

On Tuesday, we held our annual Mother's Day Breakfast, a special opportunity to celebrate the wonderful mothers, grandmothers, and special friends in our school community. It was lovely to see so many families come together to share breakfast, conversation, and quality time before the start of the school day. The warmth and sense of community made for a truly special morning. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the event so memorable. We hope all the amazing women in our community have a very happy Mother's Day this weekend! 🌸 (10th May)



On Tuesday the 5th of May, 23 students represented KHPS at the District Cross Country. The 9/10 year olds ran 2kms and the 11/12/13 year olds ran 3kms. All the students showed perseverance, determination and grit to do their best times. (9th May)

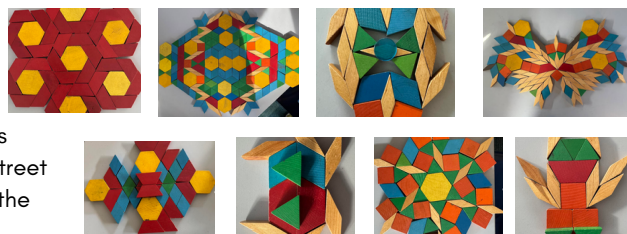


With the colder weather arriving, it's the perfect time to purchase a KHPS beanie! Available at PSW uniform shop. 🧢 (8th May)



As part of our Harmony Day celebrations, our school community came together for our annual food drive in support of the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre. On Monday 27th April, Mrs H and Mrs Te Hennepe (parent), along with our School Captains, visited the ASRC in Dandenong to deliver the donated food items. They were also fortunate to tour the centre and learn more about how these generous donations directly support people in need. The ASRC staff were truly amazed by the incredible amount of food collected – a wonderful reflection of the generosity of our school community. Thank you to everyone who contributed. We are so proud of our KHPS community! ❤️ (1st May)

As part of our Maths Extension program, selected students from Yrs 3-4 work with our Maths Enrichment Specialist twice a week completing extended maths challenges. On Friday, the task topic was 'The Beauty of Street Art'. Students spent time researching different styles of street art and how geometric transformations (slide, flip and turn) relates to this art form. Students were asked to create their own 'street art' using wooden pattern blocks using the concept of geometric transformation, with the one criteria being 'symmetry'. (6th May)



This week, our students proudly honoured our war veterans in recognition of ANZAC Day. Our School Captains represented our community at the Cheltenham Moorabbin RSL ANZAC Day Ceremony, where they laid a wreath on behalf of our school. We are incredibly proud of the respect, maturity, and gratitude they showed as they paid tribute to those who have served and sacrificed for our country. On Monday, students also participated in ANZAC Day activities across the school. Our Foundation students listened to ANZAC Ted and learned about the importance of ANZAC Day. Lest we forget. (30th April)

What a treat! Thank you to the St Kilda Football Club for their visit last week, putting so many smiles on our Year 3 & 4 students' faces (Mrs Carter and Caleb might have been very happy too!). The players had question time with the students and this was thoroughly enjoyed by all. They then generously joined the students to play games of football, basketball and 4 square! (8th April)



Year 1/2 students have been putting their Collaboration skills to the test during STEM classes. They have made obstacle courses for the Bee-Bots, worked on group Lego builds, and created chain reaction tracks (remember the game Mouse Trap?!). (15th May)

Elenore - "I made a Bee-Bot tunnel with Noah and Manushi, and we built a complex and fun chain reaction"
 Ava - "In Lego, we made a jungle and a trap house"
 Zeeva - "I built a Lego house with Heather and Kallista. It was lots of fun!"
 Remy - "In Bee-Bots, we have been making the 'bridge of deception!"
 Kanzie - "Chain Reaction was difficult but fun"



School Council President's update

It's A-MAY-zing to think we're already this far into Term 2.

A Happy (Belated) Mothers Day to all the Mothers and Guardians at KHPS. A special thanks to everyone from School Council, the PFA and KHPS team who put on a successful Mothers Day Breakfast and Stall.



Term 2 (and the End of Financial Year) has turned School Council's attention to needs for the school - stay tuned for a campaign to support the much needed redevelopment of the toilets - plans are in place for an upgrade fit for the Kings & Queens of KHPS - it's sure to be a royal flush and we thank you for your support in advance.

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 - I'm always around.

Rory Sackville

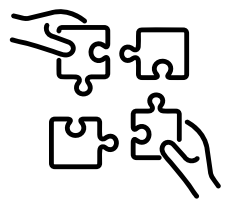
School Council President and father of Ivy (year 3) and Amelia (year 6)

School Values Awards

For demonstrating our core values of collaboration, perseverance and respect, the below students were presented with certificates at our 14th May assembly:

COLLABORATION means all members of our school community work together positively to achieve our shared goals, and we learn and grow together.

Kabir S.



RESPECT means we are kind, fair and thoughtful, and we treat everyone and everything the way we would like to be treated.

Amelia S, Kaeden M, Harry B.



PERSEVERANCE means we aspire to excel and try our best no matter what, and know that we grow by overcoming challenges.

Luna S, Joel L, Bryan N, Jessica B, Emma A, Ayla M, James K, Samuel G, Olivia N.



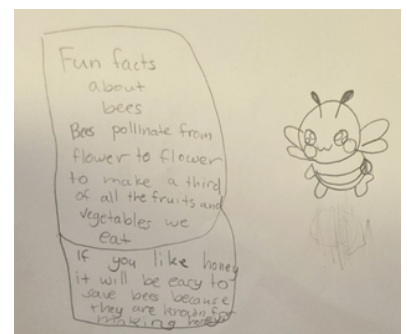
Foundation News

Last Friday Foundation students celebrated their SWPBS (School-wide Positive Behaviour Support) goal by having a Pyjama Day at school! Making strong choices such as lining up safely, listening to the teacher and being principled helped students reach their goal of 50 tokens so quickly! All students came dressed ready to learn wearing their favourite pyjamas. There were so many different characters including Stitch, Spiderman, Star Wars, Hello Kitty, Ariel, and Bluey.

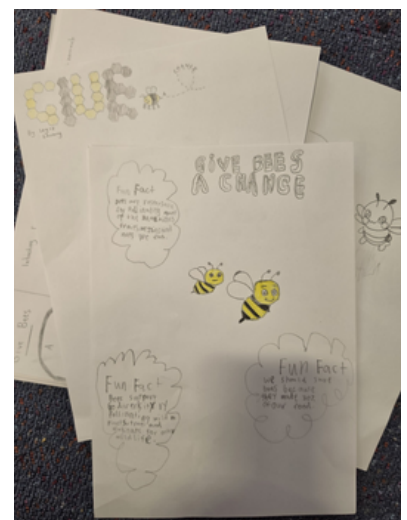
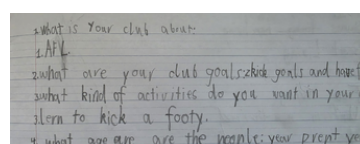


Year 3 & 4 News

In English, students have been reading the book *Give Bees a Chance*. This book is about a guy and his best friend Edgar. The guy is trying to convince Edgar that bees are a really important part of our ecosystem but Edgar only cares about the honey. The guy tells Edgar a lot of fun facts about bees as a way to convince him. Did you know, there are over 25,000 types of bees! Students have sorted opinions and facts from the book and we are writing a story about bees.



In our Unit of Inquiry, students have been planning their own Community Group Clubs. They will soon be teaching the 1/2s and Preps about their chosen topic, including drawing, AFL and downfall!



Year 5 & 6 News

Unit Of Inquiry: How We Organise Ourselves

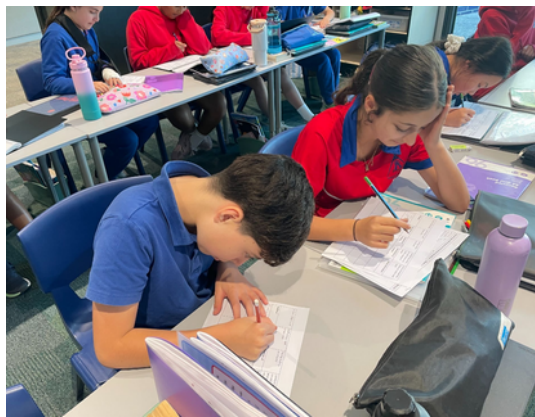
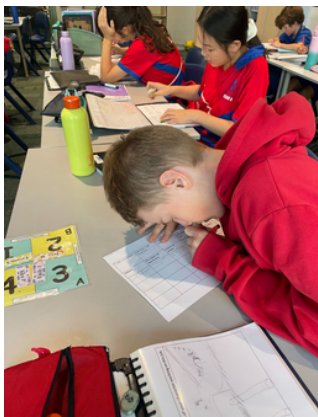
In our current unit of inquiry, 'Trade drives the economy' students have been busy learning about what the economy is and the effect of supply and demand. We have also been linking our writing to the class novel "Iqbal" by Francesca D'Adamo. We used D'Adamo's style and did some patterned sentences in the same style. We produced some fantastic sentences. Look out for these sentences in our finished pieces of work.

'It was a rickety old boat, steamy and short, facing the sleeping night sky surrounded by twinkling stars that get shut off by exhaust which clogs the sky.' - Isaac W

'It was a large clearing, exposed and humid, surrounded by piles of mud, filled with exhausted workers that were shovelling the sloppy mud.' - Emily Z

'It was a small room, with broken windows and sinks that don't work, in an old factory with damaged walls making creaking noises.' - Archer B

'It was a dark clearing, muddy, cold and rainy, filled to the brim with tall trees that can't let in the sun, leaving a dark place with ripe bananas.' - Bailee O



Plus some more camp photos are featured at the end of this newsletter



Important Policy Updates

CHILD SAFETY AND WELLBEING AT KINGSTON HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL - INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY:

Kingston Heath Primary School is committed to providing an environment where students are safe and feel safe. Our child safety framework includes the school's child safety policies and procedures, available via our website, and explains how we support and maintain child safety and wellbeing at Kingston Heath Primary School. It includes our:

- Child Safety Policy - Child Safety Code of Conduct, which outlines acceptable and unacceptable behaviours for all staff and volunteers at our school.
- Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures

Our students and families are important partners in providing a child safe environment. These regular newsletter reminders are one of the ways we ensure our school community is aware of:

- Our commitment to child safety - How to provide feedback or raise child safety concerns.

If you have any concerns about child safety at any time, please contact the school Principal. Any child safety complaints or concerns are treated seriously. For more information about our school's complaints process, see our Complaints Policy available via our website.

We also welcome your ideas on ways we can improve our approach to child safety and wellbeing. If you have any suggestions, comments or questions in relation to our child safe policies and practices, please contact Kingston Heath Primary School at kingston.heath.ps@education.vic.gov.au or by phone on 03 9584 5805.

INSURANCE (INCLUDING PERSONAL PROPERTY, DAMAGE, MEDICAL EXPENSES AND PERSONAL ACCIDENT/INJURY:

The Department of Education Victoria (which includes our school) does NOT have personal accident insurance for students. If a student is injured at school or while participating in a school activity (including offsite) and requires medical treatment, parents/carers are responsible for all of their child's medical expenses. This includes transport costs such as ambulance costs (which may include an air ambulance if considered necessary).

Kingston Heath Primary School encourages parents and carers to consider obtaining ambulance cover/membership through Ambulance Victoria and/or appropriate medical insurance.

The Department of Education Victoria (which includes our school) does NOT have personal property insurance for staff and/or students. Items of personal property that are lost, stolen or damaged at school or during school excursions are not the responsibility of Kingston Heath Primary School or the Department. Staff and students are reminded not to bring items of value to school or on school excursions.

Kingston Heath Primary School encourages parents/carers to consider obtaining their own accident insurance for students and property of value that may be brought to school.

The Department's Policy and Advisory Library (PAL) includes information regarding the following:

<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/claims-property-damage-and-medical-expenses/policyLegal>

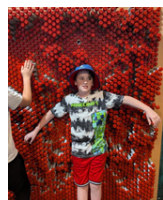
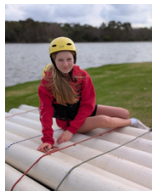
<https://www2.education.vic.gov.au/pal/legal-claims-subpoenas-summonses-and-other-legal-documents/policyClaims>

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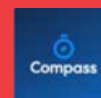
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We acknowledge the Aboriginal People
as the Traditional Owners of this land
and we pay our respects to Elders past and present.

Keep in touch!



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