



School Newsletter

For **Term 2 Week 7**

Starting **6 June 2016**

Dates to Remember

June

6th - Debate - Alexandria Park CS
7th - P&C Meeting 7pm Staffroom
13th Queens Birthday (No School)
15th - KMP Assembly
20th - Debate - Newtown North
23rd - Pyjama Day - SRC
21st- New Enrolments Parent Information Evening 7pm
27th - Debate - Erskineville PS

July

1st - Reports Sent Home
1st - Last day of Term 2
2nd - Election Day - P&C
Fund-raiser

**Don't forget all
Wednesdays are
Waste Free!**

Important Security Changes



As communicated to you last week via letter, the school had an unfortunate incident where a member of the public came uninvited into the school because they were desperate to use the toilet. They walked through the school to the first toilet they found - the boys toilet. We have since found that the person was the friend of someone visiting Tribe OOSH. The person was investigated by the police services and they were found to be of no perceived threat. While this is reassuring, it is non the less concerning and we will be changing some security arrangements that will result in slightly less convenience for families coming from the car park and oval.

We intend to lock the gate into the quadrangle and leave it locked. While in the past we have locked and unlocked this gate a certain times, this has been a problem as we do not have the staff to ensure this gate is locked and unlocked at the prescribed times every single day. This becomes a problem for the security of the school. Visitors to the school and parents with their children coming into the school will have to enter through the Church Street entrance. Those coming from the car park and oval directions will have to walk around the side of the school and the front to get to the Church Street entrance. **The changes will be effective this coming Wednesday morning** after a letter has been sent home to parents. Note there is no parent parking at the Church Street side of the school. A future solution to this will be to look at a timed gate, similar to the one on Silver Street and ideally one with a intercom and timed lock. For this, the school will be consulting with school security.

P & C Meeting

The school's P&C will be holding a meeting on Tuesday night. There will be lots of important issues to discuss. You will be all most welcome if you wish to come along.

Queens Holiday Weekend

Please be reminded that next weekend will be longer with the Monday being the Queen's birthday weekend. Thus there will be no school and OOSH on Monday 13 June. Additionally, the school newsletter will come out on the Monday evening, not the Sunday evening as normal. We indeed hope that the weather will not be as unkind as it has been this weekend.

KMP Speaker of the Term



On Monday of Week 6, Kindergarten children participated in their first Speaker of the Term (SOTT) on the topic "My School". In the lead up to this, KMP children were the audience to the 4/5/6S children's SOTT talks and the K/1 children were an audience to 2/3P for their talks. This gave the Kindergarten children an idea of how to present a SOTT talk. The children impressed us greatly with their talks! They presented confidently, using the help of a senior student where required.



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The Week Ahead in Learning for Term 2 Week 7

This Week in KMP

English	Mathematics	Other KLAS	Reminders
<p>The sight words we will introduce this week will be: big, little, red, ball, has.</p> <p>In our literacy sessions we will continue to work on speaking clearly and using the appropriate volume during "news" and on asking questions and giving comments. In our writing we will use the sight words "big" and "little" to describe some of our belongings.</p>	<p>We will be revising whole numbers this week. We will use the word "estimate" when guessing the approximate number of objects. We will estimate collections and talk about making "good" estimates. We will count and check to find the actual number.</p>	<p>In visual arts we will look at some of Pablo Picasso's art and make our own artwork using angled lines and shades of blue.</p> <p>Got Game: Athletics skills</p> <p>PD/Health: Personal Health Choices</p>	<p>KMP tied for Waste Free Wednesday in week 6. Well done KMP and families. We are only 6 behind the leaders. Everyone has showed an improvement. Keep trying to be waste free.</p> <p>KMP will be hosting assembly in week 8.</p> <p>Library day is Friday.</p>

This Week in K/1H

English	Mathematics	Other KLAS	Reminders
<p>This week kindergarten will revise the sight words some, run, little, dad, hat and school and the letters/ sounds m/l/t/h/s/u /l/c/f/b with 'd' and 'n' introduced. Year 1 will learn the sight words: all, am, new, know, well, there, that, once, think and walk and sound 'oa' as in 'road'. Students will learn about adjectives and continue learning about the different types of sentences. Student will write in past, present and future tenses.</p>	<p>Kindergarten and year 1 commence learning about patterns: kindergarten will make a repeating pattern with colours and year 1 with numerals. In measurement and geometry students will learn about two dimensional space: kindergarten will create a picture using two dimensional shapes and year 1 will learn about symmetry. In statistics and probability all students will answer questions about Waste Free Wednesday by reading a graph of results so far. Students will solve word problems connected with multiplication.</p>	<p>Got Game: Athletics Skills</p> <p>Art- Students will create artworks based on two dimensional shapes.</p> <p>PD/Health- Personal health choices including who to go to for help. Drug education and getting along with others will continue .</p> <p>PE- catching skills continue</p>	<p>K1H tied for Waste Free Wednesday - well done and keep up the great work K/1H!</p> <p>Library is on Wednesday.</p> <p>Students may change their Home Reading any day, Monday to Friday.</p>

This Week in 2/3P

English	Mathematics	Other KLAS	Reminders
<p>Year 2's phonics focus for the week will be three letter consonant blends and grammar will focus on subject verb agreements (adding s and es).</p> <p>Year 3's phonics focus will be 'oa, ow, old and osh' words. While grammar will continue to focus on commas in sentences.</p>	<p>2/3P will continue with our unit on time. Focusing on reading clock faces and using correct terminology when telling the time.</p> <p>Volume and capacity will continue with a hands on approach to understanding volume and capacity.</p>	<p>PDHPE will continue on Friday with a deeper look at drugs and medicines.</p> <p>Art students will continue looking at tessellating patterns.</p>	<p>Library on Monday.</p> <p>Waste free Wednesday- Let's all participate this week to get our first win of the term.</p>

This Week in 4/5/6S

English	Mathematics	Other KLAS	Reminders
<p>In writing we will analyse the structure of newspaper articles then we will write an article. Year 5/6 will write about the discovery of gold and year 4 will write about the discovery of Australia. We will be an audience for the debate between Alexandria Park and St Peters. In grammar year 4 will revise compound sentences and using the verbs 'is' and 'are' correctly.</p>	<p>All students will learn about features of 2d shapes such as angles and parallel sides. Year 5/6 will learn about properties of triangles. Students will learn multiplication and division strategies for whole numbers and decimals such as multiplying by 10, 100 or 1000.</p>	<p>Art- We will create an artwork using 2d shapes.</p> <p>Gotgame- Athletic skills</p>	<p>Waste Free Wednesday- We had our biggest number of waste free lunches last week. Keep up the good work 4/5/6!</p> <p>Practise Pagodas and Heavenly Lakes recorder songs. The music has been shared with students on their Google Drive accessible through their portal user name and password.</p>

This Week in Stage Groups

Kindy	Years 1 & 2	Years 3 & 4	Years 5 & 6
<p>We will continue our Science unit of work called "A Sense of Direction". We will use our sense of smell to help understand how our senses can work alone and together with other senses.</p>	<p>In Present and Past Family Life students will continue comparing chores and start comparing transport. Also they will play a variety of family games from the past.</p>	<p>Science- Students will continue to investigate force and how it affects the physical world around them.</p> <p>History- Students will continue researching the life and voyages of Captain James Cook.</p>	<p>We will look at the impact the gold rush had on population growth in Australia.</p>

This Week in Music

KMP	K/1H	2/3P	4/5/6S
This week we will discuss what a corroboree is and start our own class corroboree. We will be singing "Inanay" (a song from the Torres Strait) and adding clapping sticks to our performance. We will also learn to sing a campfire songs from Wendy Motley's CD inspired by indigenous culture "Aunty Wendy's mob".	After our successful rehearsals and performance of "Three Little Fish" we will now start a unit of repertoire based on indigenous aboriginal culture. We will talk about a corroboree being a gathering for community and celebration and learn to sing songs inspired by indigenous cultures.	We will be adding the song "In The Bag" to our repertoire this week and reinforcing the notes G, A & B with music games. We will also introduce the new note "E" and using fingers from both Right and Left hands on the recorder.	We will be completing and revising three of the four set songs and developing our memorization skills. All students will be strongly encouraged to complete set tasks each week. This week's set task is to present "March Of the Kitchen Utensils", Sections A & B confidently from memory and presenting an accurate and fluent performance of Section C with the score. More confident students are encouraged to also memorize Section C.

This Week in Mandarin

KMP	K/1H	2/3P	4/5/6S
Next week in Chinese, a traditional Chinese festival - Dragon Boat Festival will be introduced to all students. They will watch a short video to know more about the story of this festival and what do Chinese people do to celebrate it, such as eating 'zongzi'. KMP & K/1H will do a dragon boat colouring page. 2/3P and 4/5/6/S will do some dragon boat crafts.			

