



## Dates to Remember

### Term 3

#### Week 7

Swimming  
Parent /Teacher/Student meetings

#### Week 8

Swimming  
Parent /Teacher/Student meetings

#### Week 9

Parent /Teacher/Student meetings  
Thursday 10th Sept. ~ T20 Cricket

#### Week 10

Dance Week  
Tuesday 22nd Sept. ~ Year 6/7 Market  
Wednesday 23rd Sept. ~ Yr3/4 Red Ball Tennis  
Friday 25th Sept. ~ Term 3 Ends 2:10pm

### Term 4

#### Week 1

Friday 16th Oct. ~ Pre school transition & tour of school  
Parent meeting

#### Week 2

Friday 23th Oct. ~ K-R transition

#### Week 3

Wednesday 28th Oct ~ School Photos  
Friday 30th Oct. ~ Sports Day

#### Week 4

Friday 6th Nov. ~ K-R Transition

#### Week 5

Class newsletters home  
Friday 13th Nov. ~ K-R Transition



## Health & PE

### SAPSASA - SUPERSTARS

Congratulations to Starr Pedersen and Lieesha Bejah who have been selected to represent the LEP for Soccer. They have gone to Adelaide this week (week 6) to play in the SAPSASA State Carnival. Jarrah Reidy has been selected for SAPSASA Football. He will travel to Adelaide in week 8 to play in the SAPSASA Football State Carnival. We hope you have a great time away, learn a lot plus make many new friends. Good Luck, we are very proud of your achievements.



### GYMNASTICS

We are in our final week of the Sporting Schools Gymnastics program. The students have learnt many gymnastics positions, rolls, jumps, balances, hangs plus a whole heap of bouncing. Many thanks to Lisa Hendersen who has coached these sessions, its great to see kids perform actions for the first time and see their huge smiles.



# Kirton Point Primary School

Newsletter # 300

Term 3

Week 6

Wednesday 26th August 2020



In Room 23 we have been learning about addition and subtraction. We have been using different materials to help us understand how two numbers added together make another number. We can also use materials to explain how taking one number away from another can give us a new number. Additionally we have been learning about our Rainbow Facts. We have learnt these are special numbers that add up to 10. We even created a rainbow of our own!

During our Health and Physical Education lessons, we have really enjoyed learning different skills of gymnastics.





## Principal's Report

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

I hope you all have been well and keeping warm throughout what it seems is an endless winter. Things at school have been moving along at a great speed with the trial of many new programs and strategies to improve students reading knowledge and wellbeing. Our early evidence collection is showing that the changes we have made are having a positive impact on students learning outcomes. All of this positive change is a result of the recommendations that were provided to the school from the external school review that happened last year. From this information we have developed an improvement plan which has been approved by our school Governing Council. This plan details the stages of implementation of the strategies and programs and how we check on their impact and make necessary changes if required. If you would like any more information on this please feel free to contact the school and book in a meeting.

### Year 7 to High School:

Things are rolling along well with the current transition of year 7 students to high school in 2022. This means next year it will be the final year of primary school for both year 6 and 7 students. To make the transition for all students a success the school is developing a plan in consultation with staff, students and the Governing Council. This plan will support us as a site to ensure that all students have an enjoyable final year at primary school and feel prepared for the next step in their education journey.

### COVID-19:

We are continuing to follow all of the recommended protocols for the prevention of the spread of COVID-19. Please be aware that:

Staff are to have no more than 1 person per 2 square metres in an enclosed space and maintain a minimum social distance of 1.5 metres

Parents should maintain the 1.5m physical distance between themselves and other adults (parents and teachers) at all times, including school drop off and pick up

### Pupil Free Days:

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> of August we are having Pupil Free Days. These are valuable days for our school staff to work together to plan for school improvements, individual student learning needs and review current progress against our school goals. We hope you have a wonderful extended weekend with your family.

Regards  
Mitchell Ollington



## Wellbeing Corner



It's quite simple really....."One Word Can Change Someone's Entire Day".

We saw this quote recently and it really resonated with us. When we choose kindness we are "bucket fillers", instead of "bucket dippers".

This is a concept that is often referred to in classes. When we choose kindness we give to others and as a result feel better about oneself. Kindness doesn't cost a thing, rather a choice than a chore. Here's some simple ideas to spread kindness amongst you and your family.

- Share a hug
- Random act of kindness (do something unexpected to help)
- Play a game as a family
- Take time for yourself (self-care)
- Compliment someone
- Smile and greet each other with kindness and care

Practice gratitude. When we think about what we are grateful for in our own lives we are encouraging positivity. Why not take some time daily to ask your family members what they are grateful for and reap the benefits of a positive perspective family.



Stay Kind,  
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### Communication:

We are always trying to increase our ability to communicate effectively with our school community. So please check these places/platforms for school updates:

**Facebook:** please like our page to keep up to date with the latest school information

**School mobile phone:** We now have a school mobile phone that you can ring/text for a variety of things including student absences.  
The number is: **0429 239 609**

### Kindy Transition:

This year we will have four sessions that students from preschools will be able to come and try out school life prior to starting at school in 2021. The first transition date is Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> of October (Week 1, Term 4) from 8:45am-10:00am. This first session will be focused on providing information to parents and giving students an opportunity to see their possible class surroundings. Please feel free to contact the school if you would like any further information.



## Cultural Studies

Hello everyone,

Do you remember back when fruit and vegetables were seasonal? A time when Summer was full of beautiful stone fruit eating, drying and jam making? Students have been immersing themselves into the seasons. The junior primary have been creative with different aspects of the seasons and the middle primary learning about the reasons for the seasons. An exciting part of their learning journey has just begun ... investigating and learning about how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples knew when their seasons were changing. Gradually the students will continue to develop their ideas from last term about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples connection to Country/Place through the seasons. One place the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples looked to was the night sky, they are the first Astrologers who could read and understand the changes in the night sky and the effects that had on Earth.

Have you ever heard of Sir Douglas Nicholls or David Uniapon? Did you know that Aboriginal Peoples helped a number of explorers to explore Australia? The Upper Primary are individually researching and creating a short movie about a variety of inspiring Aboriginal Peoples from the past and present. Different aspects of researching and preparing to produce their videos has been the focus.

Have a yarn to your kids about what they are learning and share anything you might know with them.

I wish you all a happy and healthy last half of term.



## The Arts

This term in The Arts, Junior Primary students are trying their hand at Dance. They have learnt routines that include The Shearer Skip, Emus and Kangaroos, The Damper Stamp and The Nutbush. Students have been encouraged to participate in individual dances and routines that involve partner and group collaboration. This unit will build up to the Footsteps Dance program that we have coming to KPPS in Week 10 which should be a fantastic opportunity for students to share their talents.

Middle and Upper Primary students are currently learning about Percussion in Music. Each class have formed a 'Drum Circle' which allows students to come together and make music. We have been focusing on beat and rhythm, the different sounds we can make with African drums (djembes) and have composed simple drumming ensembles with layered rhythms.

At lunchtime on Mondays, students can share their talents at Talent Time in the Hall. We have had some fantastic singing, dance, and gymnastics routines so far. It would be great to see more and more acts participate in the second half of the term.

Tom Easson  
The Arts

