



Dates to Remember

Week 7

Wednesday 25th Nov. ~ Yr 7 1/2 day High School transition

Week 8

Tuesday 1st Dec ~ Pantomime

Wednesday 2nd Dec ~ Student Rep Celebration

Friday 4th Dec ~ Student Free Day/Year 7 full day Transition at High School

Week 9

Monday 7th Dec. ~ Yr 7 Graduation 5pm—5:30pm
Yr 7 dinner 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Wednesday 9th Dec. ~ Learning Portfolios and reports home to parents

Thursday 10th Dec ~ End of School

~ 2021 Classes sent with children

Friday 11th Dec. ~ School Closure



The Arts

Hi everybody

Junior and Middle Primary students have been revisiting working with puppets to act out some of their favourite books. This is the second time this year that we have used puppets in Drama lessons and it has been amazing to see the progress that our students have made in areas such as oral language, puppet manipulation and storytelling.

Upper Primary years are in the midst of experiencing a number of Theatre Sports. This requires them to improvise scenarios in front of their peers through a series of games. This has been a lot of fun and it is amazing to witness the creative ideas that our students have shared. As you can see in the photos, the puppets have not been safe from our older students either!

On Wednesday of Week 5 we were incredibly lucky to have music legend Peter Combe visit Kirton Point. His performance had everybody engaged and singing along, students and staff. Thank you to Peter for sharing your incredible talent!

Enjoy the rest of 2020!
Tom Eason
The Arts



CLOTHING / UNIFORM

All students must wear school colours: navy and white

Plain navy and white clothing, without any logo except Kirton Point Primary School's logo, is required.

The following clothing meets school policy:

- Navy or white T-shirts and polo shirts
- Navy shorts, culottes or skirt
- Navy and white check dress
- Navy tracksuit pants, long pants
- Navy or white skivvy
- Navy or white socks
- Navy windcheater
- Navy beanie, navy scarf
- Navy broad-brimmed hat or bucket hat (see *HATS / Sun Protection*)
- Navy rain jackets

Please Note: Denim clothing, particularly jeans, is not part of school uniform.

- School jumpers, polo shirts and broad-brimmed hats, at reasonable prices, may be purchased from the school. Second hand clothing may be purchased for a gold coin donation.
- Please ensure that your child is dressed in comfortable clothes. Suitable footwear is essential, particularly for play and the Physical Education program. Thongs and high-heeled shoes are not suitable.
- Students who are not wearing school uniform may be restricted to the area immediately outside library during play times.

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Term 4

Week 7

Wednesday 25th November 2020

Students in Room 16 have been learning about seeds and plants this term.

Students predicted what was inside a seed then cut open bean seeds and examined them closely using a magnifying glass. They made labelled diagrams of their observations.

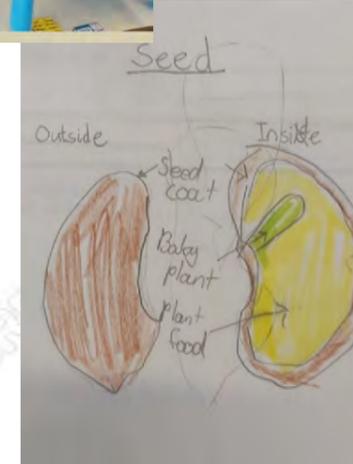
Students investigated what seeds needed to germinate then designed experiments to test their ideas. Most students predicted that seeds would need water, light and soil to germinate. The class was very surprised to discover that seeds would grow without soil or light but would not grow in the fridge or if they had been watered with salt water. The students were also surprised to discover that it took the seeds grown in the dark 3 weeks to die.



22.10.2020
Plant life cycle
Bean Seed

	My prediction	Results after 4 days
Dark	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Light	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
warm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cold (fridge)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
water	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No water	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dirt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
No dirt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

What seeds need to grow:
fresh water and warm





Principal's Report

Dear Parent and Caregivers

I hope you are all doing well and looking after yourselves and your families. A big thank you for your ongoing commitment and support throughout these ever changing times. At this stage we are asking parents to drop off and pick up students at the gate. However our end of year events will continue to go ahead following the advice of Health SA.

If I do not get to talk to you beforehand, I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas holiday break with family and friends. For those families that are leaving us, I wish you all the best for your child's future schooling and for those families that will be coming back to join us next year, I look forward to continuing our school improvement journey with you. It has been a very memorable 2020, in more ways than one, but for me being new to the site it has been amazing to be welcomed into the school community so seamlessly and everyone has made me feel a part of the Kirton Point Primary School family. Please see below some information regarding the last few weeks of school:

Pupil Free Day/School Closure

Due to the recent lockdown we have moved our 2 remaining school closure days. We have moved these days to the 4th of December and the 11th of December. Currently these days will not have students at school, including the students of essential workers. If this does change we will inform the school community.

Year 7 Transition

The second time is a full day visit on the 4th of December. Students will need to make their own way to and from school on this date. We do apologise that this is the same day as our Pupil Free Day but this was unable to be avoided.

Parent Survey

Thank you to those parents that completed the 2020 parent survey. In total we had 32 parents complete the survey. This information is critical to our planning and improvements as a site and we will be looking at this information moving into the 2021 school year. Overall the results from the survey are really positive with between 80-90% of responses being Agree or Strongly Agree on a variety of topics including parents interacting with their child about school and understanding the school and how it operates.

Reports/Learning Portfolios/Classes

Student's school reports and learning portfolios will be sent home on Wednesday the 9th of December. The following day (which will be our last day of school) students will receive information about their teachers and classes for 2021.

Enjoy the last few weeks of school.

Regards

Mitchell Ollington



Wellbeing Corner



What uncertain times we have had throughout 2020! Uncertain times can most certainly bring about stress and anxiety; however, it can also come with some unexpected positives. Via our Room 5 lunch time activities this term, we have had the opportunity to have some informal chats with children discussing some of the positives that have resulted from COVID - 19 restriction experiences.

Here's a number of positives that they shared:

- :) Siblings play together, and sometimes fight, but they have to work things out as there is no one else there to play with you.
- :) Having extra time to relax.
- :) Being with family and playing together.
- :) Having extra time with pets.
- :) Staying up late and sleeping in.
- :) Being healthy because everyone is washing their hands and covering their sneezes.



We also discussed the challenges experienced as a result of COVID - 19. Some of their responses included:

- { Being isolated is lonely.
- { I miss seeing my cousins.
- { Not seeing friends at school.
- { Not having school when we should.
- { Plans have to change.
- { We can't have family visit from other states.

We also discussed the skills that we may have learnt and built on during these uncertain times.

The children brainstormed the following:

- Resilience
- Flexibility
- Trust
- Kindness in difficult times

A common theme discussed with the children was that out of any experience, good can come. It simply depends on the way in which we approach situations. We certainly encourage and promote critical thinking whilst maintaining a 'half glass full' outlook. Why don't you too strike up a conversation with your children as their insight into this pandemic and the challenges and positivity it brings really is fascinating to consider. Happy chatting to your children!

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Health & PE

TOUCH FOOTBALL

The game of Touch is a simple game that everybody can play. It's fast, fun and involves a lot of running!! KPPS entered two teams in the Lower Eyre Peninsula SAPSASA Touch Carnival on Thursday. The students had only had an introduction to the game during our PE lessons, but they picked up the game very quickly.

Our girls team played extremely well. They won 2 games, had one tie and lost to the eventual winners of the carnival, Ungarra. Lieesha, Starr and Chevi all scored touch downs during the day. Charley made many touches in defence and Seun was always looking dangerous to score. All girls supported each other, were positive and had a lot of laughs. They just missed out on making the finals by a small percentage. Well done to Starr, Charley, Seun, Lieesha, Madison, Mahayla and Chevi

The boys had an amazing carnival. They played 4 games, winning 3 of them and drawing the other. Unfortunately, they missed out on playing in the grand final only by percentage.

They played fast touch and worked well as a team. Lucas was very zippy and Timmy was elusive to catch. Tygh directed play, and his voice was clear and direct. Congratulations on a great day Tyler, Codie, Tygh, Timmy, Aidan, Dean, Hudson and Lucas.



SAPSASA SUPERSTARS

Congratulations to Lieesha Bejah, Lenae Bejah, Seun Tayo and Tygh Tewano who have all been selected in the LEP SAPSASA Athletics team. Unfortunately, this carnival has now been cancelled but it is still a great honour to be selected to represent LEP in a SAPSASA team.

Premier's Be Active Challenge

Congratulations to Timmy Dennis, Aidan Knight and Maia Abott who have received the Premier's Be Active For Life GOLD MEDAL!! This is the first time our school has had anyone achieve this level. Congratulations to all students who completed the Be Active Challenge and received a medal!



Rachel



Cultural Studies

Hello All,

We have celebrated NAIDOC Week, the COVID way, this year. Unfortunately, we were unable to make the celebrations huge. All students engaged in learning about the theme for NAIDOC Week during Cultural Studies - Always Was, Always Will Be. Along with this, students used Styrofoam to create and print posters that were inspired by the theme.



The JP finalised their Bronwyn Bancroft creations that involved using painted lines and dots with patterned circles to complete their artwork with amazing results.



I wish everyone a safe and healthy end to the school year.
Many thanks, Donna