



KENT PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL 2019



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TERM ONE

Thursday 7th February, 2019

Monday	11th	February	Whole School Special Assembly - Presentation of Badges to School Leaders
Monday	11th	February	SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING at 7pm (Sub-committee meetings @ 6.45pm)
Friday	15th	February	Bookclub Orders Due
Friday	22nd	February	LAST DAY to lodge CSEF Applications at the office. (<i>Forms at office</i>)
Friday	22nd	February	District Swimming Carnival – selected students
Friday	22nd	February	KPPS COMMUNITY MARKET NIGHT (5pm-8.30pm) more information soon.

WELCOME BACK to 2019!

We trust that everyone has had a restful break. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Cara and James (cleaners) for their excellent preparation during the holidays and for ensuring that our 2019 school year has commenced so positively and smoothly.



A very special welcome to our **2019 Foundation students** and the following new/returning students in Years 1-6 -

Emily Wang (1/2H), Jake Stewart (4/5C), Zyuri Angangey (3K), Tyson Chun (5B), Macey Chun (4/5C) and Leonardo Martinaj (1/2H)

We also welcome back **Mrs Rebecca Keir, (3K class teacher)** to our teaching and learning team.



The NO HAT, NO PLAY policy applies in all government schools.

Please ensure that students have their bucket hat at school to wear every day until April 30th.

Important reminder - please apply sunscreen on students before arriving at school and provide a 'roll on' sunscreen for students to reapply before lunch play.

From the Acting Principal

2019

It has been a **wonderful start to 2019 at Kent Park Primary School** with many highlights to start our year. We've welcomed several **new and returning staff, 6 new families and 25 amazing new Preps** and their **very excited families**.

We also have a number of changes across our school for 2019. Our **Auslan** (Australian Sign Language) sessions begin this week, our new specialist **STEAM** (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics) subject has started and our **2 Performing Arts teachers** begin in a couple of weeks. Our **new iPads and laptops** are being integrated into our rooms, Kate has been establishing our two 'yet to be named' **community rooms** and our PA are busily preparing for our **Market Night on Friday February 22nd**. We also have new Play/Break times (see overleaf) and this will be our final **paper copy** of the Newsletter. The newsletter will continue to be uploaded onto COMPASS and the Kent Park Website (kentparkps.vic.edu.au). Hard copies will be available at the office if needed.

2019 is going to be a great year at Kent Park!

Respect, Responsibility and Kindness

Our **School-Wide Positive Behaviour team** were incredibly pleased with the response we received last year to our **Kent Park community survey** on our **new school values**. The most popular value was **Respect**, followed closely by **Responsibility and Kindness**. Our staff and students have begun working together to explore and define what these values mean for us as a school and a community.

The **first two improvement focus areas** in our school are **using appropriate language at all times** and **keeping rubbish out of the playground**. So far, we have seen **fantastic results** and I am very proud of how well we are all working together to make our school even better. **Congratulations everyone and keep up the great team effort!**

High Expectations

Our **dedicated staff** spent the first two days of our year working together on our school priorities for 2019. **Our focus for 2019 is High Expectations**. As a staff, we have High Expectations for **ourselves as professionals**, for our **students as learners** and in our **partnership with our community**.

Assembly

We are looking forward to our special **leadership badge presentation** at our assembly on **Monday February 11th at 9am**. This assembly will also be our final Monday morning assembly as we **move our assembly to Friday mornings**. Our first Friday morning assembly will therefore be at **9am on Friday February 22nd**.

Kieran Denver

Acting Principal

2019 INFORMATION

PLAY BREAK TIMES for 2019

11.00am to 11.30am - RECESS

1.30pm to 1.40pm - EATING TIME in classrooms

1.40pm to 2.40pm - LUNCH PLAY

TERM DATES for 2019

TERM ONE - 31st JANUARY to 5th April - Year 1 to 6 students

- 1st February to 5th April - 2019 Preps

TERM TWO - 23rd APRIL to 28th JUNE

TERM THREE - 15th JULY to 20th SEPTEMBER

TERM FOUR - 7th OCTOBER to 20th DECEMBER

4 x SCHOOL COUNCIL APPROVED PROFESSIONAL LEARNING and PUPIL FREE DAYS for 2019

29TH JANUARY 2019

30TH JANUARY 2019

7TH JUNE 2019

4TH NOVEMBER 2018 (CUP EVE)



PARENT/TEACHER INFORMATION SESSIONS for 2019

(Dates to be advised shortly)

The teachers from Years 1/2, 3/4 and 5/6 will facilitate information sessions in the assembly hall on designated days to provide an overview of the teaching and learning programs for 2019.

Parents are more than welcome to request a time to discuss their child's progress throughout the year. Please also note – a mid-year reporting day/night is scheduled for June.

IMPORTANT SCHOOL COUNCIL REMINDERS

- Excursions, incursions and sports activities are now being organised for 2019 and will be uploaded onto COMPASS for electronic authorisation and payment. *Please ensure that all deadline dates are diarised and are met.* This assists the teachers and office staff in ensuring that programs are catered for effectively and efficiently, and **most importantly, avoids disappointment for the children.**
- **Please note - All camps and excursions are to be paid in full prior to participation, unless special confidential arrangements are made with Kieran Denver.** *(Please don't hesitate to make an appointment if required). It is therefore critical that fortnightly newsletters and Flexibuzz updates are carefully read and important dates noted. The newsletters are posted on the website.*
- **Knox Council officers will continue to patrol schools, particularly in peak drop off and pick up times.** We urge all drivers to be safe around the school and abide by the parking and speed limit rules. Pedestrians (students and parents) are also reminded to use the Council crossings **before and after school.**
- Students riding *to and from* school on bikes and scooters are reminded to follow the road rules and wear helmets at all times.
- Any student arriving after the bell at 9am **is required to** report to the Office **with their parent** to sign in. The student **must** then be escorted to the classroom with their parent.
- Please ensure that the **pedestrian gates** are **closed** if you are exiting the school grounds after **9.00am.**
- **Students** (even when accompanied by a parent) **are reminded not to enter or exit** the school via **the staff car park** before and after school. *Please note that this rule is a DET safety regulation.*
- All students P to 6 require an art smock and library bag to participate effectively in these programs.
- **In line with DET regulations dogs are not permitted in the school grounds at any time.**
- **SMOKING is STRICTLY prohibited within 4 metres of the ENTRANCE GATES of DET schools.**

Weekly Merit Awards for Week Ending Friday 8th February, 2019

Class	Student's Name	Reason
PW	Corey W.	For settling so well into school and for always having a smile on his face.
P/1H	Sam M.	For an amazing start to Grade One.
1/2H	Ruby C.	For always showing respect and kindness.
2B	Max M.	For an amazing effort with your writing!
3K	Grace H.	For showing respect by listening carefully to instructions.
3M	Lazar I.	For showing respect and excellent work habits.
4C	Ashton O.	For making a wonderful start to Year 4. Well done! Keep up the excellent effort!
4/5C	Grace L.	For awesome attentive listening and great contributions to class discussions.
5B	William H.	For being a polite and respectful student to everyone.
6K	Tiah A.	For her outstanding contribution to our "Getting to Know You" challenge.
6M	Pareena V.	For all the kind things you do that people don't always see. I see it!!
6S	Jayden P.	For making an exceptional start to Year 6 as a focused and impressive learner.
Physical Ed.	Jayden P.	For super effort you put into the last week's Phys. Ed. Lesson. Keep up the good work.
Asst. Principal	Zach L.	For the amazing effort you put into helping keep the school clean. What a responsible leader!!
Principal	Eli M.	For making an amazing start to 2019!! Keep up the great work.

2019 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A MEMBER OF OUR 2019/2020 SCHOOL COUNCIL?

Nominations will open on **11TH FEBRUARY** FOR 6 **PARENT** and 3 **TEACHER VACANCIES** FOR OUR 2019/2020 SCHOOL COUNCIL.

We encourage and invite parents to be actively involved and play a role in continuing to provide the optimum community based learning environment. If you are interested or know someone who is, we would love to hear from you. We are looking for people who are committed to improving the educational outcomes for all our students and assist with improving our grounds and play spaces. School councillors are only required to attend one monthly meeting to be actively involved.

Effective school councils have a broad range of experience, skills and expertise. Face-to-face and online training is also available to help councillors develop the skills and knowledge for the job. Parents find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

For more information on what's involved see: [Parent Participation at School](http://www.education.vic.gov.au) on the DET website
<http://www.education.vic.gov.au>

Nominations will close on **FEBRUARY 18th** and forms will be available from the school office **from Monday 11th February.**

CANTEEN NEWS




The canteen has now re-opened for **TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS**, for counter sales and lunch orders. *The canteen will continue to be managed and operated by Tina who provided fabulous, healthy lunches for students and staff last year. See overleaf for Canteen Menu. (also accessed on our Website and Compass).*

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

To be eligible, you must be a holder of a current Pension Concession, Health Care Benefit Card, Veteran Affairs Card valid as at the 29th January, 2019. Please present the card as proof of eligibility.

The completed claim form for 2019 C.S.E.F. must be handed to the office no later than Friday **22ND February, 2019** in order to be eligible for the first payment batch. (Forms available from office)



CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or
- on the first day of Term two;
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and;
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 – Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2019) or term two (23 April 2019).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.


HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section. Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school. If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT/S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2019 closes on 28 June, 2019.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.



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KENT PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU

TERM 1, 2019

Open Tuesdays & Thursdays, recess & lunch



SANDWICHES & WRAPS (please specify)	
▪ White or wholemeal bread	
▪ Please request if no butter	
▪ Salad: tomato, cucumber, carrot & lettuce	
▪ Beetroot on request	
Vegemite	\$2.00
Cheese	\$2.00
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$3.50
Ham & salad	\$4.50
Egg & lettuce	\$3.50
Cheese & salad	\$4.00
Roast chicken, lettuce & mayonnaise	\$4.00
Roast chicken & salad	\$4.50

HOT FOOD (lunch only)	
Party pie – Mrs Mac's good eating	\$1.10
Sausage roll – Mrs Mac's good eating	\$2.80
Vegetable pastie	\$4.00
Chicken burger	\$4.50
chicken, lettuce, cheese & mayo	
Toasted focaccia	\$5.50
chicken, cheese, baby spinach, mayo or ham, cheese, tomato or bacon, tomato, avocado, mayo or, avocado, tomato, feta, baby spinach, red onion, relish	
Chicken strip	\$1.00
Chicken-breast nuggets (8)	\$3.50
Bacon, egg & cheese muffin	\$3.20
Nachos	\$4.00
with sour cream	\$4.50
Homemade lasagne	\$4.00
Homemade zucchini slice	\$4.00
Homemade fried rice	\$4.00
Homemade spaghetti bolognese	\$4.00

SALAD PACKS	
Italian dressing available on request	
Garden salad small	\$2.50
tomato, cucumber, carrot, lettuce	
Large salad tub	\$4.00
tomato, cucumber, carrot, lettuce, cheese, boiled egg	
with ham, roast chicken or tuna	\$5.50

SNACKS	
Yoghurt cup with muesli	\$1.00
vanilla	
Carrot sticks	\$0.50
with tzatziki or hummus	\$1.50
Hard boiled egg	\$0.80
Piece of fruit	\$1.00
apple, orange or banana	
Plain popcorn	\$1.00
Homemade Milo cookie	\$1.50
Veggie chips	\$1.20
Red Rock Deli chips	\$1.20
sea salt, sweet chilli & sour cream or honey soy chicken	
Cheese & crackers	\$2.00
Stringers cheese stick	\$1.00
Mamee noodle snack	\$0.80

DRINKS	
Just Juice Prima – 99% fruit juice	\$1.50
paradise punch, apple or orange	
Nippy's low fat milk	\$2.20
chocolate or strawberry	
Up&Go	\$2.00
choc ice or vanilla ice	
Quench spring water	\$2.00
apple raspberry, lemon lime or lemonade	
Bottled water	\$1.50

FROZEN	
Pineapple ring	\$0.50
Moosies milk freezie	\$1.50
Quelch icypole (99% fruit juice)	\$0.80
terms 1 & 4 only	

DIETARY OPTIONS (lunch only)	
GF Nachos	\$4.00
with sour cream	\$4.50
GF zucchini slice	\$4.00
DF party pie	\$1.10
DF chicken nuggets	\$3.50

GF = Gluten-free | DF = Dairy-free

TO ORDER:

- Write Name, Class and Order on a paper bag or envelope
- No staples
- Correct money appreciated

PLEASE NOTE:

- Tomato sauce \$0.20 extra
- Brown lunch bag \$0.10 extra

Over-the-counter sales available at recess

Welcome back to school, everyone! And to the new students, congratulations and good luck on your new lifelong adventure of education!



OSHClub Kent Park has seen a few changes over the school holidays. The biggest change being that Anu has left us as she has moved to a different service closer to her home.

Our new Program Coordinator is Jo Rodrigo and she will be here every morning and afternoon providing you with lots of fun activities to unwind after a long day at school. Assisting her in the mornings will be Jenni and Liv will be assisting her in the afternoons.

We welcome any feedback, parent/family input, questions or queries about our program that we run daily.

This week we will be focusing on building relationships with the children and fostering stronger friendships/relationships between each child. We will do this by providing different opportunities through games, activities or even just time for quiet conversation.

Here are some of the things we got up to last week! Here's to another great week ahead!

