



KENT PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL 2019



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RESPECT - RESPONSIBILITY - KINDNESS

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TERM ONE

Thursday 21st February, 2019



The NO HAT, NO PLAY policy applies in all government schools until 30th April.

Friday	22nd	February	<u>LAST DAY</u> to lodge CSEF Applications at the office. (<i>Forms at office</i>)
Friday	22nd	February	Scoresby Swimming Carnival – selected students
Friday	8th	March	Y6 Coach Approach Incursion (Permission & Payment Due 28/2/19)
Sunday	17th	March	KPPS Community Working Bee (Between 9.00am and 12.00pm)



1 MORE SLEEP!!

KPPS COMMUNITY MARKET NIGHT
(5pm-8.30pm) - TOMORROW NIGHT

From the Acting Principal

Market Night

Another big community event organised by our wonderful PA team is almost here, only one sleep to go. Come along to our Market Night this Friday night between 5pm and 8.30pm to join in all of the fun and entertainment as you visit the market stalls. I'm really looking forward to welcoming many of our new families to the Kent Park community and several families that are considering enrolling with us that I have taken for tours recently.

Assembly

Our whole school assemblies have moved to Friday mornings with our first one scheduled for this Friday, February 22nd at 9am in the hall. Our final 4 Junior School Council Representatives from grade 4 will be receiving their shiny new badges. Following the assembly we will be taking photos of all of our new student leadership teams for our soon-to-be updated website. Student leaders are reminded to be in full school uniform with their badges for the photos on Friday.

School Council Election

Nominations for our 4 vacant parent representatives for our 2019 School Council will close on Monday, February 25th at 4pm. You can either nominate yourself for a position or have a member of our parent community nominate you, both forms are available from our office or contact the school and we can email you a copy. If you are interested in finding out more about the role of a school council member before you nominate for a position, just get in contact with any current member of council, call the office for a handbook or jump on the DET website to find out everything you need to know.

On behalf of everyone in the Kent Park community, I would like to thank and acknowledge our outgoing parent and staff representatives that have served on our 2018 school council. As many of you would know, 2018 was a significant period of change and improvement for our school and our council members for 2018 were instrumental in leading our school through these changes. I know our new council for 2019 will want to continue the great work that has been achieved throughout 2018.

Working Bee

Our first working bee for 2019 is scheduled for Sunday March 17th between 9am and 12pm. Come along and join one of our Special St Patrick's Day Strike Teams who will be tackling a project around the school such as...

- Miss Scobell's and Mr Kay's classrooms need a serious injection of bright, colourful paint on their very boring, bland, beige walls.
- Mr Wright thinks we need a much-nicer garden entry at the front of the main office to welcome people in to our school.
- Kate Swainston will be continuing to set up our new 'yet to be named' social hubs.
- The semi-enormous branch-clipping pile, cleverly constructed by Callum and Craig, needs to become a MASSIVELY ENORMOUS pile before the mulching crew comes through to make new mulch for us.
- Our Junior vegie-patch will be a quick fix to have it looking great again.
- Plus a few more jobs depending on numbers.

Families attending will also be able to sample a very tasty, somewhat obscure, incredibly 'more-ish', delicacy that will be cooked on the bbq at the end of the day. Further information and family registration to come out soon.

Kindness, Respect, Responsibility

Have your say on the colours we will be using to represent each of our new school community values, what colours best represent Kindness, Respect and Responsibility? Our voting booth has been set up in the entry to the hall for you to cast your vote at assembly this Friday morning or at our Market Night. You can also enter our poster design competition and bring along your design to be on display in the hall during the Market Night. We have categories for Prep, Grade 1&2, Grade 3&4, Grade 5&6, Families and Staff.

Kieran Denver
Acting Principal



**** CANTEEN DAYS ARE CHANGING ****

Starting on the 1st March (next week), the canteen will now open On TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS (instead of Thursdays).

Today was the last Canteen Day on a Thursday.

Please see pricelist overleaf.

FINAL REMINDER

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 in to the office no later than Friday **22ND February, 2019** in order to be eligible for the first payment batch. (Forms available from office)

THE EDUCATION STATE

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 a 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 Veterans 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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Weekly Merit Awards for Week Ending Friday 22nd February, 2019

Class	Student	Reason
PW	Stella F.	For always trying her best with her work and for being a good listener.
P/1H	Akira C.	For amazing listening and trying her best with her work. Well done ☺
1/2H	Lance D.	For his exciting small moment writing.
2B	Chloe K.	For a positive approach to her learning.
3K	Zyuri A.	For settling into Kent Park so well.
3M	Ava M.	For attentive listening and always showing respect.
4C	Veer P.	For settling in very well to Year 4. Well done!
4/5C	Kobi B.	For being a kind and thoughtful friend.
5B	Kimberley O.	For showing excellent kindness and respect to others.
6K	Hunter A.	For demonstrating outstanding leadership qualities. Well done Hunter, a great effort!
6M	Wyatt P.	For the responsible way he approaches his learning and his excellent text connection.
6S	Vaidehi K.	For being a funny, helpful and encouraging learner.
Physical Ed.	Cooper R.	For carving your way through the water at swimming trials.
Asst. Principal	All 2B students	For the mature and responsible way they approached the first KPPS Essential Assessment test. Well done guys!
Principal	Bani S.	For making a wonderful start to Prep at Kent Park Primary School.



KPPS COMMUNITY MARKET NIGHT
(5pm-8.30pm) - TOMORROW NIGHT

Parents club have been working busily putting together the upcoming Kent Park Market Night to help celebrate the start of the year and also raise fundraising dollars to go towards recent technology additions and also repainting lines of the basketball courts.

There will be market stalls (Clothing, Cosmetics, Handmade Crafts, Jewellery, Toys, Candles and more!), activities for the kids, food to purchase, a reptile show and other performances from the local community to come and see!

A sausage sizzle (Sausages and Hamburgers available), Slushy machine, Fairyfloss, Popcorn, Ice Creams and drinks available on the Night!

Entertainment for the kids including jumping castles, Go Karts, Reptile Show, Facepainting and more!

RideBands are available for pre-purchase for 15mins or so before and after school. We would still love some more helpers for tomorrow night as well as donations for the Gold Coin Lolly Toss (which can be left at the office).

Plenty to look at and purchase on the night at great prices!
Have a fun family night out and meet others from the school community as well!

SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!

2019 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

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

Nominations are now open FOR **4 PARENT and 2 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.

The Notice of Election and Call for Nominations forms has been posted at the front of the school office, and front of Assembly Hall.

Nominations will close on **FEBRUARY 25th** and forms are now available from the school office.

School council elections – Information for parents

What is a school council and what does it do?

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the broad directions of a school in accordance with their constituting Order and the *Education and Training Reform Act 2006*. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council?

For most primary school councils, there are three possible categories of membership:

- A mandated elected Parent member category – more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. DET employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school
- A mandated elected DET employee member category – members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of school council. The principal of the school is automatically one of these members
- An optional Community member category – members are co-opted by a decision of the council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members.

For all schools with a year 7 and above cohort, there is a fourth category of membership:

A mandated elected Student member category, 2 positions.

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual school council elections.

Why is parent membership so important?

Parents on school councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help inform and shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a school council find their involvement satisfying and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

Do I need special experience to be on school council?

Each member brings their own valuable life skills and knowledge to the role. However, councillors may need to develop skills and acquire knowledge in areas that are unfamiliar to them. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

Code of conduct for school councillors

School councils in Victoria are public entities as defined by the *Public Administration Act* 2004. School councillors must abide by the *Code of Conduct – Employees* issued by the Victorian Public Sector Commission. The Code of Conduct is based on the Victorian public sector values and requires councillors to:

- **act with honesty and integrity** (be truthful, open and clear about their motives and declare any real, potential or perceived conflict of interest and duty)
- **act in good faith** in the best interests of the school (work cooperatively with other councillors and the school community, be reasonable, and make all decisions with the best interests of students foremost in their minds)
- **act fairly and impartially** (consider all relevant facts of an issue before making a decision, seek to have a balanced view, never give special treatment to a person or group and never act from self interest)
- **use information appropriately** (respect confidentiality and use information for the purpose for which it was made available)
- **exercise due care, diligence and skill** (accept responsibility for decisions and do what is best for the school)
- **use the position appropriately** (not use the position as a councillor to gain an advantage)
- **act in a financially responsible manner** (observe all the above principles when making financial decisions)
- **comply with relevant legislation and policies** (know what legislation and policies are relevant for which decisions and obey the law)
- **demonstrate leadership and stewardship** (set a good example, encourage a culture of accountability, manage risks effectively, exercise care and responsibility to keep the school strong and sustainable).

Indemnity for school council members

School councillors are indemnified against any liability in respect of any loss or damage suffered by the council or any other person in respect of anything necessarily or reasonably done, or omitted to be done by the councillor in good faith in: the exercise of a power or the performance of a function of a councillor, or the reasonable belief that the act or omission was in the exercise of a power or the performance of a function of a council. In other words, school councillors are not legally liable for any loss or damage suffered by council or others as a result of reasonable actions taken in good faith.

How can you become involved?

The most obvious way is to vote in the school council elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.

In view of this, you might consider:

- standing for election as a member of the school council
- encouraging another person to stand for election.

What do you need to do to stand for election?

The principal will issue a Notice of Election and Call for Nominations following the commencement of Term 1 each year. All school council elections must be completed by the end of March unless the usual time line has been varied by the Minister.

If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent member category.

DET employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not engaged in work, are eligible to nominate for Parent membership of the school council at that school.

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the principal within the time stated on the Notice of Election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt via post, email or by hand following the receipt of your completed nomination.

If there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

Remember

Consider standing for election to school council this year.

Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do.

Be sure to vote in the elections.

Contact the principal for further information.

Last week at OSHClub, our goal was to focus on building relationships with each other. We did a lot of activities which engaged the children in teamwork, cooperative play and turn taking skills.



This week at OSHClub, our goal is 'Learning to treat each other with respect and kindness'. We aim to accomplish our goal by completing activities that encourage discussions on how to be kind to one another. We also will be encouraging children to demonstrate respect to one another through their everyday interactions with each other.

Here are some of the things we got up to last week!



GIRL GUIDES AUSTRALIA VICTORIA

Vacancies for Girls

Do you enjoy hanging out with friends, Caring for the environment, exploring the outdoors or just want to challenge yourself further....

Get Into Girl Guides!

We have vacancies for girls aged 5 -18 years. Come along and try us out, The first 3 weeks are free.

For further information:

knox@guidesvic.org.au

www.guidesvic.org.au

SCHOOL SOCCER LEAGUE



SCHOOL SOCCER LEAGUE ATKNOX

STARTS THURSDAY 14TH MARCH 2019

We will be requiring school based teams girls, boys and mixed in the age brackets Year 3-4, Year 5-6 and Year 7-9.

Teams will play two 25 minute six-a-side matches per week between 4:30-5:30 PM.

Teams costs will be \$30 per team per night.

JUST \$5 PER PLAYER PER NIGHT!



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Andrew Farmer - afarmer@standevic.vic.edu.au
Knox Regional Football Centre - (03) 8804 1300
257 George Street, Wanttime South



Girls - U10 to U18



UPPER GULLY FOOTBALL CLUB
Est. 1948

Boys - U8 to U17



PLAYER RECRUITMENT
We are looking for boys & girls across ALL age groups for season 2019!

Contact Club Secretary Adrian on 0428 389 864

KENT PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU

TERM 1, 2019



Open Tuesdays & Fridays, 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	\$2.60
Vegetable pastie	\$4.00
Chicken burger <i>chicken, lettuce, cheese & mayo</i>	\$4.50
Toasted focaccia <i>chicken, cheese, baby spinach, mayo or ham, cheese, tomato or bacon, tomato, avocado, mayo or avocado, tomato, feta, baby spinach, red onion, relish</i>	\$5.50
Chicken strip	\$1.00
Chicken-breast nuggets (6)	\$3.50
Bacon, egg & cheese muffin	\$3.20
Nachos with sour cream	\$4.00 \$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 <i>tomato, cucumber, carrot, lettuce</i>	\$2.50
Large salad tub <i>tomato, cucumber, carrot, lettuce, cheese, boiled egg</i>	\$4.00
with ham, roast chicken or tuna	\$5.50

SNACKS

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

DRINKS

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

FROZEN

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

DIETARY OPTIONS (lunch only)

GF Nachos with sour cream	\$4.00 \$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