

# **UPCOMING EVENTS & DATES**

Monday 31st July	Teacher Professional Practice Day. Pupil free day. Please make childcare arrangements.			
Tuesday 1st August	Preps Fire Truck Visit			
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Prep 100 Days			
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 1 Zoo Excursion Year 2/3 Orienteering Incursion			
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August	Prep – Puffing Billy Excursion			
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August	District Athletics			
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Science Week			
Monday 21st August	Year 4/5/6 Orienteering Incursion			
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	Book Week Dressup Parade			

# A MESSAGE FROM MISS LOREN

28th July, 2023

Dear KPS families,

Today was our very first offsite Athletics Carnival for Yr 2-6. It was an excellent day which we loved sharing with our families who attended across the day. The weather was very kind to us. Congratulations to everyone on your efforts and sportsmanship and a big thank you to Jess for all her work in setting up and leading the event. It was a joy to see all our children giving their best and **cheering** each other on.

#### Nude Food

Just a reminder that we are a nude food school, which means we encourage families to send food in reusable containers. Wrappers and packaging will be sent home in lunch boxes/bags for families to dispose of.

#### Monday - Student Free Day

Monday is a student free day, as the teachers have their Professional Practice Day. This is a day designed for staff to guide their professional growth. In Semester 1, teachers were allocated a day and a CRT (Casual Relied Teacher) covered their absence, in Semester 2 due to the lack of CRTs the day has been deemed a student free day by the Department of Education. This will be the last year that Professional Practice Days will take place. Please contact School's Out if you require childcare.

### Preps 100 Days of School

Next week on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug our Preps will be celebrating 100 days of school. They are going to be wearing t-shirts they have decorated to celebrate this day. If you see our Preps on this day, please congratulate them on this achievement.



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#### **Lunchtime Clubs**

This term is in full swing. Options for our learners at the break times are:



### **Lunch Clubs- Term 3**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Club Title	Art Club	Chess Club	STEM Club	STEM Club	Sports Club	Art Club	
What?	RT			STEM		ART	
Time	First	First	Second	Second	Second	Second	
(3)	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break	
when	1	1	2	2	2	2	
Location							
where	Art Room	Library	STEM Room	STEM Room	Gym	Art Room	
Staff	Brookie	Miss Lilly	Paula	Paula	Jess	Brookie	
Supervision							
	Library second half of <u>every break</u>						

Please discuss the clubs with your children and encourage them to attend if they would like to, teachers are also promoting the clubs to all children.

#### **NAPLAN**

This week the Year 3 and Year 5 students and families received their NAPLAN results. This is the first year under the new reporting system, where the student data is spread across a proficiency scale with four level, rather than ten bands. The four proficiency levels show where each student is sitting compared to other students in Victoria in the same year level for reading, writing, spelling, grammar & punctuation, and numeracy. All of our students should be proud of their learning and the growth they have made between March, when NAPLAN took place, and June when their school report assessments were completed. Parents who would like to discuss their child's NAPLAN results can make a time to chat to their child's classroom teacher by emailing the teacher in the next two weeks.

### 2024 Prep Enrolments

The final date for enrolling students in Foundation/ Prep is today Friday 28th July for all schools in Victoria. If you have not enrolled your child yet or know someone who is planning to enrol their child, at our school for 2024 please collect an enrolment form from the office and return it as soon as possible. We will continue to accept enrolments past the due date; however, we are already planning our teaching staff and class structures based on the confirmed enrolments from today.

Over the coming weeks the Greenvale Northwest Kinder children will be visiting our playground and enjoying our outdoor spaces. We are looking forward to their visits.



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### Dressing for outside play

Currently we have several students coming to school wearing a t-shirt and warm jacket only and wanting to wear the jacket inside. The children then go outside and do not have another layer of clothing to put on. Please dress children with a jumper or long sleeve windcheater or the like for inside over t-shirts, our heaters work very well. Big jackets are to be used for outside play only.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Aug our **Year 1 students are heading to the ZOO**, we hope the weather is good to them and that they have a day full of learning.

#### **Book Week**

This year's **Book Week** theme is "Read, Grow, Inspire".

We will be having a dress up day this year and a parade at 9:15am, Friday 25th August, Week 7 of the term. Families are invited to attend, there will not be an assembly on this day. (For future reference we may not always dress up in this week or conduct a parade, please wait for communications before working on costumes etc.).

Children may choose to dress up on this day related to theme or as their favourite book character. We encourage families to be creative and make costumes using items already in the home or use the ops shops or cheap \$2 shops to support. We do not want families to spend large amounts on costumes. Making costumes together can be great fun.

#### **Parent Opinion Survey**

The Department of Education 'Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey' is an annual survey that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. At KPS, all families are invited to participate in the survey. The survey will be conducted online, it only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets, or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open from Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023.

We use the survey results to assist us to:

- Plan for different learning opportunities for our students
- Improve connectedness to the school
- Prioritise student wellbeing initiatives
- Refine our communication practices
- Provide professional learning for staff
- Attend to any concerns that are raised by families

Have a great weekend and we will see you all on Tuesday.

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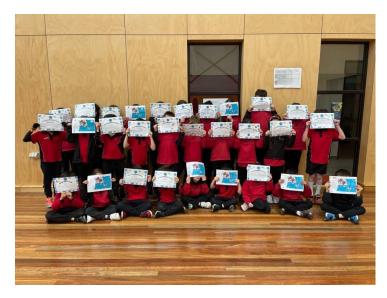
# **REMINDERS**

#### Medication

Families are reminded to **not send** children to school with medications. All medications must be dropped into the office and families are required to sign a medication administration form. All medicines will be kept in and administered in the sick bay. This is a safety requirement for all schools.

# **KPS VALUE AWARDS**

CHEER Values Recognition Each week students will be awarded certificates for demonstrating the school values, these awards are presented at assembly and are a surprise for our learners. The awards will not be tokenistic, and we will not be running through a list across the year. CHEER Recognitions from July 12th & July 14th, 2023.







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# **PREPS**

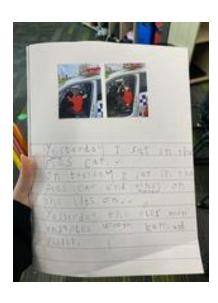
The Preps had a visit from the Craigieburn Police Station. We were very excited to learn about how Police help us in the community. They spoke to us about the different jobs they do to keep us safe. We all got to look at and hold their police badges. They even let us have a look inside the Police car! We all had a turn at turning the lights on. At the end of the visit, the Police Officers showed us how they turn the sirens on. It was very loud! After they left, we wrote about our experience. We loved having the Police visit!













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A few images from our very first Athletics Carnival held at SPRINT, Craigieburn.

Year 2-6 students participated in:

- Tripple jump
- High Jump
- Long Jump
- Shotput
- Discus
- 800m
- 100m









