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KEY DATES FOR 2019

Monday 4 March

**Tuesday 5 March
SCHOOL BANKING**

**Wednesday 6 March
NO ASSEMBLY**

Thursday 7 March

Friday 8 March

TERM DATES FOR 2019

TERM 1

Commences

Wednesday 6 February to

Thursday 11 April

(Friday 12 April is Moderation Day

(Student Free Day)

Easter Break

Friday 19 April to Tuesday 23 April

TERM 2

Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July

TERM 3

Tuesday 23 July (Monday 22 July is a

Student Free Day)

to Friday 27 September

TERM 4

Monday 14 October to Thursday 19

December

(Friday 25 October is a Student Free

Day)

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

Since our last Newsletter we have enjoyed a busy but important week. We enjoyed a fantastic night at the Welcome BBQ. It was pleasing to see so many families enjoying the night and connecting with other members of the school community. We would like to thank members of the Community Association for their organisation of this event.

This week we saw four outstanding students elected as our School Captains and Vice Captains. Throughout the year each of these four students will be required to represent the school, run Assemblies, meet dignitaries and most importantly represent and provide a voice for our student population. As Principal, I am very much looking forward to working with Matilda, Tommy, Safiya and Jack to hear their recommendations and ideas.



Each class has elected their Student Representative Council (SRC) members. The SRC is an important student body that provides opportunities for students to give feedback to the school and organise events throughout the year that raise much needed money for worthy causes.

This week we saw our Grade 3 – 6 students swim, dive, compete and enjoy the annual Aquatic Carnivals. The ethos of having a go was strongly adhered to by all students earning valuable points for their House. A big thank you to Mrs Angela Kadziolka for her leadership and organisation of this event.



Teaching and Learning - Common Instructional Model

A Common Instructional Model (CIM) is a high leverage learning routine that occurs throughout the school. In 2018 a reading common instructional model was implemented throughout the school in every class. This year we are expanding this learning routine to writing.

A Common Instructional Model has some key elements that makes the learning visible and explicit; Learning Intentions, Success Criteria, Explicit teaching (mini lesson) and Practise opportunities. For more information please see your child's class teacher or we invite you to attend a parent session Wednesday 13 March at 9.00 am. Morning tea will be provided.

**Kelly Dyer
PRINCIPAL**

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the School Association will be Tuesday 12 March.

Email: kingstonpsassociation@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

MRS GREY'S GRADE 1/2	Lily W Connor
MRS PAINE'S GRADE 1/2	Tarlia F Matthew T
MS MILLINGTON'S GRADE 1/2	Adley L Jensen H
MS WOOD'S GRADE 1/2	Sabrina S Brax A
MRS RUMLEY'S GRADE 3/4	Abby B Oliver R
MISS BARKER'S GRADE 3/4	Dakota A Tommy G
MISS KILPATRICK'S GRADE 3/4	Georgia P Joshua O
MRS ABEY'S/ MR DURNO'S GRADE 3/4	Emma W Azure S
MR MCVEIGH'S GRADE 5/6	Sharmika D Archie R
MRS AITKEN'S GRADE 5/6	Madysen D Mitchell C
MR BEST'S/ MR ANAGNOSTIS' GRADE 5/6	Chloe E Nate C
MR CLIFFORD'S GRADE 5/6	Natalie F Ella L

PRIMARY AQUATIC CARNIVALS

We had a great couple of days at the Clarence YMCA Pool this week with our Primary students engaging and participating in many varied water activities and swimming events. Students had fun playing with corks and buckets, dressing up in shower caps and gloves, playing water basketball, racing with kickboards and noodles, having fun with Lifejackets (PFDs) and flippers. We greatly appreciated the support from the many family members who assisted in recording as well as Student Leaders from Kingston High School.

Our own Grade 6 Leaders assisted with the Grade 3/4 Carnival. All those participating on the day received a participation point for their House as well as points scored for swimming events. The final points for 2019 are:

Freeman - 228

Lucas - 334

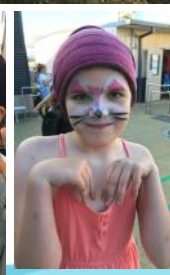
Whitewater - 377

Boronia - 379!

This is the first Carnival to have the scores so close. Well done to all participants.

Angela Kadziolka
HPE Specialist

WELCOME BACK BBQ PICS



NEWS FROM OUR ECE CLASSES

MS SCHREIBER'S KINDER A UNIT D	Our favourite activity this week was box work – the challenge being not only to decide what to make, but how to make it so it did not fall apart! The children required persistence, confidence and resilience, and they displayed some excellent thinking skills.
MS HUGHES/ MR RUSSELL'S (DOWSETT'S) KINDER /PREP UNIT C	Next week we will be working on our reading strategy 'Visualising' to help us to make an image in our mind and make meaning as we listen to stories. You can get your child to close their eyes and visualise as you read to them at home too! On Monday and Tuesday there will not be a sharing fruit and veggie plate, so a small piece of fruit or a cut up fruit or veggie in a container would be greatly appreciated.
MRS STEELE'S PREP UNIT BB	Home Reading and Magic 100 Word study began this week with great enthusiasm! Well done to the students who have already changed their book a few times and those who have mastered one or more levels of words. We have learned about turtles and tigers as part of our letter 't' study and written about shoes as part of our reading strategy work.
MRS GREY'S GRADE 1/2 UNIT N	We are learning what Activating Prior Knowledge means and how it can help us when we read. Today we talked about Clean-Up Australia Day which is on Sunday. We read a story about rubbish in the ocean called 'Blip and Bloop' and made posters.
MRS PAINE'S GRADE 1/2 UNIT O	This week the children have been really enjoying our class novel, 'George's 'Marvellous Medicine' by Roald Dahl. A reminder that our Library day is on Monday and Banking is Tuesday.
MS MILLINGTON'S GRADE 1/2 UNIT A	In Writing, students are learning about how to write a Cinquain Poem. New concepts include adjectives, verbs and synonyms. In Maths we investigated which 2 dimensional shapes are symmetrical. We have inquired into concepts about corners, angles, sides and faces.
MS WOOD'S GRADE 1/2 UNIT AA	This week we began our Science unit, exploring the way various substances react when they are mixed together. We have also been learning about 2D shapes and their properties. Please encourage your child to spot shapes around the house and tell you what their properties are. Thank you to those of you who have taken the time to play the card games with your child. They have been telling me that they have been able to win on a regular basis!

NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY CLASSES

MRS RUMLEY'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT F	Well done to all students for their fantastic efforts at the Aquatic Carnival on Tuesday. It was lovely to see so many parents there too! In Science this week we drew a cross-sectional diagram of a Lilium flower and then researched the name and purpose of the different parts we observed.
MISS BARKER'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT G	We have been activating our prior knowledge using the 'draw it' tool and have created annotated diagrams about what we think we know about the parts of a plant . This naturally sparked questions and wonderings which we recorded. We then read a comprehension text about plants and re-drew our diagrams using our learned knowledge .
MISS KILPATRICK'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT H	We had a wonderful day at the Aquatic Carnival on Tuesday. All students fully participated. Well done everyone!
MRS ABEY'S/ MR DURNO'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT I	WOW! What a fantastic week we have had. On Tuesday we had our Aquatic Carnival. It was wonderful to see so many students having so much fun and participating in events. A big thank you to the parents that were able to make it. A big congratulations to our class SRC Representatives who are Azure S and Emma W.
MR McVEIGH'S GRADE 5/6 UNIT L	We had a great day at the Aquatic Carnival. Congratulations to our SRC representatives Sharmika D and Archie R.
MRS AITKEN'S GRADE 5/6 UNIT M	This week we enjoyed a wonderful day at our Aquatic Carnival at the Clarence Pool. Everyone demonstrated excellent behaviour and a willingness to have a go which was great. I would like to also congratulate Matilda H (School Captain), Safiya N (School Vice Captain) and Jack S (School Vice Captain) on their election of leadership roles this year and wish them all the very best. This week we continue our revision of number in Mathematics and a focus on Writing Conventions in English.
MR BEST'S/ MR ANAGNOSTIS' GRADE 5/6 UNIT R	This week we attended the Aquatic Carnival on Monday. The class had a wonderful day at the pool competing for House points. Our class has been focusing on place value in our Maths classes this week.
MR CLIFFORD'S GRADE 5/6 UNIT S	We did an excellent job presenting our Social Skills/Science experiment in Assembly. The results were very interesting! The plant which was bullied 24 hours a day was in far worse condition than the plant which was constantly complimented. This goes to show that bullying does not only hurt people, but plants as well!

CORRESPONDENCE FORWARDED HOME TO FAMILIES THIS WEEK:

Letter to interested students re Futsal Roster (Grades 3 - 6).

Letter to selected students re Grade 3 Athletic trials.



CANTEEN

Cost of drinks on Canteen Menu were omitted.

Drinks
100% Juice Pop Top
Apple
Orange
Blackcurrant
\$1.50

OUR CHILDREN AT WORK AND PLAY

**MRS ABEY'S/MR DURNO'S
GRADE 3/4**

We had so much fun at the 3/4 Swimming Athletic Carnival on Tuesday. A big thank you to Mrs Kadziolka.



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