

# Kismet News

*Empowerment & Excellence in Education for all*

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** Our next **PUPIL FREE DAY** will be held on **FRIDAY 6TH OF JUNE**. Professional training throughout the day will focus on Student Wellbeing with the implementation of The KidsMatter Framework and Cyber Safety and Literacy through introducing the 'Big 6' in Reading and The Writing Model. **Students do not attend school on this day.**

## Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

We start by acknowledging all of our Year 3 & 5 students who sat the NAPLAN (National Assessment Literacy and Numeracy) Tests for demonstrating their resilience, persistence and confidence throughout what can be a challenging process. Parents will be informed when results are ready to collect during late term 3.

Sunbury Rotary Club will be holding their Annual Spelling Bee next Tuesday evening. We wish Calan Bowman all the best as he represents Kismet Park.

A huge thank you also goes out to all the Mothers and Grandmothers who attend last Friday's Mother's Day afternoon Tea. We trust that you enjoyed your afternoon!

Have a great week!  
Glenn & Diane

## Music Program

It is with great excitement that we announce the appointment of Michael Langton to lead our Music Program. Michael brings a wide range of experience to the role. In addition to having led School Choirs

and Bands, he has also been involved in external performances opportunities such as Wakikiri. Michael has directed school productions and is currently writing his next whole school production. He will officially commence his program and Music Teaching position on Monday 26th May.

## Education Week: 19th—23rd May

Just a friendly reminder that next week is Education Week. Details of our Education Week activities accompanied last week's newsletter and are *also available on our website*. These activities provide a range of opportunities for parents to learn more about our school and to see their children working in their learning environment. We hope to see you there!

## School Matters—Have Your Say!

School Council will be holding information and feedback sessions for parents at 2:30pm and 5:30pm on Monday 19th May. Sessions will last approximately 40 minutes during which there will be an opportunity to:

- \*Hear about the progress of our school
- \*Future directions
- \*Share ideas / views with parents on

School Council

Invitations have been sent. Please contact Glenn if you would like further information. We hope to see you there and hear your views!

## The Kismet Park Community

### Walkathon is Next Week!

PTA will be holding a *Community Walkathon* on Friday 23rd of May.

**Sponsorship forms along with further details have been sent home with students.** The funds raised will be used to further enhance our learning spaces and playground environment. Please speak to your child's teacher if you require further information.

## PREP 2015 ENROLMENTS

Our 2015 Prep enrolment process has commenced. Prep 2015 Information sessions will be held at the following times:

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 7:00-8:00pm

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 9:30-10:30am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 9.30- 10.30am

Enrolment forms are available at the office or you can download a copy from our website.



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## D A T E S T O R E M E M B E R

Friday 16th May: P-2 Coach Approach & 2:30pm School Assembly

Monday 19th May: School Matters –Have Your Say! 2:30 & 5:30pm School Council

Friday 23rd May: Community Walkathon 1:45-3:15pm

Monday 26 May - PTA AGM 6:30pm in the staffroom. All welcome

Tuesday 27th May: Prep Info morning 9:30am-10:30am

Thursday 29th May: 3/4 Rugby

Friday 30th May: 2:30pm Assembly

Wednesday 4th June: Prep info Morn 9:30-10:30 & Let The Music Move You Performance

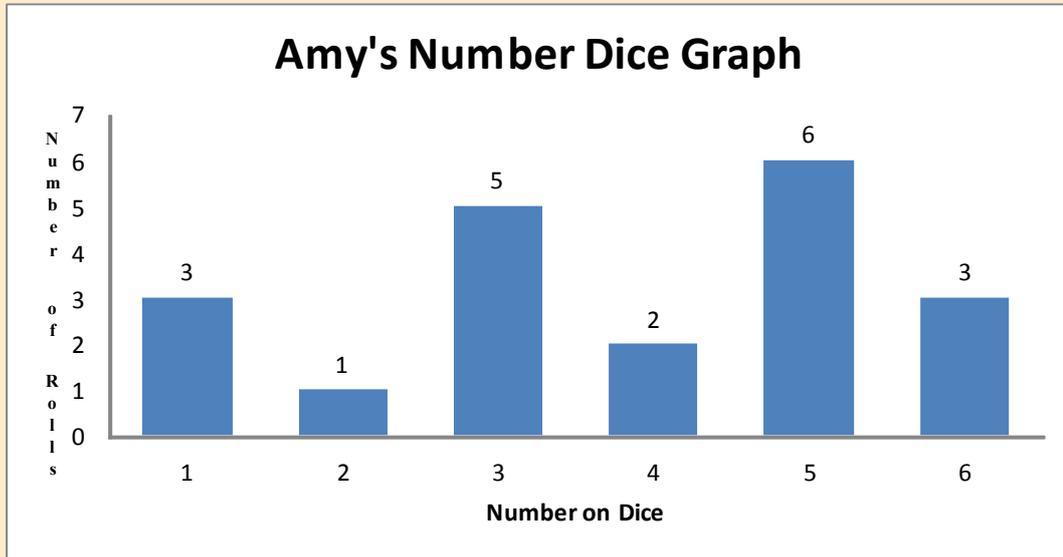
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# Maths Challenges Answers

## Junior Maths Challenge

### Answer to Number 2 - Dice Toss Puzzle



Students should be reminded that a complete graph has a title, a label for each axis and numbering for the scales.

## Senior Maths Challenge

### Answer to Number 2 **Time Problem**

(9:59) At 9:59 the sum of the digits is 23. Students who answer 12:59 may be assuming that the sum of any four numbers is greater than the sum of three numbers.



	Prep	Grade 1/2	Grade 3/4	Grade 5/6
<b>Bright Spark (Academia)</b>	Alex Gration for giving everything she does her absolute best and this shows in her results.	Charlie Bessel for consistently excelling in all classroom work.	Brodie Dunne for outstanding work ethic and exceeding expectations in all tasks.	James Munro for achieving 100% in his Mathematics prior knowledge assessment task.
<b>Big Effort (Personal Best)</b>	Robyn Longworth for consistently doing her very best in all she does.	Asha Smith for always putting in her best effort in all areas.	Harmony Faltiska for demonstrating persistence and resilience in all work areas.	Tamara Cross for her persistence and resilience during NAPLAN testing.
<b>Friendly Act (Social Skills)</b>	Ruby Guyett for always going out of her way to help others.	Charlie O'Sullivan for following school values by always showing courtesy and consideration to others.	Jessie Ramsay, continually being helpful to friends and teacher.	Hayley Lewis-Howlett for encouraging others to play safely in the yard.

## STUDENT ENGAGEMENT & WELLBEING

### EVERY DAY COUNTS

#### 100% Attendance Awards

This week at School Assembly we will acknowledge and congratulate our first recipients for their fine efforts in achieving 100% attendance at school for Term One. Their teachers will present each recipient from their class with a certificate to take home. At Kismet Park PS we value the importance of regular attendance not only for continuity in learning but also to develop a strong sense of belonging through connecting with peers and the wider school community.

Earlier this year a flyer was put out by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD) regarding the importance of parents understanding the impact on learning and their responsibility in ensuring that all children need to be at school except where there are legitimate reasons such as illness. Here is an excerpt from that flyer: Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education. Students learn new things at school every day – missing school puts them behind. We all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

If students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes.

Each missed day is associated with progressively lower achievement in numeracy, writing and reading.

#### Getting in early

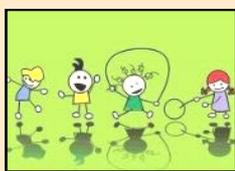
Attendance patterns are established early – a child regularly missing days in kindergarten or in the early years of school will often continue to miss classes in the later years, and receive lower test scores than their classmates. It's vital that students go to school every day – even in the early years of primary school.

If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let your classroom teacher know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

#### For more information and resources to help address attendance issues, visit:

[www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/school/parents/behaviour/Pages/studentattendance.aspx)

Department of Education and Early Childhood Development



## MESSAGES FROM OUR PTA

### AGM

Nomination for the following positions;

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer



You can collect the nomination forms from the office.

### 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

PTA will open their door for the Second Hand Uniform Shop on Friday 16th May from 8:30am—9:30am in PTA room.

**Please note, each item of clothing is \$2.**



### TUPPERWARE DEMONSTRATION

PTA will have a Tupperware Demonstration on Tuesday 20th May from 1:00pm—2:15pm in the PTA room.

### Teenagers with Dyslexia - How to Survive and Thrive at High School – Guest Speaker Dr Deeta Kimber in Woodend May 28th.

DyslexiClever is hosting a talk for teenagers with dyslexia and their parents and carers, on Wednesday 28th May at Woodend Community Hub, 47 Forest Street, Woodend, from 7pm until 9pm.

Dr Deeta Kimber, a Child, Adolescent and Adult Psychiatrist, who is dyslexic herself, will explore how to survive and thrive at high school when you think in a dyslexic style. This talk is designed for high school aged children and their families and draws on anything and everything that may help them get through as their brain continues to develop and expand.

Entry will be a donation of \$5 per person.

Places are limited. Please book by sending an email with your name and number to [dyslexiclever@gmail.com](mailto:dyslexiclever@gmail.com) – telephone enquiries to Karen on 5426 1223.

The DyslexiClever support group holds an informal coffee morning at Ethic café, 63 Urquhart Street, Woodend, on the first Friday of the month from 9.30am. All welcome.

For more information about our group please email [dyslexiclever@gmail.com](mailto:dyslexiclever@gmail.com) or call Marg on 5427 2581