

## Building the foundations for success and happiness

### Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

It is hard to believe that we are almost half way through 2015! Tomorrow afternoon families will receive student's Learning Portfolios including mid year reports detailing their achievements and future learning needs. This portfolio, which also contains samples of your child's work and student self evaluation provides a valuable insight into your child's achievements and progress in their learning. Inside your child's portfolio is a Michael Grose article about 'Reading you child's report' which we hope you will find useful.

Please arrange to speak with your child's teacher if you require any further information about your child's progress at this stage. Parent Teacher Interviews and 3 Way Conferences are scheduled for 28th and 29th July. Booking details will be sent home on Monday 13th July.

After many years of great service to the Kismet Park community of students, families and staff Diane Powell has informed us of her intention to retire at the beginning of Term 3. Diane's enthusiasm and commitment to providing all students with high quality education has benefited us all. We wish Diane all the best for a long and rewarding retirement with her family. We are currently finalising processes for Diane's replacement and subsequent staffing needs.

### NEW UNIFORM

We would like to thank all of our school councillors for the time, dedication and energy spent considering, designing and planning for the introduction of our new uniform. Their energy and commitment to Kismet Park being the best we can be for our community is greatly appreciated.

Over the past few days we have been overwhelmed by the excitement this has created. Thank you to all who have provided feedback or dropped in questions about the new uniform. School Council will review all feedback at our next meeting.

### BULLY STOPPERS SURVEY

Thank you to those parents of students in Years 3-6 who have completed a 5 minute online Bully Stoppers Survey using the following link -

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/bysparent2015> which can be copied into your internet browser. Surveys must be completed by Friday 19th June.

Please see Glenn if you would like any further information.

### CROSS COUNTRY

The Woodlands Division Cross Country was held at Bundoora Park on Thursday 11th June. Kismet had 7 competitors representing the district. They all ran exceptionally well, with Mitchell McLean, Elijah Sinfield and



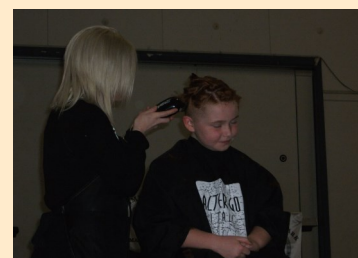
Jezz Petrincic finishing in the top half of their age groups.

Kiralee Collings, Bridie Collings, Liam Denner, Hayley Edwards and Cooper Shoebridge qualified for the Regional Cross Country on Wednesday 17th June where Kiralee came in second, thereby qualifying for the State Championships on 16th July.

All are to be congratulated on their efforts at this high level of competition.

### CRAZY HAIR DAY

Last Friday our Crazy Hair Day raised \$803 in support of Skye Burns 'Be brave and Shave' fundraiser for the Leukaemia Foundation. We are all very proud of Skye's efforts.



Have a great week!  
Glenn & Cynthia

### LAST DAY OF TERM

- 8:55am School Commences
- 11:00am Recess
- 12:45 -1:00 Students Eat Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 Lunch play
- 1:35 – 2:20 School Assembly
- 2:30 Early Dismissal

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

Friday 19th June: Kismet Park Primary Whole School Disco 6—8pm

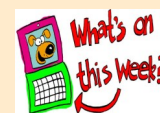
**Friday 19th June: WAKAKIRRI STUDENTS-PAYMENT NOW REQUIRED!**

Thursday 25th June: Rugby Clinic 3/4

**Friday 26th June: Final Payment Due for year 5/6 Canberra Camp**

Friday 26th June: Last Day Term 2– Early Dismissal 2:30pm

Monday 13th July: First Day Term 3



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## SCHOOL COUNCIL REPORT

School Council meets on the third Monday of each month. In addition to regular items of business the following agenda items were discussed at Monday night's meeting:

- Ratified the design and process for the introduction of our new uniform.
- Ratified our new School logo.
- Ratified our 2015-18 strategic plan that outlines key school improvement strategies in the areas of Student Achievement, Engagement, Wellbeing and Productivity. *(When approved by DET this plan will be available on our school website).*

Please remember if you have something you would like discussed at School Council, either call the office and ask a councillor to call you back or write a letter and address it to School Council.

## PREP 2016 ENROLMENTS

Our 2016 enrolment has commenced. This information allows us to commence planning for the coming year. As the number of student enrolments determines staffing and classroom numbers, it is vital that we establish student numbers for 2016 as early as possible. When enrolling a child, please bring proof of age (e.g. Birth Certificate or Passport) and a School Immunization Certificate. Information regarding immunization certificates can be found at:

<http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au/public/services/acir/keeping-track.jsp>

## BE A CYBERSMART CITIZEN!

**The choice is yours! Every time you go online, you can choose who you provide information to, which doors you open and how you engage with others.**

**Choosing** consciously means being aware that you are in control of the decisions you make online. It means thinking before sharing your personal information and understanding that your choices can last forever.

When you choose consciously you make well informed decisions about who you share information with, and are able to take charge of how you interact online. You use your digital literacy and know-how to protect yourself.

### Focus on Cyberbullying

Every time you go online, you can choose who you share information with and how you engage with others. Don't be a bully and remember the choices you make online can last forever.

When you are online make a decision to:

- Choose privacy and security settings carefully and check them regularly
- Choose friends wisely online. Not everybody online is who they claim to be, regularly review your connections and remove people
- If you have made a mistake apologise and take down offensive material as soon as possible
- **Ask for permission before uploading pictures of your friends or others.**

For useful information about safe and appropriate use of social media please visit the Cyber Smart website at:

<http://www.cybersmart.gov.au>

Kismet Park is a an eSmart registered school.

## PRIMARY MUSIC INSTITUTE Instrumental Music Lessons - Small Group And Private Lessons



### Keyboard Lessons At Your School

- Enrol TODAY – via PMI's website OR enrolment forms available from the school front office
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – typically during the school day
- Only \$13.50 per child per small group lesson (typically 3-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music
- Private lessons also available (\$32.50 per child for 30 minutes)
- Learning plan for all students via "PMI Stars" program – structured objectives with progress visibility
- PMI teachers supply keyboards and textbooks for lessons (students bring only PMI Stars workbook)
- Ten minutes per day of practice at home is all that is required to see improvement!
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination
- Limited spaces available for next term so please enrol ASAP (timetables are prepared during the holidays)

P: 1300 362 824 E: [admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au](mailto:admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au) [www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au](http://www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au)

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# Student Welfare & Engagement

## Student Engagement & Wellbeing The Restorative Conversation

It is very important in a Restorative school to talk about the behaviour without blaming or being personal. The common response from students, when you scold or lecture them, is either to shut down or react aggressively and argue back. In a Restorative conversation the teacher is absolutely clear about the inappropriate behaviour and the effect that is behaviour has on others but this conversation is respectful and engaging.

As part of their classroom and playground management teachers at Kismet Park are encouraged to use the Restorative dialogue that engages the student with dignity, de-escalates the behaviour or tension, heightens the young person's responsibility and reintegrates them back into their class or activity. The core skills in this type of dialogue are:

Talking about the behaviour or incident without blaming  
Using relational questions to bring out who was affected and how  
Discussing what needs to happen to make things right.

This is the Restorative dialogue:

1. What happened?
2. What were you thinking when....?
3. What have you thought about since?
4. Did you make a good/bad choice?
5. Who's been affected by your behaviour?
6. What do you need to do to fix things up?

For younger students the following dialogue is guided more by the adult:

1. When you.....(describe the behaviour), was that a good choice or bad choice?
2. How did you make.....(name the person/s impacted) feel when you .....(describe the behaviour again)?
3. At school it is not okay  
to.....  
(state the behaviour). Next time you  
.....(describe the emotion or disagreement) I want you to .....  
(Provide appropriate behaviour or response).
4. To fix things up you need  
to..... (Provide a positive response or behaviour).

As parents you may like to try this dialogue at home for helping children to accept their responsibility in getting along with other but also feeling that they have been heard and given guidance towards achieving more positive outcomes in the future.

The message that is always stressed is that we recognise that everyone makes mistakes, but we are a community where there are always people ready to help with fixing the problem and restoring the relationships so that there is a positive outcome.



## You Can DO It

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded ribbons for Persistence.

PB	Marli Woods Brooke Butters
PC	Maya Bassett William Bennett
PW	Charli Kalms Finn Shalders
1/2M	Lily Kereopa –Ure Eliana Boan
1R	Sharna Ristic Zachery Lewis
1T	Charlotte Chapman Lucas Guarracino
2B	Monique Burrows Taj Susnjara
2H	Matilda Threfall Maison Chapman
2S	Serena Gilson Charlie Hynes
3B	Carissa Greaves Jason O'Rafferty
3C	Grace Brcan Joshua Valdes
4J	Megan Tyquin Isaac Macasaddu
4S	Sam Burnside Joel Hodgson
4Z	Harrison .Casey Syd Guyett
5/6C	Lauren Nielsen Mitchell McLean
5W	Amber Smajila Byron Lynch
5Z	Sheleah Perry Noah Garcia - Bettinelli
6A	Jennifer Stevenson Tamara Cross
6G	Samantha Dellar Hayden Kirby





**Extend OHS at Kismet Park  
HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS  
ARE OPEN!**

We have heaps of fun activities planned these school holidays and we can't wait for you to attend! Activities include a range of arts and crafts, sports, team games, science, cooking, and much more.

To check out what's on visit our website at [extend.com.au](http://extend.com.au) and book via the Parent Portal.

**Weekly recap.**

We have had a week of fun and exciting activities and games. There was lots of sports and outdoor games with some being run by students and everyone having a good time. We finished off the week with a cooking session and we made cupcakes.

**Next Week's Activities**

- Monday 22nd June- Netball night
- Tuesday 23rd June - Plaster Fun House
- Wednesday 24th June- Pony express and dodgeball
- Thursday 25th June -Movie night
- Friday 26th June - Party night

**CANBERRA CAMP 2015**

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education.

To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

**5/6 CANBERRA CAMP 2015.**

**PAYMENT FOR CANBERRA CAMP IS DUE BY  
NEXT FRIDAY, 26TH OF JUNE.**

**PAYMENT CAN BE MADE AT THE OFFICE AT  
ANYTIME.**

**WAKAKIRRI STUDENTS**

**LAST DAY FOR PAYMENT (\$20) IS  
TOMORROW, 19TH JUNE.  
NO LATE PAYMENTS WILL BE  
ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE!**



**CANTEEN NEWS**

**Friday 19th June**

Stacey Denner- 9.00 - 11.30am

Jodie Nielson- 12.00 - 2.00pm

**Friday 19th June**

**Closed for cleaning**

If anyone is available to help out in the canteen, please fill out a volunteer slip at the office. Thanks, SARA & NAOMI

**CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND**

Were you eligible for EMA last year? Are you aware the Victorian Government has announced a new initiative called the Camps, Sports & Excursion Fund? Please call Deb at the office to check your eligibility for this allowance. You can pick up an application form from the school or download one :

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/.../h.../csefapplicationform.pdf>

**Closing date for applications is  
Monday 22nd June.**



**FREE TAX HELP FOR LOW INCOME EARNERS**

Hume Volunteer Gateway and the Australian Tax Office are offering a free service to help the community with their tax return from 20 July to 30 October 2015.

**Tax help volunteers are operating at the following centre:**

Goonawarra Neighbourhood House, 8 Gullane Drive, Sunbury  
Please ring 9740 6627 to make an appointment.