Kismet News

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Building the Foundations for Success and Happiness

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Monday 17th February	School Council - 5/6 Professional Practice Day
Tuesday 18th February	Year 1 Professional Practice Day
Wednesday 19th Feb	Year 2 Professional Practice Day
Thursday 20 February	Interschool Twilight Swimming Sports
Friday 21st February	Year 3/4 Professional Practice Day
Thursday 27th Feb	Foundation Professional Practice Day
Tuesday 3 March	Division Swimming Sports
Wednesday 4 March	House Athletics Sports (Years 3 to 6)
Thursday 5 March	Family Maths Night Activities 5:30-7:00pm
FRIDAY 6 MARCH	CURRICULUM DAY (Students do not attend school on this day)
Monday 9 March	Labour Day Holiday
Tuesday 10 March	House Athletics Sports back up date (in case of inclement weather)
Wednesday 11 March	House Athletics Sports (Years Prep to 2)
Monday 16 March	SCHOOL PHOTO DAY
Monday 16 March	School Council

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Thank you to all families who participated in this week's parent teacher interviews. The staff appreciate your time and trust that the information shared will assist you in supporting your child in their learning. Term curriculum newsletters which were handed out at interviews will also be made available on COMPASS.

This week we welcomed back Chris Sacco to continue his Principal internship for 2020. Chris will be with us for the next 4 weeks.

KIND GESTURE FROM AMERICA

Last week we received the following amazing message of support from Little Mountain Elementary School in America. We will be presenting their PowerPoint presentation at tomorrow morning's assembly, then working with our student leaders to identify which organisation these funds can be directed to in support of the bushfire recovery process. We look forward to developing a relationship with our new friends in America and will keep you posted on how these funds will be used.

Hello, my name is Liz Barnes and I teach at Little Mountain Elementary school in Monticello, MN USA.

After hearing about the horrific fires that Australia has experienced, our school wanted to reach out and do something to help support our fellow educators and students. I have a friend who grew up in Australia and has many friends and family members who have been affected by the fires. We reached out to them to see if they may know of a school that could use some support during this time. The Simes family; Bart, Jessica, Indiana, and Sienna attend your school and are family friends and they shared your school with us.



We have raised just over \$2,300 American dollars that we would like to donate to your school. We are happy for you to do whatever you see fit with this donation. You may have families that have been impacted, needs to further protect your school, emergency preparedness, supplies for teachers, or anything else you need. If you have already been raising money for wildlife in the area, the money could go there as well. Whatever you need!

Our thoughts are with the entire country of Australia and on behalf of Little Mountain Elementary and the City of Monticello, MN, we are thinking of all the people and animals that have been affected.





2020 SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTION

Our 2020 School Council election process commenced on Monday 10th of February with a notice of the election and call for nominations. The following timeline will apply for this election:

Mon 10th Feb: Notice of election & call for nominations

Mon 17th Feb: Nominations close

Wed 19th Feb: List of candidates displayed

By Tuesday 25th February: Ballot papers distributed by this date.

Tuesday 3rd at 4pm: Ballot closes

Wednesday 4th March at 4:15pm Vote count Thursday 5th March: Declaration of ballot

Monday 16th March: Special School Council meeting to Co-opt community

Nominations are available at the school office. Nominations forms can be emailed to you if you are unable to collect one.

Please contact Glenn, Andrea or vanessa if you would like any further information

PUPIL FREE DAY

Our next Pupil Free Day will be held on Friday 6th March. This day will focus on:

- · Effective Mathematics Teaching, Quality Questioning, Mathematics Teaching Practices, Rich Maths Tasks and Problem Solving in Maths.
- · Planning of units of work that include open ended tasks, the use of concrete materials and manipulatives to support learning and using problem solving strategies and rich maths tasks
- · Using assessment data to plan sequences of learning
- · Unpacking department resources that support teaching and learning in mathematics.

EXTEND WILL BE OFFERING CHILD CARE ON THIS PUPIL FREE DAY. PLEASE CONTACT EXTEND at www.extend.com.au TO MAKE A BOOKING

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAYS FOR TEACHERS - What are we learning?

Over the next few weeks our teachers will be participating in Professional Practice Days. The work undertaken on these days will focus on our school priority around Mathematics learning. Appropriate arrangements will be in place to maintain continuity of classroom programs when teachers are released for this important professional learning

FAMILY MATHS ACTIVITIES NIGHT - 5:30-7:00pm on Thursday 5th March

On Thursday 5th March staff will be holding a Family Maths evening. The aim of the night will be to engage the school community in Mathematics through a range of hands-on activities. Families will have the opportunity to work collaboratively and apply their mathematical skills to problem solve a variety of open-ended challenges. An invitation with further information will be sent home next week. Please keep the date free.

ANAPHYLAXIS

Kismet Park Primary School is concerned about the safety and well-being of all our students. Many of you will know someone who is affected by anaphylaxis, a life threatening allergic reaction. Our school does its best to be an allergy aware school. Staff have had training in severe allergy management and we have implemented lots of strategies to help keep students at risk of anaphylaxis as safe as we can. We now have 6 students who live with the risk of anaphylaxis to foods, insect stings and other allergens. Whilst these children are being taught to care for themselves at an age appropriate level, we ask that you help us educate your child on the importance of not sharing food with others, washing hands after eating and calling out to an adult if they think their friend with allergies is sick.

With increased awareness and understanding of anaphylaxis, you will be able to help protect those around you. A food allergy is an immune system response to a normally harmless food protein that the body believes is harmful. When the individual eats food containing that protein, the immune system releases massive amounts of chemicals, triggering symptoms that can affect a person's breathing, gastrointestinal tract, skin, and/or heart. Anaphylaxis is the most severe form of allergic reaction and is potentially life- threatening. It must be treated as a medical emergency, requiring immediate treatment and urgent medical attention.

Please help us in keeping all our Kismet Park Community Safe by reading and sharing this information with your child.

AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR FUNDRAISER

We are fortunate to have community members (Rachael and Holly) supporting our school by initiating this fundraiser through Urban Lifesavers to help us raise funds for the installation of an AED. You can donate at the following link https://www.mycause.com.au/page/222252/AED-for-Kismet-Park-Primary-School

*Urban Lifesavers is a not-for-profit registered charity https://www.urbanlifesavers.org.au/

Thank you to those who have already donated. Please contact Glenn on 97444566 if you would like any further information.

Hours of Supervision

Please remember students should arrive at school from 8:40am and leave grounds after school by 3:30pm. Grounds are supervised from 8:40 – 8:55am and from 3:15 – 3:30pm. If you need to access the school earlier in the morning and/or later in the afternoon than these times we do have an excellent Before & After School program which is operated by Extend. For further information about this program please visit their website at www.extend.com.au or call on 1300366437.

Personal Goods Brought to School at Owner's Risk



The Department of Education does not hold insurance nor does it accept responsibility for private property brought to school by students, staff and visitors and it will generally not pay for any loss or damage to such property. At Kismet Park we discourage the bringing to school of unnecessary, expensive or precious toys or sporting equipment.

CHILD SAFE

Kismet Park Primary School is committed to child safety. As a community we want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. There is zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We meet our legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Kismet Park Primary School is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early, and removing and reducing these risks. We have human resources and recruitment practices for all staff and volunteers. Our school is

committed to regularly training and educating our staff volunteers on child abuse risks. As a community we supand respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety of all children. Kis-Park Primary School has specific policies, procedures training in places that support our leadership team, staff volunteers to achieve these commitments.

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Notices for the FIRST SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB for the year are being sent home today. If you would like to order a book from Book Club, all orders and monies

must be returned by lunchtime on Thursday 20th Feb

Alternately, you can order your own child's Book Club by

Thursday 20th February online using the LOOP system.

If you have any queries regarding Book Club or the LOOP system, or would like some extra brochures, please come and see me in the Library.

<u>Please remember</u> to put your child's name on your order sheet. Orders usually take about 1 week to arrive and will be delivered to your child's classroom.

Thanks to all who support Book Club and Happy Reading, Jennifer Driver

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR CSEF? (School funding)

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:

* 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.

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.

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.



EXTEND

Monday 17.02	Tuesday 18.02	Wednesday 19.02	Thursday 20.02	Friday 21.02
Arts and Crafts - Australian Flag	Start your morning with a game of bob statues	Group game: Sliders	Drawing competi- tion	Three marker chal- lenge

Monday 17.02	Tuesday 18.02	Wednesday 19.02	Thursday 20.02	Friday 21.02
Coding (Start of our term program)	Arts and Crafts: DIY Maracas	Group game: Basket- ball	Brush up on your Football skills with Zac	Science Activity: Lemon Eruption
Suncatchers	Gardening with Julie	Let's cook Choc chip cookies with Julie	Let's get crafty and make our very own mini Gilbie	Design you own colourful mugs with Julie

The Extend Superstar is...

Ruby Sherlock... for Responsibility. Way to go Ruby!

What's Been Happening

Wow! What a week we have had. The children enjoyed some arts and crafts which included weaving with Julie, collage, origami boat, sun catchers, DIY sock puppets and lots more. Last Monday we cooked scrumptious cheese and oregano damper which the children enjoyed. Outside, the children played bumble bee tag, cricket, basketball, down ball and red light, green light. These outdoor games are a hit with the children. We also spent time in the garden picking tomatoes from the bushes. On Wednesday, the children and educators sat down in a group and designed next week's plan (above), everybody had fun thinking of new activities. Next week, our term project continues with the children implementing their plan. We all can't wait to see the finished product



Sunbury Lions Football Netball Club seek players for their Youth Girls teams for 2020.

Spots are still available for the following teams U11's, U13's, U15's and U18's. If you are a girl and want to give footy a go now is the chance. No experience needed. Come on down you won't regret it. For further details contact Michelle Taylor the Youth Girls Coordinator on 0403 204 503.





FREE Bring a friend Learn, Play and Have Fun

3 Week Program
25th of February, 3rd & 10th of March

Available to U12 (Born 2009 & 2010) and U14 (Born 2007 & 2008 Boys and Girls!

Tuesday 6:30pm to 7:30pm at Lakeside Stadium, Rupertswood!

Sausage Sizzle after each session!

Enquiries
E: saintsrupobball@gmail.com
PH: 0439 974 454







20 MINUTE MINDFULNESS LEARNING, FOLLOWED BY PLAY AND ACTIVITIES

(AGES 6 - 12)

guided by Shukona, an experienced Mindfulness Coach

HELP YOUR CHILD LEARN HOW TO:

- stay calm and manage their emotions
- be grateful for good things in life

SUNBURY GLC (LIBRARY), CHILDREN'S CORNER **EVERY WEDNESDAY 4PM**

BOOK YOUR FREE SPOT ON:

9356 6970

OR SEARCH 'CHILL ZONE' ON EVENTBRITE



Body and mind go hand in hand



HUME CITY COUNCIL

Leisure Programs for your children to stay fit and active within your community.

BOXFIT for Kids classes give participants the best aspects of learning to box, that focus on non-contact drills, fitness, strength building exercises and working with partners. The classes are fun and well-structured in a relaxed atmosphere.

TAEKWONDO 'Just for Fun' Offers classes instructed by a qualified Taekwondo coach in a fun and relaxed environment that promotes physical activity for your child. We do not operate a grading system - it's just for fun!

DANCE CLASSES: Classes are based on learning different styles of dance to the latest music releases, working on technique and movement that enhances skills

SINGSTARS: A fun and exciting new program that teaches singing all in the one class. Our classes will make you feel good enrich lives and it's fun, what more can you ask for?

* Private singing lessons can be arranged is required.

ACROBATICS: Our acrobatics classes are taught using artistic gymnastic tumbling techniques and also include elements of partner balancing, trampette work and contortion. Acrobatic classes help dancers build upper body strength, agility and flexibility which can be beneficial in other dance genres. Our acrobatics classes are divided on skill base rather than age to allow for students to work to their fullest potential.

For more information please visit: www.hume.vic.gov.au/leisureprograms Or call Leanne Cacoyiannis on 9205 2513.

https://www.hume.vic.gov.au/Leisure_Sport_amp_Recreation/Leisure_Centres/Programs_and_Activities? fbclid=lwAR3ZlYYgzXWV194V6BmC9D88PF7BFsa6uMzxGAAMWpyZ4qZ8qT8DT4lqzic



GIRLS AND WOMEN WANTED 2020

ALL AGES - Under 10s to Senior Women's

NO MATTER YOUR SKILL LEVEL, COME AND BE A PART OF OUR TEAM!

Registration Day 9th Feb at Langama Park

for further information + inquiries contact
Antonia Anderson, Head of Female Participation at sunburyunitedwomens@gmail.com
or call on 0400 799 446