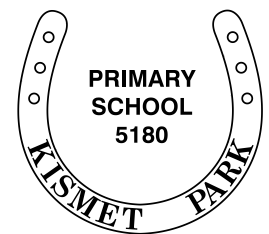




KISMET NEWS



Important Dates

Thursday 25th February
Year 4—6 Interschool Swimming
Sports
(qualified swimmers only)

Friday 26 February
Year 3 & 4 Hockey Clinic

Monday 8 March
Labour Day Holiday



Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

It was great to see students back at school this morning. Your support over the past few days is greatly appreciated. New arrangements for this week's cancelled Parent Information Sessions will be communicated next week.

40TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



This year Kismet Park celebrates 40 years on McEwen Drive. In recognition of this milestone our revised newsletter layout includes the school's past and present mottos and logos. Future newsletters will include reference to key events over the past 40 years as we count down to major celebrations later in the year. Last year

a planning committee met to discuss a range of celebrations which will involve current and past students, staff and families. Details of our first planning meeting for 2021 will be communicated shortly.

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SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our 2021 School Council Election process commenced on Monday 15 February, with a call for nominations. Interested community members and staff are able to self nominate by requesting a nomination form from the office. With a number of vacancies free this year we encourage you to consider joining to support our school's work in being the best we can be. Please contact the office on 97444566 if you would like a nomination form. Nominations close on Monday 22 February. The election time line follows.



Event	Date
a) Notice of election and call for nominations	Monday 15 February 2021
b) Closing date for nominations	Monday 22 February 2021
c) Date by which the list of candidates and nominators will be posted	Wednesday 23 February 2021
d) Date by which ballot papers will be prepared and distributed	On or before Monday 1 March 2021
e) Close of ballot	Wednesday 10 March 2021 at 4:00pm
f) Vote count	Thursday 11 March
g) Declaration of poll	Friday 12 March
h) Special council meeting to co-opt community members (the principal will preside)	Monday 15 March
i) First council meeting to elect office bearers (the principal will preside)	Monday 15 March



Homework Policy

We have revised and updated our school Homework Policy in consultation with the community and presented this to the School Council on Monday night. A copy of the recently revised policy can be found on compass or the school website.

Student Engagement and Wellbeing

Kismet Park Primary School is committed to providing a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment for all students. We understand that students reach their full potential only when they are happy, healthy and safe, and that a positive school culture helps to engage students and support them in their learning. Our school acknowledges that student wellbeing and student learning outcomes are closely linked.

To support our school to create and maintain a safe, supportive and inclusive school environment consistent with our school's values teachers implement the use of Choice Banners in the classroom to promote high expectations for positive student behaviour..

Kismet Park Primary School Values - Choice Banner

Our choice ladder called "It's Your Choice", works to compliment our rewards system in line with our school values stating we are respectful, we are responsible, we are safe, we are learners. They are visible in all learning spaces across the school to promote our school values.

We are continuing to review and refine our practices for school wide positive behaviour to demonstrate our ongoing commitment as a whole staff to our students, our values and our school motto of "Building the Foundations of Success and Happiness"

The students all begin the day on the Green Section-Ready to Learn. They then progress up or down the ladder accordingly. If a student is moved to the Grey Section-Time to Leave, it will be recorded on our internal management system Compass and students issued with a slip to attend the Responsible Thinking Room. Parents are notified via text if a student has attended RTR and we encourage you to reinforce our values and behavioural expectations by discussing the incident with your child.





Term Newsletters

Thank you for a very quick turn back to remote and flexible learning, we are so happy to be back onsite so quickly to face to face teaching. Teachers used the days working at home to plan in teams for the rest of the term. Term 1 Curriculum Newsletters can be found on Compass in the essential documents and also on our school website.

Drop In Art Space



If your child is interested in Art and would like a break from the outdoor activities at lunch time Nicky is running an outdoor art program every Friday. This program is part of our commitment to offering alternative options for students with different interests and improving social skills through small group activities at lunch time.

ATTENTION NEW FAMILIES CSEF



The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you have a valid means-tested concession card, such as a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible. There is also a special consideration category for asylum seeker and refugee families.

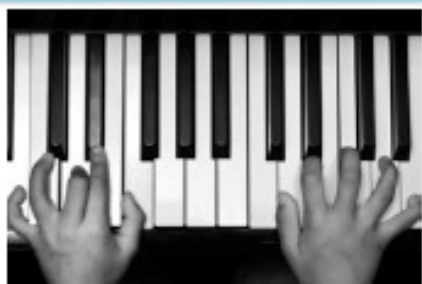
Payment amounts this year are \$125 for eligible primary school students and \$225 for eligible secondary school students [remove primary/secondary as necessary]. Payments are made direct to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions and sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

If you applied for CSEF through our school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year, unless there has been a change in your family circumstances. If you would like to apply for the first time, please contact the school office on 9744 4566 and ask for an application form.

You can also download the form, and find out more about the program and eligibility, on the Department of Education and Training's Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund web page. Check with the school office if you are unsure, and please return completed forms to the school office as soon as possible.



Instrumental Music Lessons- recommencing on campus in Term 1, 2021!



Small Group & Private Lessons

- Primary Music Institute offer instrumental music lessons right here on school campus!
- To find out all about the music lessons please visit PMI's website. You can check which instruments are available, get up to date program details and apply for lessons online
- Please **ENROL TODAY** via PMI's website
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – with lessons typically during school hours
- Only \$18.50 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music
- Private lessons (1-on-1) and pair lessons (max 2 students) are also available
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination, IQ, abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!

P: 1300 362 824

E: admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au

www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au

One of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community is to stay at home when we are unwell, even when we have the mildest of symptoms.

What you need to know

1. If a child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home

If a child becomes unwell during the day, they must be collected from school/early childhood education and care (ECEC) as soon as possible.

2. If a child has any of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) outlined below, however mild, they should get tested and they must remain at home until they receive their results:

- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- loss of sense of smell or taste.

In certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered symptoms.

For further advice:

- call the 24-hour coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline 1800 675 398
- call a general practitioner
- use the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) [online self-assessment tool](#).

Visit: [Where to get tested](#).

3. A child must stay at home until they are symptom free, even if their coronavirus (COVID-19) test is negative

If a person has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) or been identified as a close contact they must isolate/quarantine until they receive clearance from DHHS.

Children with persistent symptoms due to underlying conditions such as hay fever or asthma whose symptoms are clearly typical of their condition can continue to attend ECEC/school. They should be tested for COVID-19 if they develop symptoms that are different to or worse than their usual symptoms. They should consider getting a medical certificate from their GP to attend ECEC/school if they have persistent symptoms that may overlap with symptoms of COVID-19 such as cough or runny nose.

Younger children (pre-school up to Grade 2) may have prolonged post viral symptoms such as a runny nose or cough and may return to school/ECEC following a negative COVID-19 test even if they are not completely free of symptoms. They will need a medical certificate from their GP to confirm they are otherwise well or have recovered from their acute illness.

For information on the minimum periods students and children need to stay at home for other conditions, refer to the [DHHS school exclusion table](#).

4. Children do NOT need a medical certificate before returning to school/ECEC

Once symptoms have cleared, there is no requirement from the Department of Education and Training or DHHS for children/students to have a medical certificate before they return to school/ECEC.

Thank you for your support in following these steps, together we can all stay safe.



This advice has been prepared by the Department of Education and Training, Safer Care Victoria and the Department of Health and Human Services



PRIMARY SCHOOLS GOLF



Primary students in grades 3, 4, 5 or 6 who attend a Victorian Primary School are eligible to play in golf events that are organised by Golf Australia in partnership with School Sport Victoria. In the qualifying rounds students will play 9 holes on a short course, players will be notified of their progression to the state finals by Golf Australia. Students who qualify for the SSV State final will play 18 holes on a shortened course at Koorringal Golf Club.

Entry to the events is online

<https://www.golf.org.au/schoolevents>

Your local event is at GISBORNE GOLF CLUB

On Friday March 26th 2021

Contact Graeme Maddern Phone 0408360869 Email graemem@golf.org.au

Active Splash Slide Night

Our monthly Slide Night falls on the last Friday of the month, 4pm-7pm and it's a perfect opportunity to get some friends together on a Friday after school before you slide into the weekend!

Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre (SPLASH)
\$5 per session

Active Water Groovers

Water Groovers is a specialised program for parents and carers of infants aged 6 months to 5 years. Sessions encourage fun while building water confidence in the water with songs and games. All sessions will be facilitated by a specialist teacher in our leisure pool and will focus on a specific topic each term.

Wednesday mornings

9.30am-10.30am (6 months-2 years)

10.30am-11.30am (2-5 years)

Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre (SPLASH)

\$8 per class paid on a school term basis - Parents/Carers are free.

* Baby Cino for free on the day when you purchase a coffee.

Hume Leisure Centres

Broadmeadows Aquatic and Leisure Centre (BALC)

41-85 Tanderum Way, Broadmeadows

Phone: 9205 2670

Sunbury Aquatic and Leisure Centre (SALC)

20 Ugar Street, Sunbury

Phone: 9356 6820

Splash Aqua Park and Leisure Centre (SPLASH)

60 Central Park Avenue, Craigieburn

Phone: 9356 6800

Booking & Payments

All enrollments and payments are to be paid at each leisure centre.



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AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE

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SPLASH
AQUA PARK AND LEISURE CENTRE

HUME
LEISURE CENTRES



Sunbury
School of
Calisthenics



Tinies
Ages 3-7 years
Saturday
10am - 11:30am

Sub Juniors
Ages 8-10 years
Thursday
5:30pm - 7:30pm

Juniors
Ages 11-13 years
Monday
5:30pm - 7:30pm

Intermediates
Ages 14-16 years
Thursday
6pm - 8:30pm

Seniors
Ages 17+ years
Wednesday
7pm - 10pm

COME & TRY CALISTHENICS!

2 Free Classes

Call us on 9539 4349
for more information

