



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term One Week 8

Tuesday 19th March 2019

Important
Dates &
Notes

PSSA This Friday
Please visit our
website for
locations

Assembly This Friday
Yrs 3-6 9.10am

[School Banking
This Monday](#)

Harmony Day
Thur 21 March

**Yr 4 Sydney Walking
Tour Excursion**
Thur 28 March

**Yr 1 Schoolhouse
Excursion**
Mon 1st April
1C, 1S, 1N
Tue 2nd April
1B, 1G, 1L

**Yr3 Overnight
Excursion**
Wed 3 April—Thur 4
April

**Yr 5 Antarctic
Inursion**
Thur 4th April

**Easter Egg Raffle and
Hat Parade**
Tue 9 April

**Yr 2 Zoo Snooze
Overnight Excursion**
Wed 10 April—
Thur 11 April
2W & 2S & 2R (half
the class)
Thur 11 April—
Fri 12 April
2C & 2H & 2R
(half the class)

**Yr 6 Field of Mars
Excursion**
Wed 10 April

Dear Parents and Carers

HARMONY WEEK

This week we celebrate Harmony Week. Harmony Week celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging.

On Thursday students are asked to dress in orange, the colour of Harmony Day, or national colours. There will be a performance by the Hope Choir (cost was included in school fees) in the assembly hall on Thursday and students have been undertaking Harmony Day activities in their classrooms.

At Kent Road Public School we stand together to show that everyone belongs.

BUILDING UPDATE

Additional student toilets will be installed near the Year Five and Six classrooms in coming weeks.

Though the recent rain has been welcome after such a hot summer, it has delayed our use of the top grass area near Kent Road. As soon as the grass dries out students will start using this area.

CONGRATULATIONS ZONE SWIMMING TEAM

What a fantastic effort from all of our Kent Road swimmers at last week's Zone Swimming Carnival. Individual students broke records. Our boys' junior relay team and senior relay team won their events, and the junior boys' relay team also set a new swimming record. Kent Road won, for the first time ever, the Boys Champion School trophy.

Just as important for me, was the support provided by the parents and students to each member of our school team. Miss Grealy and Mrs Prins reported back that after each member of our school team competed they received a standing ovation on returning to the waiting area. Thank you parents and students for your encouragement and support.

STUDENT BANKING - MONDAYS

Student banking will commence from next week, Monday 25th March. Please note the change of days.

Students are asked to drop off their deposit books at the front office on Mondays.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY – CODING

In Term Two, students in Years 1-6 who are interested will be able to join after school coding workshops. Information about the workshops and the link to enrol is available at:

<https://www.code4fun.com.au/krps>

(Please be aware there are a few places left for the second coding session. The first session is fully booked.)

PARENTS and CITIZENS ASSOCIATION (P&C) MEETING

At last night's P&C meeting all executive positions were filled. Again, on behalf of the Kent Road community I would like to thank Melanie Marcellino, the executive team and committee members who worked so hard throughout 2018.

The new office bearers for 2019 are:

Congratulations to the following school community members who have accepted a volunteer representative role as part of our P&C Association for 2018. Their volunteer efforts will continue to ensure that our P&C supports our school and students as well as offer reliable services to the school community.

President	Eva Urban
Vice President	Debbie Lawson
Vice President	Leanne McKay
Secretary	Stacey Tsui
Treasurer	Diane Samu
Events Team Coordinator	Kris Arnold
Events Team Members	Jun Guo, Pieta Carroll, Evelyn Sozou, Lisa Ponton, Rukiya Stein
Uniform Shop Coordinator	Kate Mason
Uniform Shop Support Coordinator	Fran Martinelli
Book Club Coordinator	Pieta Carroll and Evelyn Souzou
Class Parent Coordinator	Isabella Tan
Student Banking Coordinator	Debbie Lawson

SCHOOL FEES INVOICE

Student invoices for school fees were issued to students today. Parents may choose to pay these fees in cash, cheque or credit card. An online payment option is available through our website www.kentroadpublicschool.com.au, in the payment section.

We are happy to accept payment for fees in instalments or the full payment.

Many thanks in anticipation!

KINDERGARTEN, YEAR ONE and YEAR TWO ASSEMBLY

At last week's K-2 assembly, Year Two students Leah, Amara, Ahaan, Lukas and Emily did an outstanding job hosting the assembly. Well done!

Student Representative Council (SRC) chairpeople, Joanne and Sarah, presented information about the environment initiative which has begun, explaining the purpose of the new green bins which have been placed around the school.

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded a class merit award:

KC	Rayna	Improved confidence when speaking in English in the classroom
KH	Jimmy	For being a kind and considerate class member
KJ	Dimitri	For preparing and presenting his News with confidence
KK	Oliver	For showing confidence when learning single sounds
KL	Benji	Displaying patience, thoughtfulness and kindness to his peers
KS	Brody	Showing enthusiasm in all aspects of learning
1B	Erin	Always trying her best and persisting
1G	Paridhi	Improvement in reading and comprehension
2C	Samuel	For fantastic engagement in literacy groups
2H	Lukas	Sharing fantastic ideas in Science
2R	Maahir	For being an engaged learner and role model in Mathematics
2S	Elakshi	For havinf such a positive attitude towards her learning
2W	Keira	For a good reenactment of a story

This Friday morning, 22nd March, we will hold an assembly for students in Years 3-6 in the assembly hall starting at 9.10am. **Entry into the assembly hall will be through the back doors.**

Parents are welcome to attend.

Drive and park safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times for pedestrians and drivers outside schools.

You can help keep children safe by remembering the following:

- drop off and pick up children on the school side of the road
- never call out to children from across the road – it is very dangerous
- always take extra care when driving in 40km school zones
- follow all parking signs – these help keep children as safe as possible
- **park responsibly even if this means you have to walk further to the school gate**
- never double park – it is illegal and puts children at risk
- never do a U-turn or three-point turn outside the school as it puts children at risk of harm
- model safe and considerate pedestrian and driver behaviours to your children.

When travelling in a car ensure your children:

- use a booster seat if they are aged between 4 and 7 years old – it's the law
- are correctly buckled up in their seatbelts
- always get in and out of the car through the 'safety door' – the rear door on the footpath side of the car
- are never left alone in the car.



Zone Swimming Carnival 2019

PSSA RESULTS

SUMMER PSSA RESULTS			
PSSA SPORT	WIN/LOSS	SCORE	Player of the Match
Girls SOFTBALL	WIN	11-0	Lily
Mixed SOFTBALL	WIN	10-2	Corey
Girls T-BALL	WIN	17-3	Olivia
Mixed T-BALL	WIN	19-10	Angus + Louis
Junior CRICKET	WIN	113-63	Ambrose
Senior CRICKET	LOSS	97-48	Mira
Junior NEWCOMBE BALL	WIN	2-0	Chelsea
Senior NEWCOMBE BALL	WIN	2-0	Chris
VOLLEYBALL	WIN	3-0	Morgan

HARMONY DAY

This Thursday Kent Road will celebrate Harmony Day. Students are encouraged to wear orange on the day or the colours of their home country. Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Week. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. Throughout the week students will engage in various class activities that focus on respect, inclusiveness and belonging to Australia regardless of your cultural background.

The Ugandan Hope Choir will entertain students with two performances on Thursday in the hall.

Ms F Hamilton

Year 7 High School Forms

Thank you to the parents who have returned this form they are now due back to school. Please return them to Ms Hamilton asap.



EASTER EGG RAFFLE

Parents are asked to donate a chocolate Easter Egg for the school's first fundraiser of the year. Donations can be left at the front office. The eggs will be wrapped into gift baskets and some lucky families will win a basket of eggs in the raffle draw on Tuesday 9th April 2019.

Students have been given a set of raffle tickets. We ask each family to sell as many tickets as possible. Please return the money and ticket information to the front office. And if you are able to sell more than one book of tickets there will be more available, just ask Mrs Silsby.

The funds raised will be used to purchase school equipment.

EASTER RAFFLE

A very exciting part of Kindergarten is having an older buddy. Our Kindergarten classes are buddying up with the year 5 and 6 classes. Throughout the year we get together with our buddy class and do fun activities ranging from cooking, reading, craft and sport. It is a great way for Kindergarten to become familiar with the older students in the school.



KJ met their buddies from 5G on Thursday. After learning a bit about each other, they sat down together and read some stories. KJ can't wait to see their buddies again!

This week in 1B and 1G we have been learning all about our emotions and feelings and how to control them.

We read Soda Pop Head by Julie Cook which is all about what to do when you are feeling angry.

We then did some drama activities to practise showing our emotions.

YEAR ONE NEWS



Here are some of the emotions we practised showing.



Happy

Shy



Sad



Angry



Year 2 have been getting ready for Zoo Snooz and we are so excited! We have the opportunity to spend the night at Taronga Zoo and get a behind the scenes tour of the zoo. We will meet so many animals and zoo keepers during our stay. To get ready for Zoo Snooz, we have been looking at some different animals during our art lessons. Miss Houze's favourite animal at the zoo is a meerkat so on Friday afternoon we did a guided drawing of a meerkat. Did you know a group of Meerkats is called a 'Mob'? We worked on groups to paint backgrounds so that our meerkats wouldn't be lonely. Meerkats look after each other and protect each other against danger! Finally, we used sharpies to outline some of the features of our backgrounds. It was challenging to work together to design and paint a background but, with good communication and collaboration, we are very proud of our designs! Say 'Hello' to our meerkats as you walk past our classroom!

YEAR TWO NEWS



These meerkats are standing next to the lake that they drink out of!



The meerkats here are standing next to each other because they are hugging.



These meerkats are standing on the sand in the desert with the sun shining down.



One of the meerkats in this painting is sticking his head out of the burrow!



These meerkats are standing on rocks so that they can see danger coming.

A BIG thank you once again to everyone who have expressed interest in volunteering for the Class Parent role! The Class Parents have now been finalised and the names of our 2019 Class Parents are listed in the table below.

Our 2019 Class Parents have begun sending out introduction letters outlining their role and asking if you would like to be included in your Class Contact List for 2019. It would be wonderful if we could get as many parents as possible to take part in this list, allowing our school, teachers and Class Parents to easily keep you informed of school and class events.

Thank you!

Class	Class Parent	Class	Class Parent	Class	Class Parent
KC	Jun Guo	1S	Francesca Pastorelli	4D	Vivian Lu
KH	Maryam Kenawy	2C	Christy Shon	4H	Lyn Truong
KJ	Danna Zheng	2H	Betty Xiang	4V	Henky Mantophani
KK	Mee Fah Yee	2R	Zai Yi Li	5G	Nancy Diez
KL	Stacey Varady-Szabo	2S	Elschen Coetzee	5P	Xiaolu Zang
KS	Nick Dean	2W	Samantha Yep	5S	Sarah Timms
1B	Simone Williams	3B	Simone Williams	5T	Cannas Kwok
1C	Lisa Ponton	3G	Evelyn Sozou	6B	Simone Leo
1G	Anastasia Edmondson	3L	Lisa Johnson	6R	Kerry Novkovic
1L	Lisa Tang	3M	Helen Li	6W	Jennifer Patterson
1N	Amadhi Hindurangala	4C	Vaish Sundar		

The Kent Road Uniform Shop is **open every Monday from 8.45am until 9.30am**. Alternatively, our online shop is always open. There is a link to the shop on the school website or you can use the link below <http://kentroadpublicschoolpcassociationuniformshop.vendecommerce.com>.

We are still looking for a few more volunteers to help out in the shop. If you could help out on the days listed below or any Monday or Thursday, please email us at krpsuniformshop@gmail.com.

Winter uniform

Winter uniform which starts next term is now in stock and can be purchased online and in the shop. A list of all winter uniform items is below. If you have any questions just email us.

Winter Uniform		Price
Girls	Tunic	\$50.00
	Long Sleeve Polo	\$25.00
	Bootleg Pants	\$25.00
Boys	Long Sleeve Polo	\$25.00
	Long Pants	\$25.00
Unisex	Zip Jacket	\$30.00
	Polar Fleece Vest*	\$25.00
	Dry & Cosy Winter Coat	\$40.00
Sports	Track Jacket	\$45.00
	Track Pants	\$30.00

Accessories	Price
Tights	\$10.00
Scarf	\$6.00
Gloves	\$4.00

* Sizing is very small – you should size up at least one size

UNIFORM SHOP

MONDAYS

11/Mar/19	Week 7	Kate	Naomi		Anastasia
18/Mar/19	Week 8	Kate	Delilah	Francesca	Jing
25/Mar/19	Week 9	Kate	Naomi	Yang	Emily
01/Apr/19	Week 10	Kate	Delilah	Francesca	Anastasia
08/Apr/19	Week 11	Kate	Naomi	Eva L.	Yang

THURSDAYS – shop not open, order packing only

14/Mar/19	Week 7	Fran	May	Eiman
21/Mar/19	Week 8	Fran	Liyan	Helen
28/Mar/19	Week 9	Fran	*Help needed	Eiman
04/Apr/19	Week 10	Fran	May	Eva U.
11/Apr/19	Week 11	Fran	Liyan	Eiman



CODING FOR KIDS

TERM 2, 2019

Y1 - Y6 STUDENTS, Kent Road Public School

LEARN TO CODE AND BUILD YOUR OWN ONLINE PROJECTS WITH CODE4FUN

Year 1 to Year 6 students are welcome to join. STEM focused programs - students develop critical thinking and problem solving skills by learning to code.

- Kent Road Public School
4H Classroom
- Every Wednesday, 1 May - 3 July (10 weeks)
NEW COURSE: Scratch Beginners Level 1
Y1 - Y3 Beginner students 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm
- Every Wednesday, 1 May - 3 July (10 weeks)
NEW COURSE: Scratch Beginners Level 1
Y4 - Y6 Beginner students 4:25 pm - 5:25 pm
- Laptops are provided
- \$220 per student per term

ENROL NOW: www.code4fun.com.au/krps
If you have any questions email us at Info@code4fun.com.au or call 0452 525 453.
Check out our website at www.code4fun.com.au for more details about our school.




CENTRAL EASTWOOD RUGBY UNION

REGISTER NOW FOR 2019 at: <https://www.centraleastwoodrugby.com/>

Come and join us for fun and fitness up over Winter at Central Eastwood Rugby Club. Our junior club is local and family orientated that welcomes kids from 6 to 16 years old -Girls and Boys: U6s to 7s- no tackle, U8s to 12's- modified rules.

\$100 Active Kids Voucher Applies

Registration for the season is now open and can be accessed via the link:
<https://www.centraleastwoodrugby.com/registration-2019.html>