



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term Three Week 5

Thursday 22nd August 2019

Important Dates & Notes

PSSA This Friday

Please visit our
website for
locations

School Banking This Monday

Assembly Friday
Yes
K-2 Assembly

Book Swap and
Mufti
Wed 28th August

Fathers Day Stall
Wed 28th August

School Photos
11th and 13th
September

Year 5 Overnight
Excursion
Mon 16th Sept-
Wed 18th Sept

Year 6 Overnight
Excursion
Wed 23rd Oct-
Fri 25th Oct

Term Dates 2019

Term 2
30/04/19—05/07/19

Term 3
23/07/19—27/09/19

Term 4
14/10/19—18/12/19

Last day for students
Wednesday
18th December 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

BOOK WEEK – BOOK SWAP

To celebrate Book Week, next **Wednesday 28th August** Kent Road PS students are encouraged to bring a book to school that they no longer want and to swap it with book brought in by another student.

Participation in our book swap is voluntary. Books must be in good condition and appropriate reading for Kindergarten – Year Six students.

It will also be a gold coin mufti day. The money collected will be donated to The Indigenous Reading Project

Children who bring a gold coin can dress in casual clothes.

At 2.30pm all students will come together for 30 minutes of reading together in the playground, weather permitting.

A note explaining our Book Swap has been sent home with this newsletter.

FATHERS DAY STALL

Next **Wednesday, 28th August**, students are invited to bring \$5 to buy a Father's Day present for their dad, grand-dad, uncle or significant male in their lives.

BON VOYAGE Ms ISON

On Friday we say bon voyage to Miss Ison who will be travelling in Europe for the next few months. I thank her for everything she has done to for our students, her dance group, class 1N and band camp over the past months, and hopefully we will see her back at Kent Road in 2020.

STAFF NEWS

Miss Krug will be teaching class 1N for the remainder of 2019 whilst Miss Nettleton recovers from glandular fever.

Mr Stevens has taken over teaching Miss Krug's spelling, maths and RFF classes.

Mrs Wilkes will be providing additional ESL support each Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs Nadesan will return from maternity leave on 2nd September and will replace Miss Ison.

PSSA GRAND FINALS

Congratulations to the Senior Girls' Soccer Team who won their Grand Final last week in a very close game against Gladesville Public School. The final score was 1-0, with the winning goal scored by Nikkita. You should be very proud of your great team effort! Well done girls, and Mr McGhee.

Commiserations to our Senior B Netball Team and Senior B AFL team, but coming second in such a tough competition is still something to be celebrated.

KINDERGARTEN 2020

Applications for Kindergarten 2020 are now due.

Enrolment forms are available at the front office, or from our website.

BAND CAMP

What a great event! Our school's biggest ever Band Camp was held at school on Saturday and Sunday. Two days of individual, small group and band practice, our three bands entertained the audience with their wonderful performances.

A few statistics from the weekend (care of Karen Kay) ...

- 69 students across 3 bands
- Many KRPS staff
- 3 conductors
- 15 tutors
- 42 parent & grandparent volunteers for sessions and bbq
- 69 musical sessions – tutorials, band rehearsals
- 200 sausages
- 18 loaves of bread

Fruit cups galore

Gold coin donation total: \$230.00

Money raised will go towards purchasing new musical instruments.

I congratulate everyone involved in ensuring the success of this event. In particular teachers Miss Lee and Mrs Rule, Band Committee parents Samantha, Karen and Henky, plus the many parents, grandparents and teachers who assisted over the two days, the conductors and tutors, and students Sarah, Erin and Leah who assisted with the setting up.

The students' performance on a beautiful sunny Sunday afternoon brought a smile to the faces of everyone in the audience and reflected the great effort students applied to develop their skills and technique.

I congratulate every one of our band camp participants for their commitment and enthusiasm.



SCHOOL NEWS



3-6 ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following Year 3-6 students who were awarded a class merit award at last Friday's assembly:

3L	Ethan	Helping others during We Do lessons
3G	Jaime	A great sizzling start in her robot story
3M	Vanessa	Demonstrating great responsibility in class
3B	Gary	A great effort beginning his robot narrative
4C	Jessica	Excellent work in using descriptive language in narrative writing
4D	Frank	Excellent participation and respectful behaviour
4H	Markus	For excellent application to learning the 6 times tables
4V	Ariana	Using amazing adverbs in her creative writing
5G	Clair	Consistently applying 100% effort in all areas of school
5S	Kyra	Her effective use of expression during Strong Minds drama skits
5P	James	Always showing kindness and support towards his peers
6B	Joanne	Writing creative and detailed text predictions
6R	Nikki	Working hard to independently to solve maths challenges
6W	Joohee	Her positivity and friendly manner

SCHOOL PHOTOS 11th and 13th September

School photos (individual sibling and class groups will be taken on Wednesday 11th September and sport team photos on Friday 13th September . Students will be advised if it is winter or summer uniform closer to the date. Sports uniform will be worn on the Friday.

Payment must be made before Wednesday 11th September. **Online payments are paid directly to The School Photographer website and not to the school's online payment website.**

Visit The School Photographer website www.theschoolphotographer.com.au and follow the prompts.

Please enclose correct money as NO CHANGE will be given

Please write your receipt number in the space provided.

If you would like to arrange an sibling photo, please see the office for an envelope.

Denise Minifie

Principal

WALKATHON

Well done to everyone who has started to bring in their Walkathon sponsor money!

The thermometers are rising across the school which is great to see! You still have another 2 weeks left to ask your family and friends for donations. Let's see how much more you can raise by Friday 30th August! The class with the highest amount raised will win a free excursion! We also have a range of prizes for the highest fundraising family, the highest fundraisers in each class, and major prizes across K-2 and 3-6.

You could win some amazing experiences and vouchers from the places below!

Our current total is over \$10,000. Thank you everyone for your generous donations. The leading class so far is 3M

Kindergarten	\$1958
Year One	\$3194
Year Two	\$2436
Year Three	\$1968
Year Four	\$1320
Year Five	\$781
Year Six	\$50



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Last Friday, all the kindergarten classes joined in on an adventure to Calmsley Hill Farm. After the long bus ride the children were excited to explore the farm. There were several engaging activities for each group to take part in.



We saw lots of animals at the farm which included cows, donkeys, pigs, birds, rabbits, goats, sheep, and a very dedicated cattle dog delighted the students.



We were able to have some hands on experience with the animals, including milking cows, petting the goats, and stroking the fluffy baby chicks.



The kindergarten students laughed as we bounced around the farm on the farmer's big tractor.

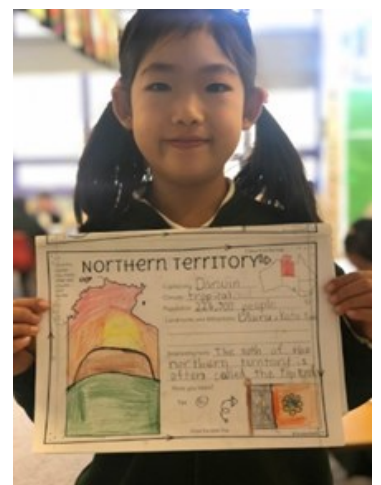
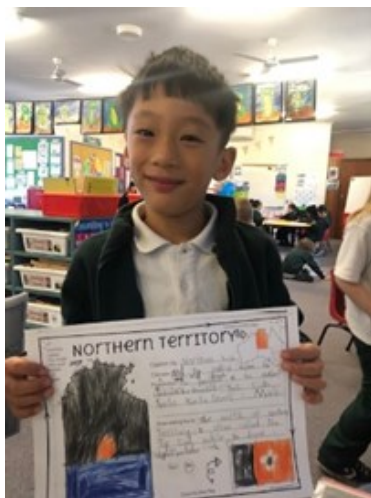
We watched a show where one of the farmers taught us how to expertly crack a whip. Some lucky children even got to join in.



Kindergarten had an enriching experience learning how a farm runs and where our food comes from. The students were able to apply the knowledge they have learnt in our 'Paddock to Plate' Science Unit first hand through their interactions and lessons at the farm.



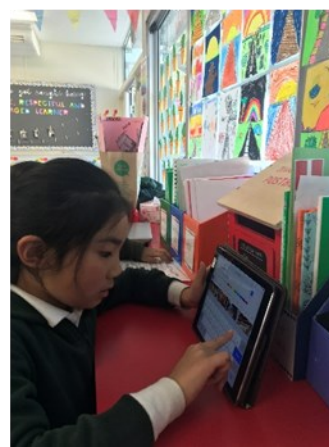
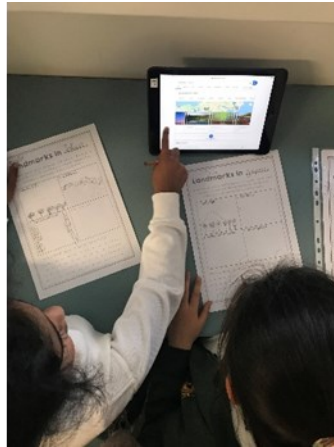
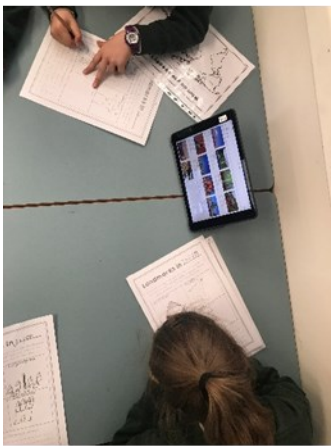
This term Year One are learning about Australia and reading a wonderful story called *Are We There Yet* by Alison Lester. We are learning a lot of information about different landmarks and landforms. So far we have learnt about South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory. We have especially loved learning about Uluru and how it changes colour when the sun sets and rises each day. Each week we choose our favourite facts and landmarks to record in our Australian booklets.



Geography in Year 2

In Year 2 we are looking at the topic 'All around the World'. We are looking at the country Japan and have spent some time learning about the flag, population, location and popular landmarks!

On Tuesday, we used iPads to research food and landmarks in Japan. A famous landmark is Mount Fuji! Japan is known for their delicious sushi and ramen. Miss Houze and Miss Cramp told us all about their favourite ramen meals.



In Japan, most people eat their food with chopsticks. We are learning how to use chopsticks in Literacy Groups and Mathematics as our 'can-do' activities. Using chopsticks is really good for our fine-motor skills and is quite easy once you pick it up!





Dear Parents,

From 17-23 August 2019 we celebrate CBCA Book Week.

This year to celebrate Book Week, students will be participating in a book swap and Mufti day on Wednesday 28th August.

Each family is encouraged to sort through the bookshelves at home to find books that are ready for new homes. We are looking for books that:

- are appropriate for K- 6 readers
- in good condition

For every book a student brings in to the classroom, a book token will be given. The token can be redeemed for a different book at the Book Swap.

During the book swap we are also raising money for **The Indigenous Reading Project** by asking students to donate a gold coin for wearing Mufti on Wednesday 28th August.

Any books not "adopted" will go to teachers for their classroom libraries.

Book Swap is a great way for students to get a new book and encourage reading of different titles.

Students can bring their books into the classroom during week 5, 19th August to 23rd August.

Mrs Gwynne



What is Active Homework?

Active Homework is similar to other homework. Active homework is an optional piece of homework that can be completed at home. It requires elements of physical activity.

Each week K-2 students and 3-6 students will be given a piece of Active Homework.

Active Homework Activity Week 5

K-2

Bear Crawl

- Keep your arms and legs stiff and straight while you "crawl" on your hands and feet like a big bear.



3-6

Stair Stepper

- Stand in front of a stable box or a stairs step. Step upwards and back down with both feet. Try to control your balance and not to have to hold on to anything as you go. If this is too easy, try finding a higher stable step box.



Girls Soccer Grand Finals

Last Friday the girls senior soccer team played in the PSSA grand final against Gladesville. They entered the game with great confidence and determination. They dominated for the most part and had a number of shots but the winning goal didn't come until five minutes before the full time whistle. It was a wonderful strike scored by Nikkita F. This is the second time in a row that the senior girls have made it to the grand final and the first time they have been crowned champions!

The juniors played in their usual energetic style and won 4-0 against Ryde East putting them in third place after being junior champions last year. Chelsea J scored and Mia Z scored a hat-trick.

We are very proud of our girls for their fantastic attitude and great sportsmanship all season.

Congratulations!

Mr McGhee



Tiger Tag Season 2019

Congratulations to the boys and girls Tiger Tag teams for a fantastic 2019 season. For many players it was their first time playing the sport. Both teams showed great skill development over the season and we saw strong defence, excellent tries and terrific tagging! Most of all, the students represented the school with great sportsmanship and teamwork.



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