



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term Three Week 10

Tuesday 25th September 2018

Important
Dates &
Notes

**NO Assembly
this Friday**

**Student
Banking**

Students Yrs2-6
Banking will be
collected from
morning lines

Jersey Day
Wed 26th
September
Wear a sports
jersey or your
favourite
team's colours.

**Granny Smith
Festival**

Sat 20th
October

Yr 6 3 Day
Excursion
Canberra
Wed 24th— Fri
26th October

Term Dates 2018

Term 3

24/07/18—28/09/18

Term 4

15/10/18—19/12/18

Last day for students

Wed 19th December

Dear Parents and Carers,
Principal's Report

SCHOOL BUILDING UPGRADE - INFORMATION NIGHT

Tomorrow -Wednesday 26th September 2018, 7pm

You are invited to attend an information night to learn about the Kent Road Public School building upgrade. Members of the project team will be in attendance to outline the project design, construction activities and timing, school access and traffic management, and how this may affect you and your children.

The information night will be a great opportunity for parents to learn about the project and have your questions answered.

I hope to see you there!

PREMIERS DEBATING CHALLENGE

Today, four of our Year Six students, Christophe, Sophie, Divya and Ty competed in a semi final of the Premiers Debating Challenge at Collaroy.

The students were given one hour to analyse the topic and prepare their arguments without any adult support, or reference materials.

Sadly, today was not Kent Road's day but I am extremely proud of the outstanding skills shown by the Kent Road team in reaching the semi finals.

KINDERGARTEN MUSICAL EVENING – MONDAY 24th SEPTEMBER

Last night everyone who was in attendance at the Kindergarten musical evening, Amazing Animals, witnessed our youngest students take to the stage with great confidence and blossoming performance skills as they enthusiastically performed with their class. With 399 tickets sold, there were many proud parents, grandparents, family members and friends in attendance. Our Kindergarten students wowed the audience with their singing, dancing, drama and speaking skills.

Thank you to Miss Sheahan for co-ordinating the performance; to the teachers who prepared their classes; to Mrs Karen Silsby for her help with the costuming. Once again we were fortunate to have Zane and Kristabelle assist Ms Hamilton with the canteen. And thank you to the staff members who assisted on the night with the music, supervising classes and backstage.

What a fantastic performance – congratulations Kindergarten!

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STAFF NEWS

On behalf of the Kent Road school community I would like to thank Mrs Nadesan for her hard work throughout the year supporting students to develop their spoken and written English as well as supporting students in Spelling and Maths groups. Mrs Nadesan will enjoy a few weeks of leave in preparation for the birth of her second child next month.

WONDERFUL WALKATHON RESULT

Congratulations to students in class 3M who are the lucky winners of the school excursion prize for raising a massive \$2 357.00 in our annual walkathon fundraiser.

Congratulations also to the winners of the class prizes and the family prize. The overall amount raised was \$29 000.00. This is a fantastic achievement which will result in some great additions to the playground for all students to enjoy.

Thank you to Mrs Cleasby and the team of teachers who organised this year's highly successful Walkathon.

Thank you to all of our sponsors who were so generous in the donation of prizes, and especially to Coxs Road Shopping Centre for their ongoing support of our school.

KINDERGARTEN 2019 ENROLLING NOW!

Thank you parents for submitting enrolment applications for your children to start Kindergarten in 2019.

It is important that we receive all applications hopefully by the end of the week, so that your child receives an invitation to our Kindergarten orientation program which will take place early next term.

Parents are able to download an application to enrol at <https://kentroad-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html> and is also available at the front office.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

This week marks the end of Term Three, a term in which our students have excelled in many different areas. I wish everyone a well-deserved two week break ahead of the final school term.

I look forward to seeing everyone (students and staff) on Monday 15th October for the start of Term Four.

Denise Minifie

Principal

Walkathon 2018

Thank you to everyone who sponsored our annual Walkathon! Every donation is appreciated and makes a big difference to our school. It was a huge success with over \$29 000 raised! Well done Kent Road - a new record! This money will go towards new playground equipment/activities and technology.

Last Friday, our highest fundraisers were awarded their well-deserved prizes.

Our major prizes winners this year are:

K-2: Crystal Zhang

3-6: Alexander Ng

Family: Eve and Grace O'Sullivan O'Connell





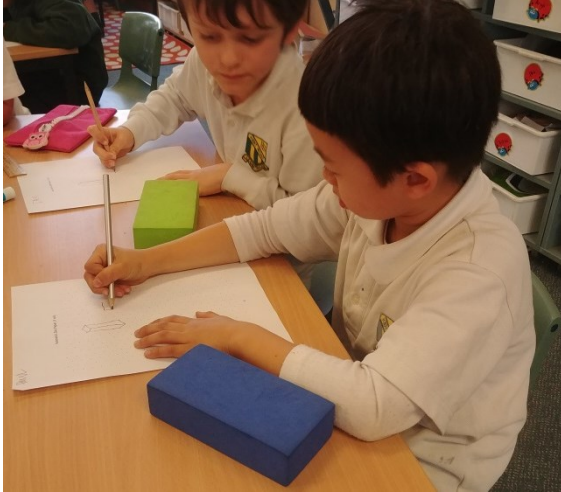
In kindergarten, we have been learning about volume and capacity. KC has enjoyed finding everyday objects from around the room and measuring their volume and capacity using small blocks. KC has learnt different ways of counting large quantities. Here are some of the ways we counted; by 2's, by 10's and by tallying.



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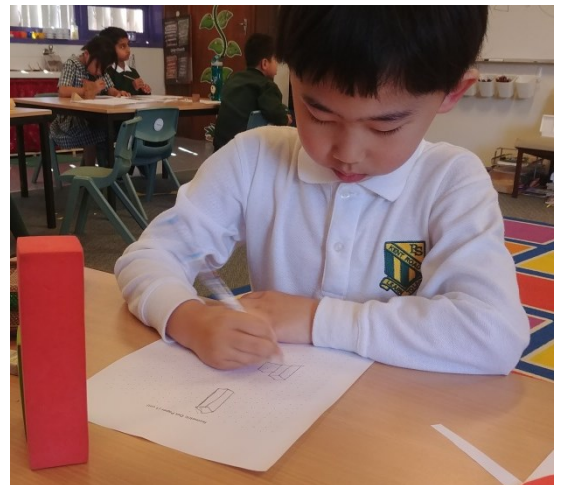


3D Shapes

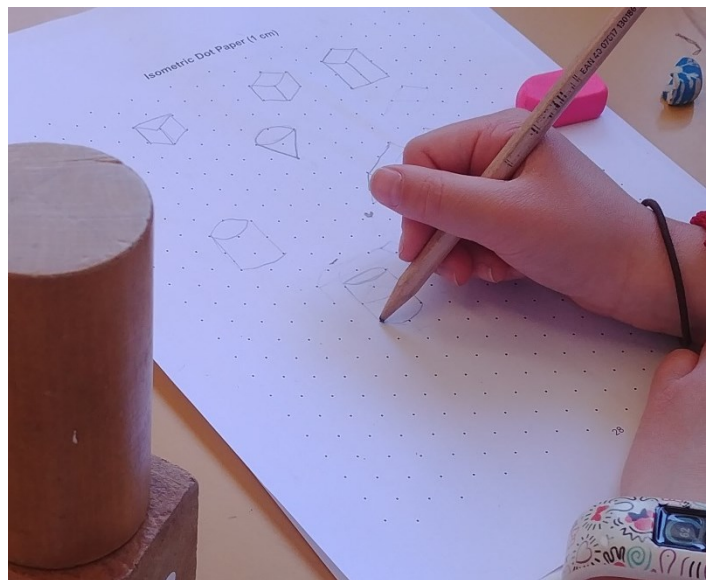
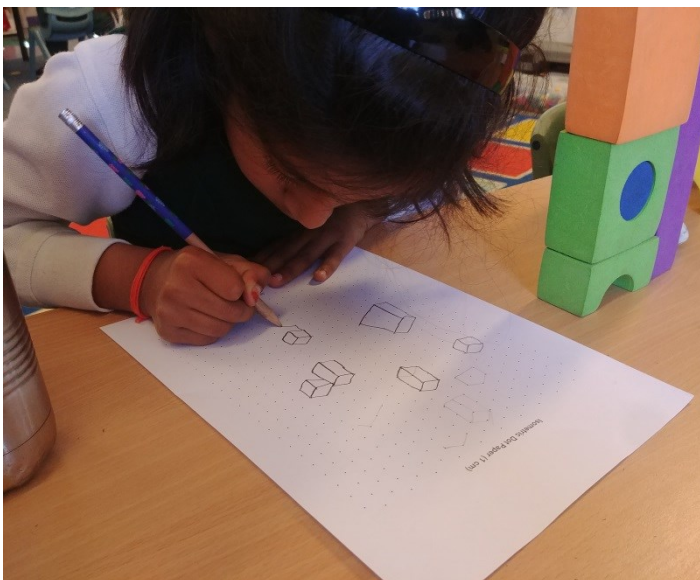


This week 1L has been learning all about 3D shapes and we walked around the school to see where we could find them. We found some poles in the Kindy playground which were cylinders, and some in the Year 1 playground which were rectangular prisms. We also found some soccer and basketballs which were spheres.

Then we tried to draw our own 3D shapes on some dot paper. It was very hard at the beginning, but with some practice we could all draw them by ourselves. We started with cubes and rectangular prisms, before moving onto harder shapes such as cones and pyramids.



Some of us even put two 3D shapes together! We had to be very careful with our drawings, making sure to rub out any faces that were hidden behind or under another shape.



Learning in many ways



YEAR TWO NEWS

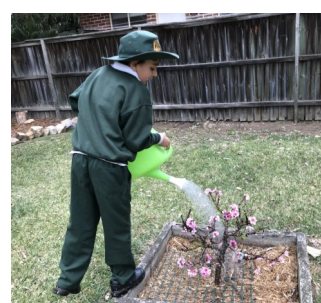
Year 2 have been working hard to learn their times tables, add and subtract 2-digit numbers, and read time on an analogue clock. We have been practising these skills in many ways to make recall quick and fluent.

In the gardens

Sustainability and learning about our natural environment is part of the NSW syllabus. 2R have taken responsibility for collecting compost from around the school daily and overseeing the compost bins. Students have been teaching each other what goes in the bins, how to chop the scraps and when to add water.

2R also enjoy spending time tidying the playgrounds by raking, pruning, mulching, and weeding. The collaboration as students work out how to efficiently complete tasks, share tools and take turns is important practice in social skills and negotiation. And we do love seeing the playground looking beautiful!

We often enjoy lessons outside, learning about water and plants in the gardens, or taking our books outside to delight in the natural setting while we write and read (I often find some of the most creative writing comes from free time outside!).



Home Made Robot Presentations

Year Three has been busy presenting speeches this week about the robot they designed and made at home. Students remembered to use their clear, loud voices when speaking and made sure to make eye contact with the audience. The robots made were all extremely creative and had many interesting uses such as one with an inbuilt fridge! Well done Year Three for creating such wonderful presentations!



Child Car Seats **National child restraint laws**

- Children up to the age of six months must be secured in an approved rearward facing restraint
- Children aged from six months old but under four years old must be secured in either a rear or forward facing approved child restraint with an inbuilt harness
- Children under four years old cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows
- Children aged from four years old but under seven years old must be secured in a forward facing approved child restraint with an inbuilt harness or an approved booster seat
- Children aged from four years old but under seven years old cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows, unless all other back seats are occupied by children younger than seven years in an approved child restraint or booster seat
- Children aged from seven years old but under 16 years old who are too small to be restrained by a seatbelt properly adjusted and fastened are strongly recommended to use an approved booster seat
- Children in booster seats must be restrained by a suitable lap and sash type approved seatbelt that is properly adjusted and fastened, or by a suitable approved child safety harness that is properly adjusted and fastened.

If your child is too small for the child restraint specified for their age, they should be kept in their current child restraint until it is safe for them to move to the next level.

If your child is too large for the child restraint specified for their age, they may move to the next level of child restraint.

It is recommended that children up to and including 12 years of age should always sit in the rear seat, even though children 7+ years can legally occupy the front seat of a vehicle.

The Child Car Seats website has a detailed [FAQs section](#).

Follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully when fitting child car seats. If you are unable to locate the fitting instructions, contact the manufacturer or search for the instructions online.

To ensure correct and safe installation of your child car seat, have it checked by an [Authorised Restraint Fitter](#).

At school, your child will learn about road safety as part of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. Help them learn the passenger safety messages by using them and sharing them whenever you are out and about in the car.

Students in Early Stage 1 to Stage 3

- Click, clack front and back
- Always buckle up safely
- Get in and out of the car on the footpath side

Holidays

Going on holidays is an exciting time for you and your child. Travelling to different places often means new surroundings and traffic conditions. Roads, footpaths and pedestrian facilities may look different in holiday areas. Whether it's a holiday by the beach, in the city or the bush, chances are there will be different road conditions. While you may be relaxed, it is important to talk to your child about the differences in the road and traffic environment.

Holiday parks and camping grounds also bring their own set of road safety challenges for your child. There will be more children out walking and riding bikes and scooters. Remember:

- **The best way to keep your child safe on or near the road is to hold their hand.**
- **Talk to your child daily about road safety.**
- **Remind other adults and carers about this too.**

JERSEY DAY

Kent Road will be holding a 'Jersey Day' tomorrow 26th of September to raise awareness of Organ Donation.

We invite students to wear a jersey of their choice or their favourite team's colours to school. It could be a soccer jersey, a football jersey, a netball top. Students can wear their choice of shorts.

Why Jerseys? A Jersey represents the unity of a team and the commitment of a team to a common cause. By wearing jerseys and raising awareness, we hope to encourage people to **discover** the facts about organ and tissue donation, **decide** about becoming a donor and register online and **discuss** your decision with people close to you. For more information visit <https://donatelife.gov.au/>

The SRC has decided to also use the special day as an opportunity to raise money for 'Buy a Bale'. We ask that students bring in a gold coin donation to support the farmers who are in need.

SUMMER PSSA RESULTS

PSSA SPORT	WIN/LOSS	SCORE	Player of the Match
Girls SOFTBALL	Win	9-0	Zara
Mixed SOFTBALL	Win	9-0	Ethan
Girls T-BALL	Loss	13-12	Lucy
Mixed T-BALL	Win	22-12	Gabriel
Junior CRICKET	Win	81-98	Ashley
Senior CRICKET	Win	5/53 Ryde- 6/22	Cristophe
Junior NEWCOMBE BALL	Win	3-0	Brock R
Senior NEWCOMBE BALL	Loss	2-1	Ella M

Granny Smith Festival

The Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Dance Groups will all be performing at the Granny Smith Festival in Eastwood on Saturday October 20th at 9.50am. Each Dance Group will receive a note with more information about the festival this week. It would be wonderful to have as much Kent Road support as possible on the day so we hope to see you all down at the Plaza Stage to cheer on our wonderful dancers.

Mrs Medcalf (Dance teacher)



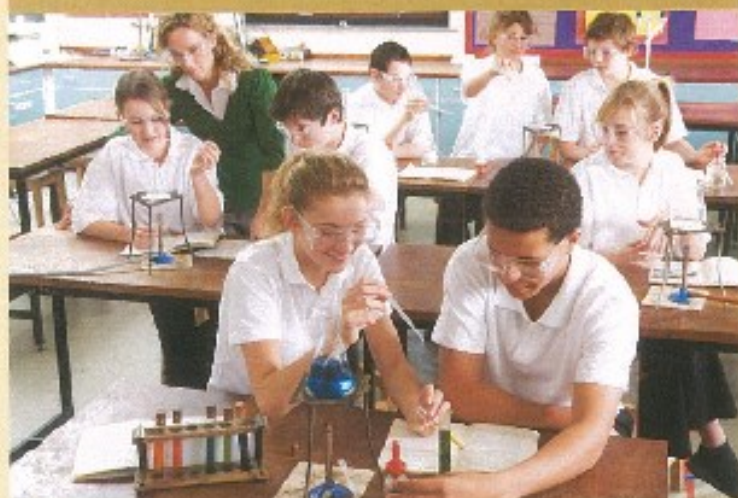
High Performing Students Unit

Information about applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in

2020

Thinking of applying for a
government selective high
school for Year 7 entry in
2020?

You must apply online at
[https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/
selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-
classes/year-7](https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7)



Key dates

Tuesday 9 October 2018

Application website opens

Monday 12 November 2018

Application website closes. You must
apply by the due date.

Thursday 28 February 2019

Test authority advice sent to all
applicants

Thursday 14 March 2019

Selective High School Placement Test

Friday 5 July 2019

Placement outcome information is sent

**Please read this booklet carefully
before applying.**

There is more information at
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc>

**Parents should check this website
for updates all the way through the
application and placement process.
Please check the website for
information before you contact the
Unit.**

The selective high school placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Unit^{*}.

Contact details

High Performing Students Unit

NSW Department of Education

Email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au Telephone: 1300 880 367 Fax: 02 9266 8435

Postal address: Locked Bag 53, DARLINGHURST NSW 1300

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301066/>

^{*} In this document, the High Performing Students Unit will be referred to as the Unit.

'Parent' is defined under the *Education Act 1990* as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'.

KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION NEWS**SCHOOL COMMUNITY INFORMATION NIGHT - KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDING UPGRADE****TOMORROW NIGHT - Wednesday 26th September 2018 @7pm, School Assembly Hall**

You are invited to attend an information night to learn about the Kent Road Public School building upgrade. Members of the project team will be in attendance to show images of the design, outline the project timeline and construction activities, discuss school access and traffic management and how the project will be managed to minimise disruption to the school and students.

The information night will be worth attending and allow our school community to see how the future will look at Kent Road Public School. It will also provide our school community with an opportunity to learn about the coming building upgrade project and have any questions answered. It would be wonderful to have as many parents and members of our school community attend the information night as possible.

TERM THREE VOLUNTEER THANK YOU

Many thanks to all school community members who have VOLUNTEERED in some way throughout Term Three, your time and assistance are greatly appreciated by our Association and volunteer coordinators as well as our school and students. Many thanks also to all P&C members, particularly those in a VOLUNTEER executive or coordinating role for their time and considerable efforts for our school and students throughout Term Three.

The Kent Road P&C Association hope all staff, parents/carers and students enjoy the coming holiday break!

Kent Road Public School P&C Association

SAVE THE DATE!

Kent Road Public School's

NEON DISCO

Friday 2nd November 2018

Kindergarten-Year 2 5pm – 6:15pm

Years 3-6 6:30pm – 8pm



KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

We have updated our online uniform shop. The new address is - <http://kentroadpublicschoolpcassociationuniformshop.vendecommerce.com/>. Please remember to add your child's name and class when ordering.

Can you help at Kindy Orientations next term?

We need volunteers at the upcoming kindergarten orientation sessions next term to help answer new parents' questions about uniforms.

If you can help on one of the following Friday mornings - 26th October, 2nd November and 9th November between 9am and 11am please email us at krpsuniformshop@gmail.com with your availability. You won't need to use the register, just help the new school parents with questions about sizing, quantities needed etc.

Uniform Shop Volunteer Roster –TERM THREE

MONDAYS		SHOP	SHIFT - 8:30am to 10am		
24/Sep/18	Week 10	Kate	Emily	Edith	Yang

THURSDAYS		PACK	SHIFT - 9am to 10:30am	
27/Sep/18	Week 10	Archana	Rachel	May

Uniform Shop Volunteer Roster - TERM FOUR

MONDAYS		SHOP	SHIFT - 8:30am to 10am		
15/Oct/18	Week 1	Kate	Emily	Naomi	River
22/Oct/18	Week 2	Kate	Anastasia	Edith	Delilah
29/Oct/18	Week 3	Kate	Francesca	Naomi	River
05/Nov/18	Week 4	Kate	Emily	Edith	Yang
12/Nov/18	Week 5	Kate	Anastasia	Naomi	River
19/Nov/18	Week 6	Kate	Francesca	Edith	Delilah
26/Nov/18	Week 7	Kate	Emily	Naomi	River
03/Dec/18	Week 8	Kate	Anastasia	Edith	Yang
10/Dec/18	Week 9	Kate	Francesca	Naomi	River
17/Dec/18	Week 10	Kate		Edith	Delilah

THURSDAYS		PACK	SHIFT - 9am to 10:30am	
18/Oct/18	Week 1	Archana	Liyan	Lisa
25/Oct/18	Week 2	Fran	Eiman	Eva
01/Nov/18	Week 3	Archana	Rachel	Keiko
08/Nov/18	Week 4	Fran	Liyan	May
15/Nov/18	Week 5	Archana	Eiman	Eva
22/Nov/18	Week 6	Fran	Rachel	Keiko
29/Nov/18	Week 7	Archana	Liyan	May
06/Dec/18	Week 8	Fran	Eiman	Lisa
13/Dec/18	Week 9	Archana	Rachel	