



# KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

## BLUE GUM NEWS

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Term Four Week 3

Tuesday 30th October 2018

Important  
Dates &  
Notes

**NO Assembly  
this Friday**

**Student  
Banking**  
Students Yrs2-6  
Banking will be  
collected from  
morning lines

**Yr1 Musical**  
Mon 26th Nov

**Term Dates 2018**

**Term 4**

15/10/18—

19/12/18

**Last day for students**

Wed 19th

December

### Dear Parents and Carers, Principal's Report

#### KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL – WINNERS of 2018 SCHOOL GARDEN COMPETITION

Congratulations to all Kent Road gardeners, Miss Roy and Lyes for their great effort in having our school gardens looking beautiful for the City of Ryde's annual school garden competition.

Kent Road was announced as the winner (again!) and the judges noted the school's effort in regenerating the natural bushland at the back of the school, our efforts in recycling and the enthusiasm of our students. They also loved the spinach muffins the students baked using produce from our vegetable garden. Thank you Ms Hamilton and the cooking team.

Pauline, Phillip and Jimmy accepted the award on behalf of our school. What a great team effort – well done everyone!



#### KINDERGARTEN 2019 ORIENTATION DAY TWO - FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

The second Kindergarten 2019 Orientation session will be held this Friday 2nd November.

Again, many thanks to the parents from classes KJ and KL who have offered to provide morning tea for the parents attending Orientation this week. Last week's morning tea was very much appreciated by families attending orientation.

Thanks also to parents Melanie and Rachel for organising the fruit for the pre-schoolers; and Kate and Fran and the uniform shop team for preparing and selling uniform to very excited little people who will join us next year.

## NEON DISCO

This Friday afternoon the P&C events team has organized a 'neon disco' for our students. The music will be provided by Footsteps Dance Company who delivered our term one dance program.

K-2 students: 5pm—6.15pm

3-6 students: 6.30pm - 8.00pm

The cost is \$10.00, this includes entry, a drink, a small packet of chips (these will be handed out during designated break times) and 2 glowband bracelets.

I look forward to seeing you there. Thank you to Kris and Fiona for organizing this event for the students.



## ARE YOU RETURNING IN 2019?

Planning for the 2019 school year is well-underway. It would be a great help if parents could advise the school if you will be **not** returning next year.

You can contact the school by:

Phone (98782884)

email ([kentroad-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kentroad-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)) or

through our app or website.

*Denise Minifie*

Principal





Congratulations Kent Road Public School

1<sup>st</sup> Place

Ryde Spring Garden Competition

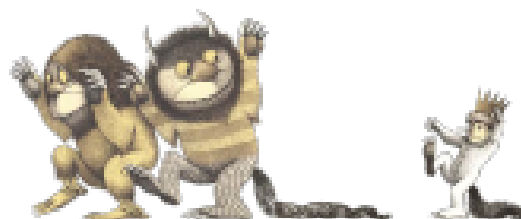


Last Thursday, Kent Road received first place in the Best School Garden category of the Ryde Spring Garden Competition. We travelled to Eden Gardens along with other competitors to hear the announcement. Thank you to Pauline and Jim in Year Four and Phillip in Year Two, who represented the school and received the award. Well done to everyone involved in keeping our gardens pristine and healthy. Our gardening club should be very proud of the efforts they put in to care for our school gardens each week. We really appreciate all of your hard work and passion you have for our gardens.

Well done everyone!

Miss Lyes and Miss Roy





Year One Presents...

# "Dream A Little Dream"

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - 7pm

Kent Road Public School Hall

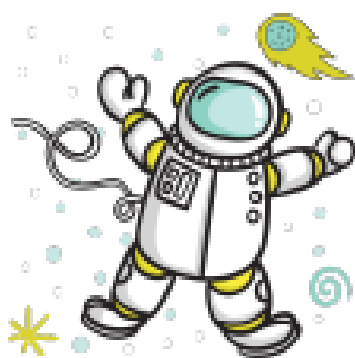
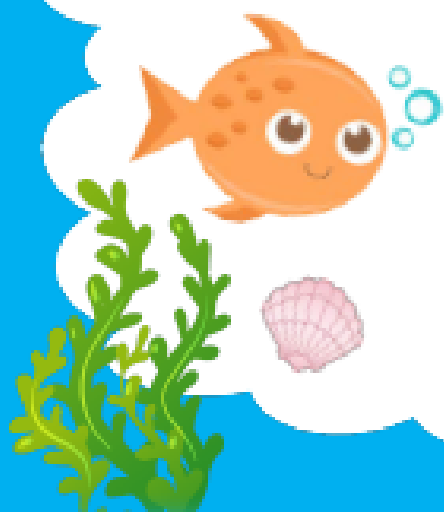
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Tickets will be sold online through the school website.

For sale from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 7am

Tickets cost \$5.00 each (no concessions) or \$20 for a family of 4 ticket.

If you require assistance purchasing tickets, please contact the school office.



## Congratulations Kent Road Public School

### 3rd Place in Local Matters



During the month of August, Kent Road Public School participated in the Local Matters initiative at Grill'd Macquarie Centre. The initiative aims to bring awareness to Local Community groups in the Ryde area. The community votes on 3 different groups each month. Last Wednesday, the Year 2 team went to Grill'd with Miss Minifie to collect our \$100 prize for coming 3rd. The \$100 will be used to buy new resources for our classrooms!



### Peer Reading Special Lunch

Throughout the year, some Kindergarten and Year 1 students have been working with a Year 5 or 6 reading buddy. These senior students have given up part of their lunchtime each week to help their younger buddy with sounds, sight words and text reading. We would like to thank the very dedicated group of students that have been involved in Peer Reading in 2018. These students have been extremely reliable, responsible and committed to the program and we are very thankful for all their hard work. We will be having a special pizza lunch on Monday 12th November to thank all of these helpers. All students involved should receive a permission note this week.

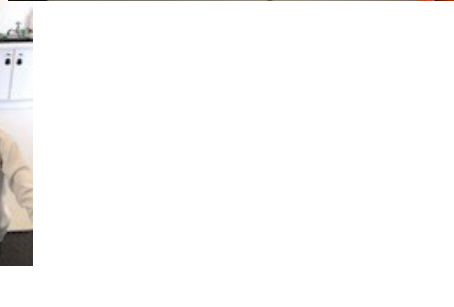
Mrs Medcalf and Miss Minard



### Matt Stanton - Character Drawing

KL took on Matt Stanton's approach to building a character of their own. In pairs, the students asked questions about what their character should have (big nose or small nose), then it was up to their interpretation of how they drew the character. They turned out great!!

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

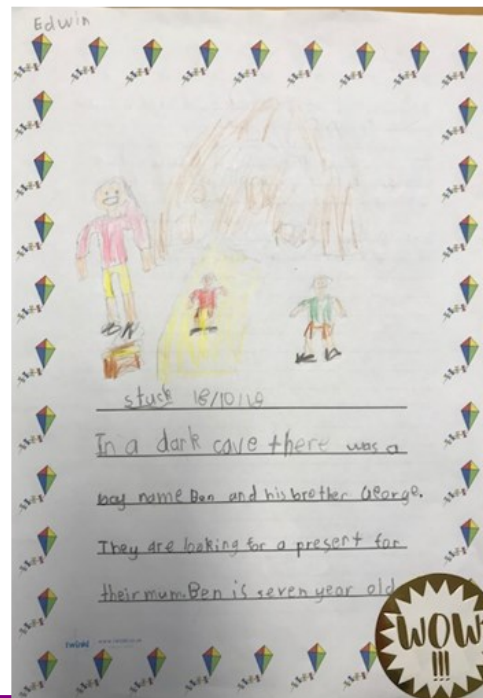
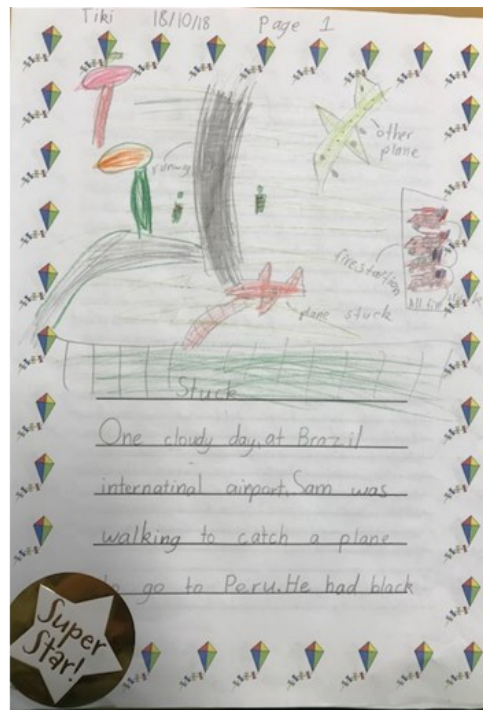




# YEAR ONE NEWS

This term Year One has been using their amazing imaginations to write creative stories! We have been using a narrative scaffold to structure our stories - orientation, complication and solution. We have been focusing on paragraphing and interesting sentence starters.

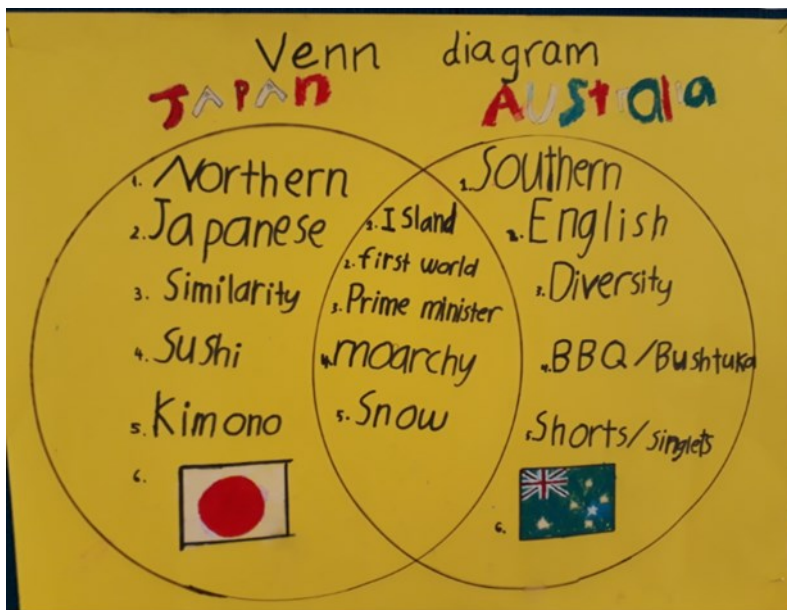
The first text we read was "Stuck" by Oliver Jeffers. Students needed to create their own characters and their problem was to be based around someone or something getting stuck!





Year Two prepared presentations of different countries. Many of the students presented on Japan. Inspired by these talks we decided to do an artwork with a Japanese theme. Jaime presented a talk on how to make an origami kimono and a crane, so she taught the class how to fold one to put in our artwork. We looked at the artworks of Kawase Hasui who paints bridges and blossoms in many of his works. We put a lady in a kimono standing by the bridge.

# YEAR TWO NEWS





## Environmentors

On Monday, Year Three were lucky enough to have an incursion from a company called Environmentors. Year Three discovered what litter does to our environment and how it can stop us from enjoying it. We discovered different types of litter and how microplastics end up in the fish we eat! We looked at our own litter behaviours and how to change them. We also discovered all the harmful things litter can cause like floods, fires and illness to people and animals. We also saw what happened to a model town when litter gets spread from the rain.

The main message of the incursion was to make sure your rubbish is in the bin properly and pick up other rubbish if you see it on the ground. We don't want rubbish around to wash into our water systems and destroy marine life.



## Year 6 Excursion to Canberra

Last Wednesday students in Year 6 arrived at school early to attend their excursion to Canberra. We had our first stop in Goulburn for morning tea where students stretched their legs and played some games before returning to the bus bound for Canberra. A lunch stop at Mount Ainsley allowed students to view Canberra from the lookout and see the following day's destinations of Parliament House and the War Memorial from above.

We soon arrived at the Australian Institute of Sport in the afternoon for a tour of the sporting grounds including the volleyball courts, swimming pool and gymnasium. The use of rigorous training and technological input was explained to students who enjoyed seeing where our Australian athletes work out and train. It was clear there are many athletes in the making at Kent Road when students entered the Sportex, an interactive sporting experience for students to try out Skiing, Football, Basketball, Cycling, the Skeleton Run, Rowing and Wheelchair Racing. After our energising AIS experience, we travelled to our accommodation at the Ibis Eagle Hawk where we split into cabins before enjoying dinner, trivia games and a movie.

Another early start on Thursday was the beginning of an action packed and very full day.

Arriving at the War Memorial after walking along Anzac Parade, students toured the exhibits, experienced a wreath laying ceremony led by Zoe, Ty, Nick and Sophie, listened to facts and stories about soldiers and veterans and remembered the sacrifice of all ANZACs for Australia. A quick bus ride took us to Parliament House where one of our Kent Road groups were greeted by our Federal Member for Bennelong, Mr John Alexander. He spoke to students about his career and answered many questions put forward about current political situations by our students. After this, Year 6 participated in a role play of passing a bill before watching the House of Representatives prior to Question Time. We then visited then Electoral Education Centre to learn about voting in Australia before strolling through the rose gardens opposite Old Parliament House. We returned to our accommodation for dinner and then were back on the bus headed to the Australian National Botanic Gardens.

A night tour searching for traces of animal life within the gardens provided glimpses of kangaroos, tawny frogmouths, possums, frogs and a variety of other wildlife. After an exciting, educational and tiring day we returned to our cabins for a good night's sleep.

The final day of our excursion began with a visit to Questacon. Many students enjoyed the free fall where they climbed a staircase to an exciting drop of about 6 metres onto a slide.

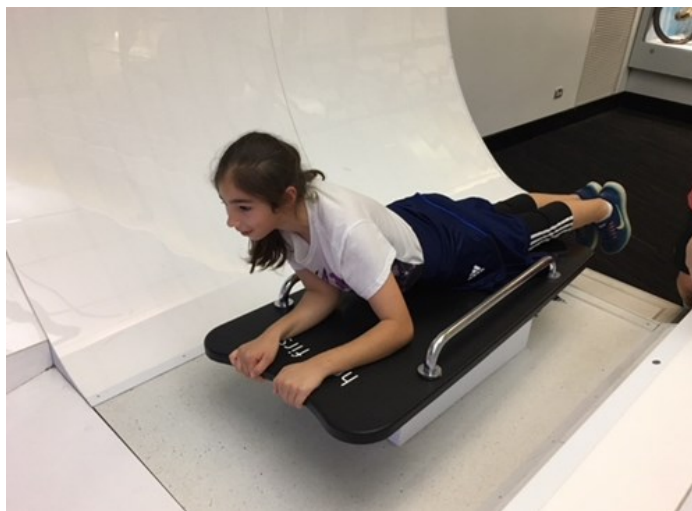
Science experiments, building activities and light, sound and tactile galleries provided the chance for students to explore scientific ideas in a hands-on and interactive way. We waved goodbye to Canberra after a lunch break outside Questacon and were back on the bus bound for Sydney.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government has contributed funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. This rebate has already been deducted, reducing the total cost charged to parents.

Thank you to our Year 6 students for representing Kent Road so well during your excursion. There were many comments about your respectful behaviour, curious questions and insightful responses which all contributed to creating a very enjoyable camp experience for all.



YEAR SIX NEWS







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## They're counting on you



On average, more than five children are killed and 47 seriously injured in driveways each year across Australia.

In NSW, six children have been killed and 15 seriously injured in driveways since January 2013.

We all have a role to play when it comes to driveway safety.

Your young child counts on you to **supervise** them near vehicles, **separate** play areas from driveways and **see** where they are at all times.

Remember to:

### **Supervise**

When your child is around driveways, they should be actively supervised by an adult who is holding their hand. Ensure that young children are placed securely in a vehicle before moving it.

### **Separate**

Treat the driveway like a road. Do not let your child use the driveway as a play area. Separate play spaces from garages and driveways. Home features including fences, high handles on garage doors and self-closing doors or gates can help.

### **See**

All vehicles have blind spots. Even though reversing sensors and cameras can help reduce blind spots, it can still be hard to see a small child until it is too late. Do not become complacent. Get into the habit of walking around your vehicle before starting it, especially when leaving an area where a young child could be present.

**KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION NEWS****KINDERGARTEN 2019 ORIENTATION THANK YOU**

Thank you to all parents / carers from classes KB, KC and KH who provided an item for the morning tea served at the conclusion of last week's first Kindergarten 2019 Orientation morning. Thanks also to Class Parents, Fiona Zhu, Mira Oi Michiel and Fiona McNeill, for their organisation of class assistance.

Thanks also to our Uniform Shop Coordinator, Kate Mason and volunteers Christy, Delilah Edith, Fran, Julie, Kate, Lisa, Naomi, Rachel and River for their time throughout the morning assisting new families and students with all their uniform needs, ensuring they are ready to begin 2019 in their uniform.

**Kent Road Public School NEON Disco – THIS FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> November**

**Where:** The School Hall

**When:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018

**Time:** **K-2** 5:00pm – 6:15pm **Years 3-6** 6:30pm – 8:00pm

**Details:** Local company **Footsteps** will be running the music, lights and dance entertainment on the night.

**Cost:** \$10 this includes entry, a drink, a small packet of chips (these will be handed out during designated break times) and 2 glowband bracelets.

**Dress:** Anything colourful

**Who:** The Neon Disco is only open to children who currently attend Kent Road Public School.

**Note:** Other glow items will also be available for sale on the night.

**Parents will not be permitted inside the hall during the disco. Parents are reminded that children must be picked up from the hall at the end of the disco. This event is run outside school hours so we do not have teachers/staff supervising.**

Please return the note distributed this week with correct money in an envelope or zip lock bag to the P&C letterbox at the School Office marked "Neon Disco", by 3:10pm today (30/10/2018).

*Kent Road Public School P&C Association*



**KENT ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP**

Our updated online uniform shop has a new address - <http://kentroadpublicschoolpcassociationuniformshop.vendecommerce.com/>.

Please use this site whenever ordering. You can also use the link on the school website. Remember to add your child's name and class when ordering.

**Items currently out of stock:**

Size 8 white polos

Size 10 white polos

Size 6 summer dresses

Backpacks

**Uniform Shop Volunteer Roster –TERM FOUR**

<b>MONDAYS</b>		<b>SHOP</b>	<b>SHIFT - 8:30am to 10am</b>		
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

<b>THURSDAYS</b>		<b>PACK</b>	<b>SHIFT - 9am to 10:30am</b>	
01/Nov/18	Week 3	Archana	Help Needed	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	



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**Afterschool Talent classes**  
Mon - Fri 15:30-17:30 / Sat 8:00-19:00  
**4-12 yrs afterschool classes**  
\*Creative doodle  
\*Pencil sketch  
\*Colour painting  
\*Calligraphy class **\$20/h & \$80/4hrs**  
\*Ink painting

**Adult's Chinese painting classes**  
Mon - Fri 10:00-14:00 / Sat 8:00-19:00  
**Adult Chinese Painting class**  
\*Provide some drawing kits  
\*Calligraphy class  
\*Ink painting(Shui-mo) **\$35/2hrs**  
\*Meticulous(Gong-bi)

**Christmas Vacation Camp**  
\* From 31/12/2018 to 25/01/2019  
Mon-Friday 8am-18pm  
6 hours care: \$45 per day  
10 hours care: \$60 per day  
\* Including 2-4 hours drawing  
(Bring your own draw's tools)  
\* Bring your own lunch. Morning &  
afternoon tea provided  
\* Only 12 places available










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