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## KEY DATES FOR 2017

### Monday 18 December

Growth and Development Program - Session 3

10.00 - 10.35 pm

Mrs Graney's/Mrs Kadziolka's Grade 3/4

11.20 - 11.55 pm

Mrs Rumley's Grade 3/4

12.05 - 12.40 pm

Mr Durno's/Mr Best's Grade 3/4 and Mrs Ross' Grade 4s

1.30 - 2.05 pm

Mr Clifford's Grade 3/4

Mrs Aitken's Grade 5/6 on excursion to Village Cinemas

### Tuesday 19 December

### Wednesday 20 December

Meet the Teacher - 9.00 am

Mrs Steele's Kinder/Prep, Mrs Lutjens' and Mrs Paine's Preps on excursion to Village Cinemas and Soundy's Park

### LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY

1.30 pm sharp in GP Room

### Thursday 21 December

FINAL WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY - 11.30 am in GP Room

### LAST DAY OF TERM 4



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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### Dear Families,

Today you will receive your child's report. This is a summary report for the year assessed against the Australian Curriculum. We would like to congratulate each student on the individual successes and achievements that have occurred throughout 2017 and look forward to building on those successes in 2018. The report will also contain your child's class placement for 2018. This is a carefully considered process. Factors considered when structuring class groups include educational, social and emotional needs of the child, gender balance, equitable size of class groups, a balance of student abilities and pairing students with others they learn well with. We would also like to thank parents who have emailed placement requests for 2018. Pleasingly, we have been able to meet the majority of these requests.

As we approach the final week of the academic year, it is a time to reflect on the contributions of our Grade 6 students to Kingston Primary School. Next week the Presentation Assembly will enable the school community to collectively thank each student as well as share key memories and moments of their time with us.

Yesterday we held our Kindergarten Orientation session. It was wonderful to see so many families and children joining us. Kindergarten is a wonderful extension of the learning that has occurred over the past four years. The Early Years Learning Framework guides the play and purposefully designed learning opportunities in our Kindergarten spaces. A strong focus of the framework is play based learning and curiosity. Curiosity becomes a key driver for children exploring and understanding themselves and their world. Independence, social and emotional learning, literacy and numeracy and self confidence are key skills that are developed. We look forward to our new students starting next year.

**Kelly Dyer**  
**PRINCIPAL**

**SCHOOL CANTEEN  
WILL BE SELLING  
ICE CREAMS FOR  
\$1.00  
ON THE LAST DAY OF  
TERM 4  
THURSDAY 21 DECEMBER.**



**SCHOOL BANKING**  
The School Banking competition for Terms 3 and 4 aimed to encourage students to remember their

Bank books even at this busy time of the year and also to highlight that it is never too late to start a savings habit.

By simply remembering her Bank Book three times in Terms 3 and 4, Lily C name went into a National draw to win some cool STEAM prizes.

**Well done Lily!!**



**WALKATHON**

A big thank you to all families who supported students in the recent Walkathon.

A total of \$3781.45 was raised.

Congratulations to all the students who did so well walking many laps of the beach in an effort to raise as much money as possible.

Thank you particularly to Bakers

Delight for providing bread for the BBQ and Salamanca Fresh for the delicious apples.

Kingston Police also did a wonderful job helping us to navigate the streets safely. Thank you to Police Officers Rachel Keygan and her husband.

**UNIFORM SHOP**

Just a reminder that Wednesday afternoon 20 December is the last day we are open for the year. The Uniform Shop is run entirely by volunteers and I would like to thank all those wonderful people that give up their time to keep the shop running.

We are still looking for volunteers to help on Wednesday January 31 and Thursday 1 February, from 9.00 am -12.00 noon or part of this time.

It can be hard to commit to something so far in the future, but if you think you might be available, please let us know by leaving your details with the Uniform Shop or the School Office. We will check back in with you if you are available closer to the date.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Jodi Enright - Uniform Co-ordinator



# Lolly Drop

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Santa will once again be cruising around the Kingston / Blackmans Bay area on the fire truck. Eager to handout your favorite lollies

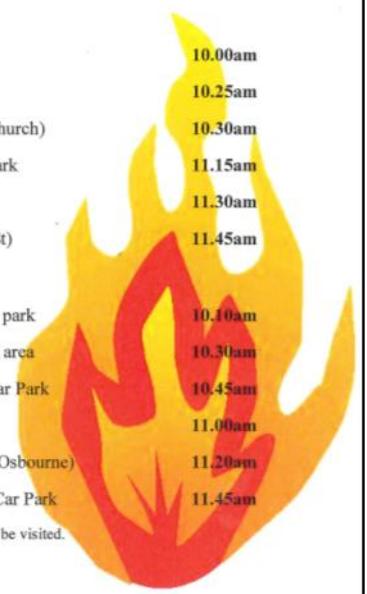
**Kingston**

- Maranoa Community Centre 10.00am
- Huntingfield, Mitre 10 car park 10.25am
- Merton Vale Circuit (Kidz Biz / Church) 10.30am
- Kingborough Sports Centre Car Park 11.15am
- Kingston Primary School 11.30am
- Firthside, (Fraser St & Campbell St) 11.45am

**Blackmans Bay**

- Illawarra Primary School front car park 10.10am
- Blackmans Bay Beach playground area 10.30am
- Blackmans Bay Primary School Car Park 10.45am
- St Aloysius School Car Park 11.00am
- Kingston Beach (cnr Beach Rd & Osbourne) 11.20am
- Kingston Town Shopping Centre Car Park 11.45am

All times are approximates and every site will be visited.



## NEWS FROM OUR ECE CLASSES

<b>MS SCHREIBER'S KINDER A UNIT D</b>	The children will meet their new teacher and class on Wednesday in the classroom they will be in next year. Thank you to all families for your support. Your children are definitely ready for their year in Prep! Enjoy the holidays everyone!
<b>MR RUSSELL'S (DOWSETT'S) KINDER B UNIT C</b>	It has been a wonderful year in Kinder B. A huge thank you to all of our parents who have so generously given their time to help out in the Kinder room this year. It has been a real pleasure and privilege to teach your children in Kinder in 2017. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
<b>MRS STEELE'S KINDER/PREP UNIT BB</b>	This week has been a very busy one! The children looked gorgeous for our Nativity play and performed beautifully. Our trip to the park and 'Aladdin' was enjoyed by everyone. Many thanks to parents for your support over the year. I wish you all an enjoyable Christmas and New Year.
<b>MRS LUTJENS' PREP UNIT B</b>	The children enjoyed the play 'Aladdin' and they have one more treat next week!! We are going to the Cinema to watch 'Paddington'. What a wonderful and productive year we have had in Prep. I would like to say thank you to all my children and families for your great effort over the year and I wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas holiday.
<b>MRS PAINE'S PREP UNIT P</b>	We had a fantastic excursion to see 'Aladdin' yesterday. Please remember to return the permission slip for the Cinema as soon as possible. We have had a wonderful year together and I hope you all have a great Christmas and a wonderful break with your beautiful children.
<b>MRS GRAY'S/ MRS NEAL'S GRADE 1 UNIT O</b>	We had a wonderful excursion on Monday with Mr Barr and Lisa Kuplis at the helm. Sounds like it was a fabulous, fun filled day out. We have been embarking on Christmas craft alongside continuation of our Science theme, 2D shapes and strong writing focus.
<b>MISS BARKER'S GRADE 1/2 UNIT N</b>	This week we continued with our <b>Christmas craft</b> activities ~ sewing stockings, sequin balls, candle holders and more! In English we looked at <b>suffixes</b> and how these change the meaning of the base word. The <b>Super Students</b> next week are <b>Tommy G</b> and <b>Lily R</b> . <b>It has been a fabulous year and I wish all of my students a wonderful and safe Christmas!</b>
<b>MS MILLINGTON'S GRADE 2 UNIT A</b>	Merry Christmas! Not many sleeps to go now. To reinforce the 'gift of giving' students are asked to bring a small plate to share for a combined Christmas Lunch with Ms Wood's Grade 1/2 on Wednesday 20 December.
<b>MS WOOD'S GRADE 1/2 UNIT AA</b>	Well somehow another school year has whizzed by. Thank you all for your support and involvement throughout the year. On Wednesday we will be having a joint celebration with Ms Millington's Grade 2. If you could send along a small food item to share it would be appreciated. Have a very safe and happy summer holiday and I look forward to catching up with everyone in 2018!

## NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY CLASSES

<b>MRS RUMLEY'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT F</b>	This week we have been learning about vegetation types including deserts, tropical rainforests and savannas. We hope our Parents and Carers can join us in our classroom on Monday 18 December from 2:00 - 2:40 pm to see our wonderful projects!
<b>MR DURNO'S/ MR BEST'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT G</b>	We are lucky to have a garden that has grown considerably since we grew the bean and corn plants in the classroom and transplanted them. Our learning about companion planting has reaped rewards!
<b>MR CLIFFORD'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT H</b>	Wow what a year! We have wrapped up this Term with some Christmas activities including making decorations, mini Christmas puddings and window displays. I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing holiday. See you in 2018!
<b>MRS GRANNEY'S/ MRS KADZIOLKA'S GRADE 3/4 UNIT I</b>	Mrs Kadziolka and I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching our wonderful Grade 3/4 class. Students have enjoyed working on the different aspects of Health Education with Mrs Kadziolka and particularly the Friday tastings of fruit, vegetables and healthy snack choices. A big thank you to Mr Turnbull for taking our class while Mrs Granney was on Long Service Leave. I look forward to our final week for 2017 and hope to see some family members at our Tuesday afternoon, sharing the children's work. Have a safe and relaxing holiday and Merry Christmas!
<b>MRS ROSS' GRADE 4/5 UNIT S</b>	Thank you to all family members who came to our sharing afternoon today. The students have worked hard and are proud of what they have done, so thank you for showing your support. Next week we will be having our last Buddy class and enjoying some festive activities. I wish everyone an enjoyable, safe and well deserved holiday.
<b>MR McVEIGH'S GRADE 5/6 UNIT L</b>	Well done to all my students on a fantastic year. Hope you and your families have a wonderful Christmas and an enjoyable 2018. All the best to the Grade 6s for High School next year. I want to hear many great things that you have done.
<b>MRS AITKEN'S GRADE 5/6 UNIT M</b>	It is a time to reflect on the year and remember all the amazing achievements made by students in my class. They have worked very hard all year and deserve a well earned rest over the Summer holidays. We have our Leavers' Assembly next Wednesday 20 December where we will officially farewell our Grade 6 students. All parents are encouraged to attend. I would personally like to thank my students' parents for all their support throughout the year and I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.
<b>MR LUTJENS' GRADE 5/6 UNIT R</b>	It is the final week of the year next week and I want to say a big thank you to all of the students and parents who have made this school experience such a memorable and wonderful one. Grade 6s will be performing in the Leavers' Assembly on Wednesday and I hope to see you there. We will be doing our Secret Santa on Wednesday morning next week so please have presents wrapped and ready to be handed out.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**MAGGIE DENT - A seminar for parents (From the Sandpit to Adulthood)** will be held on Tuesday 23 January 2018 from 7.00 - 8.30 pm at the Kingston High School Auditorium, 6 Kingston View Drive, Kingston. Gold coin donation to Childhood Cancer Research Foundation. Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/maggie-dent-from-the-sandpit-to-adulthood-tickets-40352483364> Enquiries: Lynne Rayner—[Irayner@bbchildcare.org](mailto:Irayner@bbchildcare.org)

**ST LUKE'S CHURCH TAROONA** will be celebrating Jesus' birthday on Sunday 24 December from 6.00 - 7.00 pm featuring Christmas Carols, the Christmas story, Christmas craft and birthday cake.

## STUDENT CONTRIBUTIONS



### MRS GRAY'S/ MRS NEAL'S GRADE I

Ready for Summer

All students  
performed  
sensationally during  
the ECE Aquatic  
program at  
Collegiate Pool  
this term.



From riding on the bus; walking to and from the pool; changing in and out of bathers; to their responsiveness in the pool, Mrs Gray and Mrs Neal were really pleased with their effort, attitude and behaviour. Well done Grade I. You are now more prepared for the Summer ahead.



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