

# School Newsletter 0418, 21 March 2018

## Coming Events



- Thursday 22 March – Interschool swimming carnival (by invitation)
- Friday 30 March – Good Friday – **students do not attend**
- Monday 2 April – Easter Monday – **students do not attend**
- Tuesday 3 April – Easter Tuesday – **students do not attend**
- Thursday 5 April – Edudance concert 2.15pm – please see schedule in Principal's section below
- Monday 9 April – Edudance concert 2.15pm – please see schedule in Principal's section below
- Wednesday 11 April – *12 noon early close* due to parent/teacher interviews
- Friday 13 April – ANZAC ceremony 10am
- Friday 13 April – Last day of Term 1
- Tuesday 1 May – Students return for Term 2

## Principal's Message



### Harmony Day – Everyone Belongs

Thank you to everyone who came along to join in this fun afternoon with a picnic and games. We were so sorry to have needed to postpone this event, especially as the forecast rain did not eventuate. It is a shame our crystal ball was not working at the time. A special thanks to the Weinrebs for allowing us to use their big games in the undercover area. We were also very proud of the way the Year 6 faction leaders conducted the games sessions.



This morning's free dress/national costume assembly was lovely to witness too. We should all be proud of our cultural heritage, so it was a great opportunity to recognise our diverse cultural backgrounds. If you wish to donate some potted colour (flowers) to be planted around the school, it is not too late; we are still planting for the rest of the week. It is lovely to see the pockets of colour in our gardens. Your children have also been (or will be) involved in making Japanese origami paper cranes to represent peace. If you haven't heard about Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes (a children's book written by Eleanor Coerr) – it is a very moving story which explains the history and continued use of the paper crane as a peace symbol. Or check out the Wikipedia page :

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadako\\_and\\_the\\_Thousand\\_Paper\\_Cranes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadako_and_the_Thousand_Paper_Cranes) or the YouTube clip : <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tcsKcgEtlNc>



"This is our cry, this is our prayer: to create peace in the world" – Hiroshima children's peace monument



"I will write peace on your wings, and you will fly all over the world" – Sadako Sasaki, aged 12

## Evacuation Drill

We have an evacuation drill scheduled for 4<sup>th</sup> April (after Easter) involving fire and emergency staff and vehicles. This initiative is to help us identify our strengths and weaknesses and prepare for any emergency in the future. We will be seeking feedback from these professionals to improve our processes and practices. We would appreciate it if you would discuss this with your child (as will their teachers) to help prepare them for this event.

## Documented Plans

Every classroom has a wide variety of student achievement and every student requires some individual attention from the teacher to help them achieve their potential. This means that each teacher is providing quality differentiated teaching adjustments every day. They plan for these adjustments and also make them on an ad hoc basis as the need arises. The Department of Education at the end of last year, through a memo from the Director General (DG), clarified when a documented plan (IEP, GEP, IBP etc.) was required and when it was not. This was as a response to workload issues. Under the DG's instructions many documented plans which teachers previously wrote will no longer be required. Only students who have substantial adjustments made for them will need to have a documented plan. Classroom teachers, when they meet with parents later this term, will identify the learning needs of each child (goals etc.) and, unless a child requires substantial adjustments, the outcomes of the goals set during this meeting will be reported at the end of each semester through the regular student reports. These report comments will explain the adjustments made and any suggestions for future strategies to support learning.

## Edudance Concerts

We have two Edudance performances scheduled for the end of this term. It is the culmination of a term's work with the Edudance teachers. The following classes have their concert on the afternoon of the Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April:

P2	Mrs Harris
Room 2	Ms Kennedy
Room 4	Miss May
Room 5	Miss Taylor
Room 7	Ms Pedley and Mrs Bushen
Room 10	Mrs Filmer
S1	Mrs Skinner and Mrs Walters
S4	Mr Griffiths

The following classes have their concert on the afternoon of Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April:

P1	Mrs Dellar
Room 1	Mrs Smith and Mrs Mehnert
Room 3	Ms Lally and Mrs Carpenter
Room 8	Miss Learmonth
Room 9	Mrs Nicholas and Mrs Van Aurich
S2	Miss Roso
S3	Mrs Millar

Both concerts will commence at 2:15pm in the undercover area. We suggest you arrive at 2pm. Please join us to watch your child perform.

## School App



Thanks to all those people who have downloaded the new school app. For those who haven't, please follow the [instructions attached](#) for downloading, allowing notifications and subscribing to particular classrooms. As well as receiving current notifications regarding the whole school and those specific only to your child/ren's classroom/s, you can also access a variety of other information, such as the current term calendar and uniform order information. Also, individual calendar events are added to the calendar section of the app. If you wish then to add them to your own calendar, you can just click on the event (make sure you allow this in the Settings options of your phone for Smartlink).

## **Band Treat**

Last week the band were treated to a visit from a professional musician, Andrew Nicholson, the principal flutist from the WA Symphony Orchestra (WASO). The children were mesmerised by his his gold flute and encouraged by his achievements. Thank you to Alana Arnold for arranging this visit.



## **Jewellery Design Competition**

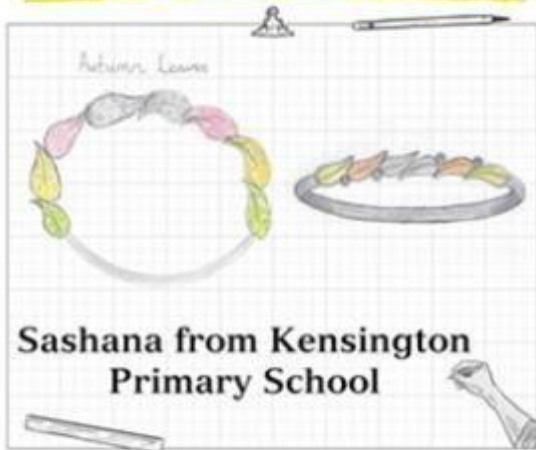
Congratulations to the following students for being selected as finalists in the Soklich & Co. Jewellery Design competition.

Ella B – S3  
Darcey T – Room 5  
Sashana B – S3

Voting for the winner is open on Soklich & Co.'s Facebook page and will finish on Thursday 22 March, so get in quick if you wish to vote. The winning piece will be handmade in front of their store during the Angelo Street Marketplace.

SOKLICH & Co.

jewellery design drawing competition



**Sashana from Kensington  
Primary School**

SOKLICH & Co.

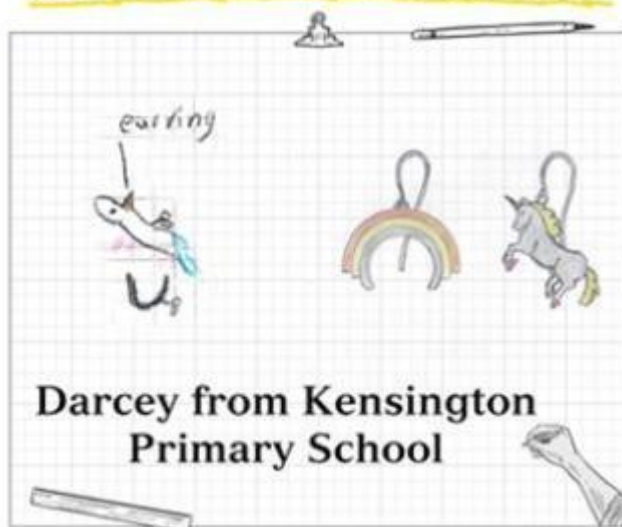
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**Ella from Kensington  
Primary School**

SOKLICH & Co.

jewellery design drawing competition



**Darcey from Kensington  
Primary School**

## Como and Kent Street SHS information session

### Parents of Years 4, 5 and 6 students

It's time to start thinking about your child's transition to secondary school.

Leaders from Como Secondary College

and

Kent Street Senior High School

will be here in the **undercover area**

on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 9am**

to present their Approved Specialist Programs  
& to answer questions about high school in general.

Parents are invited to come along with your child to attend this important information session.

Please join us!



## Coles Sports for Schools



If you have any Sports for Schools vouchers, please place them in the box outside the staffroom or in the box located in the Senior Block as soon as possible. The promotion will be closing shortly and we will be sending in our vouchers in the near future.

## Year 6 Easter Raffle information



# Easter Raffle

The Year 6 students are preparing an Easter Raffle for KPS students.

Ticket Prices: 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5

Tickets will be sold on Friday 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 8.30am, second break and 3pm in the Junior & Senior Blocks.

Prizes will be drawn on Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> March.

Year 6 Fundraising Committee

**Don't forget the school is closed on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.**

*Bronwyn Jones*  
**PRINCIPAL**



## Foyer Display

Room 4 have created a colourful display of hands celebrating Harmony Day. Stop by and have a look!



## Virtue & Honour Awards



### Self Discipline

Self discipline is self control. You may not be able to control your thoughts and feelings but you can control what you do with them. You don't lose control of yourself when you are hurt or angry but you decide how you are going to talk and what you are going to do.

Congratulations to the following award winners from today's assembly.

#### Virtue Awards 21/3/2018

<i>Room</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Name</i>
P/1	Amelie	1	Syrus
2	Brody	3	Benji
4	Abby	5	Mackenzi
7	Madeleine	8	Fin
9	Anna	10	Julian
S1	Edward	S2	---
S3	Jack	S4	Cameron

#### Honour Awards 21/3/2018

<i>Room</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Name</i>
P/1	Julian	P3	Matias & Griffin
1	Olive	2	Annabelle
3	Maya	4	Thomas
5	Jackson	7	Nicole
8	Marcus	9	Ethan
10	Olivia	S1	Baxter
S2	---	S3	Ella
S4	Hinna	Japanese	S4
Music	Lily & Nate		



## Faction Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to all swimmers who competed in the faction carnival and well done to our medallion winners.

Year	Champion	Faction	Runner Up	Faction
3 & Under Boys	William	Parmelia	Lucas	Investigator
3& Under Girls	Niamh	Parmelia	Sophia	Investigator
4 Boys	Beau	Endeavour	Eddie	Parmelia
4 Girls	Hannah	Investigator	Laila	Endeavour
5 Boys	Liam	Investigator	Griffin	Investigator
5 Girls	Olivia	Endeavour	Monet	Cygnets
6 Boys	Marc	Parmelia	Lachlan	Endeavour
6 Girls	Amelia	Endeavour	Sashana	Investigator



8 records were broken!!

Year 3 and under breaststroke – Sophia

Year 4 butterfly– Beau

Year 5 butterfly– Griffin

Year 6 backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle – Marc

Year 6 breaststroke – Sashana

The final results were: –

Place	Faction	Points
1	Investigator	3128
2	Parmelia	2114
3	Endeavour	1757
4	Cygnets	1652



A huge thank you to Martine and all the parents who assisted on the day and to Ms Backhouse for her organisation and for coordinating the fun activities in the inside pool.

The school team (Year. 4 -6) will compete in the Interschool carnival tomorrow against Millen, East Victoria Park, Victoria Park and South Perth. We wish them well as they proudly represent Kensington Primary School. There will be a team breakfast in the Music Room at 8.00am before the carnival.

**Thank you**

Big thanks to Kim Law for the new faction flags – we look forward to displaying them soon!

**School Sport WA**



Please [click here](#) if you were born in 2006/2007 and are interested in trying out for the 2018 Interstate School Sport Hockey Teams.

## P&C News



### Dads **U**nited for **C**hildren of **K**ensington Primary

DUCKs is a group of dads that meets for social events with their kids to encourage a closer bond between them and their children.

Stay updated on upcoming events by registering on our website.



# DUCKS

[ducks.net.au](http://ducks.net.au)

**DUCKS Wacky Winter Olympics : 2pm, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

*Don't forget the Olympics hit town this Saturday afternoon!*

Everyone is welcome to the first DUCKS Wacky Winter Olympics at **Morris Mundy Reserve** on Saturday arvo 24<sup>th</sup> March.

Expect a series of Winter Olympic events with a twist. BBQ to follow. The whole family are welcome!

MAKE SURE YOU RSVP IF YOU'RE COMING – Dave Mundy on [hhmst1@westnet.com.au](mailto:hhmst1@westnet.com.au) or 0433 095 416.

*DUCKs events are open to any KPS Dads, father figures, brothers, uncles, grandads and their kids. Anyone can come along! If you're interested/unsure/or just don't know, please feel free to contact Dave Mundy on 0433 095 416 or email [hhmst1@westnet.com.au](mailto:hhmst1@westnet.com.au) to be added to the DUCKs email list. Check out the website at [ducks.net.au](http://ducks.net.au)*

## **Uniform Shop**

The uniform committee are happy to announce the launch of our new online ordering system. You can either order through an app on your phone/tablet or on a computer from the Team App website.

We have placed a "How to order online" document on the school's Smartlink app under School Documents. There will also be a photocopy of this in the office and a link on the Uniform page of the school website.

Please read the FAQ page as many of your questions may be answered there. If you have any other queries, please email Fiona Patten (Uniform Coordinator) at [kensingtonpspc@gmail.com](mailto:kensingtonpspc@gmail.com).

There will still be paper copies of the uniform order form in reception if you prefer. We are trialling a continual ordering system rather than cut-off dates for parents and will see how this goes for Terms 1 and 2. So please place an order as needed and we will aim to fill it as soon as possible, given items are in stock at the shop.

Please remember we are volunteers and do the best we can with what is available. The other important thing to know is that if you would like to order a faction shirt and you are unsure of your child's faction, please ask at reception for this information. Younger siblings will always be in the same faction as older siblings. For children that need a new faction shirt, especially with sports carnivals in mind, please order one now. We have varying sizes but if we don't have your child's correct size it allows us time to get shirts ordered and printing done as this takes some time. There are also second hand faction shirts available.

Many thanks,

Uniform Committee

## General Information



DARLING RANGE  
SPORTS COLLEGE

Trials for our high performance sports programs  
are being held on:

Trial 1 - Wednesday, 28 March 2018

Trial 2 – Thursday 21 June 2018

AFL, Athletics, Baseball, Basketball, Netball,  
Soccer, Swimming

Children who currently participate in any of  
these sports at club level are welcome  
to trial for possible enrolment at  
Darling Range Sports College in 2019

Please visit our website for further details

Phone: 9453 0100  
117 Berkshire Road, Forrestfield  
[darlingrangesc@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:darlingrangesc@education.wa.edu.au)  
[www.darlingrangesc.wa.edu.au](http://www.darlingrangesc.wa.edu.au)

*Dare to Dream*

# Australian STORYTELLERS feSTivaL

Help to celebrate 25 years of The Literature Centre on Sunday 8 April. There are a wide range of sessions available for all ages, with many well known authors presenting! Please [click here](#) to view the flyer.

## Community News



The Baha'i day camp is back these April school holidays. They will run for four days during the second week of the holidays and are open to all children from Pre-primary to Year 6. For more information, please see the [attached flyer](#).



Please [click here](#) for information on a 5 week program for children 10 years and under, taking place at Perth Hockey Stadium from 28 April until 26 May.





Please [click here](#) to view a flyer for the next series of parenting courses, to be held at the Leisurelife Centre in East Victoria Park.



Skateboarding WA is holding a free skateboarding clinic at Manning Skatepark on 24 March. [Click here](#) for more information.



Kensington PCYC are holding a silent disco on Saturday 7 April to celebrate National Youth Week. Please [click here](#) for all of the details.

### **Victoria Park Panthers Hockey Club**

Are you new to hockey? The new season starts in the first week of May. [Click here](#) to view the flyer.



Are you interested in hosting a French exchange student? [Click here](#) for more information.

*\*The above community advertisements are for your information only and should not be taken as endorsement by Kensington Primary School.*