Year 6 Camp
The year 6 camp was held last week and it was an absolute delight to see the Kingston students demonstrate their ability to confront their fears, work as a team and show respect while out at Camp Mornington. We deliberately hold the camp early in the year for our final year students and devise a program to develop each student. Activities such as raft building, abseiling, mid ropes, archery, crate climbing and a very challenging flying fox in the dark were among some of the challenges. The students worked as a team and supported each other and were a credit to our school. I would like to also congratulate all staff involved in the camp, including teachers, Education Assistants and Deputy Principals who worked 24 hours a day to ensure that all students had a wonderful experience.

Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to the students who self-nominated to represent their house in the annual House Swimming Carnival, held last Friday at the Harvey Pool. Seventy nine students from years 4-6 participated and it was great to see students have a go. The weather was perfect, the commitment and behaviour of the students outstanding and a crowd of supporting parents and friends turned up to cheer the students on. From the place getters at the carnival we will choose an interschool team, to compete against Parkfield and Eaton Primary Schools in the coming weeks.

Choir and Band Dilemma
There is no doubt that Mr Basile has reinvigorated the desire to be part of the choir and the band as 140 students turned up to try out for two 40 member choirs. Mr Basile was unable to accommodate everyone in the music room on the day that he called for interested students. A letter was sent out to all students who were interested outlining the selection process and invitations were sent out soon after. To ensure that all students can participate in some way, he is working on a weekly session for those students who missed out on selection for the choir this year to continue with their choir ambitions.

Swimming Lessons
After surveying parents over recent years, I have been working hard to change our swimming lessons format to reflect the feedback. The key issues were cost and time of year. I have been able to negotiate reduced pool entry fees with the shire of Harvey and have been able to secure lessons for all students either at the end of term 3 or beginning of term 4. Years 4, 5 and 6 will have double lessons over one week, reducing the costs of buses and pool entry, while the year 1-3 students will have two weeks of lessons but in the warmer months. After all of this negotiation, I need parents to support swimming lessons when the time comes, by sending your children.

Education Minister's Visit
Last Friday we received an unexpected visit from the WA Minister for Education, the Hon Peter Collier. Mr Collier was keen to see the year 5/6 mathematics extension group working on their Cars, Maths in Motion project. Kingston students will represent Australia in an upcoming race against 8 other countries. The program requires the students to use their mathematics skills to tune a formula 1 race car to compete on tracks around the world. Tuning includes aerodynamic downforce, gear ratios, suspension, fuel consumption, tyre wear, climatic conditions and engine temperature. The students are competing in knock out rounds and semi-finals shortly. If they do well, a team will travel to London for the grand-final. While this is a long shot, you have to be in it to win it. Go Australia, Go Kingston!!
Labour Day Long Weekend
It only seems like yesterday that we came back to school, but we are in week 4 already. Please be aware that this weekend is the Labour Day long weekend. Students will not be required to attend school on Monday 2nd March.

P&C AGM
On Wednesday 4th March, we are holding our Parents and Citizens Association, AGM. It would be fantastic to see lots of parents attend and get involved in what is a dynamic, supportive association that supports the school in many ways. I look forward to seeing you there.

School Chaplain
We have been fortunate enough to secure funding for a School Chaplain for 2015. We have engaged the services of Reet Joy to work with us on Monday and Tuesday of each week. Reet has plenty of experience as a chaplain and she has already started to work with students at Kingston. Welcome Reet.

Classroom Information Sessions
We have now completed all class information sessions and I would like to thank parents for showing an interest in how their child’s class will function this year. There was a common theme throughout all meetings as we demonstrate our whole school approaches to behaviour management, literacy, numeracy and visible learning which looks at the way we praise students for maximum effect.

Trip to Japan
The trip to our sister school, Takenodai Elementary School in Kobe, Japan, is now a reality with flights and accommodation locked in. Nine students will represent Kingston, along with 4 parents and three staff as we spend 8 days on this cultural exchange trip. We have been able to bring the price in under $2000 for students and we are hopeful that after the success of this trip, it will become a bi-annual event open to year 5 and 6 students. So if you are interested, the next one will be in 2017.

Alan Kidd

Visit from Hon. Peter Collier, WA Minister for Education – Cars, Maths in Motion Group – Years 5 and 6.
Virtue of the Fortnight

CONFIDENCE

Confidence is having faith in something or someone. It is a kind of trust. When you have self-confidence, you trust that you have what it takes to handle whatever happens. You feel sure of yourself and enjoy trying new things. When you are confident in others, you rely on them and confide in them.

I am confident. I love to try new things and give them the best I have to give. I appreciate my gifts. I welcome new possibilities.

Merit Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received Merit Awards recently:


PIZZA WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to the following students who were treated to Pizza with the Principal for displaying their virtues around the school recently:

Joshua Evans, Matt Hill, Dylan Baker, Finlay Moulton, Jake Bajaky, Lachlan Mackay, Emily Grinter, Andrew Schumacher.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL GOES OFF WITH A SPLASH!

Last Friday the 20th Feb, the students from Kingston travelled to Harvey Swimming pool to compete in our Annual Swimming Competition. The students swimming were racing to earn a spot in the Interschool squad which will be competing later in the term. The events included Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke and Butterfly.

The students showed strong determination in all their events. We finished the day off with several water fun based activities including Rambo’s Rescue, Rise the Titanic and everyone’s favourite, the Bomble Comp.

The day would not have been so successful without our parent helpers, Belinda Cornelius, Aaron Mortimer, Wendy Brenssell, Jolene and Rian de Swardt, Caroline Huxtable and Tim Culloton. Thank you for your support.

Matt Campbell – PE Teacher

SUSTAINABILITY CORNER

Nominations for the new senior student (Year 6) sustainability group are due this Friday. These students will promote sustainable practices through the school, such as maintaining the school gardens, the Kingston compost challenge, and running the Litter Patrol competition. Students need to seek their parents’ permission and address their application letters to Mr Kidd by Friday 27th February to be considered for this whole of year responsibility.

Ross Millington – Sustainability Team

BASKETBALL SUPERSTARS!

Congratulations to Trent Morrow, Ryley Netherton, Whiu Pitman and Mitchell Lawler who all took part in the Basketball Country Championships representing Australind. Their team was undefeated in the 2 day carnival, and won the grand final 59-13. Mitchell Lawler was awarded All Star as well.

Well done boys!
P&C MEETING

P&C UPDATE

The next P&C meeting is our AGM on Wednesday 4th March at 7.00pm in the Kingston Primary School staff room.

Everyone welcome!

WHAM WINNERS!
Congratualtions to all the students who won ice creams and Pizza with the Principal for wearing their helmets to school this week.

Keep wearing your helmets for more chances to win! You never know when we’ll be there!

If you are available to help out with WHAM please contact Julee Smith on 0410 334 456.

Term 1 WHAM Proudly Sponsored by:

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UNIFORM NEWS

The Uniform Shop is fully stocked – call in, or order online.

School Bags are available at the special price of $32 this term only.

CANTEEN NEWS

We Urgently Need Volunteers

Your help is needed to keep the prices low, and the choices available on our Menu.

Online Lunch Orders: The cut off time for online orders is 9.30am daily. Please make sure you have changed your child’s room number.

Late Lunch Orders: All orders received at the canteen after 10.30am will receive a basic sandwich.

Summer Menu: Please make sure you are ordering from the Summer Menu - Term 4, 2014 & Term 1, 2015. If you do not have a copy please call into the canteen to get one, or email us and we can email it to you.

Allergy Aware Canteen: Our policy is always available at the Canteen.

Thankyou
The Canteen Team

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Upcoming Fundraisers:

Easter Raffle: We will be collecting prize donations for our Easter Raffle. There will be a tub at the front office from Weds 4th March, and all Easter themed donations would be greatly appreciated. Tickets will be coming home mid March.

Bakers Delight Hot Cross Bun Fundraiser: forms coming home soon.

Looking forward to another great year of fundraising!

Megan Schneiker Fundraiser Co-ordinator
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COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

REGISTRATION DAY - CATHOLIC AFTER SCHOOLS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
If you have a child who requires a Catholic Sacrament ie Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation or if you would simply like them to receive some Religious instruction, please come along and attend our Registration Day on Monday 23rd March 2015, from 3.30-4.30pm at Christ the Living Vine Church, Mardo Avenue, Australind. If you have any queries please contact Diana letto on 0437 903 377.

Looking forward to seeing you there!!

EATON NETBALL REGISTRATIONS – NOW OPEN!
Eaton Netball Association Registration details are now loaded onto the website. Please visit www.eatonnetballassociation.wa.netball.com.au

HARVEY BRUNSWICK LESCHENAUT FOOTBALL
Registrations are now open for the 2015 season for students in Year 4 to Year 11. All registrations must be completed by 11th March 2015 and can be done online or at the registration afternoons on 17th and 19th February from 4.00-6.00pm at the Leschenault Recreation Pavilion. For any other information please call Katherine on 0437 286 254.

AUSKICK REGISTRATIONS
Attention all PP-Year 3 Footy Fanatics! Auskick 2015 is nearly here!
Head to auskick.com.au to register and then come on down to the new Leschenault Pavilion on Thursday March 19th, 4-6pm or Sunday March 22nd, 2-5pm to pay your fees, collect your Auskick pack of goodies and sign up for parent coaching. Please print off and bring down your registration paper work.
Head to our ‘Auskick HBL’ Facebook page for the latest information.

Check Out This App: Aurasma – By Aurasma – FREE

Description
Aurasma is the industry-leading augmented reality app that’s changing the way millions of people see and interact with the world. In fact, it’s the only mobile app that lets you create and share your own augmented reality experiences!
Create:
• Use the simple step-by-step creation wizard within the app to make your own Auras and share them with friends and other Aurasma users.
• Build Auras using your own photos and videos, or alternatively, select from thousands of digital animations available on the platform. Most popular user-generated Auras include adding 3D dinosaurs to your street, sending a video message on a greetings card, leaving hidden clues in a treasure hunt, or adding information to classroom materials.

Auslan Sign of the Fortnight

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[Image: Auslan Sign of the Fortnight]
Protective Behaviours Workshop
5-7pm on Thursday 5th March
Kingston Primary School Library

This workshop is a must for all parents and carers and suitable for those with children in the Kindy and Primary age range. This comprehensive training workshop has been designed to teach parents the content of the internationally acclaimed Protective Behaviours Child Safety Program in order to increase their children’s personal safety. There are many ways of talking to children about their personal safety and when we do so it is important that we do not scare them or leave them feeling unsafe, afraid or dis-empowered.

Protective Behaviours provides children with strategies to keep themselves safe and cope with situations that threaten their well being.

The program empowers the individual with the right to feel safe and sets out ways in which they can gain the appropriate help when they are not feeling safe.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS WORKSHOP IS TO:

• Provide parents and carers with a basic understanding of child sexual abuse and other unsafe situations
• Provide specific personal safety training skills, techniques and examples to use with your children
• Lessen your anxiety about your children’s safety so you can allow them the freedom of movement they need as they grow up.

Presented by:
Natalie Robertson
Parenting Coordinator
Department of Local Government and Communities

Limited spaces available:
RSVP by email to Kingston.ps@education.wa.edu.au or by phone on 9797 0451 before Tuesday 3rd March 2015
Rally 4 RESPECT

Thursday 26 March 2015
Meet 4pm, Anzac Park
(Stirling Street next to Bunbury Library)

Get together for a good cause and make a difference in your community.

Bring your friends & family to this FREE event - entertainment, spot prizes, balloons and much more.

More info: Sarah-Jane Smith 0409 167 804 or bunburyrespect@gmail.com
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