

CALENDAR**OCTOBER**

School council meeting	Mon 9
Calm at Forefront Incursion P-6	Thu 12
Prep 2024 Storytime 2.30—2.50pm	Thu 12
Space Virtual Reality Incursion 5– 6	Fri 13
Democracy Sausage Sizzle	Sat 14
Prep 2024 Storytime 2.30—2.50pm	Thu 19
Soccer day	Fri 20
MANGO ORDERS DUE!	Tue 24
Edendale Farm Excursion P– 2	Wed 25
Grade 6 Leadership Day	Thu 26

NOVEMBER

Bushwahzee visit P-6	Thu 2
Melbourne Cup Holiday	Tue 7
Grade 1 Dinner	Thu 9
Grade 2 Sleepover	Thu 9
Prep Breakfast	Fri 10
Prep Transition Session 1	Fri 10
Interschool Sports Away	Fri 10
Swimming Prep—2	Tue 14
Swimming Prep—2	Wed 15
Prep Transition Session 2 9.15-10.30am	Fri 17
Interschool Sports Away Panton Hill 5-6	Fri 17
Swimming Prep—2	Tue 21
Swimming Prep—2	Wed 22
Prep Transition Session 3 9.15-11.00am	Fri 24
Grade 6 Graduation Dinner	Tue 28
Swimming Prep—2	Tue 28
Swimming Prep—2	Wed 29
Chess Tournament	Thu 30

DECEMBER

Meet the Teacher (Prep 2024)	Wed 13
Meet the Teacher (current P-5)	Thur 14
Grade 6 Big Day Out -Fun Fields	Wed 6
EOY Colour Fun Run/Picnic	Fri 15
Final assembly-G6 farewell 2.50	Mon 18

5 October Newsletter 30**From the Principal****TERM 4 FUNDRAISING**

Please check today's newsletter for all the term four fundraising activities. Mango order forms were sent home today.

COMMUNITY BUSHFIRE SAFETY EXPO

This Sunday 8th October, there will be a bushfire expo at the St Andrews market from 10am to 5pm. The expo will include children's activities and presentations. Please see today's newsletter for further details.

**WELCOME SARNY WARRINGTON**

On behalf of everyone in the KG school community I'd like to congratulate Nathan and Thyda Warrington on the birth of their son, Sarny, on Sunday 17th September. All are all doing well and we look forward to catching up with Sarny at his first visit to KG.

CUP DAY HOLIDAY

Our school will remain open the day before Cup Day again this year. Many of our families still choose to take a long weekend at this time so we would like to get some idea of those children who will or won't be attending school on Monday 6th November. A message will be sent via XUNO so please respond Yes or No to let us know if your child/children will attend.

Due to the small student numbers, after school care is not available on this day.

BIKE EDUCATION

Our prep to grade 2 children will be taking part a bike education course as part of our HPE program on Friday 13, 20 and 27 October. The course will be taken by a qualified instructor and will take place on the school grounds. Children will develop their safe riding skills.

We would like parents to drop their children's bike and helmet (named) at the school next week. The bikes will be stored below the deck by the oval. A bike safety check will be carried out in preparation for the program. If children need to use their bikes over the weekends parents can collect and drop them off so they are here for the Friday sessions. Loan bikes are available.

NEW BUILDING UPDATE

A new electricity main has been installed to allow the school's power to be reconnected and generators to be removed.

Wet weather has delayed the completion of our new portable installation. We hope to be able to move into the building next week.

The tendering process for our new school building is currently under way with builders visiting our site to assess the project.

HOT WEATHER DAYS – 35 DEGREES AND OVER

On days forecast to be 35 degrees and over we run a different timetable. The lunch break is shortened to half an hour and the children start their afternoon classes earlier. The school day finishes at 3:00pm and parents are able to collect their children from 3:00pm. Children will still be supervised in class until the normal dismissal time of 3:20pm. This will keep the children out of the sun for an extended period of time in extreme conditions. We will use the official Bureau of Meteorology weather forecast. Please contact the school if you are unsure of our arrangements on these days.

2024 PREP TRANSITION

Our 2024 transition program begins next week with Storytime sessions in the Prep rooms. Formal classroom transition sessions will take place on Friday mornings during November from 9:00am until 10:15am. At this stage we have 36 preps enrolled for next year.

Laurie Murray
Principal

CONTACT US

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Out of School Hours Care (OSHC): 9712 0124 / 0419 893 272 kgpsoshc@bigpond.com

Fundraising

Mango Fundraiser- orders due 24/10/2023

We will again be running the popular Mango Fundraiser! This is on some pretty tight timeframes due to the Australian mango shortage predicted for this season! If you haven't seen the news, I am not making this up- <https://7news.com.au/sunrise/on-the-show/mango-shortage-set-to-hit-christmas-and-summer-holiday-period-as-unusual-weather-takes-toll-on-queensland-growers-c-11804621> In order to make sure you don't ruin Christmas by not having enough mangos (or having to pay premium prices at the shops) – order your trays through the primary school ASAP! Don't forget to order extra for friends and family members as well- we need a minimum order of at least 48 trays for the entire school. Order forms will be sent out on Xuno and in your child's school bag.

Trays of delicious, juicy farm fresh mangoes are \$27/ 4.5kg tray (approx. 9-14 mangoes)

Delivery to the school will be between 20/11/23- 11 /12/23

Orders are due back no later than 24 October!!!

Democratic Sausage Sizzle 14/10/2023

The referendum will be held 14 October and KGPS is a polling place. We will be running a sausage sizzle and cake stall on the day. Can any families that are able please bring in some baked goods on the 12 or 13th of October to support this effort- cakes, slices, cookies, cupcakes, etc – homemade or store bought are all accepted! Also please contact Rachelle if you are able to come down and help for an hour on the day.

Colour Run

The end of year activity will be the highly demanded and anticipated colour run! No need to rush out and buy white clothing, fundraising will be selling a special t-shirt for the day, order forms will go out soon!

Thanks,

Fundraising



CUSTOMER ORDER FORM

Name:

Class:

Phone:

Coordinator/Office use

Coordinators Name	Price	Expected Delivery week beginning	Return form with payment by
Rachelle	\$27/tray		October 24

NAME	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
1.		\$	\$
2.		\$	\$
3.		\$	\$
4.		\$	\$
5.		\$	\$
6.		\$	\$
7.		\$	\$
8.		\$	\$
9.		\$	\$
10.		\$	\$
11.		\$	\$
12.		\$	\$
		TOTAL	\$

Payment Options	
Direct Deposit	Kangaroo Ground Primary School Council Official Bank A/C BSB: 063 222 Account#: 00901991 <i>Please quote your surname.</i>
Eftpos	Available at the school office
BPay	

*Please note that while every effort will be made to deliver your order to your School/Club/Organisation on the preferred delivery date, the occasional delivery may be delayed due to logistical difficulties beyond our control. Your coordinator will notify you of any changes. Thank you for your understanding.

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TRUMPET LESSONS

AT

KANGAROO GROUND PRIMARY SCHOOL



Come and join the band of brass players at Kangaroo Ground. It is a great way to be introduced to an instrument and the exciting world of music. Learning an international language that can be expressed all over the world is a whole lot of fun while you learn how to play and read music. Take on a classical piece, a popular piece, your favourite movie theme, swing it out with a jazz tune or two and more.

Learning to play a musical instrument can also enhance fine and gross motor movements and coordination skills; provide strategies to support mental health and well-being; and foster a greater capacity for memory and social skills interactions and self-expression. So many wonderful benefits!

I have over 18 years experience (11 at KGPS) working with children and finding their way of learning is a wonderful experience and so rewarding to see them learn with music. I love sharing this knowledge with my students.

All enquiries please contact Tai Jordan via email: taimusiclessons@gmail.com

or contact 0409 525 298.

**EXHIBITION
2023**

**ELTHAM
& DISTRICT
WOODWORKERS**

**11TH & 12TH NOVEMBER 2023 9AM - 5PM
ELTHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE
CNR PITT STREET & MAIN ROAD**

**FREE ENTRY
DEMONSTRATIONS & SALES**

**FREE HANDS-ON WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN
RAFFLE DRAWN SUNDAY 12TH AT 4:30PM**

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STAND TALL PROGRAM



**STAND TALL IS A NEW PROGRAM FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS,
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The STAND TALL wellbeing program supports children to build positive relationships and be the best they can possibly be through classroom-based activities and on-court practical experiences that give structure and meaning to Melbourne United's values of excellence, selflessness and inclusion.

The program will be delivered across 4 one-hour sessions and school students in Year 3 & 4 will be supported to reflect and practice the thought habits and behaviours of the Melbourne United players as they develop their knowledge and skills and adapt to life's challenges both on and off the court.



**KGPS Students in Year 3 & 4
will participate
in the Stand Tall Program
on Wednesdays from Week 2-5**



More information:

<https://foundation.melbourneutd.com.au/programs/stand-tall>



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SCHOOL LUNCH CHEAT SHEET

PACK FOOD YOUR CHILD WILL EAT

- Food does little to give your child fuel to learn and perform if it goes uneaten.
- Balance nutritious choices with ensuring that your child has food s/he is willing to eat.

MONOTONY IS FINE - IF IT'S WORKING

- You don't need to have a vast array of lunch ideas for your child.
- Varying the vegetable, fruit, protein source a couple times a week (or month) are more than adequate to provide ample variety.

BE COST-CONSCIOUS

- Food waste is a consideration. Don't over pack!
- Convenience foods save time, but also have a higher price tag. Aim to include foods that are not prepackaged as often as possible.

KEEP IT SIMPLE

- Lunch time offers many distractions. Make it easy for your child to see what is available, open packaging and eat.
- You don't need to create a photo-worthy lunch.

INCLUDE LEAN PROTEIN

- Don't forget about plant protein - including tofu, edamame, roasted chickpeas or even dips like hummus.
- Pay attention to food safety with protein foods as they are the most likely to cause illness.

PRESENTATION MATTERS

- Make it appealing, colorful
- Use a bento box or divided container
- Clear containers
- Cookie cutters
- Bite sizes foods
- Cut fruit/vegetables



On October 12th
Students from P-6
will be participating in
a workshop, that will
focus on Fostering
Authentic Inclusion
through
Understanding.

We will be covering

What is neurodiversity?

Simple brain exploration

Differences: what are our differences?

Emotive coaching: What are emotions? All emotions are ok

Thriving in school together. How can we be accepting of
others?

Our role to meet people with compassion and understanding.

You are exactly how you are meant to be!

Celebrating all brain types.

Creating a classroom of allies

These workshops will be 1 hour and tailored to each level.

Thanks, Christine French

THINK U KNOW

Some online safety tips

- Don't share your passwords
- Choose smart usernames
- Check your privacy settings after app updates
- Before you send content, ask:
Why am I sending this?
Who am I sending this to?
- There is a difference between 'online' friends, and people you know in person
- Not everyone is who they say they are
- Keep game chats about the game only
- You ALWAYS have the right to feel safe online
- Police are here to help, even when you are online
- Nothing is so bad you can't tell someone
- Kidshelpline 1800 55 1800
- Kidshelpline.com.au

THINK
U
KNOW





DON'T FORGET YOUR
**MINI
BOOKS**

A friendly reminder to all students that Penny Harrison will be collecting any finished mini books on Monday, September 11. You can leave yours with your teacher, or in one of the boxes on the library shelves in the ALC. All books will be returned to students after the holidays.

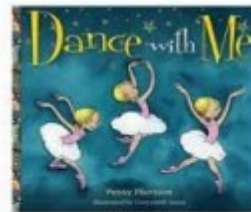
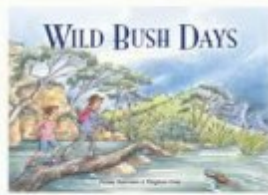




During book students at KGPS had a special classroom visit from the very talented and wonderful author Penny Harrison. Children participated in different activities that helped celebrate book week! If you would like to purchase one of Penny Harrison's books, please complete the order form and return it to school. They make wonderful gifts and are even signed by the author!!

AUTHOR VISIT ORDER FORM

NAME	
CONTACT	



SIGNED COPIES \$20 EACH

TITLE	QTY	DEDICATED TO...	PRICE

TOTAL

Penny Harrison
 children's author
 www.pennyharrison.com.au

COMMUNITY BUSHFIRE SAFETY EXPO

St. Andrews Market place ■ 10am to 5pm ■ Sunday 8th October

Vendor stalls with goods and services for preparing your house and property



Free Event

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Free Coffee at CFA Tent

Presentations

"Official Opening"	10.00am	
"Fire Safety Essentials"	10.15am	CFA
"What Climate Change means for fires in Nillumbik"	11.30am	Dr. Kevin Tolhurst AM
"Phoenix Simulation and Fuel Management"	1.00pm	FFMVic
"Fuels versus Vegetation – What is the difference?"	2.15pm	Dr. Kevin Tolhurst AM
"Preparing your property for fire"	3.30pm	CFA

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October 2023

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COME ON GIVE IT A GO!

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