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# Dragon Tales



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*Congratulations to the following award winners for the past fortnight.*

## Virtue Awards 130213

Rm 1	Ashleigh	Rm 8	Kiarn
Rm 2	Savannah	Rm 9	Charlotte
Rm 3	Aria	Rm 10	Audrey
Rm 4	Deida	Rm S1	Victoria
Rm 5	Meg	Rm S2	Elly
Rm 6	Arianne	Rm S3	Taylah
Rm 7	Ruby		

## Honour Certificates 130213

Rm 1	William	Rm 8	Luke
Rm 2	Eliza	Rm 9	Thomas Pia
Rm 3	Matthew	Rm 10	Liam
Rm 4	David Matilda	Rm S1	Olivia
Rm 5	Jet	Rm S2	Dylan
Rm 6	Aidan	Rm S3	Kiana
Rm 7	Damon		

## COMING EVENTS

- Wed 20 Feb School Council
- Wed 27 Feb Assembly
- Mon 4 March Labour Day public holiday

## **STREET PARKING**

Please be aware that it is illegal to stop a vehicle on a verge without the permission of the owner or occupier of the premises immediately adjacent to that verge.

Neighbours of Kensington Primary School have indicated that they have asked the City of South Perth Ranger to enforce this. Please be considerate of our neighbours wishes.

## **MISSING SCOOTER**

A white scooter with green handlebars and footplate is missing from the school, if you know of its whereabouts please contact the school office.



## **PEACEFULNESS**

Peacefulness is an inner sense of calm that can come in moments of silence and thought. It is a way of becoming very quiet and looking at things so you can understand them. It is facing your fears and letting them go. It is trusting that things will be all right. Peacefulness allows us to remain free of violence, free from prejudice, safe from injustice. When each of us is peaceful, all those who come in contact with us feel loved, respected and treated fairly. Differences are seen as benefits rather than reasons to fight. The peace in our lives leads to peace in the world.



## **DAILY FITNESS AT KPS**

Monday morning saw the school move into another gear when our senior students set up for the first daily fitness session of 2013. The school was transformed into a hive of activity with students from Years One to Seven participating in or running a variety of physical challenges, skill building exercises and aerobic strengthening. I'm sure the parents at school were as impressed as I was with the level of organisation and participation by our students. Congratulations to Mrs Stanford and her sports monitors for this important program at Kensington Primary School.

## SWIMMING LESSONS

No sooner had the Year 7 students finished packing up from daily fitness they then boarded a bus to take them to their annual in-term swimming lessons at Cottesloe Beach. This program will run everyday for all of week 3. I'm very pleased to report that our student behaviour outside of the school has been excellent. With the weather heating up this week the children will certainly be enjoying the experience of swimming in open water.



## CYBERSAFETY

**Cybersmart Access** is a set of games that help reinforce cybersafety messages for children with special education needs. Each game is accompanied by units of work with engaging lessons and activities developed by special education needs educators.

**CyberNetrix** – Think you know all about the danger with chat rooms and mobile phones? Check out CyberNetrix for hints and tips for how to stay safe online.

**CyberQuoll** - Watch the Quoll cousins as they experience the pitfalls and triumphs of being cybersmart on the internet. In six fun cartoon adventures, they give helpful hints and tips for staying safe.

The website for all this and more is [www.cybersmart.gov.au/](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/)

Parents are invited to put some time aside on the evening of 16 April when the school will host cyber experts from Canberra who will give informed presentations on protecting your children when using the 'net'. More details to follow.

## UPFRONT CHARGES FOR 2013

So far we have had a good response to our upfront charges. This is a great opportunity to pay upfront for ALL your child(ren)'s class related charges. This includes swimming lessons, incursions/excursions, sports competitions, cooking, dance, fitness classes, bike ed and the like.

**Please note: Students who have not paid for an excursion will not be able to participate unless payment arrangements have been negotiated with our Registrar, Della Nuthall.**

For your convenience the school office has EFTPOS facilities (both debit and credit card options) available.

## BIKE HELMETS

Congratulations to all of our students who have been wearing bike helmets when using their bicycles and/or scooters. The wearing of helmets is a road safety initiative that has saved many people from serious injury and is also an enforceable road traffic regulation.



## GIFTED AND TALENTED

Thanks to Mrs Millar who has been in contact with parents of Year 6 students in regards to Gifted and Talented Secondary Programs for 2015. These application close on Tuesday 5 March at 12.00 noon.

## PASTORAL CARE – MRS. RAEMA STANFORD

The Kensington Pastoral Care Team consists of Christine Cook, Claire Griffiths (school psychologist) Gary Hamilton (school chaplain) and Raema Stanford.

My role is to provide support to the school community – both students and families. As part of my role I am available to students as an active listener, confidant and non-judgmental person and guide should they need someone other than their classroom teachers or friends to talk to at school.

I will be facilitating a [Rainbows Program](#) which is a weekly support group for children who have experienced a significant loss of some kind. If you would like more details of this program please contact me in my office or by email: [raema.stanford@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:raema.stanford@education.wa.edu.au)

## NEWS FROM THE SPORTS OFFICE.....

### All School Fitness

Fitness groups for the whole school commenced this week on Monday and Tuesday mornings. The Year 6 and 7 students completed leadership and co-operation activities to help them lead their groups and have made a great start to the year. It is great to see the whole school active!

### Coles Sports Equipment.

The Sports equipment ordered from collecting Cole's vouchers has arrived and has been distributed to the Off-site Kindy, On-site Kindy, Pre-Primary and the general sport store. Thanks again to the school community for their support.

### Swimming Training.

Swimming training will commence next Monday and Wednesday at Kent St High School Swimming pool (Rathay St) from 7.45am – 8.15am. Swimmers who have passed Stage 5 may attend but Parents are responsible for supervising their child whilst at the pool and for their transport. The training will continue until the Faction Carnival on the Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. For more details see Mrs Stanford

### Winter Sport Registration.

The Sport notice board has information on Winter Sport Registrations. Sports include AFL/AusKick, Netball, Soccer, Hockey/Minkey, Rugby, Kayaking and Dance. For more details see Mrs Stanford.

### Girls only cricket

Come and try day – Friday 22/2/13. See sports noticeboard or Mrs Stanford for more details.



## P&C PRESIDENTS NOTE

On behalf of the KPS P&C I would like to welcome all families (new and old) to KPS for 2013.

The role of the KPS P&C is to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, pupils and teaching staff into close cooperation. The P&C also works together to provide additional equipment required by the school that is not provided directly by government funding.

Membership of the KPS P&C is open to all members of the school community, parents, teachers & citizens. Membership for the year is \$1.

P&C meetings are held at 7:30pm in the school staff room on the 2nd and 6th Tuesdays of every term. All members are welcome to attend (you can join on your first meeting).

What a wonderful team of positive people we have on the P&C committee for 2013. The fundraising ladies have been on the case already and have lined up a fantastic list of events for the year. Stay tuned! Here's to a fabulous 2013!

## P&C NEWS

The KPS P&C held its AGM last Tuesday night, and got off to a great start for 2013. The meeting was very well attended, and all executive positions were filled. The committee co-ordinators will be very well supported by enthusiastic teams of helpers.

The P&C office-bearers for 2013 are:

<b>President</b>	Kristie Young-Krebs
<b>Vice President</b>	Casey Prue
<b>Secretary</b>	Rebecca Watson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Marie Short
<b>Executive committee reps</b>	Cathrine Parker, Natalie Gallagher, Melissa Mairata & Dale Collins
<b>School Council rep</b>	Tanya Elson
<b>Uniforms</b>	Roxanne Hannay
<b>Fundraising</b>	Melissa Mairata
<b>Grounds &amp; Facilities</b>	Cathrine Parker
<b>Music</b>	Anna Lissienko
<b>Memorabilia</b>	Karen Mahar
<b>Bookclub &amp; Library</b>	Natalie Gallagher

One way the P&C keeps in touch with individual classes is through the help of a "class rep". This person often keeps a class contact list, and informs the parents of any fundraising events or extra-curricular activities sponsored by the P&C. Most classrooms have a volunteer "rep", drawn from the meeting attendees. *However, rooms 5 & 6, Vista St Kindy (both classes) and Gecko Gully Kindy (T/Th/F) are not represented at this stage.* If you would like to volunteer to be the contact person, please let your class teacher know, and email your details to Rebecca Watson at [r\\_r\\_watson@bigpond.com](mailto:r_r_watson@bigpond.com)

## KPS SCHOOL BANKING - URGENT

Do you have a spare 30minutes each week to assist with KPS School Banking?

Kensington Primary run a school banking program that teaches the children the value of saving. Children bank their pocket money weekly and apart from being able to watch their savings grow, they are incentivised by a token system, where they get a prize after collecting each lot of 10 tokens. Some great prizes this year.

Linda Bottrell has been running the program for the past 3 years but due to other commitments needs to step down. To be able to continue the banking program we are looking for at least one, but preferably two coordinators to share the role. Linda is happy to provide training (not much needed) and to stand in when needed.

If you are available one morning a week from 8.30am-9:00am can you please either give Linda a call on 0412 088 308 or email her at [lbottrel@bigpond.net.au](mailto:lbottrel@bigpond.net.au) Thank you for your support!

## P&C UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open each Thursday during term from 8.20 to 8.50am in the music room.

**The uniform shop now also stocks Tri Pod triangle grip 2B pencils for \$1 which are the recommended pencil for all Kindy to Yr 2 students.**

## Fundraising News – Donations Urgently Needed for Quiz Night

The Kensington Primary School community is actively involved in fundraising. This year, we have planned lots of fun activities for the children and wider school community to raise money for our school.

We are kicking off Term One with an Easter raffle and hot cross bun drive; an election day sausage sizzle and cake stall; and a Quiz Night.

To ensure the Quiz Night is a success we are calling for donations for the silent auction and prize packs. If you are able to donate something suitable please contact the Fundraising Coordinator, Melissa Mairata at [mmairata@iinet.net.au](mailto:mmairata@iinet.net.au)

Johnny Moran Karate teaches karate classes to children and adults in the local area.

A special offer for the school's students - 4 WEEKS FREE beginners karate lessons!

Classes are held after school and are a great way for children of all ages to learn self-defense in a fun and safe environment and for adults to get fit. Karate has many benefits which includes confidence, respect and fitness.

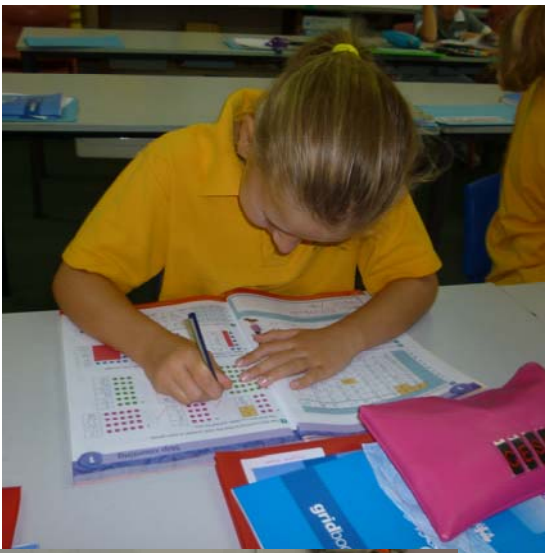
Call now to take advantage of this 4 week trial. 0402 830 402



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Art Monday 4:00 to 5:30  
Design Tuesday 4:00 to 5:30  
Craft Wednesday 4:00 to 5:30

Venue: 35 Brandon Street South Perth  
For more information and bookings  
call Lillian Shaw on 0458470760



Room 10 has had a busy start to 2013!  
 We have :

- : got to know each other
- : started our new Maths Book
- : practised cursive writing
- : played Block Buster
- : completed Australia Day fireworks art
- : created Chinese New Year lions
- : co-operated in spelling partner tests
- : designed Chinese lanterns
- : extended our vocabulary
- : written a retell
- : discussed persuasive writing techniques

