Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

We congratulate the following students who represented our school at the division cross country yesterday. They are Chelsi B, Grace B, Bridie C, Liam D, Hayley E, Harley V and Maddison V. We are extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves, displaying wonderful sportsmanship and always striving for excellence.

PTA TRIVIA NIGHT

We are all looking forward to Saturday night’s Olympics Trivia night. With eleven tables (a Kismet Park record!) booked the competition will be tough. Thank you to all who have supported this wonderful event and to all who have assisted with its organisation. And set up. Good luck to all!

MONEY SMART

Earlier this term we were informed that Kismet Park had been nominated as a best practice example of teaching financial literacy education in Australia. An independent evaluation of ASIC’s (Australian Securities & Investments Commission) MoneySmart Program will be conducted to determine its effectiveness in developing students understanding of consumer and financial literacy. As part of this evaluation a sample group of students will complete a survey about the teaching they receive at school, their spending behaviour and influences on this. This will be taking place next Wednesday, 8th June. Follow up surveys and interviews will be conducted with teachers and parents also. Responses will assist ASIC’s MoneySmart Teaching Program to provide better financial education to students. If you would like to look at the current educational MoneySmart program it is available on ASIC’s MoneySmart website. https://www.moneysmart.gov.au

PTA Community Celebration and Annual General Meeting

PTA’s Annual General meeting was held on Tuesday night. We thank all the hard working members for their efforts and contributions over the past year. Our students are very fortunate to benefit from the tireless work this amazing group of volunteers provide. The following Office Bearers were elected during our AGM:

President : Kaylene Perry  
Vice President: Jen Dunne  
Secretary: Caroline Jones  
Treasurer: Paula Satchwell

Our PTA are a very welcoming, friendly and energetic group. Please look out for opportunities to support them wherever you can as they achieve great things for our school.

COLOUR OUR WORLD AT KISMET.

Our KidsMatter and Resilience project is beginning to take shape and we thank those families who have given donations of wool and material to assist with our yarn bombing project. The aim of the project is to increase parent and student engagement, develop positive friendships, working together and instilling a sense of PRIDE within our school.

If you have an hour free this Friday between 2:15pm and 3:15pm we would love to see you helping with our Buddy Session.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE PROGRAM

Following a review of our Out of School Hours Program it was decided that Extend will continue to provide this service at Kismet Park.

KEEPING SAFE

On occasions children will find themselves in situations where they feel uncomfortable. Here are some tips to tell your child about what they should when coming across a stranger:

- Tell your child not to listen to or be near a stranger – rather to move away or back inside.
- Tell your child to never ever go with a stranger– no matter what the stranger says.
- Tell your child that strangers may make up sad stories, like looking for a lost pet, needing help with a sick child, or needing directions.
- Tell your child that strangers may offer treats, gifts or lollies for ‘helping’.
- Have your child make sure an adult they trust knows where they are at all times
- Encourage your child if they have to walk by themselves somewhere near a stranger

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If ever frightened tell your child to go into a ‘safe place’ like a shop, police station or school and NEVER get into a car with someone they don’t know.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday 4th June: Trivia Night 6:45pm  
Thursday 9th June: Winter Round Robin backup for years 5/6  
Monday 13 June—PUBLIC HOLIDAY no school  
Friday 10th June: Assembly  
Friday 10th June—Deadline for booking Vacation Care with Extend  
Wednesday 15th June: Region Cross Country  
Wednesday 15th June: Family Life Parent Information Night 7pm

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Student Well-being and Engagement

What is Social and Emotional Learning? (sourced from Kidsmatter website)

School is not only about reading, writing and arithmetic. It’s also about making friends, learning how to work with others, and knowing how to be responsible for yourself.

Knowing how to manage feelings and get on with others are important skills for everyone. This kind of learning starts in early childhood with parents and carers as children’s most important first teachers.

Research has found that teaching children social and emotional skills at school as well as at home makes a positive difference to their wellbeing. Social and emotional skills help school children settle in the classroom and get on with learning.

Useful skills to learn include:

- coping with frustrations or worries
- getting along with others
- solving problems.

The kinds of social and emotional skills that are important for children to develop have been identified by researchers as:

- **Self-awareness**
  Understanding feelings, self-confidence.

- **Social awareness**
  Respecting and understanding others, and appreciating differences between people.

- **Self-management**
  Managing emotions, being able to set goals and stick to them.

- **Responsible decision-making**
  Choosing wisely and thoughtfully.

- **Relationship skills**
  Cooperating, communicating, making friends and resolving conflict.

Research shows that children benefit most from social and emotional learning when it is taught in regular school lessons and matched to children’s learning stages. All national, state and territory curricula include personal and social development as a major learning area for primary school children.

How Parents and Carers can Help

You continue to have a critical role to play in supporting children’s social and emotional learning throughout the school years. At Kismet Park Primary School we place great emphasis on our three school values:

**RESPECT YOUR SCHOOL** **DO YOUR BEST** **HELP OTHERS SUCCEED**

Support from home is crucial in developing these values and continuing the development both socially and emotionally of your child and family.
The Restorative Conversation

It is very important in a Restorative school to talk about the behaviour without blaming or being personal. The common response from students, when you scold or lecture them, is either to shut down or react aggressively and argue back. In a Restorative conversation the teacher is absolutely clear about the inappropriate behaviour and the effect that is behaviour has on others but this conversation is respectful and engaging.

As part of their classroom and playground management teachers at Kismet Park are encouraged to use the Restorative dialogue that engages the student with dignity, de-escalates the behaviour or tension, heightens the young person’s responsibility and reintegrates them back into their class or activity. The core skills in this type of dialogue are:
1. Talking about the behaviour or incident without blaming
2. Using relational questions to bring out who was affected and how
3. Discussing what needs to happen to make things right.

This is the Restorative dialogue:
1. What happened?
2. What were you thinking when….?
3. What have you thought about since?
4. Did you make a good/bad choice?
5. Who’s been affected by your behaviour?
6. What do you need to do to fix things up?

For younger students the following dialogue is guided more by the adult:
1. When you...........(describe the behaviour), was that a good choice or bad choice?
2. How did you make.............(name the person/s impacted) feel when you ..........(describe the behaviour again)?
3. At school it is not okay to ..........(state the behaviour). Next time you ......... (describe the emotion or disagreement) I want you to ...........(Provide appropriate behaviour or response).
4. To fix things up you need to ............(Provide a positive response or behaviour).

As parents you may like to try this dialogue at home for helping children to accept their responsibility in getting along with others, but also feeling that they have been heard and given guidance towards achieving more positive outcomes in the future.

The message that is always stressed is that we recognise that everyone makes mistakes, but we are a community where there are always people ready to help with fixing the problem and restoring the relationships so that there is a positive outcome.
Extend OHS at Kismet Park Primary School

WINTER HOLIDAY PROGRAM BOOKINGS ARE OPEN!

Book by the deadline to take advantage of lower rates!

VIC booking deadline: Friday 10 June

We have heaps of fun activities planned these school holidays and can’t wait for you to attend! Join in on Extend’s own mini Olympics tournament and aim for gold! Have fun with science experiments, come along in costume and join in on our party afternoons, and participate in a bunch of craft activities and team games. Join in on all this and more at Extend’s Winter Holiday Program.

To check out what’s on visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal.

Our weekly recap
what a great week we have had here at extend. There has been lots happening in our room with students doing some great work on our new under the sea display. There has been lots of homework being completed with assistance from staff in between games of football, soccer and downball. We finished the week off with some more fun games and face painting
All the staff at extend

Next weeks activities:
Monday 6th June: icy pole stick race cars
            Bat tennis round robin
Tuesday 7th June: origami
            kickball
Wednesday 8th June: group games
            comic strips
Thursday 9th June: homework club
            mandala pictures
Friday 10th June: cooking- cup cakes

Missing Jacket
Grade 6 green striped Jacket.
‘Natalie” on tag. Taken from pigeon hole in yr. 6 building. Please return to office or lost property.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE CANTEEN!
Naomi & Kimberley would love some help on a Friday in the canteen. If you have some spare time please consider volunteering in our canteen, the kids always love having a visit from Mum/ Dad or Nan/ Pop.
Thanks to our parent helpers:
Friday 3rd June:
9:30-11:30am: Danielle Fenn
12:30-2:00pm: Tash Cecchini
Friday 10th June:
9:30—11:30am: Kylie Lowdell
12:30—2:30pm:

Scholastic BOOK FAIR IN THE LIBRARY
The Library is having our annual SCHOLASTIC Book Fair. The Book Fair will be open after school from 3:15-4:00pm on:
      Tuesday 7th,
      Wednesday 8th
      Thursday 9th of JUNE
Hope to see you there!
If there is anyone who could help out with the Book Fair ( even just for one afternoon ) please come and see me in the Library.
Thanks, Jennifer