

Building the foundations for success and happiness

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

To celebrate the end of Walk to School month all classes will be involved in a Mystery Walk tomorrow, Friday 28th October. The walk will be around the local streets. Fingers crossed for some nice weather!

Due to last weekend's storms removal of the large Sugar Gum tree has been re-scheduled with the date to be confirmed.

Please remember there is school as usual on Monday 31st October. If your child is absent on Monday please remember to send an absence note to their teacher on Wednesday. There will be no school on Tuesday 1st November due to the Melbourne Cup Holiday.

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Have a great week!

Glenn & Cynthia

UNIFORM POLICY

Over the past few weeks we have noticed a number of students 'out of uniform.' We have included key expectations below for your information and look forward to your support .

- The uniform requirements outlined in this policy apply during school hours,

while travelling to and from school and when students are on school excursions.

- With the exception of 'out of uniform days' students that are out of uniform will not be able to participate in school events, eg: sport and excursions. Out of uniform also includes the wearing of jewelry.
- In line with the Sun Smart Policy all students will be required to wear a school hat when outside from '1st September to the 30th April' or 'whenever UV levels reach three or more'.
- No make-up is permitted, however children will be encouraged to wear clear sunscreen during Sun Smart periods.
- Stud earrings and sleepers worn in the ears only, plus watches, are the only acceptable jewellery. Other facial jewellery is not permitted.
- For safety reasons students must wear flat soled closed shoes or 'runners'. Thongs, opened toe sandals or any form of 'high; heels must not be worn. If a student's footwear is deemed 'unsafe' in a school environment the parent will be contacted to bring suitable footwear to school. In cases where suitable footwear is not made available the student may be excluded from activities where safety is compromised.
- On days when sport or PE are anticipated, runners must be worn or brought to school.

Extreme hair colours (eg: green, pink or blue) and/or extreme hairstyles (eg:

spikes or mohawks) are not permitted.

Extend OSHC at KPPS



Our Weekly recap

We have had an amazing week here at extend, there were lots of happy students when we played a whole range of new games and activities. We were very creative with some arts and craft activities and produced some amazing pieces. This week we also had our superhero incursion. This involved all students completing a varieties of tasks and exercises to learn how to become a superhero. This was an amazing experience that we all enjoyed and tired us out pretty quickly.

Next weeks Activities
Racing carnival week

Monday
Design our own silks
Tuesday—public holiday
Wednesday- fashion show
Thursday-racing events



Friday—cooking- finger foods

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday 28th October—Walktober
Monday 31st October—School as usual
Tuesday 1st November—Cup Day—**NO SCHOOL**
Friday 4th November—TBlast cricket
Tuesday 15th November—Footsteps Year 6
Thursday 17th November - Prep Orientation 9.30am
Friday 18th November—Footsteps Year 6
Wednesday 23rd November—Grade 1 & 2 Incursion Starlab
Wednesday 23rd November to Friday 25th November—Grade 3/4 Camp

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Engagement & Well-being

GOOD MANNERS

By Susan Stiffeman

Good manners are simply behaviours that make people feel comfortable. Some of us get hung up on the idea that teaching manners to children is old-fashioned, or only important if they're introducing princesses to dukes. But when it comes to launching our children into successful adult lives, having the instinctive ability to put people at ease is as — if not more — important as having a diploma from an Ivy League college. We may not know if someone graduated from Harvard, but we can instantly tell whether we feel relaxed in their presence.

Children, however, are innately egocentric; if there's only one cookie left on the plate, they'll grab it. If your son is having fun on the swing, he's going to resist giving it up to a child who's waiting for a turn. This doesn't mean they're selfish; it just underscores the fact that they're behaving like, well, children!

"Me first!" "I want more!" "That's mine!" are all predictable expressions of a child who hasn't yet developed empathy or diplomacy. A parent's uncritical guidance helps young ones learn the basics of showing concern for the needs of others.

There is no better way to teach manners than to demonstrate them in the way you live your life in their presence. Here are a few pointers:

Establish a mealtime routine that ensures no one starts eating until everyone has been seated and served. If your children slip up, let them know that you understand they're hungry while modeling patience as others dish up their food.

Show your children how to make eye contact while offering a handshake when they greet a guest. If a hug is more appropriate or comfortable for your child, that's fine. What's important is that you make friendly greeting rituals part of the way you welcome guests into your home.

Teach your children how to introduce people to one another. "Grandma, this is my friend Jason", or "Ms. Edwards, I want you to meet my cousin Sara."

Let your children hear you apologizing without justifying your behavior if you've offended someone. Part of having good manners is acknowledging another person's feelings. By showing your children what it looks and sounds like to be accountable for an oversight or inconsiderate remark, they will follow your lead.

Create expectations for sharing and taking turns when your kids have friends over to play. Tell your children that you know it can be hard to wait for a turn on the swing, or to resist snatching the bigger piece of pie, but that in your home, guests are treated with special care.

Good manners aren't taught through long-winded lectures. Civility is developed when children grow up in the midst of caring and respectful behavior. Acknowledge when your children do demonstrate good manners, and gently correct them when they forget to be polite. Don't expect them to behave perfectly, and factor in their developmental stage as you set expectations for their behavior. Avoid power struggles about manners, especially with your teens. With your guidance — and patience — your children will become the kind of people who make others comfortable. Ultimately, that's what good manners are all about.

Student Well-being and Engagement



Good Sport

Pania Kire	PREP	For displaying excellent ball skills in 'Keepings Off'.
Lucas Guarracino	1/2	For showing excellent basketball skills
Maddison Vowles	3/4	For displaying excellent netball skills in a variety of positions
Zac Ramsay	5/6	For displaying excellent skills in football and basketball during the Secondary College visits

Budding Artist

Laneah Macasaddu	PREP	For excellent manipulation of clay to create a three dimensional cat.
Jye Small	1/2	For careful tearing of shapes for his collage background
Amy Beattie	3/4	For demonstrating excellent sketching technique
Lainee Thorne	5/6	For using shades and tints of primary colours to create 'Op Art'

Great Performer

Ollie Orlando-Hudson	PREP	For working very well at keeping time on percussion instruments
Ryan Wilson	1/2	For listening attentively and trying his best
Mia Wardley	3/4	For being helpful, friendly student who brings a great attitude to class
Nickiera Johnson	5/6	For striving to do her best on the recorder. Well Done!

RUGBY:

The interschool Rugby competition was held at Langama Park on Wednesday 26th October. Kismet Park entered 4 teams and played numerous games in a Round Robin competition against other schools in Sunbury. The students played well throughout the day and displayed great sportsmanship. The Grade 6 Boys Tackle team and the Grade 5/6 Girls Tag teams were runners up. This was a fantastic effort. Thankyou to the parents who came and supported us on the day.

STUDENT BANKING

Next week Student Banking will be on Thursday the 3rd of November instead of Tuesday.



LOST / UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

It is most important that all articles that children bring to school are clearly labelled with the child's name. Lots of things eventually arrive at the lost property room and without names we cannot return them to their rightful owners. If you happen to discover that you have items at home that don't belong to your children, we would appreciate you returning the items to our lost property room as soon as possible. We strongly advise that VALUABLES including expensive toys, clothing etc should not be brought to school.

ICAS MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

57 Students from Kismet Park participated in the 2016 International Competitions and assessments for schools (known as ICAS) in Mathematics. I am pleased to share the following certificates that were awarded—1 Distinction, 11 Merits and 33 Participation. Congratulations and well done to all.

Rosie Smyth—ICAS Co-Ordinator

CANTEEN

Meal Deal Reminder that all orders are due the 2nd of November. **NO LATE ORDERS!**

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STUDENT PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR 2017

Please return to KPPS marked Attention: Mr McConnell

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

List the special educational needs / conditions that your child has that we may not be aware of:

Signed Parent / Guardian: _____ Date: _____