



KEYSBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

2026 NEWSLETTER

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Future Making for Every Student

19th February 2026

'Keysborough Primary School acknowledges that we are on the traditional land of the Bunurong people and pays respect to elders past and present.'

Be Respectful Be Safe Be a Learner

Term 1, week 4 Newsletter

It has been a productive and happy start to the year, and we have a number of excellent events coming up providing opportunities for us all to connect in this new year.

SENTRAL communications

Much of our communication & permission for events is shared via SENTRAL. Please keep checking your SENTRAL app for updates and forms for events that may require your permission.

Lunchtime Clubs Update

Our lunchtime clubs program continues to be a huge success. The clubs provide a fantastic opportunity for students to engage in a range of activities they enjoy, cultivating creativity, critical thinking, and teamwork. The current popular clubs include:

- Sports Club & Chess-Monday.
- Cinema & Choir-Tuesday.
- Construction & Homework-Wednesday.
- Junior Digi Tech, Story and drawing club-Thursday.
- Junior Sport club, Senior Digi Tech-Friday.

It is wonderful to see so many students already actively involved and enjoying these enriching experiences.



Lunar New Year

Happy Lunar New Year! On Tuesday, 17th February 2026, millions of people worldwide celebrated the beginning of the lunar calendar. This year marks the arrival of the Year of the Fire Horse, a rare combination in the 12-year animal and 5-element zodiac cycle that represents energy, passion, and adventure.

Also known as the Spring Festival (China), Tết (Vietnam), or Seollal (Korea), the holiday is a time for family reunions and a fresh start. Families traditionally celebrate by:

- Cleaning their homes to sweep away bad luck.
- Decorating with red, a colour believed to bring good fortune.
- Exchanging red envelopes (Hong Bao or Lì Xì) containing lucky money.
- Sharing feasts that feature symbolic foods like fish for abundance or dumplings for prosperity.

The festivities typically last for 15 days, concluding with the vibrant [Lantern Festival](#) on 3 March. Whether you are attending a local [lion dance parade](#) or enjoying a special meal at home, we wish our entire school community a year filled with happiness and success!

Ramadan

As we welcome the month of Ramadan, we extend warm wishes to all members of our community who are observing. Ramadan is a sacred time in the Islamic calendar marked by fasting from dawn to sunset, prayer, reflection, and acts of charity. It is a month that emphasizes compassion, gratitude, generosity, and connection with others.

Throughout Ramadan, many Muslims gather with family and friends to break their fast at sunset, engage in special nightly prayers, and increase their service to those in need. It is a meaningful opportunity to strengthen faith, practice self-discipline, and foster a deeper sense of community.

We wish all who are observing a peaceful and fulfilling Ramadan. Ramadan Mubarak!

Start time-8:50

We kindly remind all families of the importance of students arriving at school on time each morning. The school day officially begins at 8:50 am. Arriving promptly ensures that students are settled and prepared for the day's learning activities right from the start. As well as time to participate in our Morning Circles.

Punctuality helps children develop a sense of routine and responsibility. We appreciate your cooperation in ensuring your child is at school and ready to learn by 8:50 am daily. Thank you for your support in making the start of each school day smooth and productive for everyone.

We look forward to a successful and fun-filled rest of the term!

***Warm regards,
Carly Bourke.***

Slip Slop Slap...All students need to be wearing school hats during Term 1



A big thank you to **Bunnings Warehouse, Keysborough**, for their generous donation of a 6 burner BBQ for our school. This wonderful contribution is already helping us build stronger community connections and create opportunities for families to come together.



Mrs Pinkett and Mrs Koskolos recently visited Bunnings to collect the BBQ, where they had the pleasure of meeting Tam, who coordinates community partnerships. It was a fantastic opportunity to connect in person and to thank the team for their support.

We are incredibly grateful for this generosity and look forward to many community gatherings made possible by this thoughtful donation.

Welcome Barbeque



To celebrate the **HOLI FESTIVAL**
we invite all our families to the

KPS COLOUR RUN

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powder**

Sprinklers



MARCH 5

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2:30pm Start

**coloured
paint**



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Playgroup



Playgroups are FUN! It is not just the children who have a great time and learn new things, parents and carers also enjoy playgroup.

When: Wednesdays and Fridays 9.15am-10.45am

Where: Community Room

Keysborough Primary School

33 Coomoora Rd, Springvale South

Your child will have many learning experiences in a safe and friendly environment, including story time, outdoor/indoor play and many fun activities, while making new friends.

What to bring: a piece of fruit or a snack, a coat and a hat for your child.

Like any other playgroup, your child will need to be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, please call:

Keysborough Primary School on 9798 4764

DIARY DATES

February

Thurs 19th Communication afternoon 3.40pm – 4.40pm

March

Wed 4th Student free day – no school for students

Thurs 5th Colour Run

Mon 9th Labour Day holiday

Wed 18 – Fri 20th Year 6 Camp

Tue 24th Harmony Day (wear orange)

Fri 27th Cultural Dress up Day

April

Thurs 2nd Happy Hat Day Parade at assembly 1.30pm

Thurs 2nd Last day of Term 1
School finishes at 2.30pm

Mon 20th

**First day of Term 2
School starts at 8.50am**

FEBRUARY 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Breakfast Club	3 Breakfast Club	4 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Playgroup 9.15 -10.45 am</p> <p>No Foundation Students</p> </div>	5 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Coffee Van 8.00 – 9.00am</p> </div>	6 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Playgroup 9.30 -11.00 am</p> <p>Assembly 2.50pm</p> </div>
9 Breakfast Club	10 Breakfast Club	11 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Playgroup 9.15 -10.45 am</p> <p>No Foundation Students</p> </div>	12 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Coffee Van 8.00 – 9.00am</p> </div>	13 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Playgroup 9.30 -11.00 am</p> <p>Assembly 2.50pm</p> </div>
16 Breakfast Club	17 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><i>Lunar New Year</i></p> <p><i>Welcome barbeque 3.30-4.30pm</i></p> </div>	18 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>No Foundation Students</p> <p>Playgroup 9.15 -10.45 am</p> <p><i>Communication Week</i></p> </div>	19 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><i>Communication Week</i></p> <p>Coffee Van 8.00 – 9.00am</p> </div>	20 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Playgroup 9.30 -11.00 am</p> <p>Assembly 2.50pm</p> </div>
23 Breakfast Club	24 Breakfast Club	25 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>No Foundation Students</p> <p>Playgroup 9.15 -10.45 am</p> </div>	26 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Coffee Van 8.00 – 9.00am</p> </div>	27 Breakfast Club <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Playgroup 9.30 -11.00 am</p> <p>Assembly 2.50pm</p> <p>Lion dance performance 10.30am</p> </div>