



KEYSBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

2026 NEWSLETTER

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Future Making for Every Student

16th October 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

Welcome back to Term 4!

I hope everyone had a wonderful break and that our students are feeling refreshed and ready for a positive and exciting final term of the year.

Term 4 is always a busy and rewarding time as we continue to build on the learning and growth that has taken place throughout the year and celebrate just how far our students have come.

As we begin the term, we will continue to reinforce our school values of **Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be a Learner**. These values guide the expectations we have for our students every day — in the classroom, in the playground and in the way we treat and care for one another.

We want every student to come to school ready to learn, willing to have a go, to show kindness and respect, and to make choices that support both their own wellbeing and the wellbeing of others. Being the best person, you can be isn't about being perfect — it is about giving your best, learning from mistakes, showing resilience and continuing to grow.

Thank you to our families for your ongoing support and partnership. We are looking forward to a fantastic Term 4 filled with **learning, growth, connection and celebration**.

Let's finish the year strongly together!

Child Safety at KPS

At Keysborough Primary School, the **safety and wellbeing of every child is our highest priority**. We are committed to providing a safe, inclusive and respectful environment where all students feel valued, heard and supported. Our practices are guided by the **Victorian Child Safe Standards**, and child safety is everyone's responsibility.

Families are encouraged to familiarise themselves with our **Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy, Child Safety Code of Conduct and other related policies**, which are available on our school website.

Child Safety Policy

https://www.keysboroughps.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/kps_2024_child_safety_policy.pdf

Child Safety and Wellbeing Policy

https://www.keysboroughps.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/kps_2026_child_safety_and_wellbeing_policy.pdf

Child Safety Code of Conduct

https://www.keysboroughps.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/kps_2024_css_code_of_conduct.pdf

Child Safety Child Abuse (including grooming) - Identification and Response Policy and Procedures

https://www.keysboroughps.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/kps_2026_child_safety_child_abuse_including_grooming_identification_and_response_policy_and_procedures.pdf

Child Safety Responding and Reporting Obligations Policy and Procedures

https://www.keysboroughps.vic.edu.au/uploaded_files/media/kps_2024_child_safety_responding_and_reporting_obligations_policy_and_procedures.pdf

Every Day Counts – Attendance and Punctuality

Regular attendance and arriving at school **on time and ready to learn** make a real difference to your child's learning, friendships and connection to school. Every day — and every minute — counts!

As we begin our final term, we encourage all students to **keep striving for their personal best with attendance and punctuality**. We would love to celebrate and present our **100% attendance awards for the whole year** at our final assembly.

Let's finish the year strongly — **Be a Learner, be on time and make every day count!** ☀️

Lunchtime Clubs Are Back!

Our Lunchtime Clubs are back for Term 4 and it has been great to see students getting involved and enjoying the different activities on offer!

Lunchtime Clubs provide a wonderful opportunity for students to connect with others, try something different, develop new interests and, most importantly, have fun.

We encourage everyone to check out what's on offer, get involved and make the most of our Lunchtime Clubs this term! ☀️

Our Canteen is Back!

We are pleased to let families know that our school canteen will restart in Week 3, operating on Fridays at lunchtime. We know our students have missed having the canteen available and we are excited to welcome it back for Term 4!

Further information about the menu and ordering arrangements will be shared with families shortly.

KPS House Sports Day

Keysborough Primary School will once again be holding our annual House Sports Day.

This year, House Sports Day will be held on Friday 6/11 from 9am to approximately 1:30pm (with a recess break from 11am-11:30am) at Keysborough Primary School.

Students are encouraged to wear their House colours through items such as T-shirts, socks, hair ties, or ribbons. Students will be told which events they will be participating in closer to the day. The number of events will vary depending on year level and House, however, all students will participate in multiple events throughout the day.

Families and friends are very welcome to attend and support the students throughout the day.

If you are available to assist on the day, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Mr O'Neill prior to the day if you are interested in volunteering.

We look forward to a fun and exciting day of House Sports!



The poster for the 2026 House Sports Carnival features the Keysborough Primary School logo at the top, which includes a stylized blue figure and the motto 'Be Respectful Be Safe Be a Learner'. The main title '2026 HOUSE SPORTS CARNIVAL' is in large, bold, blue letters, enclosed in a blue rectangular frame. Below the title is an illustration of four diverse students (two girls and two boys) running on a green track. At the bottom, a blue box contains the event details: 'FRI 6th NOV', '9am - 1:30pm (inc recess break)', 'KPS OVAL', 'Wear your House Colours', 'All Students are expected to participate.', and 'Spectators strongly encouraged'. A small line of text at the very bottom reads 'KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR MORE INFORMATION VIA DOJO, SENTRAL AND THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER'.

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Snapshot of what our main learning will be for Term 4

Foundation

This term the children are continuing to practice and apply our school values across all areas of their learning. In MAPPEN, Students will explore similarities and differences between their physical appearance, their families, and cultural backgrounds. They will learn about food and celebrations in different cultures and how they contribute to multicultural Australia.

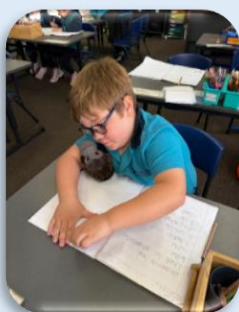
In Literacy routines are well established and the children are gaining confidence in their reading and writing skills. The children are learning the last digraphs of this year's program; they are also being introduced to a greater variety of reading materials in addition to our decodable readers.

In Numeracy the children are learning to identify shapes based on their attributes. We are continuing to build upon number sense and components of measurement.

Year 1&2

In MAPPEN, Year 1/2 students are exploring the topic Through Generations. They will learn about life in the past by interviewing someone from an older generation, exploring how stories are shared, and discovering the importance of places and cultures in our community.

Grade 1 students will be attending an excursion to SEA LIFE, where they will learn about marine animals. In Literacy, students have been focusing on building their writing stamina through narrative, persuasive and poetry writing, while continuing to develop their handwriting skills. In Maths, students have been exploring addition and subtraction, followed by data and statistics.



Grade 2 students have been busy becoming maths whizzes, exploring statistics, calendars and telling the time! In Writing, we've been practising narrative and persuasive texts in preparation for NAPLAN. We've also been working hard to strengthen our reading, comprehension, and spelling skills! We are so proud of how far everyone has come and can't wait to see the students shine in Grade 3!

Year 3 & 4

In MAPPEN, students will explore First Contact, learning about the arrival of Europeans in Australia and the impact of colonisation on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. They will investigate different perspectives and consider how these events shaped Australia's history and continue to influence people today.

Year 3

This term, Year 3 students will explore the text Stranger on Country, learning about Indigenous history and the impact of colonisation. They will consider the importance of family, connection to Country and understanding others' experiences.

In Mathematics, students will focus on Measurement and Data and Statistics. They will practise measuring, collecting and interpreting data, making connections to everyday experiences at school and home.

Year 4

This term, Year 4 students will explore *This Is Home* through a poetry unit. They will investigate how poets use language, imagery and poetic techniques to express ideas and feelings. In Writing, students will develop their narrative skills, with a focus on creating detailed descriptions of settings and characters to engage their readers.

In Mathematics, a strong focus will be placed on learning multiplication facts and confidently applying all four operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Students will connect these skills to everyday situations and develop their confidence in solving mathematical problems.

Year 5&6

Year 5/6 students have started the term with swimming lessons, continuing to develop their skills, build confidence and learn new techniques.

This term, students in **year 5/6** are exploring the design, production and marketing of products. Working collaboratively, they will research, design and create products using craft and recyclable materials. The unit will conclude with our school community market, Bizarre Bazaar, where students will sell their creations.

In Literacy, Year 5 students are exploring *The Blue Cat* while developing their comprehension and writing skills. They are also preparing their leadership speeches as they work towards becoming student leaders in Year 6 next year. In Year 6 students are studying *The Lost Thing* by Shaun Tan, exploring its themes of belonging and fitting into society while developing their reading and writing skills.

In Mathematics, Year 5 students are learning about angles, transformations and algebra, while Year 6 students are exploring fractions, including mixed and improper fractions, ordering fractions and probability. Both year levels will also continue to revise key number facts and consolidate skills learnt throughout the year.

Year 6 students will also participate in a range of activities throughout their final term, celebrating their primary school journey, strengthening friendships and preparing for the exciting transition to secondary school, ending the term with their graduation and a celebration day at Gumbuya World.

Art

This term, **Foundation** students are creating bird sculptures inspired by Indigenous art. Year 1 and 2 are creating 3D self-portraits using paint and collage.

Year 3 and 4 are continuing their textiles unit exploring weaving and materials.

Year 5 students are learning about media arts and how to create sets, characters, and stories to use in animations. They explore sound, lighting and camera angles.

Year 6 are creating the "Final Portrait" of their primary school art journey, which will be displayed at graduation.

PE

In **Junior School**, students will continue building their fundamental movement skills through swimming, gymnastics and a range of activities designed to develop the skills needed to play games.

In **Middle School**, students will take on swimming and gymnastics, while also developing their skills in basketball and badminton.

In **Senior School**, students will continue with swimming and gymnastics before choosing a sport to teach and umpire for their peers, giving them the opportunity to develop their leadership and communication skills.



Performing Arts

This term students are continuing to consolidate their skills and learning across music, dance and drama.

In **Foundation**, students are working towards a song and dance performance which will be presented at assembly in week 6.

In **Year 1**, students are continuing their exploration of drama and performance style working on creating a puppet show performance.

In **Year 3**, students are devising a drama performance where they will be adapting well known Fables which they will present to the class.

Year 4 students are exploring drama for the first time this year, writing and devising their own mini scenes in the performance style of Melodrama.

In **Year 5 and 6**, students are exploring playmaking techniques and genre, devising a longer scripted drama performance with the theme "Twisted Fairy Tales".

At the end of term all students across the school will be working towards their end of year Christmas concert.

Engage with Asia (EWA)

Junior Level – Foundation to Year 2

Students will discover the wonderful world of Asia by exploring Asian animals, countries and transport through pictures, songs, games and simple Chinese vocabulary.

Middle Level – Years 3 to 4

Year 3 students will explore weather and seasons across Asia, learning related Chinese vocabulary and making cultural comparisons.

Year 4 students will explore traditional Asian clothing, investigating its colours, patterns, materials and cultural significance before creating their own informative poster.

Senior Level – Years 5 to 6

Year 5 students will explore our community and design their own learning game about community places, people and services.

Year 6 students will create their own informative celebrity poster.

DigiTech

Foundation students will become Data Detectives as they explore how information can be collected, sorted and represented. Through fun, hands-on activities and digital tools, students will learn to identify patterns and use data to answer questions.

Year 1–2 students will explore digital storytelling by creating their own interactive books using Book Creator. They will combine text, pictures, drawings and audio to bring their stories to life.

Year 3–4 students will become digital problem-solvers as they design and create their own digital escape rooms. They will use creativity, teamwork and digital tools to develop puzzles, clues and challenges for others to solve.

Year 5–6 students will build on their app design work from Term 3 by using coding to bring their ideas to life. They will create interactive features, test their designs and make improvements to ensure their apps meet the needs of their intended users.

Application/Enrolments open for 2027

Keysborough Primary School is accepting enrolments for Foundation students in 2027.

Foundation enrolments are open now. To ensure your child is enrolled, it is important that an enrolment form is completed as soon as possible. Please follow the link below to register and lodge the application for your child.

[Home \(educationapps.vic.gov.au\)](https://educationapps.vic.gov.au)

If you have any queries regarding enrolment, contact us on 9798 4764.

Noble Park Art Show

We were thrilled to have the artwork of our talented Keysborough Primary School students on display at the Noble Park Art Show this year. Our young artists worked hard to create, experiment and develop their artistic skills, and it was wonderful to see their artwork celebrated in the wider community.

The exhibition was held from 16–18 October at the Noble Park Community Centre, where visitors had the opportunity to admire the wonderful artwork created by students from across the local community.

We are incredibly proud of our young artists and the creativity, effort and enthusiasm they demonstrated. It was fantastic to see their artwork proudly displayed and celebrated!

Congratulations to Jennifer T from 6C for receiving the Encouragement Award and winning \$50.00.



DIARY DATES

TERM 4

October

Fri 16 – Sun 18th Noble Park Art Show

November

Wed 4th – Fri 6th KPS Art Show

Fri 6th House Sports & Family Picnic Day

Mon 9th Benevolent Society food donation starts

December

Fri 11th Christmas Concert

Fri 18th Last day of Term 4, School finishes at 1.30pm.

2027 Dairy Dates

Thu 28th First day of Term 1, School starts at 8.50am.





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YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

**TUESDAY
OCTOBER 20TH
6PM**

at both campuses

Attend the session at the
campus you're attending
in 2027



Please only one parent/ guardian and future Year 7 child to attend



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OCTOBER 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Breakfast Club	2 Breakfast Club
5 Breakfast Club <i>KPS CAFE</i> <i>8.45-9.30am</i> <i>Swimming</i>	6 Breakfast Club	7 Breakfast Club <i>Swimming</i>	8 Breakfast Club <i>Swimming</i>	9 Breakfast Club <i>Swimming</i>
12 Breakfast Club <i>KPS CAFE</i> <i>8.45-9.30am</i> <i>Swimming</i>	13 Breakfast Club	14 Breakfast Club <i>Playgroup</i> <i>9.15-10.45 am</i> <i>Swimming</i>	15 Breakfast Club <i>Swimming</i>	16 Breakfast Club <i>Playgroup</i> <i>9.15-10.45 am</i> <i>Swimming</i>
19 Breakfast Club <i>KPS CAFE</i> <i>8.45-9.30am</i>	20 Breakfast Club	21 Breakfast Club <i>Playgroup</i> <i>9.15-10.45 am</i>	22 Breakfast Club	23 Breakfast Club <i>Playgroup</i> <i>9.15-10.45 am</i> <i>Canteen Open</i> <i>Assembly – 2.50pm</i>
26 Breakfast Club <i>KPS CAFE</i> <i>8.45-9.30am</i>	27 Breakfast Club	28 Breakfast Club <i>Playgroup</i> <i>9.15-10.45 am</i>	29 Breakfast Club	30 Breakfast Club <i>House Sports Day</i> <i>Playgroup</i> <i>9.15-10.45 am</i> <i>Canteen Open</i> <i>Assembly – 2.50pm</i>

