

**School Times**  
8.30am—2.40pm

**Recess**  
10.20am-10.40am

**Lunch**  
12.35pm-1.05pm

### **Dates to Remember**

**Tues 30 April**  
Term 2 Commences

**Tues 14 May**  
P&C Meeting/Uniforms  
9am

**Thurs 16 May**  
Service Providers  
Evening 5-7pm

**Tues 28 May**  
Hills Basketball  
Carnival

**Mon 3 June**  
Western Australia Day  
**SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Tues 11 June**  
P&C Meeting/Uniforms  
9am

**Fri 5 July**  
Last Day of Term

### **From the Principal's Desk**

Too often we get caught up in the machinations of everyday life and can easily forget what it takes to make normal things happen. Often there are extraordinary efforts at play behind the scenes that are easily overlooked or forgotten, and I would like to acknowledge those people who make extraordinary things happen every day.

After many years, the remarkable George is retiring from the bus run that he has driven with so many of our students to and from school at Kensington and Carson Street. We are truly grateful for the support he has given to our young people through his dedication and exemplary safe driving. He has been very ably supported in doing this by his bus aide, Renee Poepjes, who will also be leaving the bus service upon George's retirement. We wish both George and Renee the best for their futures and extend our deepest gratitude for their service.

As we all prepare for the Easter school holidays, I wish to thank the School Board and the P&C for their fantastic contributions to our school. They provide us with a valuable connection with our community and would welcome other parents and community members to join them in supporting the school. The time commitment is minimal, usually 2 one hour meetings per term, and the school is able to assist with supervision of young people when meetings are held.

I wish also to extend to my staff a heartfelt thank you for the wonderful effort they have made in providing an ever improving level of support to our students. I am deeply conscious of all the additional hours our staff dedicate beyond what is required, and want to acknowledge the difference this makes to our students.

Finally, I wish all parents, carers and students a safe, happy and relaxing holiday as we all prepare for Term 2 and another busy 10 weeks of school.

**Steve Hordacre**



# Swimming



Kensington Water Safety and Hydrotherapy program has had a successful, fun and very busy term. All the students have enjoyed their time in the pool. They have been learning to be water safe, completing assigned pool tasks, enjoying their hydrotherapy programs and having lots of fun during their free time.

This term, we have seen many students gain so much confidence in the water and have developed new skills, which has been amazing to see. Well done to all our swimmers!

**Ms O'Neill**

## Kensington School Board

As the first term of 2019 rapidly comes to a close and new families settle into Kensington life, it appears the term was again a busy and productive time.

The Board had its first meeting for the year in February with second meeting scheduled for this week.

We would like to welcome new member Lisa Wells to the Board, some of you may know Lisa as she is also an active member of P&C at Kensington. Thank you Lisa for your time and experience you bring to the Board.

As the Board is now in good shape to support Principal Steve Hordacre and his team as they commit and work to embed the operational phase of the business plan for 2019 and beyond, I feel it is the right time to step down as Chair and place the Board in the capable hands of Jenny Hogan. Jenny brings a wealth of experience from her educational background and I sincerely thank Jenny for accepting the role of Chair.

I take this opportunity to personally thank the Board members for their support during the past several years, it has been a great pleasure working alongside you all and I wish you all the very best as you continue working with the school.

May I wish everyone a happy Easter and a restful and relaxing break.

Warm regards,

Louise Goodman

# Music



Our whole school benefits from music but these photos concentrate on Room 10. The students can be seen participating in action songs, playing instruments, activating switches containing recorded music and expressing choices. The students have made great progress since the start of term with the result that Room 10 music has become a lively fun filled session.



## *Guide Dogs Work Ready Program*

As part of the school's Work Ready Program some students work in Room 6 on a Wednesday morning to clean and re sticker the mini collection dogs for Guide Dogs WA.

The students work very hard to clean the mini dogs and then correctly place the promotional and security stickers on them before they are returned to Guide Dogs WA.

The school works closely with this wonderful organisation and are lucky to have some of our students go to their offices for Work Experience. We also bake and package dog biscuits to support them with their fundraising!







## Workplace Learning

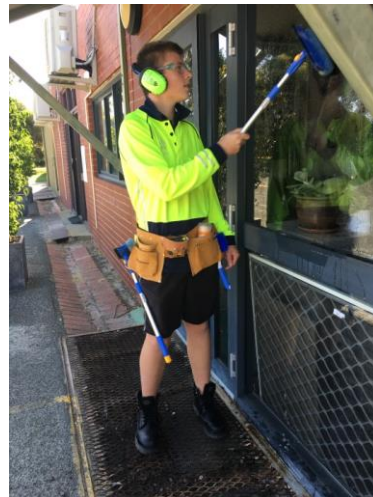


Kensington is having another **Service Providers Evening on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019 from 5-7pm.** Make sure to mark the date in your diary or on your calendar. An official invitation letter will be sent home to parents of students that are in Years 9 to 13. You are welcome to bring your child with you to meet and chat over a cuppa with Employment Providers; Alternatives to Employment, Leisure & Respite Providers and more....

We hope to see you there.



Bernadette Wheeler, the activity officer from **Bunnings East Victoria Park** has kindly donated \$120 worth of gift cards towards Kensington's Work Ready Program. Among the items purchased were Tool Belts and Window Cleaning Supplies which have already been put to good use as you can see below.



Stay tuned for information on our upcoming **GSI Donation Drive** in Term 2. The school holidays are a good time to do some Autumn cleaning. Any unwanted blankets that are in good condition will help towards the coming Winter. It's also that time of year again when we assist **Collier Primary School** with their **Mulch and Manure Fundraiser**, by folding their pamphlets and helping our students develop their work skills. Prepare for a busy term ahead!

Please see a message from ACTIV Industries below:



### NUT FREE SITE

Hello Everyone,

ACTIV is now a **Nut Free Site!** So could you please make sure that when you attend an ACTIV Site your morning tea and lunch **DO NOT** have or contain nuts.

We are currently getting the lunch menu changed so all nut products will be removed. The vending machine is also getting all nuts and products that contain nuts taken out.

Thank you for your understanding with this very important matter.