



Kensington
SECONDARY SCHOOL

Kensington Secondary School

An Independent Public Education Support School

Term 3, Issue 14
27 Sept 2019

School Times
8.30am—2.40pm

Recess
10.15am-10.35am

Lunch
12.35pm-1.15pm

Dates to Remember

Tue 15th Oct
Students commence

Tue 29th Oct
P&C Meeting 9am
Uniform Shop open

Tue 26th Nov
P&C Meeting 9am
Uniform Shop open

Fri 13th Dec
Graduation

Mon 16th Dec
Whole School
Excursion

Thursday 19th Dec
Last Day of Term

From the Principal's Desk

Term 3 is ending with an exhausted sigh as we prepare for what we hope will soon be warmer weather and the downward run towards the end of the year.

This year has thus far proven to be exceptionally busy as staff continue to build upon the improvements made in curriculum and school operations. Typical of most changes, things haven't always gone to plan and I extend my gratitude to staff and parents for the patience they have had in working with us as we overcome a number of issues in our journey towards creating a better school for all our students.

During the past 12 months, we have experienced challenges with the software program used to generate the IEPs and reports. This has created significant problems this term and caused a delay in getting the IEPs ready this term. Support from technical experts in our Central Office fixed some of the issues but others remain unresolved and will require a rebuild early next term so that we can finally put this matter to rest. I am looking forward to finally being in a position whereby technical glitches are a thing of the past and won't further hinder the good work being done in our classrooms.

During the last week, the school conducted the Year 6/7 transition to High School for 10 students enrolling in 2020. Monica Burnell put together an exceptional program that went very smoothly and the students enjoyed the day immensely. There are a further 2 days planned for Term 4 and we are looking forward to having these new students become part of our growing family.

Finally, as we prepare for that all too quick run towards Christmas, I extend a warm wish from all the staff to all families for a safe and relaxing term break. We look forward to seeing you all returning happy and relaxed in Term 4.

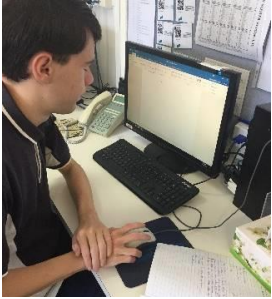
Steve Hordacre

Enjoy your holidays.

Students return to school on

Tuesday 15th October

Room 3



Room 3 in action from top left: Luke writing a cover letter for a job application; Health class testing the physiological effects of laughter; Eric identifying what empathy looks, sounds and feels like and doing Maths; Jake counting money; Fin cutting out some shorts; Miguel ironing a bag and Matt baked his own 18th birthday cake!

Mrs Makins and the Room 3 crew

Woodwork projects, with many of them being painted, have kept students busy. The jewellery boxes and other projects like small trays and the peg boards were protected with a beeswax coating.

Mr Lundy



Room 4

Along with other students, Room 4 had a fantastic day at the ESSN Athletics Carnival at Atwell College. They participated in activities such as hurdles, bean bag toss, high jump, cricket, T-ball, tug-a-war, 50m sprint, relay and ball games. The students did an amazing job changing from activity to activity and socialising with other students from different schools. They all tried really hard while putting everything they had into what they were doing! We are very proud of them.

Kirsty Kingston





Workplace Learning



Our students have continued to put in an immense effort into their work placements towards the end of the term. While attending work, our regular focus remains on the four Units of Workright; namely Health and Safety in the Workplace, Being Responsible in the Workplace, Working with Others and You at Work. These units cover all aspects of working life that we also apply to ourselves and help prepare students for life after Graduation.

Below we see Eric, Jake and Luke keeping their work area neat and tidy, doing their work correctly and using the appropriate safety equipment. Keep up the good work everyone!

Mrs Booth



A Word from Admin

Thank you to those parents and carers who have already paid the 2019 Charges and Voluntary Contributions.

Full and part payments can be made by cash or cheque at the office.

Alternatively, payments can be made via EFT. Our school bank account details are:

Bank: Commonwealth
BSB: 066040
Account: 1990 0516
Name: Kensington Secondary School

Karen Trivanovic
Manager Corporate Services

If you are thinking of moving house and you want your child to continue attending Kensington Secondary School, please contact the school to check the bus boundaries. If you move outside the bus boundaries your child will not receive transport.

Eugene Maguire
Deputy Principal