

# KEILOR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

## CARING and SHARING

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### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wednesday 5 September	Athletics sports, grades 2 – 6, Aberfeldie Park
Monday 10 September	Italian Day (see yesterday's notice) Costume parade at assembly
Wednesday 12 September	Sale of lost property and second hand and surplus school uniform Kinder visiting school, 9:30 – 10:30
Tuesday 18 September	Whole school excursion to Werribee Zoo
Wednesday 19 September	9:15 Parents Club meeting School Council meeting 7:30
Friday 21 September	Last day of term 3 – early dismissal, 2:30 Football Day
Monday 8 October	First day of term 4 – no assembly
Friday 12 October	Curriculum Day (pending School Council approval)
Mon. to Wed., 29 – 31 October	School Camp
Tuesday 4 December	Orientation Day – preps, year 6
Friday 21 December	Last day of term 4 – early dismissal, 1:00
Wednesday 30 January	First day of 2008

Dear Parents and Friends

Yesterday a new staff member began work at the school in a role that to the best of my knowledge doesn't yet exist in any government primary school in Victoria. Mary D'Agostino is our **new school chaplain**. I'd like to thank Bronwyn Pintarich, who applied for this grant on behalf of the School Council, and Sara Mason and Olivia Moore who worked with Bronwyn on the selection panel.

I believe Mary will make a significant difference to the educational success of your children. We all know that children learn best when they are happy, confident and effective in their social relationships. That is where Mary comes in. But I'll let her explain her role in the school:

### LETTER FROM SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

I am extremely pleased to introduce myself to the KPPS community as the

new school chaplain. Having been employed as a teacher at the school, I am already well acquainted with the children, the staff and many parents. My role as a chaplain will enable me to work collaboratively with the students, families and wider community to foster their learning – academic, spiritual and emotional. I view all of these aspects as being important and am excited about the prospect of being involved in this journey with the school.

I have a background in social work as well as teaching and am able to provide pastoral care, support and guidance as an additional dimension to the school's care. I will practice in a way which is sensitive to and considerate of the total range of cultural, spiritual and religious backgrounds and other belief systems represented in the school community. All parents and students who need support are able to access the service. If I can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school or complete a referral form which is available at the office.

I look forward to meeting you and value any feedback or suggestions you may like to make.

Mary D'Agostino

School Chaplain

### **PARENT OPINION SURVEY**

Every family received a Parent Opinion Survey last week. **It is important that we receive everyone's response so we are extending the deadline until this Friday.** This survey is a very important way the staff and the Department of Education to learn how you would like the school to be improved. It is anonymous so you should be totally honest about your opinions. The box to return your survey is on the counter in the office foyer.

### **RAFFLE RESULTS**

Thanks to all parents who supported the Fathers Day raffle and especially to those who donated the prizes (see below). The winners were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize: Kate Italia
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: Susan Mayas
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize: Dylan Jarvis

Hope all dads enjoyed their gifts

Thanks again to our generous donors:

- Olivia Crowther's uncle Frank Pelligana donated the 10kg chocolate. Thanks, Rosa, for arranging this.
- Rosina and Vince organised the donation of the men's cosmetics through Paul Mauro - L.R. International (Paul is Alisha's uncle and an ex-parent here)
- Richard Patti's parents. Anna and Dominic, donated the wine and port

### **SALE OF LOST PROPERTY AND SECOND HAND AND SURPLUS SCHOOL UNIFORM**

On Wednesday 12 September there will be a sale of lost property and second hand and surplus school uniform. We also have a number of Grade 6 windcheaters in large sizes, including adult sizes, from various years.

### **CANTEEN COMMITTEE**

I am keen to hear from parents who may wish to join the Canteen Committee.

### **PARENTS CLUB MEETING –WEDNESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

The next Parents Club meeting will be held at 9:15 a.m., Wednesday, 5 September, in the staffroom. Younger children are welcome. The meeting will go for about an hour. Please support this valued group – I hope to see you at the meeting!

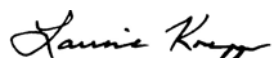
### **CURRICULUM DAY – FRIDAY, 12 OCTOBER**

The first Friday of term 4, October 12, will be a Curriculum Day, pending school council approval. There will be no school for students on that day. The Before and After School Programs will not operate on October 12.

### **LAST DAY OF TERM – FOOTY DAY AND EARLY DISMISSAL**

On Friday, September 21, students will be dismissed at 2:30. The Keilor Park PS tradition of a Footy Day will be held on the last day, so children are invited to dress in the colours of their favourite football team.

Yours in education



Laurie Krepp

**Final words ...**

'No one has yet fully realized the wealth of sympathy, kindness, and generosity hidden in the soul of a child. The effort of every true education should be to unlock that treasure.' - Emma Golmam

### **CARING AND SHARING PROGRAM Term 3 focus: RESPECT**

This Week: RIGHTS

*'We all rights at School'*

All people have rights and we should respect these rights. Consequences may occur when these rights are not respected.

Next Week: RESPECTING OUR SCHOOL

*'We care for our school and we can all help look after it'*

Students will discuss how they may help to make a difference to our school. This could include: caring for and returning school equipment, looking after library books, etc. There will be a focus on our school logo 'Caring and Sharing' and there will be further advertising of our school's vision statement. The students will discuss the meaning of the Keilor Park PS logo and vision statement.