#### RESPECT, INTEGRITY, PERSISTENCE, RESILIENCE AND RELATIONSHIPS

#### 17th February, 2022

#### Issue 2, 2022

#### A BIG THANKYOU

I would like to thank our wonderful families for your overwhelming support, patience and understanding and our staff for their enormous amount of commitment and dedication in adapting and changing the way of doing things to ensure students and staff are safe and the school remains open.

"We're in this together......let's continue to look after each other."

#### **Capital Works Building Project**

It's happening! On Monday temporary fencing and a site shed were located on the construction site by Mackie Pty Ltd, the contractors for the new development. On Tuesday the State Member for Frankston, Paul Edbrooke MP celebrated the start of construction by performing a sod turn. The event was celebrated with our student leaders, our local SEIL, school council president and representatives from Cottee Parker (architect) and Mackie. The construction of a new multipurpose room, art room and STEM room and the demolition of the old buildings will be undertaken throughout the whole year.

#### Access To The Office

Due to our new construction works to access the office from Mallum Avenue, visitors to the school site will need to walk between the two buildings and enter via the 2<sup>nd</sup> door. Access to the office from the back gate behind the Karingal PLACE gymnasium has not changed.

#### Parents, Carers and Visitors Attendance On-Site Reminder

- Parents and carers are requested not to enter the school site to drop off or pick up their child/ children unless it is essential.
- All parents, carers and visitors to schools aged 8 and above must wear a face mask in all indoor spaces, unless a lawful exception applies.
- All parents, carers and visitors are required to QR code in when entering a school building.
- All parents, carers and visitors entering school buildings must be fully vaccinated unless they
  are a medically "excepted person".
- Parent- teacher meetings and interviews require the parent/carer to contact the teacher or school by email or phone to arrange a suitable time for an online, video or phone meeting or interview.
- Please do not enter the school buildings when bringing or picking up your child, unless requested by the classroom teacher.



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#### **School Vision**

Karingal Primary School is committed in providing a friendly, dynamic and secure learning environment that strives to develop respectful, resilient, lifelong

It supports students to achieve their personal best in an atmosphere of mutual respect and cooperation.

#### School Council Elections

School Council plays a key role in Victorian Government Schools. Participating in school council is a rewarding and challenging experience. The role of the School Council is to support the Principal to provide the best possible outcomes for all students in the school. Notification of School Council elections was sent home and went up around the school on Monday 14th February. The closing date for nominations is Monday 21st February at 4:00pm. Nomination forms are available from the school office.

#### Camp Sport and Excursion Fund (CSEF) Applications

A reminder to parents who hold a current Health Care Card as of 28th January, 2022 that applications for the Camp, Sport and Excursion Fund (CSEF) are now open. Forms have been sent home with the eldest child in a pack this week. Please complete the application form and attach a copy of your Health Care Card or Pensioner Card.

#### School Stream

Have you downloaded our School Stream app yet? The app allows us to deliver information and notices directly to your phone. I encourage all families to install the new app and stay in touch with the latest news and information regarding your child's education. Further information on downloading the app is contained within this newsletter.

#### Bikes, Scooters and Skateboards

Bikes, scooters and skateboards should not be ridden in the school grounds as this causes a safety issue for the pedestrians within the grounds. Upon arrival at school, students should walk their bike or scooter to the designated area.

#### Staff Carpark

Just a reminder that the staff carpark should not be used as a pedestrian entrance to the school grounds. There are pedestrian entrances on Mallum Avenue and off Ashleigh Avenue behind the Karingal PLACE gymnasium. The staff carpark is for vehicle access only.

#### Student Accident Insurance/Ambulance Cover and Private Property Brought to School

We would like to advise parents/guardians that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents/guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs. Parents/guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers. The Department cannot advise parents/guardians on whether to purchase a student accident policy/ambulance cover, or which policy to purchase. It is recommended that you seek assistance in this matter with your insurance broker or find a suitable personal accident insurer in the Yellow Pages or online.

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, bicycles, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property students and staff are discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

Take care. Have a great week, Karen Luff

Principal

# Coming Events



#### **FEBRUARY**

25th Grade 3—6 Athletics Day

Ballam Park

#### **MARCH**

9th Parents Information Night 14th Labour Day (Public Holiday)

18th Harmony Day 21st Drive-In Movie 22nd Curriculum Day

# Calendar



Monday 21st February	Breakfast Club 8.30am-8.50am
Tuesday 22nd February	Running Club 8.35am-8.50am
Wednesday 23rd February	Breakfast Club 8.30am-8.50am No Preps
Thursday 24th February	Breakfast Club 8.30am-8.50am
Friday 25th February	3-6 Athletics Day Ballam Park

Monday 28th February	Breakfast Club 8.30am—8.50am
Tuesday 1st March	Running Club 8.35am—8.50am
Wednesday 2nd March	Breakfast Club 8.30am-8.50am
Thursday 3rd March	Breakfast Club 8.30am-8.50am
Friday 4th March	Running Club 8.35am-8.50am



#### SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

President: Rachael Franks
Vice President: Kathy Frolley
Secretary: Lisa Agar
Assistant Secretary: Samantha Cooke
Treasurer: Michael Wilkinson

Assistant Treasurer: Carol Chainey Parents: Kathy Frolley, N

Kathy Frolley, Michael Wilkinson, Rebecca Gaiewski, Helen James,

Tania Richardson, Hang Dang

**Executive Officer:** Karen Luff

**DET Representatives:** Danielle Goldsmith, Deirdre

Finnegan, Carol Chainey,

Samantha Cooke

Community Members: Rachael Franks, Lisa Agar

#### **2022 School Hours**

Classroom Session 9.00am -11.00am Morning Recess 11.00am-11.30am Classroom Session 11.30-1.30 Lunch Eating Time 1.30-1.45pm Lunch Play Time 1.45pm-2.30-pm Classroom Session 2.30pm-3.30pm

#### **2022 TERM DATES**

Term 1 31st January to 8th April Term 2 26th April to 24th June

Term 3 11th July to 16th September Term 4 3rd October to 20 December

**CURRICULUM DAYS** 

Term 1 Tuesday 22nd March
Term 3 Friday 12th August
Term 4 Monday 31st October

### **Supervision in the School Grounds**

Teachers are on yard duty in the school grounds at the following times:

8.45 – 9.00am Before School 11.00-11.30am Morning Recess 1.45-2.30pm Lunchtime





## Kids Matter @ Karingal

#### Respect Integrity Persistence Resilience Relationships

#### RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS

In September, 2021, the Victorian Government mandated the introduction of Respectful Relationships education into every government school in Victoria from Prep to Year 12.



The Respectful Relationships whole-school approach recognises that schools are a workplace, a community hub and a place of learning. Everyone involved in our school community deserves to be respected, valued and treated equally.

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We know that changes in attitudes and behaviours can be achieved when positive attitudes, behaviours and equality are lived across the school community, and when classroom learning is reinforced by what is modelled in our school community.

#### The primary prevention of family violence

Respectful Relationships is informed by a public health model. The public health model takes a population approach to management of disease and injury and health promotion.

Respectful Relationships is defined as 'primary prevention' according to the public health model. Primary prevention focuses on preventing issues from occurring in the first place by targeting risk factors and social determinants of health through education and legislation.

Key underlying determinants and contributing factors in the perpetration of violence against women include:

- a lack of gender equality e.g., rigid gender roles and identities, weak support for gender equality, masculine organisational cultures and masculine sense of entitlement
- cultural norms around violence e.g. social norms and practices that are violence-supportive, weak sanctions against violence/violence against women, and previous exposure to violence
- a lack of access to resources and support systems e.g. support for the privacy and autonomy of the family, unequal distribution of material resources, limited access to systems of support (VicHealth, 2007).

Primary prevention of violence against women therefore includes programs, campaigns, policies or other measures that set out to address these underlying factors and reduce the likelihood that violence against women will take place. Such actions may include strategies that:

- promote equal and respectful relations between men, women, boys and girls
- promote non-violent social norms and reduce the effects of prior exposure to violence
- promote access to resources and systems of support (VicHealth, 2007).

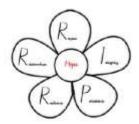
#### RIPRR AWARD





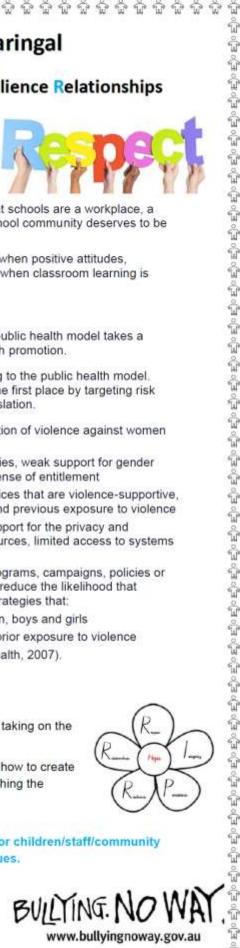
Kailee R - Showing respect at all times and taking on the initiative to clean up the yard.

Emelia G - teaching everyone in M12 class how to create their own feelings book with the pages matching the colours of the Zones of Regulation.



RIPRR nominations are welcome anytime. Please look out for children/staff/community members displaying our school values.

Where flowers bloom, so does hope -Lady Bird Johnson



#### COVIDSafe measures extension 17 February 2022

We want to thank parents and students for the great job they have done in keeping our school as safe as possible by following important COVIDSafe measures such as mask wearing, physical distancing, ventilation, getting vaccinated and rapid antigen testing.

This has meant that our school has remained open and our students in class. This is a fantastic outcome and a testament to the hard work of parents, carers, students and school staff.

#### Rapid antigen tests

To keep schools as safe as possible, the Victorian Government has extended the COVIDSafe measures introduced for the beginning of Term 1. This includes extending the availability of free rapid antigen tests (RAT) for screening until the end of term. It is anticipated an additional 24 million RATs will be provided to schools and early childhood settings to continue to support early detection and prevent infection, for use at home.

The need for this program will continue to be monitored, and may end earlier based on health advice. This is great news and will mean we're able to continue identifying COVID-19 cases as early as possible, reducing the impact on our school and individuals.

Department of Health modelling indicates that in the first two weeks of school returning, the program has already prevented more than 21,000 cases in schools alone. Their modelling indicates, assuming a 75 per cent compliance rate with screening of students, that by continuing RAT screening in schools for the full 10 weeks of Term 1, we will prevent:

- 61,000 COVID-19 infections in children aged 5 to 17
- more than 150,000 COVID-19 infections in the overall community (on average 15,000 per week over 10 weeks, or more than 2,100 per day)
- around 400 hospital admissions.

The department will continue to supply RATs to our school for your use. These will be distributed to our parents/carers when available.

Twice-a-week testing continues to be strongly recommended for both students and staff.

Testing will be conducted at home, and students and staff must report any positive result. There is no requirement to report a negative result.

#### Vaccination

Vaccination is another key component to protect students and staff in school settings.

Vaccinations for children aged 5 to 11 are open and third dose vaccinations for 16 to 17 year olds are now available.

There are lots of convenient options to access vaccinations. These include state-wide vaccination hubs, your local GP or pharmacy.

You can book your appointment in a few different ways, including:

- online: coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine
- by phone: 1800 675 398 (Coronavirus Hotline)
- In person: talk to your local pharmacy, doctor, or attend a state-wide vaccination hub.



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# Harmony and Friendship Day

Friday 18th March

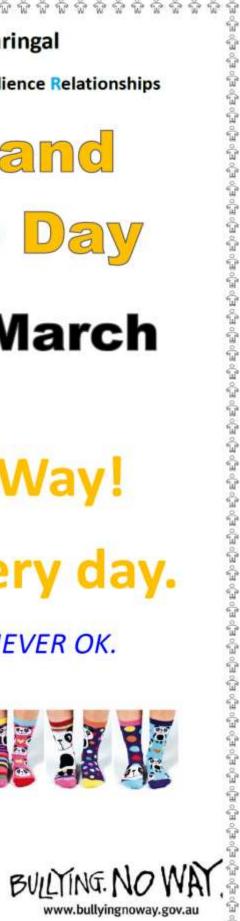
**Bullying. No Way!** Take action every day.

Bullying and violence is NEVER OK.

Everybody is asked to wear a splash of orange and odd socks.



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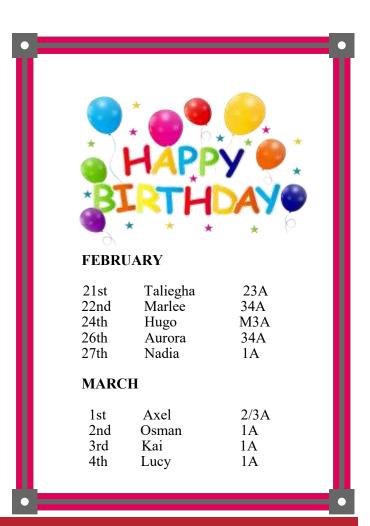
#### PRIVACY POLICY

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law as stated in the <u>Schools'</u> Privacy Policy.

Please take the time to remind yourself of our schools' collection notice, found on our website: www.karingal.ps@education.vic.gov.au

For more information about privacy, refer to: Schools' Privacy Policy—information for parents. This information is also available in nine community languages.

- Amharic
- Arabic
- Dari
- Gujarati
- Mandarin
- Somali
- Sudanese
- Turkish
- Urdu
- Vietnamese





SCHOOLS

### **TUTOR LEARNING INITIATIVE:**

Tutor Learning Initiative to continue at Karingal Primary School in 2022

Karingal Primary School is delighted to share the news that the Victorian Government is continuing the Tutor Learning Initiative (TLI) in 2022. This initiative is designed to address the continued impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on student learning and engagement in Victoria.

The extension of the initiative will allow Karingal Primary School to continue to provide our students who need it most, with targeted TLI learning support in the 2022 school year.

Despite the continued challenges Karingal Primary School and schools across Victoria have faced over the past few years, the TLI has ensured that students, who may have fallen behind or become disengaged, receive the help they need. In 2021, the TLI has enabled Victorian government schools, and qualifying nongovernment schools, to engage over 6,400 teachers as tutors.

Karingal Primary School would like to thank all the tutors, teachers and families who were involved in supporting Karingal Primary School's TLI program in 2021.

We look forward to continuing our TLI program in 2022, to provide small group learning support that will enable our students to flourish now and in the future.



#### Hello KPS Families

I would like to welcome new families to KPS and welcome back all our other families. I am looking forward to an exciting (and hopefully uninterrupted) year. We have our new building due to start construction in the coming weeks, new shade sails scheduled to be installed which will provide a fantastic outdoor learning space. Parents and Friends (P&F) are planning a number of fun activities ALL of which can't happen without support and assistance from our families. If you have time to contribute to P&F we would love to see you. I know how much our children love seeing their parents and carers helping with these events.

There are a number of positions for parents on our School Council and I encourage you to consider joining this fantastic group of parents, staff, and community members. If you have any questions about what is required, please feel free to reach out to myself or one of our current council members.

Rachael Frank School Council



#### **OUR COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY**

Karingal Primary School is committed to child safety. We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children.

We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously an consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We have legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Our school is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early, and removing and reducing these risks. Our school has robust human resources and recruitment practices for all staff and volunteers. Our school is committed to regularly training and educating our staff and volunteers on child abuse risks.

We are committed to the cultural safety of Aboriginal and Torres Strait children, the cultural safety of children from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability.

We have specific policies, procedures and training in place that support our leadership team, staff and volunteers to achieve these commitments. If you believe a child is at immediate risk or abuse phone 000.

# BUILDING HAS STARTED

On Tuesday the building work started at Karingal Primary School. Paul Edbrooke our local State MP and our Student Leaders dug the first hole to get the ball rolling. A new Art Room, Multi Purpose Room and STEM Room are being constructed and works will be ongoing throughout the year.

Watch for further developments!



Karingal Primary School does not necessarily endorse any of the products advertised in our school newsletter.



# Instrumental Music Lessons - on school campus Places available for Term 1, 2022







# Small Group & Private Lessons

- · Primary Music Institute offer instrumental music lessons right here on school campus!
- To find out all about the music lessons please visit PMI's website. You can check which instruments are available, get up to date program details and apply for lessons online
- . Please ENROL TODAY via PMI's website
- . Lessons are held once per week on school campus with lessons typically during school hours
- . Only \$19.50 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- . Private lessons (1-on-1) and pair lessons (max 2 students) are also available
- Online lessons (after hours) are also available direct to your home contact us to find out more
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results including for reading, maths, coordination, IQ, abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!

P: 1300 362 824

E: admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au

www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au







# Odyssey - a Story Book Voyage The Movie - Update

Last year, our whole school worked together to film our school Concert as a Movie. COVID threw us many challenges on our way but we managed to complete the filming in the last weeks before the end of the school year.

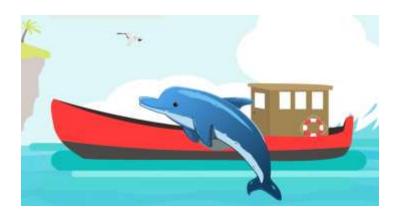
We provisionally booked a date at the Dromana Drive-In, this term for March 21st, when the evenings will be dark enough for an outdoor Premier showing.

So please, save the date and invite your family, relations and friends. Tickets will be approx. \$25 per car (TBC) and there will be spaces for over 300 cars so all our families can enjoy the Movie, COVID safely. More details and information about times and how to buy tickets will be sent out nearer the time. DVD or digital copies of the movie will also be available to order after the event.

We hope the Premier of Odyssey - A Story Book Voyage will be a night to remember and a celebration of the achievement of our whole school, despite a year of disruptions. It will also be a chance to thank our wonderful and resilient Grade 6s from last year, who put in so much hard work to make the Movie too.

I hope to see you all there.

Mary





# COVID-19 Community Vaccination Clinic

# **KANANOOK PRIMARY SCHOOL**

22 Wells Road Seaford

Thursday 17 February, 4pm-7pm Saturday 19 February, 10am-4pm

We will be offering the Pfizer vaccine for these onsite mobile vaccination sessions for anyone in the below age groups:

16 years and older (adult dose): dose 1,2,3, or booster doses 12-15 year olds (adult dose): dose 1,2,3 5-11 year olds (paediatric dose): dose 1,2

All welcome.

Please present your photo ID and Medicare card on arrival. For enquiries please email covidmobilevaccinations@phcn.vic.gov.au



To all our Parents and Carers,

#StrongSafeFabulous is running a free online parenting program (via Zoom) for LGBTIQA+ parents and families, starting 16th March. Information here -

#### https://strongsafefabulous.online/parentingterm1/

This online workshop series will help parents to brush up on their parenting skills, find new ways of dealing with their children's behaviour and learn new approaches to dealing with behavioural challenges.

The four week course builds on skills from week to week, so attendance each week is preferred. There are only 10 spaces available, so if you are interested please make sure you can attend all four sessions. The program is open to parents and carers across Australia, but note sessions are from **5pm – 7pm Sydney time** and will be offered via zoom on the following dates:

- March 16
- March 23
- March 30
- April 6

LGBTIQA+ families can sign up directly to the program here -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf4njaITFByOpHFQpzMaF3d3YitEYVF4pSIsoZ300OpGxjT2A/viewform

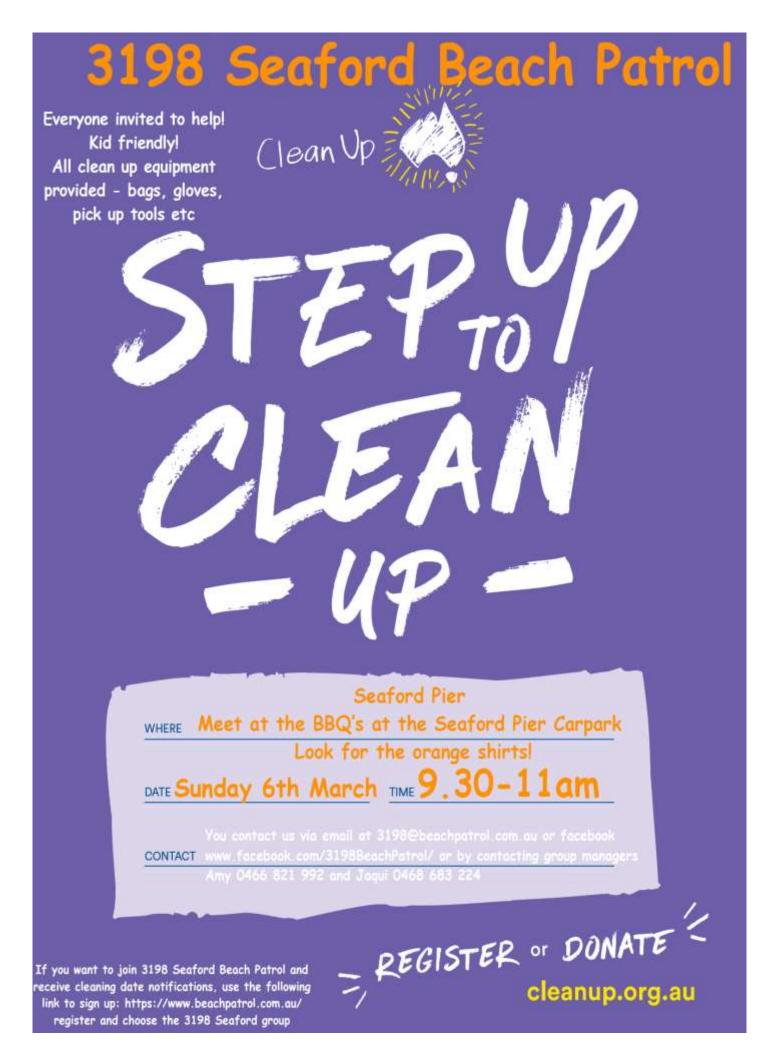
Many thanks,

Karen Craigie

# #StrongSafeFabulous

# www.strongsafefabulous.online









Parents and Friends are organising as a fundraising for our school to do Picture Products.

A note will be coming home today with your child with all the information needed to purchase one of these products.

Orders need to be processed online and are due in on Monday February 28th.



# A FREE, FUN & INCLUSIVE DAY OF ACTIVITIES TO TRY!









FOR PHYSICAL, SENSORY & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

> Tuesday, 3rd May 2022 10:00am - 1:00pm North Melbourne Community Centre

> > 49-53 Buncle St. North Melbourne VIC 3051

Limited places available.
To register attendance <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Hosted by:









SABILITY SPOR





#### Contact:

Kristy Rohrer +61 2 8736 1223 aisd@sports.org.au

# VARIETY ACTIVATE INCLUSION SPORTS DAYS

Enabling kids to be more active, more often!

Variety Activate Inclusion Sports Days (AISD) give kids the opportunity to try sports they might otherwise miss out on. Aimed at kids aged 5-18 with learning difficulties, intellectual, sensory and physical disabilities, the days are an opportunity to have a go in a fun and inclusive environment.

#### Each day involves:

- · a range of sports to try
- · specialised coaching
- · adaptive equipment
- · showbags
- · water and fruit
- · local sporting club exhibitors
- · access to community services
- · opportunities to network with other families and teachers





### BENEFITS OF THE DAY

Activate Inclusion Sports Days encourage and empower kids to explore sporting opportunities in their local community.

#### Benefits of attending the day include:

- · the health benefits of physical activity
- · building social wellbeing and friendship
- strengthening balance, coordination and mobility skills
- working as part of a team, collaborating and planning
- increased self-esteem through a sense of achievement







Variety - the Children's Charity believes all kids deserve a fair go. They provide practical and essential support to kids who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs.

Disability Sports Australia aims to get more Australians with a disability more active, more often while working nationally to support sport and active recreation participation.

Disability Sport & Recreation Everything we do is to help Victorians with disability live happier, more active lives.

www.variety.org.au www.sports.org.au



# Our School Stream app is now available to download!



The app allows us to deliver information and notices directly to your phone.

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When you install the School Stream App, you will need to enter an email address to verify that you are a parent/guardian at KPS. This is an email address you have previously provided to the school. You will then need to wait a short time to get the app unlocked. You will be notified when the app is unlocked and ready to use.

You will also be able to remove the classes that are not relevant to you by swiping left on the grade's that you don't need and remove them so that you don't receive notifications for other grade's.



#### Download instructions:

 Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.  Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the school's profile.  Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.





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