



KEGWORTH POST

Courtesy, Care and Commitment

Acknowledgement of Country

*We touch the ground to acknowledge the Cadigal and Wangal land,
We touch our hearts to care for the Cadigal and Wangal land,
We touch the sky that covers the Cadigal and Wangal land.*

- Kegworth Preschool

2023 TERM 1 – WEEKS 8 - 9

Monday 13 March	7:50am – 9:00am 8:15am – 3:15pm	Senior Strings rehearsal – Music Hall Years 3 – 6 Gymnastics Program continues – Assem Hall
Tuesday 14 March	12:00 - 12:45pm	Years 4 – 6 “Press Gang” with Cat Rodie – Learning Hub
Wed.15 – Mon.27 March		Years 3 & 5 NAPLAN testing
Wednesday 15 March	7:50am – 9:00am 12:00 - 12:45pm 3:40pm – 5:40pm	WASTE FREE WEDNESDAY Junior Band rehearsal – Assembly Hall (New Day) Years K – 6 “Chess Club” – Learning Hub CoAsIt – Italian Community Language Classes
Thursday 16 March	7:50am – 9:00am 12:00 – 12:40pm 2:15 – 3:15pm	Final due date for KPS Homework Adaption – “Opt In” Junior Strings rehearsal – Music Hall Recorder group rehearsal – Music Hall Years K – 6 SRE / Ethics program continues
Friday 17 March	7:50 – 9:00am 9:15 - 11:30am	Final Date for Book Club Issue 2 Senior Band rehearsal – Assembly Hall Years 3 – 6 Gymnastics Program continues
Monday 20 March	7:50am – 9:00am 8:15am – 3:15pm	Senior Strings rehearsal – Music Hall Years 3 – 6 Gymnastics Program continues – Assem Hall
Tuesday 21 March	12:00 - 12:45pm	HARMONY DAY Years 4 – 6 “Press Gang” with Cat Rodie – Learning Hub
Wednesday 22 March	7:50 – 9:00am 12:00 - 12:45pm 3:40pm – 5:40pm	WASTE FREE WEDNESDAY Junior Band rehearsal – Assembly Hall Incursion “Just Like You” – Years K-2 and 4W Years K – 6 “Chess Club” – Learning Hub CoAsIt – Italian Community Language Classes
Thursday 23 March	7:50am – 9:00am 12:00 – 12:40pm 2:15 – 3:15pm	Junior Strings rehearsal – Music Hall Recorder group rehearsal – Music Hall Years K – 6 SRE / Ethics program continues
Friday 24 March	7:50 – 9:00am 9:15 - 11:30am	Senior Band rehearsal – Assembly Hall Years 3 – 6 Gymnastics Program continues
Saturday 25 March		Election Day – P&C Fundraiser

Tuesday 28 March	7:30 – 4:30pm	Stage 3 – Excursion Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation - Narrabeen
Wednesday 29 March	9:30 – 11:45am	Cross Country Run Years 2-6 – Richard Murdon Reserve
Thursday 30 March – Wednesday 5 April		Life Education Program Years K-6
Thursday 6 April		Last Day Term 1

TERM DATES – 2023

TERM 1 Friday 27 January to Thursday 6 April Staff Development Day - <u>Friday 27 & Monday 30 January</u> – pupil free day	TERM 2 Monday 24 April to Friday 30 June Staff Development Day - <u>Monday 24 April</u> – pupil free day Anzac Day – Public Holiday – Tuesday 25 April Years P – 6 students start on Wednesday 26 April	TERM 3 Monday 17 July to Friday 22 September Staff Development Day - <u>Monday 17 July</u> – pupil free day Years P – 6 students start on Tuesday 18 July	TERM 4 Monday 9 October to Tuesday 19 December Staff Development Day - <u>Monday 18 & Tuesday 19 December</u> – pupil free day Years P – 6 students start on Monday 9 October
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone, I've been chatting with our P&C, Music Committee, office staff and teachers about the amount/frequency of Skoolbag notifications that have been going out. It seems to me that it has been difficult to get the balance right between keeping all our families completely informed & updated & barraging phones and email accounts with constant messages. I'm calling it "Skoolbag-Fatigue", what has been well intentioned communication has at times been just too much. Over the next few weeks, we'll work together to come up with a more consistent & predictable system of sending out notifications to families in an attempt to find a happy medium. In the interim, please bear with us & I'll be in touch when we have some type of solution. In terms of our newsletter, "The Kegworth Post", we will send it out every Friday in odd weeks.

Parent/Teacher Interviews are planned for weeks 10 & 11 of this term. This is a chance for you to meet with your child's teacher and discuss their progress and learning needs. The teachers work incredibly hard to prepare for these meetings and to provide the best information, plan and advice they can for you. We use the "School Interviews" platform for parents to make bookings. The bookings for each class are currently being set up and we will go live in the coming weeks. I'll notify you as soon as they are ready.

Today information and a consent form on third-party software used at school will be sent out via Skoolbag. The Department requires us to send this information out to you and get consent from you for your child to use the

I'm writing this on Thursday 9 March, tonight I'm heading out to Ken Rosewall Arena to see some of our Kegworth Kids perform as a part of a massed choir at "Pulse Alive". They have worked hard all term with Ms Findlay and even performed one their tracks for me at lunchtime this week. They left school at 8.15 this morning, are rehearsing all day at Homebush & then perform at 7.30pm tonight. It's a long day but something great to be involved in. I'm just waiting to find out what time I'm performing my solo, but nobody will give me a straight answer?

Have a great weekend.

Phil



Australian Government

21 MARCH

HARMONY DAY



Harmony Day celebrates Australia's diversity.
It's about inclusiveness, respect and a
sense of belonging for everyone.

egworth is celebrating HARMONY DAY

on

TUESDAY 21 MARCH 2023

All P - 6 students are asked to wear traditional clothing from their cultural background or from a country in which they have an interest.

Alternatively, please wear orange clothing on this day.

Orange has been the Harmony Day colour since the first day, held in 1999.

Traditionally, the colour orange relates to social communication - two-way conversations, that aid in the development of new ideas and gives us the freedom to be ourselves.

At the same time, it encourages self-respect and the respect of others.



EVERYONE BELONGS
www.harmony.gov.au





PREMIER'S BACK TO SCHOOL NSW VOUCHERS

As we prepare for another year of learning in 2023, you can now apply for the Premier's Back to School NSW Program, offering \$150 worth of vouchers (3 x \$50) to help pay for school supplies like school uniforms, shoes, bags, textbooks and stationery.

Every primary and secondary school student in NSW is eligible for the vouchers.

Vouchers must be used before 30 June 2023.

Please read the letter from the Premier about the program and the vouchers.

You can apply for and access your vouchers in your MyServiceNSW account, in the Service NSW app, by calling Service NSW on 137788 or by visiting your local Service Centre -

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/service-centre>

To be eligible, your child needs to be a NSW resident and enrolled in a NSW primary or secondary school in NSW in 2023.

For more information, visit the Service NSW website - <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/back-to-school-vouchers>

UNIFORM SHOP

Parents & carers who would like to purchase **new uniforms** are requested to orders via the flexischools.com.au website. A copy of the order form is included in this Newsletter for your information. Please send all enquiries to: kegworth-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

During Term 1 – the Uniform Shop will be open for face-to-face purchases as well as online ordering.

Term 1 dates: * **Friday 17 March** * **Friday 31 March**

Time: 2:15pm – 3:30pm

Thank you

Helen Johnson

Uniform Shop Coordinator

P&C News

Welcome event: 24 February.

We had a wonderful welcome event in February! Thanks to all those who came along - it was a great opportunity to meet new families and reconnect with old friends. As usual it was an excellent turn out & the raffles and games run by Team Kids added a bit of fun to the event and helped us to raise \$1600!

P&C 2023 Class Representatives:

Jacqueline Nelson	K Green
<i>Not Filled</i>	K Yellow
Linda Arnmark	1L
Naomi Wilson	1Y
Milly Edington	2W
Lotte Genillard	2S
Claire Foster & Stu Gallagher	3V
Jason Cranmer	3K
Lucinda Georgiou	4R
<i>Not Filled</i>	4W
Renee Holsman	5/6S
Genah El Mohamed	5/6L
Claire Foster & Stu Gallagher	5/6R

If you would like to be Parent Class Rep for K Yellow or 4W please email linda@kegworthpublicschool.com

Upcoming Events

Friday Fundraisers

For the remainder of term you will be able to purchase a cold treat at pickup to finish the week. Bring a gold coin (or you can tap and pay).

Harmony Day: Tuesday 21 March

Kids are encouraged to wear their orange Kegworth harmony day shirts on March 21st. If you don't have one, these are available for purchase on Flexi-schools in the uniform section. Kegworth will host a special Harmony Day celebration in term 2.

Election Day: Saturday 25th March

(BBQ, Bake Stall, and second-hand sale)

An excellent opportunity to have fun and volunteer. It's also a great way to raise funds for the school, from our local community, so please help out if you can and encourage your friends to vote at Kegworth.

Easter Guessing Competition: 3 - 6 April

Back again by popular demand! The last week of term 1 kids can guess how many eggs are in the jar. Bring along your gold coins to see if you can win.

Stay tuned for more fun events in Term 2!

Thanks,
Helen Johnson
P&C President

Music Program

HERE'S HOW YOUR CHILD CAN JOIN KEGWORTH'S MUSIC PROGRAM

Children in Years 2 to 6 are invited to join **JUNIOR BAND**.



Band program instruments are clarinet, flute, oboe, saxophone, trombone, trumpet, baritone, French horn, bass guitar, drum/percussion and keyboard.

Children in any year are invited to join **JUNIOR STRINGS**.



String ensemble instruments are violin, viola, cello, and double bass.

String students first complete one term (10 x weeks) of private lessons on their chosen instrument, after which they may join the String Ensemble.

More information...

For information about instruments, rehearsals, tutors and costs of the program view the Music Handbooks, available from the school office or on the P&C website:

www.kegworthpublicschool.com/subcommittees/music-committee/kegworth-music-program

SIGN UP FOR THIS YEAR'S MUSIC PROGRAM...

A Skoolbag e-form, **2023 MUSIC PROGRAM - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** is available for interested parents/carers and carers to submit.

2023 MUSIC TIMETABLE

- Arrival time for all Band & String Ensemble morning rehearsals is **7:50am, in preparation for 8:00am start.**

JUNIOR BAND	Wednesday mornings	8:00 – 9:00am	Assembly Hall
SENIOR BAND	Friday mornings	8:00 – 9:00am	Assembly Hall
STRING TRIAL TUITION – Year 1	Wednesday lunch x 2 gps NB: starting in Term 2 - TBA	11:50 – 12:50pm	Music Hall
JUNIOR STRINGS	Thursday mornings	8:00 – 9:00am	Music Hall
SENIOR STRINGS	Monday mornings	8:00 – 9:00am	Music Hall
RECORDER GROUP – Years 3 - 6	Thursday lunchtime	12:05 – 12:45pm	Music Hall
UKULELE GROUP	Year 3 - starting in Term 2	TBA	Music Hall
PRIMARY CHOIR – Years 3 - 6	Friday lunchtime	12:05 – 12:45pm	Music Hall

MUSIC COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Music Committee Meetings will be held online for the following dates (unless advised otherwise). All meetings begin at 6:30pm to 8:00pm via Zoom – all parents & carers are welcome!

<https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/66777963656?pwd=NjQyUng2SkNhbm0xQdDJBT2dBZDFUdz09>

Meeting ID: 667 7796 3656 / Passcode: 502338

Music Committee Meeting Dates:

Please note - additional meetings may be required, particularly if close to an event – the committee will advise.

Term 1 Meetings:	Term 2 Meetings:	Term 3 Meetings:	Term 4 Meetings:
Monday 3 April	Monday 1 May Monday 5 June	Monday 7 August Monday 4 September	Monday 9 October Monday 6 November Monday 4 December



SYDNEY
ACADEMY OF CHESS

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CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Kegworth Public School is held on Wednesdays from 11:50am to 12:40pm, starting on 8 February 2023.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.

FIND AND FOLLOW US ON

Did you know that Kegworth has official Twitter and Instagram accounts operating?

Become a follower and keep up to date with the variety of posts about student learning, displays and events that are taking place at our school on a regular basis.

We hope that this will provide our community with an insight into the teaching, learning and extra-curricular activities that make Kegworth the fantastic learning environment that it is!



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