



KING'S COLLEGE

*Creating foundations for a lifetime...
Academically, spiritually & personally*

Newsletter

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Offering...

Kinder (3yo)
Kinder (4yo) Preschool
Pre Prep
Primary
Secondary

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From the Principal

Dear Parents and Friends

***Effective parenting
can tell us a lot about effective teaching.***

Joan Walker (see below), did research that identified different styles of parenting such as authoritative, authoritarian, permissive or neglectful. Joan Walker showed how the results of the different types of parenting turn out to be similar to the results of different styles of teaching.

The 'authoritative' style keeps high control of the child's life, and has high caring and nurturing input as well. Children raised this way consistently showed the best academic and social outcomes, including high self esteem. They were achievement oriented, friendly with peers and cooperative with adults.

The 'authoritarian' style retains high control but low nurturing. Parents rely on coercion and are less nurturing. The 'permissive' style had low control, with moderate nurturing and involvement. These children showed low levels of self-control and self-reliance, lower academic achievement and were often unsuccessful in

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social-relationships. A further category the research described as 'neglectful' tended to produce low self esteem, and high levels of aggression and impulsivity.

The researcher concluded, "Parenting style has a direct bearing on how open children are to adult influence. Children raised in 'authoritarian' homes (Do it because I say so) often resist rules and injunctions, whereas children raised in 'authoritative' homes (Here's why this is important) are more likely to internalise their parents' values and goals."

Authoritative parents are effective, and one reason for this is that they listen. With a teenager's curfew for example, the authoritarian parent will use firm control to punish every time the curfew is broken, whereas the authoritative parent will be equally strong on the need for a curfew, but will adjust it as the teen becomes more able to assume personal responsibility, providing a scaffold for more mature behaviour. Authoritative parents seem to know when to get out of the child's way.

In looking at classrooms, similar styles of management were compared for the results. At the beginning of the semester, students were similar in their attitudes to maths achievement, felt optimistic about the year ahead, and were positive about their teachers' ability to teach them well. But as the weeks passed, students'

attitudes and achievement diverged under the different styles.

The 'authoritative' teacher was highly controlling and nurturing, making consistent demands for compliance, and frequent demands for self-management.

This teacher made twice as many nurturing statements as the other two styles. Students in the 'authoritarian' classroom also did well academically, but they used avoidant, ego-protecting learning strategies. 'In the 'permissive' classroom the children made gains but smaller ones: the teacher was nurturing, but did not push the children as hard.

Control and nurturing are both necessary for effective teaching.

Teachers everywhere need to find the right balance between control and nurturing - and when to lighten up and when to tighten up. The good parenting model is a good one for the classroom as well.

Yours sincerely
Neil Benfell.

Summarised from *Authoritative Classroom Management: How Control and Nurturance Work Together* by Joan Walker in *Theory and Practice*, Spring 2009; with acknowledgements to The Principals' Digest.

Prayer and Praise

- Thank God for his many continuing blessings to the school and students.
- Pray for all the building and development work to go smoothly without hold-ups.
- Please remember sick staff and teachers.
- Pray for our hard working and dedicated production cast, helpers and staff members.

Parents Club Donations

The Parents Club meeting last Tuesday night confirmed several contributions to various aspects of school life. The teachers' "wish list" for the year was paid for to the amount of around \$10,000.

This provided for;

Science equipment

Sewing machines

Stage Lights

Curtains

Technology Room tools and other items.

The Club also agreed to make its annual contribution to the College bursaries programme, being \$6,000. This is a very helpful provision of assistance which allows a number of children to attend the College who otherwise never could. Generous private donations to bursaries also help the school, and the Council makes its own budgeted provision each year as well.

We believe this is an important aspect of the work of a Christian school. They also contributed \$1,500 from the Canteen Fund toward the school's running expenses for the Canteen.

Thank you Parents Club and parents for this great support.

Calendar of events

September

- 6-20 King's VCE Art Students Exhibition
Warrnambool Art Gallery,
Alan Lane Gallery
- 11 Grade 5/6 Hootime Basketball
- 9-11 School Production "Joseph"
- 16 CSSN Aths Carnival
- 18 TERM ENDS

October

- 5 TERM 4 STARTS

TERM DATES

Last day of term -

Friday, September 18.

School will finish at 2.20pm.

Students return -

Monday, October 5

(No teacher only days at the beginning of term 4)

The Musical Rehearsals

The cast and crew with their musicians are putting in a lot of extra time at the moment as the big week is now nearly here. The show is coming together well and sounds just great!

ENROLMENT - Preprep (Term 4)

Preprep is a transition program open to all children in the community who are old enough to enroll in a school in 2010. It gives them an opportunity to experience a taste of what school will be like for them next year.

It is a big step going from Preschool to Primary school and it is important for your child that we make it as smooth as possible. During the 10 weeks of Term 4, the children will be completing work on literacy and numeracy.

Children attending Prep at other schools in 2010 are also very welcome to enrol for Preprep. If you would like more information, a tour or to enrol your child, please phone the school office, 5562 0147.

Merit Awards - Friday, August 28

Prep	Loki Finnigan Lexie Madden	Improvement with his handwriting. Being very caring and helpful. Thankyou.
Grade 1	Bohan Houston Anne-Marie Mikhail	Being a good friend and helping others. Being a good worker and always doing her best.
Grade 2	Abbey Greene Max Bolden	Writing a wonderful procedure. Making a wonderful effort with his maths work.
Grade 3	Louis Martinovic Aaron Body	Being a wonderful friend to all of us in grade 3. Being a very encouraging member of class.
Grade 3/4	Abbie Collinson Kate Rauert	For a high standard in all areas. For writing an excellent science report.
Grade 4/5	Cassie Mischkulnig Sean Evans	200 nights reading. For being the computer repair man in our room.
Grade 5/6	Stephanie Spinks Caleb Hayhoe-Castle	Being a great helper and a hard working student. Great efforts in all his work.
Grade 6	Hayden Moore Lachie Fletcher	Perseverance with maths. Friendly positive attitude.
Special Award	Louis Martinovic	Excellent manners.



Congratulations to the winners of our Google Logo Design Competition.

Prep	Poppy Keane	Grade 3	Katie Hayward	Grade 4/5	Noah Steel
	Jarrod Hughan		Mitchell Hughan		Bailey Snook
Grade 1	Meg Reuel		Sam Killeen		Lyndon Hurley
	Jack Dilley	Grade 3/4	Lily Weise	Grade 5/6	Keziah Houston
	Bailey Harris		Abbie Collinson		Jerome Speed
Grade 2	Nicky McKenzie			Grade 6	Sarah Hall
	Laura Hodgens				Zane Dickinson

Students were asked to create a new logo for Google based on the theme "My wish for Australia". Well done! Thankyou to Darryl Twycross from Darrians Office and Art Supplies for your generous donation in prizes. Thankyou also Mrs King and Miss Cavill for your help in judging the competition.

Mrs Duggan

Fair News 2009

With three months to go until the school fair, preparations are well under way.

The date of the fair this year is

Saturday, November 28, 2009

If you have not already done so please mark this date on your calendar. As you are aware every family is required to provide at least one parent to work on a stall for at least one shift on the day. A roster will be sent out at the beginning of term four. The fair will run from 10.00am til 3.00pm.

Below is a table detailing which stalls/activities your child's class will be involved in running or helping to organize for the day. Your child's classroom or home room teacher will advise what you can do to assist in the coming weeks.

Preschool	Lollyland
Prep	Badges/Jars of Stuff
Grade 1	Hoopla
Grade 2	Crazy Hair
Grade 3	Preloved toys, games and sporting goods
Grade 3/4	Frogs in Pond
Grade 4/5	Skittles
Grade 5/6	Donations Primary/Year 7 Stalls
Grade 6	Craft/Christmas Craft
Year 7	Fishing Pond
Year 8	Dunking Pool
Year 9	Rubbish bins
Year 10	White Elephant
Year 11	Stall help on the day
Year 12	Car Parking

UNIFORM SHOP

Now is the time to check summer uniforms for size, ready for next term.

Students will have the first two weeks of fourth term to change from winter to summer uniform. During this time they must wear either full winter or full summer uniform. Order forms are available at the office.

Please note Uniform Shop opening times if you need to check sizes.

New Uniform

Fridays 3-4pm

Used uniform

Mondays 3-3.30pm

Thursdays 8.30-9am

Lost & Found! Parents please note.

The lost & found box will be cleaned out at the end of term. Please check for any of your child's belongings. After the end of term any unnamed items will be taken to the Used Uniform Shop.

Students In Clay Target Championships

Andrew and Penny Smith have both qualified through the Winchester /VCTA Target School Students Championship eliminations, to go on to the Championship Final. Congratulations to Penny and Andrew on their exceptional skill, and we wish them every success at the finals on September 7th at Bendigo.

Canteen Roster

FRIDAY Sept 4

9am K Harding, J Threlfall
11.15am B Green
12.15pm B Green, D Diack, L Greig

MONDAY Sept 7

9am C Knight, P Armstrong
11.15am R Wallace
12.15pm A Carlson, D Bellman

WEDNESDAY Sept 9

9am N Kelson, D Rogers
11.15am T Brown
12.15pm T Brown

FRIDAY Sept 11

9am A Horsfall, B Ralph D Madden
11.15am T Brown
12.15pm B Wallace, M Burleigh

Foster Care

'Foster carers come from all walks of life' and they provide safe, caring and supportive homes for children and teenagers who are unable to live with their own family for a period of time.

If you are interested in being a foster carer, information and a 15 minute dvd about foster care is available from the King's front office. Other information is available at www.fosterabrighterfuture.com.au or **Foster Care Hotline 1800 013 088** (24hr toll free)

Centacare

Strengthening Family Relationships Programs. Surviving & Thriving in a Blended Family (Sept 1 & 8) OR Building Positive Relationships (Sept 7). Contact Madeleine or Carol for details ph. 5559 3000.

Accommodation required. 21 year old male Ridley College student requires accomodation in central Melbourne. Please ring 0408 663 339 for details.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Many thanks for the contributions you have made to our Christmas boxes. Operation Christmas Child is a great way to bring joy and share God's love with children in need.

Thank you.



Note to Parents;
Items can still be received until the end of this term.

"Knitwits" Wool appeal



A group of Grade 5/6 students will be knitting scarves for Orphans in the Ukraine during term 4 lunchtimes.

If you have any spare wool or needles that you would like to donate to this cause it would be very much appreciated.

Please hand it to the office to pass onto Mrs Duggan. Thankyou for your support.

Holiday Actors 2010
presents



Information & Preaudition Day

1-5pm Saturday,
September 12

@ St John's
Presbyterian
Church Hall

For more information

0418 126 751
5562 8988



FATHER'S DAY STALL

Friday
September 4
9-11am



That's Tomorrow!

Don't Forget Dad!

Our Father's Day stall will be held from 9am to 11am in the Home Economics room.

Primary children will be given the opportunity to purchase a gift for their Dad ranging from \$1 up to \$5. Secondary students may choose from the range during recess.

If you have time to come and help this is a great way to clock up more FIP hours!

ART Exhibition

The Re-Made Exhibition

is being held at the
Warrnambool Art
Gallery, Alan Lane
Gallery from
**August 12 -
September 6.**

Featured in this exhibit
are pieces from King's
College Preschool,
Grade 5 and Grade 6
Students.

All Welcome

CADBURY CHOCOLATES

Fundraiser

Thankyou to all those
who have helped with this fundraiser.

There are
still more
chocolates!

**If you are able to and would like to
continue selling more chocolates
please contact us for another box
or two... Enquire at the front office.**

This year we are only selling Freddo Frogs and Caramello Koalas. All items in the box are sold for \$1.20 each. (48 items in each box).

We ask that families sell their chocolates and return their money by **Monday September 7.**

KING'S COLLEGE presents

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor® Dreamcoat

at King's College Auditorium
Sept 9, 10 & 11 at 7.30pm

Tickets available at King's Front office Adults \$10 Child \$5 Family \$25

Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber. Words by Tim Rice.

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Joseph production

Parents & cast members please note:

- **Cast members need to arrive at 5pm each night of the production.** Please ensure cast members have had their evening meal before arriving.
- **All cast members need to purchase, borrow or beg for their own sandals.** Students have been made aware of this already. Why not borrow Grandpa's sandals?...
- **We are also looking for Berets to borrow.** Maybe Grandpa can help there too!...

Full dress
Rehearsal all day
Tuesday Sept 8!

Are you able to help with Make-up & Hair?

We will begin at 5pm on the nights of the performances - September 9, 10 & 11.
Please contact Marcelle Walters if you can help. ph 5565 8305

Many thanks for your help with our production.