Hi my name is Hunter Easton. Those of you who don’t know me, I would love to one day open and captain the Australian Test team or make it to the AFL Hall of Fame. One of the reasons I love going to Kedron and being a school leader is because all of the students and teachers are caring and willing to help anyone. Being School Captain I want to encourage every student to do their best and set bigger goals for themselves, whether it is at school or in their personal life. I also would love to be part of the bigger community whether it is fundraising for the less fortunate or helping out in the local community. Being healthy and active is important to me. I would love everyone to enjoy getting outside and being fit.

Elsie Batley-Ole Keko - When I finish school I want to work for the RSPCA so I can help animals in need of care. As a Sport House Leader I want to encourage students that they can do it and for boys and girls to play fairly with each other and to give everyone a go.

Georgia Lang - I like that, even though it was grown, at this school it feels like we all know each other. So as a leader this year I would like to keep that feeling of community and friendship by working hard at school and it will lead me to what I want to be when I am older, which is a marine biologist. I know that this job needs people that like the water and work hard so it is a good job for me.

Georgia Liekefett - My inspiring leader is Nelson Mandela because he fought for what he believed in and fought for freedom and equality. I think that he stood for something that was really important to him. I like Kedron State School because all the kids make the new kids feel welcome. I also like that everyone is included and helps each other.

Hi my name is Hamilton Fitzell. Most people call me ‘Hammy’. As one of the Phillip House Captains I would like to set a good example to my fellow students by making good choices and leading in a positive manner. I will help others in need and I’m a good listener and can be very patient, just ask my sisters! I enjoy lots of different recreations like guitar, trumpet, riding a unicycle, kite flying and athletics. In the future, I hope to be a positive member of our society. Somehow I think it will involve being creative, maybe design?

Hi my name is Sammy Coutzez and I am one of your 2015 Bowen Sports House Captains. I have been really looking forward to this role and hope to set the best example possible. I believe that a good leader is a responsible leader, someone who you can trust and rely on. I love hanging out with my friends and doing sports such as tennis, swimming, water skiing and tubing. I have been at Kedron State School for 3 years now and I have always loved how everyone is so happy and friendly to each other and willing to share their ideas. When I finish school I wish to become a vet so I can help animals and save lives.

My name is Fiona Kinnane and I am a Prep Leader this year. This job is a great opportunity for me because I care about helping others. I want to be a teacher when I grow up because I enjoy working with children and I want to be able to help people. I think kindness and compassion are important because that’s what makes the world a better place. I am inspired by all people who dedicate their lives to helping others. I hope that one day I will be able to make a difference in people’s lives.

Kaif Mohammed – My role as a school leader for 2015 will be to encourage my team Bowen at sporting events and lead by example. As Music captain, I would like to help out Ms Lupton at choir practice. I really like the students at our school who are really great people and do their best to help us achieve. I love playing sport, especially cricket and soccer, for my local clubs. I also enjoy music, playing the violin and percussion. I feel fortunate to have two roles as school leader in 2015 and will do my best to help in any way I can.

Angus Bain – What I like about Kedron State School is that we are a nice small community who care and respect each other. It’s important to me that everyone learns in a safe environment and enjoys school. As a Barton House Captain I want to cheer on all teams and help everyone be good at sport.

Hi my name is Ole Keko. I have been a Surf Lifesaving Nipper for 4 years. Surf Life Saving has taught me to look out for others and to look out for safety when I am in the water. It feels like we belong when I am at Kedron. I have been really looking forward to this role and hope to set the best example possible. I believe that a good leader is a responsible leader, someone who you can trust and rely on.

Eli Strachan – I want to be a good example and leader to all students at Kedron SS. I am active within sporting communities with swimming and AFL, but I have been a Surf Lifesaving Nipper for 4 years. Surf Life Saving has taught me to look out for others and to look out for safety while having fun. Richard Branson is my inspirational leader as I am Dyslexic like him and he is a very successful and positive person.
Thursday, 12 February 2015

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS – 8.30am to 3.15pm

STUDENT ABSENCE LINE - 3621 5466

P & C MEETINGS HELD 2nd TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 7pm

NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

DATE CLAIMER 2015

City District Swimming Carnival 13 Feb
Combined School Free Breakfast 8:00am 18 Feb
Prep Swimming Lessons begin 23 Feb
SB – Performance on Assembly* 2:10pm 24 Feb
Active Travel Breakfast 8:15am 25 Feb
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island Meeting 2 Mar
1A – Performance on Assembly* 2:10pm 3 Mar
Community Combined Breakfast 8:15am 4 Mar
Problem Solving Competition – Yrs 5 & 6 9 Mar
1GC – Performance on Assembly* 2:10pm 10 Mar
P&C Meeting – AGM – M/Media Room – Hall * 7:00pm 10 Mar
National Ride-2-School Day – Bling your Bike 13 Mar
2MG – Performance on Assembly* 2:10pm 17 Mar
Community Combined Breakfast 18 Mar
School Camp – Yr 5-6 18-20 Mar
2J – Performance on Assembly* 2:10pm 24 Mar
Parent Teacher Interview Week * 23-27 Mar
Choral Honours Music Camp Yrs 5 & 6 24-26 Mar
Community Combined Breakfast 8:15am 2 Apr
Harmony Day 2 Apr
Gold Pass Day 2 Apr
Easter Holidays 3 – 17 Apr
School Resumes 20 Apr
School Anzac Day Service* 21 Apr
Anzac Day Holiday 25 Apr

*Items marked * are those that parents may wish to attend.

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ACTING PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Creating Better Minds for a Better Future

This week I saw some wonderful poetry from a few of our lovely year 2 students. Lincoln, Stella and Emmaline were amongst a group of students who shared how clever they are with using different writing elements to create a fun and interesting poem.

Principal’s Celebration

Tomorrow will be the first Principal’s Celebration for the year. This term we are focussing on writing, I can’t wait to see what the children have been working on.

2014 Graduates

On Tuesday I had the privilege of visiting some of our 2014 graduates at Wavell SHS. It was a pleasure to see how well they have settled in to high school life.

Birthdays

At Kedron State School, we love to celebrate birthdays. Our school has a strong healthy food policy. As we also have children with serious food allergies, it is very important that food is not shared. This includes birthday cakes. Please celebrate your child’s birthday at school with their school friends in a way that does not involve food.

I would love to present children with a birthday sticker if they attend school on their birthday. Please encourage them to come and see me on the day of their birthday.

Danielle

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Community Gardening

Our gardening program has started off with resounding success and three classes have already visited the garden as part of our community engagement. It is a wonderful resource and allows the children to see the real life learning that we combine as part of the curriculum coverage for subjects such as Maths, Science, Geography and Technology.

We are very grateful to Mr Jeff Lawrence who has generously organised the use of the grounds for us to build and maintain the garden beds.

Take a look at the photos below to see what was found as part of our labours, and those of our fabulously supportive and inspirational teacher aide, Tracey Maeder who works with the teachers and the classes to ensure it is a resounding success. (At least one of the pumpkins is now on display in the library if you would like to see it in situ.)

The monies that our Year 2 students won last year as part of the RNA school garden exhibit will be spent on reference books that will help support the teaching of the Science units across a number of year levels.

That’s all for this week,

Lisa Whitlock – Deputy Principal

OFFICE NEWS

OSCH - Kedron State School’s Outside School Hours Care Services must go through a tender process with the current agreement expiring. YMCA will continue to provide care during the tender process. We would appreciate any feedback on the attached survey form about outside schools care. Please note, this is not a survey about YMCA.

CAMP – Camp payment and Medical Forms due Tuesday 17th Feb.

CLASSROOM NEWS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their ‘You Can Do It’ Awards last week

Awards

Alice B Following instructions beautifully and being confident
Charize A Getting along well with her peers and being a kind friend to others
Oscar W Being a real “You Can Do It Kid”
Oliver M Settling in well in a new school
Wesker D Showing persistence when learning sight words and excellent whole body listening
William D Always being organized and exhibiting excellent work habits
Gipsea K Always having the correct equipment for each lesson
Emmaline O Always being organized and ready to learn in the classroom
Natalya W Showing great initiative, persistence and confidence in your work
Georgia M Great effort in class and showing great resilience
Henry H Terrific attitude in 1st lessons for Yr 4
Seth B Displaying awesome getting along skills by being willing to help in class
Ben W Great attitude towards the start of the year
Leah H Always happy to help and very well organized for every activity
Kai F Being well prepared for lessons
Kate B Creating a great persuasive text, Fantastic organization and planning
Quinn T Actively participating in a discussion about the Japanese New Year
Music Class For a Fabulous start to your recorder playing
PE Class Great start to swimming lessons – being organized

MUSIC NOTES

“Where words fail, music speaks,”
Hans Christian Andersen
CHOIRS

At Kedron SS EVERY child is welcome to join a choir – no auditions required! Prep - Yr 2 are welcome to attend Junior Choir at 1st break each Tuesday, and Yr 3 - 6 children are welcome to attend Senior Choir at 1st break each Wednesday. BYOD: beautiful singing voice, smile & display folder to store your music! Music will only be handed out to students with their folder.

RECORER

All students from Yr 2/3 - 6 learn to play the recorder as part of their music lesson, however ALL STUDENTS from Prep - 6 are welcome to attend recorder tutoring each Monday at 2nd break if they wish to learn to play. BYOD: recorder, display folder and smile! Year 2/3 - 6 students are welcome to be tested for their “belts” each Monday at 2nd break.

HOMEWORK

All students in Years 2/3 - Yr6 have been given their Term 1 homework. Homework needs to be completed weekly and signed by parents. The tasks should take approximately 5 minutes to complete. Students who require assistance to complete their homework tasks are welcome to come to the Music Room at 2nd break on Monday. PLEASE NOTE THAT STUDENTS WILL BE TAUGHT THE HOMEWORK CONCEPTS DURING LESSON TIME – HOMEWORK TASKS ARE REVISION. STUDENTS WILL WRITE DOWN THEIR HOMEWORK SONGS EACH LESSON.

MUSIC REQUISITES

Students are required to have the following items so that they can fully participate in each music lesson:
Yr 1 and Yr 2: display folder, music manuscript exercise book, pencil case (pencil, rubber, sharpener, colours, glue)
Yr 2/3 and Yr 3: Year 6: Yamaha recorder, Blackbelt Recorder textbook, music manuscript exercise book, display folder, pencil case (pencil, rubber, sharpener, colours, glue).

KEDRON IDOL IS NEARLY HERE!
The ultimate Talent Quest is about to start. If you have a vocal, instrumental, drama, comedy, dance, magic….), start preparing now!

BUISKING DAYS & “BATTLE OF THE BUSKERS” IS COMING IN TERM 2!

Start rehearsing your act! This year Revolution Music Store is donating some FABULOUS prizes for our 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.
First prize: Gift Voucher for $80 at Revolution Music Store, Windsor
Second prize: Gift Voucher for $50 at Revolution Music Store, Windsor
Third prize: Gift Voucher for $30 at Revolution Music Store, Windsor

We would like to thank Revolution Music Store for their generous donation and support of this event.

Sponsor of KEDRON STATE SCHOOL’S “BATTLE OF THE BUSKERS”:

Shop 403a
Homezone - 142 Newmarket Road
Windsor QLD 4030
Phone 07 3357 1777

Ms Lupton – Classroom Music Teacher

PE NEWS

We would like to wish the following swimmers who are competing at the City District Swimming Carnival this Friday at the Valley Pool the best of luck.
Angus B
Brooke D
Chloe D
Lachlan D
Hunter E
Jack G
Isabella H
Tanna-Lai H
William H

Cross Country training has started this week. Cross Country training is on Monday and Wednesday mornings 8:10 – 8:40am. All students are welcome from Prep – 6. Meet Mrs Walsh on the oval at 8:10am sharp.

Swimming: For those students who are keen, there is now squad training available at the school on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 6:45am - 7:45am. Please contact the Learn to Swim on 0487 771 769 for further information.

Sharon Walsh – PE Teacher

P&C NEWS

Fete News

The Kedron State School Fete is Saturday 25 July so mark the date. The Fete is held every two years and is a major fundraiser for our school. We need the help of every family in the school to make the event work. Whether it is volunteering for a class room stall or taking on one of the central roles on the organizing committee. I encourage you to put your hand up and get involved. This is a great opportunity for us to share our school with the wider community. I am looking for someone that is interested in taking on a larger role and work on the Fete Committee as a co-convenor. The other key Co-ordinator roles that need to be filled are Rides, Entertainment, Monster Raffle, Market and Promotions, Sponsorship & Donations, Market Stalls, Paper Plane Competition Organizers and of course Cass Stall Convenors. The Fete Newsletter will be coming out next week with greater detail. There will be a Fete meeting on Tuesday 3rd March after Parade to confirm Class Room Stalls and other roles. If you are able to help with one of the larger roles or have any questions please contact me at any time.

Donations of books are needed for the Fete Pre-Loved Book Stall. The used books can be delivered to the Parent Room (near the uniform shop). Collection times: Tuesdays & Fridays 8:15am-8:45am & 2:45pm-3:15pm If you have a large donation of books you would like collected or you are not able to bring the books at the designated times, please contact me and I will be happy to make alternative arrangements.

Patience Orford patienceorford@optusnet.com.au
PH: 0438 384 168

Loyalty programs
Did you know that the school participates in the following loyalty programs? Ellaways Music

Next time you make a purchase at Ellaways music on Gympie Road, you can earn money for our school by recording the details of your purchase on the sponsorship register in the store. If you are ordering by phone, simply mention the name of the school and they’ll record the purchase for you. The school earns $2 from every $10 spent at Ellaways Music which we can spend on musical instruments and accessories – in the past we have purchased music stools.

Smart Sports, Stafford

Every time you spend money at Amart Sports at Stafford, you can earn money for the school by recording the details of your purchase on the school account. 5% of your purchase price will be donated back to the school if the school community spends over $2000 at the store in 12 months.

Blair Thompson – P&C President
pandcpresident@kedronss.eq.edu.au

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Open
Tuesday afternoon 2:55 - 3:20pm
Friday morning 8:15am – 9:00am
for all your uniform requirements.
We accept payment by EFTPOS, Cash or Cheque for all P&C monies

Bargains! - The uniform shop has a $2 rack. Grab a spare shirt for only $2!
If you are interested in volunteering in the uniform shop, please email me at catherinhowell@optusnet.com.au. We would love to have you join us. We particularly need someone for every second Tuesday afternoon. It’s just me at the moment!

Catherine Howell – Uniform Shop Co-ordinator
BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club – Reminder All orders must be completed by Friday 13th February.

Issue 1 is a Kaboom Kid Competition! Australian cricketer David Warner’s new book, The Big Switch, is offered in the Lucky and Arrow brochures and online. You could win: A Kaboom Kid Grey Nichols Cricket Kit with bat signed by David Warner plus gloves and pads, all in a Kaboom Kid cricket bag. No purchase necessary to enter. You will need to write in 25 words or less who your favourite sports star is and why. Closing date is 28 February 2015. See web page for more details www.scholastic.com.au.

Scholastic now offers four ways to pay for your child’s Book Club order online in one simple process. You will not need to return the order form and receipt. When making an online order please check your order because if you have made an error you will not be able to change or cancel the order. You will only be able to correct any order after you have received the merchandise and will need to return the item(s) at your expense.

If you order through LOOP, the Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform. This will allow you to order and pay for your child’s Book Club order online in one simple process. You will not need to return the order form and receipt. When making an online order please check your order because if you have made an error you will not be able to change or cancel the order. You will only be able to correct any order after you have received the merchandise and will need to return the item(s) at your expense.

You can also continue to order by returning the back page order form and payment in a named envelope, via the classroom collection containers on Tuesday and Friday. This allows you to continue to pay by cash, cheque (payable to Scholastic Australia) or receipt number for the completed credit card transaction either via phone or online directly with Scholastic.

For “special” occasions, e.g. Christmas, birthdays etc., you may not want your child to know you’ve ordered you can arrange to have the order collected from the Uniform Shop. Please mark on your order you wish to pick up from the Uniform Shop.

Remember, there is a 30 Day Money Back Scholastic Book Club Guarantee on all your purchases. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries.

Patience Orford 0438 384 168 - Book Club Co-ordinator

COMMUNITY NEWS

KEDRON STATE SCHOOL DOES NOT ENDORSE ANY OF THE ADVERTISEMENTS APPEARING IN OUR NEWSLETTER

KEDRON STATE SCHOOL TENNIS

Everton Tennis & Gear conducts MLC Hot Shots tennis lessons after school on our tennis court. For more details - please contact 3266 1660 or email info@tennisgear.com.au

KEDRON STATE SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS

Our professional Swim School offers:

- Lessons in the morning and afternoon
- Austswim Qualified instructors
- Squad training for Children and Adults
- Royal Lifesaving Society Australia Endorsed Program
- Adult lessons Group/Private

Program: Designed to cater for all ages and all levels of non-swimmers and swimmers, our program teaches children in a progressive way adding one skill at a time, our program also includes the royal lifesaving program.

TO BOOK PLEASE CALL - 0487 771 769