Twits (Roald Dahl)
We have learnt how to use text connectives and time connectives in our writing. We have also learnt how to use describing adjectives and punctuation more in our stories of the Twits. 4H are writing our own chapter of the Twits.
By Portia and Samara

Maths (Fractions)
In our fraction game we had to write fractions without our teacher and teacher aides. Mixed numbers, improper and proper fractions are what we are learning about. We love that the fractions were not too difficult. It also helped that we did the first fraction together.
By Sam and Kyrel

Music
In music, we have been learning some recorder songs and one of them is The Lion Sleeps Tonight. We have also been learning about how many beats are in different kind of notes. We think music has been really fun.
By Chloe, Liana and Brooke

Quality World
In 4H we have been working on Quality World for art. It is when you do pictures and drawings which show what is unique about yourself. We have been bringing in pictures from home and gluing them on to an A4 piece of coloured paper to create art that is all about ourselves and our families.
By Quinn and Oliver

Introducing 4H
Calms before the storm.

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

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**ACTING PRINCIPAL’S DESK**

**Extra Curricula Activities**

The end of term is quickly coming upon us. There are many exciting events coming up over the next three weeks starting with National Day of Action against Bullying next Tuesday. Please see the attached note for details. Keep an eye on the calendar to see what is happening.

**2 Minute Zone - thank you**

Thank you to all of our lovely parents who are using the 2 Minute Zone safely. We appreciate it.

**Creating Better Minds for a Better Future**

Charlotte, Georgia, Hunter and Saul, our School Captains said that “Creating Better Minds for a Better Future is about questioning. The more we question our world, the more we can improve it”

**Success**

Success starts with being:
- Ready to learn, and
- Being on time

**Keys to developing resilient families. Part 3 – Attention Training and Mindfulness**

Attention training and Mindfulness is about learning how to be in the moment. This is important for adults as much, if not more so than it is for our children. Being in the moment; being attentive is a great preventative strategy.

Mindfulness is also about choosing what you focus your attention on. Be careful not to focus too much, or only on the negatives. Our world is too full of these already. Be mindful about listening when our children talk to us. Model careful listening and talk to your children about how important this is.

It is also important that we model how to change unhelpful thinking into helpful thinking. Some psychologists talk about changing ‘shark’ thoughts into ‘dolphin’ thoughts.

A good strategy for developing mindfulness is for each family member to share one positive thing that you have noticed each day at the dinner table. It may feel a bit weird at first, though after a few weeks you will notice the difference.

Another mindfulness strategy is to create a place in your mind for relaxation. This could be through meditation or exercise. Mindfulness happens when you deliberately stop thinking and let your mind relax. It is extremely helpful, as when you find time to be mindful, it effects the way we feel.

The way we think effects the way we feel and the way we act or react to a situation.

(Notes taken from a ‘Pathways’ presentation.)

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DESK**

**Active Travel**

The winner from last week for Active Travel was Prep/1 1 with a resounding 91% of the class actively travelling to school. They will keep our School Boot for the next week. They were closely followed by 2/3H with 90%. Both these classes help to boost our school average to 68%. 12 classes in total have achieved more than 60%.

All classes each week that reach more than 60% will go into a raffle draw for an end of year whole class prize.

Our next big event, Bling Your Bike/ Active Travel Thing is on tomorrow, Friday 13th March to recognise Ride Safely to School day. Posters are up around the school and show some of the scooters from last year.

I am really looking forward to seeing the great ways that students decorate their active modes of transport. Everyone who does this and actively travels will receive a raffle ticket and go in the draw for one of three lucky draw prizes which will be drawn on parade next Tuesday.

**Problem Solving Teams**

Yesterday 2 Yr 5 and 2 Yr 6 teams took part in the Wavell High School French themed (think Pink Panther) Problem Solving Challenge day.

Our school was represented by: Byron A, Sam J, Raven L, Ben W, Tanna-Lai H, Lily M, Keisha N, Chynna M, Saul T, Adam R, William H, Noah S, Kai F, Bella P, Georgia L, and Charlotte R. All 16 students had loads of fun while trying to solve Maths, Science and Technology problems. Their certificates of participation will be handed out on parade next week. Tuesday on parade Chynna’s Yr 5 team showed the tower they designed as their solution to the technology problem and this wonderful edifice is now on display in the office.

**NAPLAN- Reading Assessment**

The NAPLAN reading assessment for Yrs 3 and 5 will take place on Wednesday 13th May in the 1st session. The NAPLAN reading tests measure literacy proficiency across the English learning area in line with the ACARA standards for English. These tests focus on the reading of written English.

Knowledge and interpretation of language conventions in context are also an important part of reading and are drawn upon in many reading questions.

In the tests, students are provided with a magazine containing a range of texts that illustrate different writing styles. They read the texts provided then answer related questions in a separate booklet. This style of multi choice assessment is one which all our Yr 2-6 students are familiar with as it is reflected in the STARS books that are part of our Yr 2-6 reading program. At home you can support your child’s learning by encouraging them to read a wide variety of text types and discussing them with your child.

That’s all for this week,

**Lisa Whitlock – Deputy Principal**

**OFFICE NEWS**

Instrumental music folders are now available at the office - $13.00 each

Lou Dalton & Dale West

**CLASSROOM NEWS**

**MUSIC NOTES**

“Where words leave off, music begins.” Heinrich Heine

KEDRON IDOL IS HERE!

Please read the attached “Kedron Idol” form with this newsletter for more information and prize details, or contact me: mlupt2@eq.edu.au

The ultimate Talent Quest has started! If you have a talent (vocal, instrumental, drama, comedy, dance, magic), please return your form to Ms Lupton ASAP! Auditions are filling fast. Gold coin entry fee.

1st prize: $70 gift card
2nd prize: $50 gift card
3rd prize: $30 gift card
4th – 10th prizes: $10 gift card each

Next week’s Performers are:

Monday 16th March:

Georgia M, Oliver, Dallas, Tahlia, Patrick

Danielle, Harper, Ella
As Kedron Idol auditions will be held at 1st break on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for the remainder of this term, our rehearsal times have temporarily changed to:

WHEN: JUNIOR CHOIR – 2nd break TUESDAY, SENIOR CHOIR – 2nd break WEDNESDAY

WHERE: MUSIC ROOM

RECORDER
ALL STUDENTS from Prep to Year 6 are welcome to attend recorder tutorial each Monday at 2nd break if they wish to learn to play the recorder. Having trouble with your recorder tests? Come to tutoring!

BYO: Recorder, display folder and smile!

RECORDER “BLACKBELT” TESTING
Blackbelt recorder testing is held each Monday at 2nd break for all students from Yr 2/3 to Yr 6 who are ready to complete their coloured belts. The test songs are the songs before each coloured belt “test” page in the textbooks. Please contact me if your child is unsure which song to practise.

HOMEWORK
All students in Yr 2/3 to Yr 6 have a small weekly homework task consisting of basic music theory questions and 3 recorder songs. It is requested that parents initial the homework sheet after listening to the recorder songs.

HOMEWORK TASKS ARE REVISION OF LESSON MATERIAL. STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO WRITE THEIR HOMEWORK RECORDER SONGS ON THEIR HOMEWORK SHEET DURING EACH MUSIC LESSON. If your child is experiencing difficulty with any homework tasks, homework tutoring is available at 2nd break on Monday.

MUSIC REQUISITES
Thank you to those parents who have purchased all 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: Yr 6: Yamaha recorder, Blackbelt Recorder textbook, music manuscript exercise book, display folder, pencil case (pencil, rubber, sharpener, colours, glue).

BUSKING 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”

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Ms Lupton – Classroom Music Teacher

PE NEWS
Just a reminder that Cross Country training has started and it’s on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8:10am – 8:40am. Meet Mrs Walsh on the oval ready to run!!

The Cross Country is being held on Wednesday 22nd April. These are the distances the following age groups will be running if you are interested in doing some training of your own before the event.
Prep – 3 – 1km
9 – 10 yr olds – 2km
11-12 yr olds – 3kms

A big congratulations to Braxton A for making it into the City Districts Rugby League team this week. A fantastic effort!!

Sharon Walsh – PE Teacher

STUDENT OF THE WEEK AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students on receiving their ‘You Can Do It’ Awards last week

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<td>Always being enthusiastic and organized for learning</td>
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<td>Being a great helper in the classroom</td>
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<td>Max L</td>
<td>Delivering an excellent presentation</td>
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<td>Seth F</td>
<td>Growing confidence with writing tasks</td>
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<td>Brianna F</td>
<td>Being a hard working student with neat printing and fluent story writing</td>
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<td>Zali C</td>
<td>Attempting all classroom tasks with enthusiasm and confidence</td>
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<td>Having the most wonderful ideas and descriptive sentences when writing</td>
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<td>Fantastic participation in class activities</td>
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<td>Always willing to participate in class discussions and giving 100% always</td>
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<td>Awesome 1st attempt at mapping all 5th American countries</td>
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<td>Putting 100% into your work</td>
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<td>Tanna-Lai H</td>
<td>Always ready to start work with your equipment and having great focused attention in class</td>
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<td>Being ready for every subject with books and materials needed</td>
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<td>Mikayla F</td>
<td>Putting your best effort into all your school tasks</td>
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<td>Japanese Class</td>
<td>Perseverance and effort in listening tasks</td>
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<td>Fantastic singing</td>
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<td>Great teamwork from both the boys and girls when completing the Change room Challenge</td>
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<td>Library Class</td>
<td>For almost everyone being motivated and participating well in the learning task</td>
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P&C NEWS

KSS P&C MEETING
TUESDAY, 12 May 2015
TIME: 7:00pm
WHERE: KSS Hall / Multimedia Room
Everyone Welcome

On Saturday morning a group of families had a busy couple of hours planting new plants in the Tenth Ave and Leckie Rd gardens. It certainly proves the saying that many hands make light work as it was a quick and fun activity which has given the gardens a new look. Thanks again to the P&C for buying the plants and the big and little volunteers for their time and muscles - Kerry Riehmuller

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

The Kedron State School Fete is Saturday 25 July. We need the help of every family in the school to make this event a success. 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. There are many ways that you can be involved.

Thank you to the parents that have come forward to help coordinate a Class Stall or help out with other key roles. All Class Stall Convenors have been finalised and a list will be out in the next Fete Newsletter. Your Class Stall Convenor may already be making contact with the class to begin planning your stall.

The Kedron Fete Committee is still looking for someone to be the Monster Raffle Coordinator. This includes coordinating prize donations and distribution and return of tickets.

Do you know of or work for a company that provides sponsorships or donations for community events? If so, we would like to hear from you. All sponsors will receive recognition in our Fete communications and advertising, as well as the opportunity to have signage displayed at the Fete itself.

We are also looking for donations of prizes and other goods for the Monster Raffle, carnival games etc.; if you know of a company that might be interested please let us know.

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

Donations of empty jars and bottles with screw top lids for sauces, chutney/jam and passion fruit butter are needed. Why not give them a wash and send them along for us to use on our stalls. Don’t worry – they will be sterilised before they are used? You can leave them in the marked container outside of the office.

Kedron State School Newsletter

Patience Orford 0438 384 168

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Open
Tuesday afternoon 2:50pm–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
– Reminder: one credit card transaction for the entire order

Catherine Howell – Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

BOOK CLUB

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

Scholastic wants to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Alice in Wonderland. Each student is invited to create a NEW character inspired by Lewis Carroll’s wondrous work. You will need to include a description of your character as well as a drawing, and explain how he/she/it fits into the original story.


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Remind

competition closes May 11 2015

Scholastic now offers four ways to pay for your child’s book order. Via, LOOP, credit card by phone or online, cash or cheque.

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.

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 so 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

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

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TO BOOK PLEASE CALL - 0487 771 769

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