NEWSLETTER
of Kedron State School and Parents & Citizens Association

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RAW ART GALLERY
Thursday, 25 June 2015
SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS – 8.15am to 3.15pm
STUDENT ABSENTE LINE – 3621 1466
PAC MEETINGS HELD 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 7pm
NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

DATE CLAIMER 2015

Gold Pass Day Raw Art Incursion – 2MG, 2J, 4H, 4VG, 4V5, 5B, 5F, 6W 26 June
School Holidays 29 Jun – 10 Jul
School Resumes 13 July
African Beat Incursion – whole school Prep - 3 Yr 4-6 9:30-10:30 11:30-12:30 14 July
Yr 2 Social Skills Program starts P&C Meeting 7:00pm 8:00pm All day 15 July
Community Breakfast Kedron SS Athletics Carnival Prep – 6* 8:15am All day 15 July
2016 Enrolment Day 8:00am 22 July
Author Visit – Steven Herrick – Yr 3 – 6 23 July
Kedron SS Athletics Carnival 5-7 July
Indigenous Parent Meeting 6:30pm 6 Aug
ICAS – Maths Prep 7:00pm All day 11 Aug
Ekka Holiday 12 Aug
Literacy Olympics Yr 5 & 6 17 Aug
Yr 5 Bunyaville Excursion Singfest 18 Aug
LOTE – Assembly Item*

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

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PRINCIPAL’S DESK

A week of active learning – It certainly has been an action packed term at Kedron SS. We have ended the term as it began, filled with artistic, cultural and athletic events. This week our students had the opportunity to engage in ‘Raw Art’ activities that has allowed them to explore different aesthetic and textural mediums to create individual ‘master pieces’ that should arrive home soon. Our teachers challenged a group of brave students to a Student Vs Staff netball match where the teachers managed to defeat the student team – just. I have a feeling that our energetic youngsters were being kind to us! I think it would make the students feel just a little satisfied to know we had some exhausted teachers yesterday afternoon. It was lovely to see our students and teachers enjoying themselves together outside of the classroom environment.

Today Kedron State School celebrates NAIDOC Week. This is an important event in our school calendar as we recognise the historical and cultural contributions of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community. Nguitana-Lui – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Studies Centre will present 3 sessions across the day allowing all students to participate in singing, dancing and storytelling culminating in a whole school assembly for the students this afternoon to share some of the highlights and learnings of the day.

Semester 1 Reporting - Semester 1 Reports will accompany our students’ home this afternoon marking the halfway point in the academic year. I encourage all families to use this opportunity to stop and reflect on what has been achieved to date and to think about what can still be achieved.

Your child’s report card will give you a great deal about how he or she is progressing however, achievement shouldn’t be measured only in terms of academic success and also in terms of effort applied, happy and productive learning behaviours developed and growth in the confidence needed to navigate the complex world of school. Please use this time to celebrate who your child is and their individual success and gains. Our young children thrive on our ability to show them the best version of themselves.

Year 6 Students – Most High Schools will request a copy of the Semester 1 Report Card with the application to high school. Please make sure you file this report card in an accessible place so it is available for this purpose.

School Annual Report - All Education Queensland State Schools publish a school annual report for the previous year outlining the school’s progress towards identified goals and priorities. The report also articulates information about the future outlook and how we are navigating our preferred future. The report detailing the 2014 year will be on our school website by 30th June.

Kedron State School Out of School Hours Care: It it with great pleasure that we can now confirm YMCA will continue as our Out of School Hours Care provider. This is the outcome of a lengthy tender process that began earlier this year and YMCA’s acceptance to continue their contract with our school. We consider this a very positive outcome for the Kedron students and community. It enables long established relationships and programs to continue without disruption. We look forward to many years of a successful partnership with YMCA and the excellent service they offer our community.

Happy and safe holidays - Finally I would like to wish all our Kedron State School families a happy and safe holiday. I hope you enjoy precious time together without the hustle and bustle that follows a school week. I look forward to seeing happy, smiling faces in the ‘blue and yellow’ next term. Until next term,

Susie
Susie Randel-Kniepp

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Curriculum News
Yesterday Mrs Garrett and I had the great pleasure of adjudicating the verbal ‘Tug of War in 2MG on the merits of Cinderella compared to Wishbones, a Chinese folktales which has a similar plot and theme to Cinderella. This task was the culmination of their unit on persuasion. All the students were able to identify at least one or two arguments to support their opinions. They used these ideas in a spoken task and along with their gestures, voice, pitch, pace and expression it became a very entertaining session. I would like to congratulate all the children on their success. Well done, 2MG and the winners by a fish scale were the Wishbones team.

AEDC- Australian Early Development Census
Today a note has gone home to all Prep parents about this census. This will be undertaken in Week 2 next term. The information collected will help inform government decision making and all student information is confidential. More details about the census can be found at www.aedc.gov.au

Active Travel
Last week’s winner was once again 1A with a resounding 95% of the class actively travelling. They received the Achievement Award and will keep the boot until next term.

In closing for this term I would like to wish everyone a happy, safe and restful holiday and look forward to seeing you again in Term 3.

Lisa Whitlock – Deputy Principal

OFFICE NOTES

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEYS – 2015: The annual School Opinion Survey will be conducted after the holidays. All families, school staff and a random sample of students will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what this school does well and how this school can improve. Access details for the Parent/Caregiver Survey will be sent home with students in the first week back next term. Will keep you posted.

Group Photos – (Band, Choir etc) Pre-printed envelopes will be sent out at the beginning of Term 3 - photos will be $20.00 each with a discount for 2 or more photos.

Wishing you all a wonderful restful holiday. See you in July.

Lou & Dale

CLASSROOM NEWS

MUSIC NOTES

When? Tuesday 14th July
Who? ALL KEDRON STATE SCHOOL CHILDREN – PREP TO YEAR 6!
What? Interactive drumming performance - each student will have the opportunity to learn and play an authentic African rhythm, learn a traditional African song, experience African drumming and culture.
Cost? $5.50 – please complete the attached permission form and return to the school office with payment in a clearly marked envelope.

Chair
Sing, Sing together, merrily, merrily sing….

“NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!! Choir application form is attached”

UPCOMING EVENTS: FETE PERFORMANCE, GRANDPARENTS CONCERT, RECREATIONAL EVENING, SINGFEST.
SINGFEST: TUESDAY 18TH AUGUST “THE OLD MUSEUM”
Singfest “Expression of Interest” forms have been sent home with students from Yr 3 to Yr 6 (attached). Please return ASAP to assist with planning this event. All Year 6 students are welcome to join the SENIOR CHOIR to learn the repertoire for this exciting event!

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

RECORER "BLACKBELT" TESTING
Blackbelt recorder testing is held each Monday at 2nd break for all students from Year 2/3 to Year 6 who are ready to complete their coloured belts. The test songs are the song before each coloured belt "test" page in the textbooks.

A huge congratulations to our youngest BLACKBELT recipient – LEVI B from YEAR 2 has just achieved his Black Belt! Fantastic effort Levi!

Congratulations to our 3 BLACK BELT recorder players who performed at Assembly this week: Helen K (Year 3), Keisha N (Year 5) & Levi B (Year 2).

Classroom recorder testing – TERM 3, WEEK 2! All students have been advised of TEST SONGS!

HOMEWORK
If your child is unable to complete homework for a particular week, please send a letter with your child. If your child is experiencing difficulty with recorder homework, they are welcome to attend recorder tutoring each Monday at 2nd break. Assistance with theory homework is also available at this time. It is requested that parents initial the homework sheet after listening to the recorder songs (NOT THE THEORY). It is expected that homework tasks take less than 5 minutes to complete each week.

Enjoy the school holidays! Looking forward to more music-making in Term 3.

Michelle Lupton – Classroom Music Teacher

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PE NEWS

What a great week it’s been in sport!!

Congratulations to the children who were announced as the 9 – 12 yr old Age Champions for the Athletics Carnival.

9 year olds
- 10 year olds
- Abbie D
- Ash D
- Brooke D
- Brody A
- Sam Z

11 year olds
- 12 year olds
- Elsie O’R
- Rosie J
- Lachlan D
- Hunter E

A big thank you must go out to all the parents and the teachers who helped out on the day at Kedron High School and also with the championship field events back at the school. A special thanks to the timekeepers in the 100m, 200m and 800m events - Mrs O’Rourke, Mr and Mrs Delforce, Mrs Seheli, Mrs Barker, Ms Anderson and Mrs Langley! Your help and time was greatly appreciated.

Just a reminder that the Prep-6 Athletics Carnival is being held on Wednesday 15th July. Make sure you keep that date free.

Last but not least, well done to the Teachers in the Staff Vs Student netball game yesterday afternoon. Some very impressive teamwork and skills were shown by all and the victory went on this occasion to the staff!!

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday!! Looking forward to a great Term 3.

Sharon Walsh – PE Teacher

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STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Tomorrow on the last day of school it is hero day. Bring a gold coin donation. Money raised will go to the Vanuatu Cyclone Pam Appeal. Come dressed as your hero. It can be your Mum or Dad, Your scout leader, Policeman, or any super hero you like.

Nathan 2/3H

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DEBATING TEAM

Last week, our debating team competed against Ascot SS. Unfortunately we lost by only 2 points. Kedron SS debating team should still feel very proud of the way they debated, considering it was their 1st time. Well done Team Kedron.

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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>Luke C</td>
<td>Great participation in science and maths discussions</td>
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<td>Maria W</td>
<td>For amazing numeral formation and impressive improvement in your writing</td>
<td>Prep C</td>
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<td>Xavier P</td>
<td>Showing a positive attitude to learning and persistence when completing tasks</td>
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<td>Lahna L</td>
<td>You have grown in confidence with your writing and making thoughtful spelling choices</td>
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<td>Georgia S</td>
<td>For writing a well structured persuasive response</td>
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<td>Jaquilyn C</td>
<td>Great persistence and growing your confidence when writing</td>
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<td>Pliskin D</td>
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<td>Jazinta H</td>
<td>Always being industrious and conscientious and consistently giving your best effort</td>
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<td>Shehzeen H</td>
<td>Terrific effort completing your 1st Fleet timeline</td>
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<td>Jack M</td>
<td>Always applying yourself to classroom tasks</td>
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<td>Caitlyn D</td>
<td>Always being ready to help others</td>
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<td>Harper G</td>
<td>Improved spelling scores through persistent effort</td>
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<td>Oliver G</td>
<td>Concentrated efforts while practicing your Japanese characters</td>
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<td>Anais G</td>
<td>Congratulations on completing three recorder belts in one go</td>
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<td>Being patient and very adaptable to the changes that needed to happen because of the weather</td>
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<td>Great sportsmanship in their PE lesson this week</td>
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CHAPLAINCY NEWS

Social Skills for Year 2 in Term 3

There’s an exciting Social Skills program planned for all Year 2s in Term 3. This annually run course is called ‘Knowing Me, Knowing You’, specifically designed to help younger children understand the interaction of thoughts and feelings which lead to actions.

The program addresses key criteria in the HPE curriculum. Lessons include teaching skills to foster understanding the feelings of ourselves and others, identifying body language and self-talk, learning how to cope, manage and relax in challenging situations, exchanging unhelpful ‘red’ thoughts for helpful ‘green’ thoughts and building problem solving skills to create confident and brave boys and girls.

Chappy Leanne will conduct 40 min sessions with each class on Tuesdays in collaboration with the teachers. Children have their own workbooks and we aim to communicate with Parent Tips during the term so that everyone can practise their new social skills at home as well as in their classroom with their friends.

Chappy Leanne – Chaplain

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P&C NEWS

KSS P&C MEETING
TUESDAY, 14 July 2015
TIME: 7:00pm
WHERE: KSS Hall / Multimedia Room
Everyone Welcome

Athletics Carnival

The P&C is organising a sausage sizzle and cake stall for the athletics carnival on Wednesday 15 July. The following items will be available for purchase- fruit juice poppers ($1), sausage on bread ($2), homemade cake/slices/ biscuits (ranging from 50c-$3). Fresh fruit will also be available for our students. A coffee van will also be there on the day to keep you caffeinated and warm-50c from every cup sold will be donated to the school.

If you can spare some time to help on the day, bake (there are no restrictions on what you can bake) or offer other assistance please let Christine know on 0414 722 030 or cshehill@gmail.com

P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting is the first Tuesday back after the holidays. Mark it in your diary! Fete planning will be high on the agenda (with only two weeks to go when we get back), along with an update on the OSHC tender and further discussion on options for our tuckshop. We’d love to see you there, new faces always welcome.
Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Trevanna Lang – P&C President
pandcpresident@kedronss.eq.edu.au

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Open
Tuesday afternoon 2:30pm – 5:20pm
Friday morning 8:15am – 9:00am
for all your uniform requirements.
We accept payment by EFTPOS,
Cash or Cheque for all P&C monies

Next term the price of most items will rise by $1 or $2, due to rising supplier costs. The new pricelist, effective 13/7/15, is attached to the newsletter.

Each photo day the uniform shop provides a rack of checked shirts for students to borrow if they forget to wear formal uniform. On Wednesday, a shirt went missing from this rack. If your child came home with a shirt that wasn't theirs, please return it to the uniform shop or office. You will know it’s not yours by the tag pinned inside the pocket. If shirts go missing, we will be unable to provide this rack in future, which would be a shame.

Catherine Howell – Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

FETE NEWS

Thank you! You are fabulous!
Thank you to all of the parents, carers and friends who have been working hard to organise the carnival and to those who have made donations. We truly appreciate your support.

Feeling crafty during the school holidays?
Why not make some craft items for our craft stall or think about what you will bake and make for our cake and sweets stalls. I can’t wait to buy some fudge and other yummy treats on the day.

Fete – Rides Armbands
Order forms for rides armbands have been sent home, and can be returned anytime until 21/7/15. Individual rides tickets cost $5 on the day, and armbands cost $30 on the day, so pre-purchasing your armband for $25, (or 2 for $45) is a great option.

Raffle Tickets
Don’t forget to sell your raffle tickets over the holidays – extra books of tickets can be collected from the office.

Find us on Facebook
‘Like’ us on Facebook to keep up with the latest news or go to the Special Events page under the Calendar and events tab at www.kedronss.eq.edu.au to find information about the carnival.

Email Paula, our Fete Secretary on pandcpresident@kedronss.eq.edu.au or contact me on 0438 384 168 or patienceorford@optusnet.com.au if you have any questions or if you would like to know more. I hope you have an enjoyable and safe school holiday break and look forward to working with you next term to bring it all together!

4VG – 4H Parents - Please see the attached flyer regarding help for the fete.

Patience Orford – Fete Convenor

5B ORGANIC HERB PLANTERS $15
We are selling our lovely timber herb planters now to make room for some gorgeous potted colour plants arriving soon.
These have been grown by seeds in milk cartons donated by parents.
The timber planters were made by a 5B grandfather.
20 on offer, first to text Tracy Jones 0409 89 88 22.

SCHOOL BANKING

What’s new?
Students who make 10, 20 and 30 school banking deposits will receive a certificate at the end of the Term. Bronze for 10, silver for 20 and gold for 30 school banking deposits. Just another way the Commonwealth Bank encourages good savings habits!

Want to volunteer?
I am looking for some extra hands to help process the banking each Tuesday. We collect deposit wallets and money after 8:45am then count and check to make sure we’ve got it right. It only takes about an hour, so if you have the time, I would love to hear from you. Email me at kssbanking@kedronss.eq.edu.au.

Visit www.commbank.com.au if you would like to know more about the program. Keep saving everyone! Have a question? Email me at kssbanking@kedronss.eq.edu.au.

Paula Sellin – School Banking

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

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Normal Instrumental Music lessons that occur during school hours will be unaffected by these band rehearsals.

Paul Johnston – Instrumental Music Teacher

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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