As educators, we are continually striving to bridge the learning opportunities we give our students both in and outside the classroom. Primary schooling and the quality learning experiences we offer our young students are not just about literacy and numeracy instruction. Across the year, many young people have many occasions to learn about participating in sports pursuits, both individually and as a team, and capitalising on the natural curiosity of children as they explore the world outside Kedron State School.

I have enjoyed the many conversations I have had with the many young athletes who attended the Dal Morgan Carnival last week and their reflections about how enjoyable it is to represent not only yourself but also your school. Our students have a wonderful sense of pride in their school and their support of each other, both in and outside the classroom, is to be commended.

The Year 3 classes will take their learning further afield this week when the Pine Rivers Museum to consolidate the learning they are engaged in, particularly in their local area. I am looking forward to hearing about the artefacts and their reflections of a bygone era.

NAPLAN

This week the individual results for the 2015 National Literacy and Numeracy Assessments (NAPLAN) conducted in May this year were sent home to families of students in Year 3 and 5. The results show children’s individual achievement in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy.

Results of NAPLAN assessments are used by schools to reflect on the effectiveness of teaching programs and to set goals in literacy and numeracy. Teachers use individual student results as part of a portfolio of student evidence to assist in identifying students who require greater challenges or additional support.

NAPLAN results should always be considered in conjunction with other school based assessments and reporting information when reflecting on children’s academic achievement and development. We would like to commend all our students on their academic efforts and acknowledge their individual growth and development.

If you have any queries regarding your child’s testing results, please see your classroom teacher in the first instance.

Honourable Mr Wayne Swan

On Wednesday I had the pleasure of sharing a cup of coffee with Mr Swan, Federal Member for Lilley and neighbour of Kedron State School. It was lovely to hear his reflections of the past of Kedron State School from both a personal, community member and political perspective. It was great to be able to talk about the fabulous work of the Kedron State School P&C and our committed teaching staff and share with him my vision for the future of our school. I look forward to welcoming both Mr and Mrs Swan to many milestones that we share as a community.

Nationally Consistent Data Collection

From 2015, all Australian schools are directed to participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability. The data collection will provide information on the number of students with disability in Australian schools, where they are attending school, and what level of support they are receiving. This information will also enable schools, regions and systems to better target support and resources so that all students can participate in high quality education. Thank you to those parents who have assisted us with additional information about your children in order to establish a clear profile of our school.

Preps of 2016

If you have a Preppe beginning school in 2016, please save the date of the 19th August 2015 for our Prep Information Evening. A very exciting time for our new Preppe and their parents.

Parent Community

Please see the invitation below. I welcome you all there and am looking forward to welcoming our Kedron success with you.

Yours sincerely,

Susie Susie Randle-Kneipp – Principal

PARENT COMMUNITY INVITATION

In recognition of the support of Kedron State School and the generous commitment of our parent volunteers Mrs Susie Randle-Kneipp cordially invites our parent community who contributed to the Kedron Carnival in anyway - big or small - to join her for a morning tea to celebrate this wonderful community achievement.

When – 21st August 2015

Time – 9:30am – 10:45am

Where – The Kedron State School Hall

Please RSVP your attendance to admin@kedronss.eq.edu.au prior to the 19th August 2015

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DESK

ICAS Science Results

On parade on Tuesday the following students received their certificates:

- High Distinction: Simeon W.;
- Distinction: Charlotte B., Jeremy C., Byron A., and Ben W.;
- Merit: Kaif M.;
- Credit: Sean M.; and

ICAS Mathematics Results

Next Tuesday 11th August the ICAS Mathematics test will be held in the multimedia room starting at 8:00am sharp. Students are allowed to bring a ruler (mm), 2 x 2B pencils and an eraser. Blank working paper will be provided during the session. Calculators are NOT allowed.

Mathematics: Parent information

One way to solve the sum 144-82

The knowledge and skills that underpin the ability to solve this problem: knowledge of "Rainbow facts for 10" and then building them to the higher decades (10, 100, 1000), seeing the inverse of subtraction as addition, and knowing that difference is the unknown part.

Subtraction problems can be solved in different ways. This week’s method focuses on using the jump strategy and adding/building up from the addend to the total.

144-82 = 64

- 82 is counted back to you when you have made a purchase, build to ten, build to 100 and then build to the final number.

One of the ways this problem can be solved is by finding the difference and using the following steps: building to the nearest 10 and then the nearest 100 and using adding up/jump strategy.

Step 1: Start at 82 and add to 90 is 8, then
Step 2: Add from 90 to 100 - another 10 is now 18 then
Step 3: Add another 44 to get to 144 so that makes
Step 4: 18 + 44 is which is 18 x 2 = 36 + 44 = 64 + 2 = 62.

A more fluent way to do this is to have 100 as the landmark number and then it can be solved using only 2 jumps.

The answer is the total of the two jumps from 82 to 100 and then from 100 to 144.

Active Travel

The top three Active Travel classes for last week were 1A with 72%, 6W with 71% and 3D with 70%. This was a great effort by all these classes and they each received a certificate of recognition on parade. Our school average was 57% and it is great to see that our Preps now have more than 1/3 of the class participating in this activity. I would also ask parents to reinforce the road safety messages that have been given on parade: Children are to use the designated crossings around the school which include the zebra crossing on Leckie Road and the safety zones do NOT have the same...
stipulations for motorists and that both adults and children need to wait till the roadway is clear before crossing at these designated areas.

Did you know?
On 5th August 1914, the first electric traffic light was developed by Lester Wire, a policeman in Salt Lake City, Utah, who also used red-green lights. That’s all for this week,

Lisa Whitlock – Deputy Principal

OFFICE NOTES

Australian Girls Choir will be holding an assessment workshop in the school hall on Monday 24 August @11:00am for girls in Yr 1 – 6. Yr 5 excursion to Bunyaville money now due.

Lou & Dale - Administration

CLASSROOM NEWS

6W Maths: This term in maths we have been learning our triangular and square numbers. We have also been doing factor trees and taking them down to their prime numbers. We have had fun learning our division and multiplication by playing around the world.

Science: We have been learning about biospheres, food chains and the animal kingdom. At the end of the term, we will be making dioramas of our own biosphere.

English: We are learning to write short interesting stories with a sizzling start. Right now we are turning a boring text into an extraordinary, interesting short story. Some of our stories have been interesting, some haunting, some funny and some are just really weird.

SCHOOL GARDEN

WISH THE MINIONS LUCK!
Taki, Will, Hayden, Kyrel, Luke and Hamish - The Minionators - have created a wheelbarrow garden to enter in this year’s Ekka. This year’s theme is ‘from the garden to the kitchen’. This combined with Year 4’s Science Unit, ‘living things, including plants and animals, depend on each other and the environment to survive’, has resulted in The Minion Herb Garden. Big thanks to Mr Dalton for getting the garden to the Ekka safely. Judging is this Sunday. Terrible photo – it appears that the Minions are camera shy!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Tracey Maeder for all her hard work to get the Community Garden to where it is today. She has done an amazing job over the last couple of years and the garden is looking wonderful.

Jo Purcell

Congratulations to all the students who competed in the City Districts Athletics Carnival last Thursday and Friday at Bowden Park. I saw such great sportsmanship and effort throughout the day. I was very proud of how the students conducted themselves and they gave it all they had in the events they competed in.

A special thanks to Mrs Ford, Mrs Anderson and Mr Dalton who were also there on the day and involved in making it such an enjoyable day for everyone.

Daniel K – 1st and Braxton A – 3rd have qualified for the Met North Athletics Carnival in shot put. They will compete at the end of August in this event. We wish them the best of luck.

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>Being confident during writing time and being a helpful member of our class</td>
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<td>Fabulous Show &amp; Tell. Growing in confidence and having a great smile</td>
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<td>Patrick V</td>
<td>Having an excellent knowledge of numbers</td>
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<td>Persistence with writing – working on improving your sentences and spelling</td>
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<td>Working well with other students and doing great work in all areas</td>
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<td>Making a huge effort to fit into a new class and a new school</td>
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<td>Having a quiet voice but has persisted and continued to work hard</td>
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<td>Kobi W</td>
<td>Having resilience with your classmates in class and the playground</td>
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<td>Never giving up and always trying your best</td>
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<td>Chynna M</td>
<td>While having a quiet manner in class, your work screams loud due to your hard work and terrific attitude</td>
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<td>Eloise M</td>
<td>Terrific explanations when answering comprehension questions</td>
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<td>Continually engaging in class discussions and offering suggestions to elevate the complexity of your writing</td>
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<td>Excellent demonstration of persistence when completing your poem</td>
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<td>Great singing and engagement with learning your adjectives</td>
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MUSIC NOTES

Music Count us in 2015 Song – “Gold”!
T. Diesel, F. Dixon, J. Foreman, M. Hines, L. Lock, L. Ng, T. Winyard

Verse 1
Yeah I got the power
Singing in the shower
No you can’t stop the beat
Don’t stop the beat, Don’t stop the beat
Listen what we’re saying
Keep our music playing
If you feel it stomp your feet
Stomp your feet, Stomp your feet
Prep-Chorus
We can share the happiness we’ve made
If together we believe

Chorus
All we have is gold
And we can sing together
The journey of our lives is about to start
All we need is hope
And we can make it better
Never gonna stop
Never giving up
\‘Coz what we’ve got is gold
Sing, sing together, merrily, merrily sing!!

Verse 2
As you hear the choir
Take the music higher
We are reaching for the sky
Reach for the sky, reach for the sky
My sisters and my brothers
Let’s share with one another
You’ll never know if you don’t try
You gotta try, you gotta try
Bridge
We may not be the same
But there’s one thing we share
The future’s in our hands
You just don’t know it’s there
We all have a heart that
Beats to its own drum
We all have the words just
Wait for them to come

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!!

Don’t forget to bring your CHOIR FOLDER and STICKER CHART to your next rehearsals!

JUNIOR CHOIR: Tuesday 1st break
SENIOR CHOIR: Wednesday 1st break

UPCOMING EVENTS: SINGFEST, GRANDPARENTS CONCERT, RECITAL EVENING.

SINGFEST: TUESDAY 18th AUGUST

"THE OLD MUSEUM"
A detailed letter and consent form has been sent home with students who expressed an interest in attending.

Extra Rehearsals: Monday, 10th August – first break
Tuesday 11th August – 2nd break
Monday 17th August – first break
RECORDE 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.

BYO: recorder, display folder and smile!

RECORDE “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 songs before each coloured belt “test” page in the textbooks.

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/singing practice (NOT THE THEORY). It is expected that homework tasks take approximately 5 minutes to complete each week.

Michelle Lupton – Classroom Music Teacher

STUDENT COUNCIL

On Thursday 20th August, Kedron State School is having a fundraiser to support the RSPCA. All the money raised will go directly to the RSPCA to support animals which are sick or hurt. The fundraiser is a PJ/Onesie Day in which all Kedron students are encouraged to wear their PJs or Onesies, and bring along a gold coin donation. An RSPCA representative will attend parade the following Tuesday to collect the donation.

SO, WEAR PJS OR ONESIES AND HELP KSS HELP ANIMALS

Sean Moyle -4/5V Student Council Representative

P&C NEWS

KSS P&C MEETING
TUESDAY, 11 August, 2015
TIME: 7:00pm
WHERE: KSS Hall / Multimedia Room
Everyone Welcome

Special Spending Meeting

As with all major fundraising events, the fete is followed by a special spending meeting. This year’s meeting will be on Tuesday, 1st September in the multi-media room at 7:00pm. The meeting is an opportunity to collect ideas from the school community on how best to spend the funds. Please get your thinking caps on and come along and be part of the process to help decide how we make use of these hard-earned funds. We want to ensure the decisions made enable the best possible outcomes for our children and the school. Although a formal quote is not required for this meeting, please take some time to consider the costs involved with your ideas so that a budget figure can be allocated (consider not only immediate costs but any associated ongoing costs). Once we are able to approve, in principle, a proposal and allocate a cost towards it, we can then work within this budget.

Next P&C Meeting

The next P&C Meeting is on Tuesday 11th August (next week). At this meeting we will discuss our hugely successful fete and view the fete financials in more detail. We would love to see some new faces. All welcome.

Feedback

Is your head brimming with ideas and suggestions for future events or fundraising opportunities? Your thoughts and ideas are valuable to us. If you would like to provide some feedback, please email pandcpresident@kedro NSS.eg.edu.au.

Coming Up:
School Disco - Friday 11 September. More information next week.

Trevanna Lang - P&C President
pandcpresident@kedro NSS.eg.edu.au

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop Open
Tuesday afternoon 2:00pm – 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.

Size 6 track pants are out of stock until mid-August as our supplier is out of stock. We do have active pants and long cargo pants in that size.

Uniform shop is looking for new volunteers! We need people to help serve at the counter fortnightly on either Friday mornings 8.15 - 8.45 or Tuesday afternoons 2.50 - 3.00. If you are interested contact Catherine on 0403 821 190 or catherinehowell@optusnet.com.au, or just drop in and see us.

Catherine Howell – Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

BOOK CLUB

Redgum Book Club – Term 3 2015 catalogue has been distributed. Monday 17th August is the order deadline. There are free Loom Bands with each purchase.

Redgum Book Club is proud to announce the launch of the Young Writers’ Award, designed to discover the talent of children aged between 9 and 13 years of age. This award seeks to develop the writing skills of this particular age group and assist these children to find their unique voice through storytelling.

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All orders will be sent to the school and will be distributed to the students. For “special” occasions e.g. Christmas, birthdays etc, you may not want your child to know you’ve ordered, you can contact me and I can arrange to have your order delivered to the uniform shop or make alternative arrangements.

If you have any queries you can contact Redgum Book club directly at 1800 803 443 or you can contact me.

Patience Orford 0438 384 168 - Book Club Co-Ordinator

COMMUNITY NEWS

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

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