Welcome to 2J

In spelling groups we get to sort, we get a new sort every two weeks. There are four different groups, they are called Emus, Koalas, Kangaroos and Platypuses. All the groups do different words, some are pretty hard. Sometimes we get to go on the computer to play Spelling City. By Gipsea

In Maths we’ve been learning about flips, turns and slides. We’ve been learning about quarter turns and half turns. We move objects at our desks and we move our class members, it looks a bit funny. By Otis

In Geography in 2J we have been looking at our connections to local places and how we are connected to people from overseas. We have talked about skype and face time. By Jacob

In Geography we are talking about connections to places. We have to think about who we are connected to and why. I am connected to Maleny because my grandparents live there. By Bronte

Most days we do guided reading. We read in groups in the mornings, we have a lot of fun reading with the teachers and the parents. By Chelsea
Thursday, 20 August 2015
SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS — 8:15am to 3:15pm
STUDENT ABSENT LINE - 3621 5466
P&c MEETINGS HELD 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 7pm
NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

DATE CLAIMER 2015

KSS Fete Parent Volunteers Morning* 9:30am 21 Aug
Australian Girls’ Choir Assessment 11:00am 24 Aug
4U & 4Vg Assembly Item* 25 Aug
Net North Athletics Carnival 25-27 Aug
Music Recital – Strings, Choirs & Band* 6:00pm 31 Aug
Grandparents Concert – Strings, Choirs & Band* 9:00am 7:00pm 1 Sept
Brisbane Writers Festival 2 Sept
Book Week Parade – Prep – 3
Yr 4 – 6 9-9:45am 10-10:45 3 Sept
Father’s Day Stall* 4 Sept
Gala Sports Day – Yr 4 – 6 7:00pm 8 Sept
P&C Meeting* Honours Music Camp 8 – 11 Sept
Parent Teacher Interviews* Book Fair – Library 9 – 11 Sept 8-9 Sept
School Holidays 11 Sept
Prep M Assembly Item* 15 Sept
School Holidays 21 Sept – 2 Oct
Public Holiday 5 Oct
Term 4 6 Oct

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

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PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Last night Kedron State School welcomed the Prep families of 2016 to school for a Prep Information Evening. It was so great to see many current and new families as they prepare to start the school journey with their young children. At this time each year I am reminded about how magical the start of school is, the promise of the fun and learning to come. It also reminds me of the enormous responsibility we have as educators to create learning environments that are engaging, challenging and nurturing – ensuring we offer lots of opportunities for our students to reach their potential and enjoy the schooling experience. The way we do this is to ensure each of our children experience success at something everyday.

I am looking forward to meeting our new families individually in the first few weeks of term 4. This morning, the Acting Assistant Regional Director, Mrs Angela Douglas visited Kedron. One of the questions she asked our students was “What is the best part of school?” Without hesitation our children told her that at Kedron SS learning is fun. The students were able to articulate what they were learning in class, what they were good at and where they could go for help if they needed it. All of this in their pyjamas or Onsie’s – she was impressed.

2 Minute Zone

This week our 2 Minute Drop Off Zones have been additionally challenged with the Brisbane City Council activity in both 9th and 10th Avenue. Thank you to the families that adhere to the rules established in our Pick Up/Drop Off locations. Each time a car is parked in these locations not only does it disadvantage all the other families following procedure, it also endangers our children as parents are forced to drive around cars that are stationary. I ask that we remember in a school of approximately 400 students that policy and procedures be adhered to before personal convenience. Our student's safety is the priority for all of us.

Kedron Carnival Volunteer Morning Tea

I am looking forward to seeing as many of the Kedron Carnival volunteers at the morning tea tomorrow 21st August at 9:30am in the hall. The rumour on the grapevine is that we may be lucky enough to catch just one last glimpse of our 2015 Carnival Crusaders.

Until next week,
Susie

Susie Randel-Kneipp – Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Curriculum News

Units of work – Teachers in Yrs 1-6 have started the next units of work for both Maths and English and at this week’s sector meeting, moderated the pieces of assessment from the first of these units for this term.

I would like to draw parents’ attention to the timetabling of the units which are in five week blocks. This means your child will have assessment items due and or formal testing occurring in Week 5 and Week 10 of the term. Ensuring students attend during whole class assessments allows them the maximum opportunity to produce their best work. Your co-operation in ensuring their attendance is appreciated.

Parent Teacher Interviews- online bookings open tomorrow. Please see the attachment article.

Wavell High School Literacy Olympics

It was my great pleasure to take 16 of our students to this event on Monday where the 4 teams of 4 students from each class worked as a team to solve literacy problems and puzzles in Grammar, Vocabulary-Crazy words, where there was lots of dramatic action going on, and The Arts with the students having to write lyrics and name the song titles. Needless to say lots of great learning occurred and the hall was abuzz with the sound of enthusiastic students all being highly engaged in this exciting learning opportunity. As one of the students said to me, “Boy, most of those questions were tough.” However all our students rose, as we knew they would, to the challenge and did our school proud. The added bonus was that 1 team from each year level came 3rd on the day. Certificates of participation will be handed out to these students on parade next Tuesday.

Active Travel

The great news is that the Yr 4s had a highly educational session last Thursday learning bike skills with the trainers from Cycle Away and this is what they had to say about our students:

“What a great group of children. We arrived at 8:45am and started pumping the tyres. Not a big job because the students had learnt from the last session. Even their helmets were much better than the first session. The students quickly organised themselves and we managed to get all the activities completed and a quiz with a giveaway at the end. Emma, Sheryl noticed one of the students from the last session, who struggled, is now up and riding really well. We are so glad we went back to this school.”

Well done Year 4s, you have done us proud!

Also just a reminder about this term’s competition: The posters are up around the school outlining the details for P&1, Years 2 & 3 and Years 4, 5, and 6. Entries should be A4 and can be left at the office. There will be supplementary Active Travel prizes for 2nd and 3rd place so get your entries in and – ‘Be in it to win it’. Entries close on the 1st September. That’s all for this week,

Lisa Whilcott – Deputy Principal

OFFICE REMINDERS

Woolworths Earn & Learn - Double Sticker Weekend!
To help you collect even more, we are holding a big Double Sticker Weekend this Friday, Saturday and Sunday only. Customers will get two stickers for every $10 they spend. The more you collect the more educational equipment we can get.
Lost Property – once again there is a huge amount of lost property (especially unnamed jumpers) – please take the time to come and have a look for your child’s.

Yr 2 Excursion – Legoland - money due in 11th September.
Kedron Carnival Volunteers – all welcome to the morning tea tomorrow Friday 21 August in the Hall @ 9:30am.
Lou & Dale – Administration

CLASSROOM NEWS

LIBRARY NEWS

THE event of the year takes place on Thursday 3rd September. Yes! It’s Book Week. The theme this year is “Books Light Up Our World”. The much loved Kedron State School Library Literary Character Parade will take place first thing in the morning. However, this year there will be two parades. The Prep – 3 students will have their parade first at 9:00 to 9:45am. The parade for yr 4 - 6 students will take place at 10:00 to
ENJOY YOUR READING AT HOME.  

MUSIC NOTES

SINGFEST 2015

Congratulations to our SINGFEST SUPERSTARS: Isla, Aneka, Taya, Tilly, Lauryn, Amy, Eloise, Wah Moo, Jeremy, Ashleigh, Hana and Holly who joined more than 250 students to workshop a repertoire of 6 songs on Tuesday, culminating in a twilight concert at The Old Museum.

These 12 students were complimented by other teachers on their beautiful Kedron SS manners, perfect behaviour and fantastic singing! Great work!

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

! Sing, Sing together, merrily, merrily sing….

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!!!

EXTRA REHEARSALS

Junior & Senior Choir are required to attend the following rehearsals to prepare for our upcoming concerts:

MONDAY 24TH AUGUST – 1ST BREAK
TUESDAY 25TH AUGUST – 1ST BREAK
WEDNESDAY 26TH AUGUST – 1ST BREAK

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS:

RECITAL EVENING

Concert Band/Strings/Junior and Senior Choirs
When: Monday 31st August – 5.30 p.m.
Where: Kedron SS Hall
Entry: GOLD COIN DONATION
Dress: Formal Uniform
Students need to meet their music teachers at 5 P.M. at the following locations:
Choirs – Ms Lupton – Music Room
Band – Mr Johnston – Year 5B classroom
Strings – Mr Galbraith – Media Rooms

GRANDPARENTS CONCERT (identical repertoire to Recital Evening)

Concert Band/Strings (incl. Training Strings)/Junior and Senior Choirs
When: Tuesday 1st September – 9.30 a.m.
Where: Kedron SS Hall
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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>Matisse E</td>
<td>Being a kind and friendly member of class who is always persistent with her work</td>
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<td>Beautiful use of adjectives in your writing and working hard in class</td>
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<td>Joseph R</td>
<td>Always giving your best</td>
<td>Prep M</td>
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<td>Timothy O</td>
<td>Great improvement in classroom behavior and also in your reading</td>
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<td>Persistence with writing – being a fast starter and always completing your writing on time</td>
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<td>Tiana K</td>
<td>Persistence with reading</td>
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<td>Jobe J</td>
<td>Being friendly, kind and polite to students and adults – good work habits and improved writing</td>
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<td>Minnie O</td>
<td>Being wonderfully creative in your procedural text</td>
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<td>Mia M</td>
<td>Showing increased confidence and persistence when completing your math assessment</td>
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<td>Jack J</td>
<td>Consistent work in all areas</td>
<td>32M</td>
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<td>Lily B</td>
<td>Great attitude to all class tasks and wonderful work within your 1st term at Kedron</td>
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<td>Amber F</td>
<td>Demonstrating increasing confidence by presenting your outstanding work to the class</td>
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<td>Charlotte R</td>
<td>Confident presentations that are organized and thought provoking</td>
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<td>Frances M</td>
<td>Being attentive and diligent in all of your Japanese lessons</td>
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CHAPLAINCY NEWS

The Yr 2s have successfully completed the first four lessons of our social skills program which we are doing together in their classrooms on Tuesdays during this term. We are following the acronym FRIENDS and have learnt that the first two letters stand for:

F - Feelings. I can recognise my own feelings and other’s feelings. Friends and family are my helpers
R - Remember to RELAX. Have quiet time.

On the accompanying attachment I have made a brief summary of our first four lessons and also included some relaxation exercises for the children to practice at home. They love to do these and now understand that they can choose their own feelings and grow in becoming strong and confident.
I hope you enjoy chatting with your son or daughter about their new learning in Social Skills. What a great thing to practice together at home. I’d love to speak to parents about our program and how to get the best out of it with your child.

Please see the article regarding the CD you can purchase with regard to “Your Feelings”

Remember,
You can choose your feelings

Chappy Leanne - Chaplain

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

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KEDRON STATE SCHOOL TENNIS
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P & C NEWS

KSS P&C MEETING
TUESDAY, 8 September, 2015
TIME: 7:00pm
WHERE: KSS Hall / Multimedia Room
Everyone Welcome

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

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

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