This Term in Prep/Year 1 we have been very busy! Luckily we love learning.

Prep Learning

In English the Preps have been creating their own rhymes and learning how to chunk words when reading. They have also been working on figuring out where full stops go when writing. In Maths they have been learning how to count in tens, continue growing patterns and complete addition problems. In Science the Preps are designing and making wind chimes. Did you know that materials on wind chimes need to be durable, strong and waterproof? Not to mention noisy!

Year 1 Learning

In English the Year 1s have been learning about characterisation and how to retell cultural stories. They have also been learning how to make inferences about texts and write interesting sentences with adjectives. In maths they have been learning about how to partition two-digit numbers, halves and half past times. In Science the Year 1s are learning about creepy crawlies. Did you know that insects have three body parts – a head, thorax and abdomen? Did you know that spiders aren’t insects, they are arachnids? Eww!

Keep an eye out for more photos from Singfest and our RSPCA Fundraising Day. Photos can be found at the office or the noticeboard outside the Library.
Thursday, 27 August 2015

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS – 8:30am to 3:15pm
STUDENT ABSENT LINE – 3621 3466
P&C MEETINGS HELD 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 7pm
NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

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PRINCIPAL’S DESK

As we start the march toward the end of this term we continue to celebrate the achievements of our staff and students. This week the biannual school data profiles were distributed to Education Queensland schools. This profile provides additional information to us as a teaching staff, as to the overall growth in academic achievement of our students in comparison to national and similar state schools. This improved achievement is the result of an unrelenting school focus on providing quality education for each student from each member of our school community.

I would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge the work that sometimes occurs behind the scenes, to ensure our students’ social and emotional wellbeing – a factor that is critical in their school success, is nurtured. This is timely as next week we celebrate our schools ‘Support Staff’. Our support staff is an essential ingredient in what makes Kedron State School special. From Mrs Dalton that is often the first person our students and families see each day, to the Teacher Aides that support the learning in our classrooms, to our committed cleaning staff that ensure a clean and safe environment that the community can be proud of. The list of people that bring something unique to our school continues with Mr Dalton the state’s best Grounds Officer (no bias) that manages to keep our grounds and facilities in great nick while ensuring the Kedron cricket team is as well cared for. As parents, we know that in between all these roles, arises the opportunity to connect with and coach our young people to be the best version of themselves they can in an environment they feel safe and cared for.

A special thanks this week to our school Chaplain, Chappy Leanne. When I met with the Chaplaincy Committee this week I was reminded of all the support that Leanne contributes to Kedron State School that focuses on the social and emotional wellbeing of our students and staff. Schools are just buildings without the dedication and commitment of a team of great people working together for the benefit of our children.

Stay Connected to us

The QSchools app is a convenient way to receive up-to-the-minute information about Kedron State School and can be downloaded to devices such as – iPhones/iPads, Android, Windows phones and PC devices.

Push notifications are also available allowing us to deliver essential information directly to your device, including notifications of upcoming events, emergency alerts, important updates and the Kedron Newsletter.

To receive push notifications, download the QSchools mobile app or ensure the app is up to date if you already have it.

Until next week,

Susie

Susie Randle-Kneipp - Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Parent teacher interviews- Week 9 of this term

Just a reminder that Parent Teacher interviews are being held in Week 9 of this term and bookings are filling fast. If you require assistance please ring the office on 3621-3444.

Active Travel

The winning class for last week was Prep/11 with a magnificent 100%. For their efforts, each student received an Active Travel pencil. The encouragement awards were handed out to three classes: 5B, 2MG and 2J, who all achieved 65%. I also had the pleasure of giving out the incentive prizes to 1A who were the winners from last term. Each student received a highlighter set which I am sure they will put to good use.

Thank you to all those parents who are using the zones responsibly however, we are receiving an increasing number of complaints about incorrect and inappropriate use of these zones.

All parents are reminded that if they are in the zones during **8:00-9:00am and 2:30-3:30pm** the following rules apply:

- Remain with your vehicle at all times - Do not leave the area to come into the school
- Only remain in the zones for a MAXIMUM of 2 minutes
- Move down in the zones as the cars in front move off – this allows other vehicles to come into and leave the zones safely
- Collect your child close to the gate - this will save cars being stuck in the intersection especially at Glen Kedron Lane and 10th Avenue
- In the afternoon, please do not arrive before 3:00pm as teachers are NOT allowed to dismiss students before this time and the children need time to collect their bags and get to the gates.

Following these simple rules will allow the zones to run smoothly and most importantly keep our students and families safe.

Lisa Whittlock – Deputy Principal

OFFICE REMINDERS

- **Lost Property** – Glasses – pair of red reading glasses handed into office – also please check the lost property box regularly
- **Woolworths Earn & Learn** – Sticker sheets are available at the office to place any stickers you may have been saving up. Thank you to my ‘sticker fairy’ Fiona Gallagher who volunteered 2 hours of her time to place stickers on sheets. Please see Lou if you need any sticker sheets. Make sure you collect as many as you can for the school as we can receive valuable resources e.g. last year’s gifts were giant polydrons, jamanga sets, giant garden noughts & crosses and various other equipment – all used in the hall.

STUDENT COUNCIL

- **Pj/Onzie Day!!**

We would like to thank everyone who dressed up in their wonderful pj’s and onesies and donated money to the RSPCA. Congratulations to everyone, because we raised $403.55. Thank you to Mrs Walker, a volunteer from RSPCA, for coming to our school parade and showing us the wonderful rescued animal.

- **Keisha 5B – Student Council Representative**
For the privilege of being a part of the School community, we would like to inform you that:

**RECORDING 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!

Beginner Textbook: Blackbelt Recorder Book 1 – Yellow Textbook is available from Diam and Music Stores.

**RECORDING “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.

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

**HAVING A GREAT TIME AT SINGFEST**

Michelle Lupton – Classroom Music Teacher

On Tuesday two of our students Braxton A and Daniel K competed at the Met North Athletics Carnival in shot put. I am very happy to announce that both boys performed very well in this event. Braxton came 3rd and will continue onto the Regions which are to be held in Townsville and Daniel also did extremely well coming 5th. Well done to you both and good luck to Braxton in his upcoming Regional event.

I have some exciting news for next term. Not only are we back in the pool and doing swimming again but our school is participating in the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart Program and we would love your support!!

Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart is an exciting and non-competitive program which encourages children to become more active through skipping, learning new skills and raising vital funds for heart research and community health programs. There are some great prizes up for grabs for those children doing a terrific job with the fundraising side.

More information will be provided about this in the newsletter over the next couple of weeks. So keep an eye out for it. Our launch date is in Term 4 on the Tuesday afternoon on assembly. And this is when the skipping extravaganza begins!!

**Sharon Walsh – PE Teacher**

**PE NEWS**

**KSS P&C MEETING**

**TUESDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER, 2015**

**TIME: 7:00pm**

**WHERE: KSS Hall / Multimedia Room**

**Everyone Welcome**

**Tuckshop**

While we are still on the hunt for a tuckshop convenor, we thought it would be a nice treat to open the tuckshop a couple of times next term and offer our children some special meal deals. To make this happen we will need a group of volunteers to help with organising, shopping and cooking. If you would be interested in helping out on one of these days please contact us on the email address below. Dates will be confirmed early next term.

**P&C Dates**

- Spending meeting, 1 September
- Father’s Day Stall, 4 September
- P&C meeting, 8 September
- Disco (volunteers needed), 11 September
- Christmas Stall (organiser needed), 30 November

**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 a beautiful listener and a diligent member of our class</td>
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<td>Beautiful behavior, hard work and concentration</td>
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<td>Listening carefully to the teacher’s feedback</td>
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<td>Always displays a “Can Do” attitude towards your work</td>
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<td>Brooke D</td>
<td>Wonderful sharing of ideas and details</td>
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<td>Lucas S</td>
<td>Enthusiastic class participation in class discussion</td>
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<td>Lachlan S</td>
<td>Amazing planning and writing in English Focused planning and writing your assessment tasks</td>
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<td>Heidi D</td>
<td>What a good job of planning and writing your assessment tasks</td>
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<td>Hamilton F</td>
<td>Improved confidence with activities from improved listening skills</td>
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<td>Ayesha B</td>
<td>Being a diligent worker who always follows instructions immediately</td>
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<td>Japanese Class</td>
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<td>Music Class</td>
<td>Attention to completing your theory and practical homework tasks</td>
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<td>PE Class</td>
<td>Great organization when rotating from each activity</td>
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**SINGFEST**

**MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!!!**

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

**ONLY ONE COMBINED REHEARSAL NEXT WEEK:**
MONDAY 31ST AUGUST – 2ND BREAK – TO PREPARE FOR OUR CONCERTS ON MONDAY NIGHT AND TUESDAY MORNING.

**RECITAL EVENING**

Concert Band/Strings (except TRAINING STRINGS)/Junior and Senior Choirs
When: Monday 31st August – 5:30pm
Where: Kedron SS Hall
Entry: GOLD COIN DONATION
Dress: Formal Uniform

Students need to meet their music teachers at 5:00pm at the following locations:
Band – Mr Johnston – Year 5B classroom
Strings – Mr Galbraith – Media Rooms
5:15 pm: Choirs – Ms Lupton – Music Room

**GRANDPARENTS CONCERT**

(Identical repertoire to Recital Evening)
Concert Band/Strings (incl. Training Strings)/Junior and Senior Choirs
When: Tuesday 1st September – 9:30am
Where: Kedron SS Hall
Entry: GOLD COIN DONATION
Dress: Formal Uniform

**MUSIC NOTES**

Sing, Sing together, merrily, merrily sing....

*NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!!*

**CHoir**

**P&C NEWS**

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Grants
Thank you to Angela Griffiths for offering to assist with grant applications. If you can help Angela with the grants, she would love to hear from you. Please email kssgrants@gmail.com if you can help.

Disco – time changes
Junior Disco: 6:00pm – 7:00pm (come early to buy glowing things) Pizza and Poppers; Senior Disco: 7:30pm - 8:30pm

FATHER’S DAY STALL
FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2015 ALL GIFTS $5.00 Bring your money along on Friday 4th September and buy your Dad a super gift to give to him on Father’s Day. Each class will visit the stall during 1st session, everyone will have a chance to make a purchase.

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

SCHOOL BANKING

Please Read
Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item, due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch. Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards, the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program. Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

Don’t forget to double your chances...
The prize portal gives students who make three or more school banking deposits during Term 3 an automatic entry into a competition to win one of hundreds of astronomical prizes. Double your chances now by completing a Money Mission at commbank.com.au/prizeportal

Extra hands wanted
If you can spare an hour or so on Tuesday mornings from 8.45am, please email me at kssbanking@kedronss.eq.edu.au. School Banking is run by volunteers and we would love a couple of extra hands to help collect and process the banking each week.

Paula Sellin – School Banking

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

- Thank you to those who have volunteered to help out in the uniform shop. We will need a few more people in the second half of Term 4 so let me know if you are interested.
- The gold polo and track pants orders have arrived from our uniform shop.
- We are going to alter our Friday hours slightly. From term 4 they will be 8:30 to 9:00.

Catherine Howell – Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

BOOK CLUB
Scholastic Book Club – Issue 6 brochures have been distributed to the students. All orders must be completed by Tuesday 1st September.
Check out the scholastic book club web page www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub to enter some great competitions.
Scholastic offers three ways to pay for your child’s book order, credit card, using the Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform (LOOP), cash or cheque.
Ordering through LOOP allows you to order and pay for your child’s book club order online in one simple process. You can also order also 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 pay by cash or cheque (payable to Scholastic Australia) only.
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 contact me and
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

YMCA

KEDRON OSHC

Fun, creative and unique school holiday workshops
The Aboriginal Centre for the Performing Arts is running DeadlyArts–indigenous culture workshops for primary school aged children this September holidays at its fabulous Kangaroo Point studios. Deadly Arts brings Aboriginal culture to life. Deadly Arts opens children’s minds to a world of holiday dreamtime. Let your child learn first-hand about the inspiring and age-old culture of Australia’s first people. Contact ACPA on 33924420 for further information and bookings, or email admin@acpa.net.au

Kids Holiday Club “The Builders” hosted by City North Baptist Church
City North Baptist Church is running another Kids Holiday Club this year! During the second week of the September-October school holidays (Tuesday 29th September to Friday 2nd October), we’d love to have your children join us as we become ‘The Builders’ for a week of fun, food and friends! For more information or to register, visit our website - www.citynorthbaptist.com.

Details:
29th September to 2nd October
9am to 12pm, Tuesday to Friday - includes a free family night on Friday
Cost is $5 per child, per day - ages Prep to year 6 - morning tea is included.

Hosted by City North Baptist Church - 52 Yandra St, Kedron

4H taught us about fractions in a fun hip hop way!