WOW! Our choir, instrumental and strings students put on 2 amazing shows this week! What incredible talent we have here at Kedron State School. You should be all super proud of yourselves.
Thursday, 3 September 2015

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS – 8:15am to 3:15pm

STUDENT ABSENCE 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

Kedron State School Music Recitals

This week Kedron State School celebrated the Arts with a ‘Music Recital’ on Monday evening and a special encore performance for our grandparent community on Tuesday morning. The concerts showcased the talents of our young musicians and the dedicated Kedron State School music staff – Mrs Lupton, Mr Johnson and Mr Galbraith who support them in their learning. Much research surrounds the benefits of committing to an instrument or participating in choirs. Apart from the joy of turning isolated notes into music or being part of a collective that makes the lines in a song come alive, students also learn the important skills of self-discipline, organisation, persistence and tenacity alongside the musical skills that they build. Our students not only demonstrated what they have been learning across the year but also the importance of being able to perform with a sense of pride and confidence. Thank you all for an evening of great entertainment it was truly wonderful to watch.

Parent Teacher Interviews – Next Week

The Kedron State School Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for next week.

This important process is clearly framed around ensuring that teachers and parents have information about how well our students have learned and sharing the decisions of where to next in the teaching journey. Teachers make judgements on student learning based on 2 distinct forms of data gathering – diagnostic and monitoring information and summative assessment tasks. Diagnostic and monitoring information is typically gathered at the start of each semester of schooling to ‘check in’ on literacy and numeracy progress and ensure that appropriate classroom differentiation is used to pitch instruction and skill development at the correct level for each student. This ensures teachers are not re teaching known skills.

Summative assessment occurs at the end of a unit of work. Within most year levels (with the exception of Prep that are a term in duration) units of work are 5 weeks in length and the purpose of summative assessment is to test the judgement on how well students have learned the content taught.

When teachers are thinking about student progress during a term and semester they are basing their judgements and knowledge of learning on these two components of student work and using them to support and justify what they know about the children in their class. Prior to reporting this information to parents, student work samples are moderated to ensure that we have commonality not just across our school but also colleagues within our region.

The interpretation of what we know about student learning is closely studied to ensure we know exactly what each student needs are and how best to cater for them. Teachers are looking forward to sharing some of this information with you and the individual learning journey of your child.

P&C Spend Meeting

Tuesday night saw the annual P&C Spending Meeting. My sincere appreciation to the many parents that gave of their time and energy to discuss the needs of our school not just now but as we move into the future. We are truly very fortunate that our community is so invested in the positive school experience and learning outcomes of our students. This really is a great team effort.

Fathers Day

Sunday is a special day for the dads and special men that feature in the lives of our students. We all hope the sun shines brightly for you on Sunday and your family spoils you in a way that lets you know you are loved and appreciated. Happy Father’s Day!

Happy Support Staff Week

I mentioned in last week’s newsletter that this week is Support Staff Recognition Week. To the wonderful team of people that work so diligently, commit so generously and support both our students and teachers each day – we salute you!!

Stay Connected –

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.

Susie

Susie Randel-Kneipp – Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Active Travel

The winner from last week was 1A with 89% and the encouragement award was awarded to 4/5V with 70% which is one of their highest participation rates this year. Well done to both of these classes and it helped towards us achieving a school average of 62%.

There has been an influx of posters for our competition this term and I am impressed with the slogans, drawings of safe travel and the advertisements which have been designed by the students so far. The closing date has now been extended to Monday 7th September. The winners will be decided at our meeting next Tuesday and then announced at parade in the afternoon.

ICAS Spelling:

The school received 3 Distinctions, 5 Credits, 3 Merits and 6 Participation certificates. The following students achieved Distinctions: Amy G, Kaif M and Benjamin W; Credits: Sean M, Tanna-Lai H, Pippa D, Zali A, and Feifei H; Merits : Charlotte B, Aleena M, Sophia L; and Participation: Phoebe O, Ethan Z, Ashleigh M, Simranjit D, William H and Oliver C. Most of these students have received their certificates and booklets on parade last week. Any uncollected booklets will be distributed next Tuesday.

Impact- Booster Writing sessions in Term 3 & 4

Currently 14 of our Year 4 students are undertaking these online sessions which as the title suggests, aims to boost their understanding of writing tasks, the generic structure and the purpose of the text. These are highly engaging programs which incorporate ICT to deliver intensive learning. So far, the students have written and chatted to each other online about persuasive texts and have also learnt an array of computer skills as part of their participation in the program.

Parent Teacher Interviews

These interviews are being held next Tuesday and Wednesday in the hall. There is still time to book an appointment with your child’s teacher or phone the office on 3621 3444. I look forward to seeing most of you on these nights.

2016 Booklists

Booklists will be distributed Week 2 of Term 4. That’s all for this week,

Lisa Whitlock – Deputy Principal

OFFICE REMINDERS

Year 2 – Excursion to the Lego Centre – money due 11th September.

Lost Property – please check on a regular basis – starting to fill up again. A silver wedding band has been handed in – please contact the office if you know its owner.

Earn & Learn Stickers – the collection box has been taken down to Stafford City – either place your stickers in the box or deliver them to the office. Thanks.

Lou & Dale – Administration Team
**CLASS OF 4/5V**

This term Yr 4/5V have been analysing and studying a whole range of Australian based poems. The children are currently reading a variety of narrative poems and have the challenge to transform these poems into narratives.

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**CLASSROOM NEWS**

**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 working hard and getting on with the job</td>
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<td>Your enthusiasm for learning is marvellous</td>
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<td>Always being ready and organized to learn</td>
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<td>Showing persistence with reading by not giving up and using your reading strategies</td>
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<td>3D</td>
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<td>Charlotte B</td>
<td>Consistently giving your best effort in writing</td>
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<td>Oliver B</td>
<td>Awesome improvement in your effort to all class tasks</td>
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<td>Ashleigh Y</td>
<td>Thank you for always being willing to help others</td>
<td>5B</td>
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<td>Elsie B</td>
<td>Organising herself for reading lessons efficiently</td>
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<td>Hana L</td>
<td>Being a diligent worker who sets an admirably high standard for being a learner</td>
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<td>Benjamin W</td>
<td>For your zealous effort to learn the hiragana characters</td>
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<td>Outstanding musicianship in choir and music lessons</td>
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**PE NEWS**

**SOCCER GALA DAY Yrs 4 – 6**

Just a reminder that the Soccer Gala Day is on for Yrs 4-6 students on Monday 7th September, 2015. This will be conducted at Kedron High School from 9:30-1:00pm. Children will be walking with their classes to and from the high school. The day will conclude with a staff-vs-students match back at Kedron Primary School from 2:15-3:00pm. Spectators are welcomed.

If the children have their own shin pads they are advised to bring them along on the day. Please also bring bag with a water bottle, sunscreen, hat and lunch.

**SWIMMING – TERM 4**

The Physical Education school swimming program for Prep-6 will commence in the first week of Term 4 (Tuesday 6th October, 2015)

**TIMETABLE:**
- **Monday:** Years 2J, 2MG, 32M, 3D
- **Tuesday:** Year 4VG, 4H, 4/5V, 5B, 6F, 6W
- **Wednesday:** Year Prep C, Prep M, Prep/II, 1GC, 2/3H, 1A

**WHAT YOUR CHILD NEEDS:**
- Swimming bag, togs, towel, brush or comb.
- It is COMPULSORY for a swimming cap and sun shirt to be worn at every lesson.

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

**IMPORTANT REMINDER**

Just a quick reminder that the annual Book Fair begins next Wednesday and finishes on the Friday afternoon. It will be running for only 3 days. I can’t wait to see the range of books on offer. Look forward to seeing you there.

Yesterdays 17 Yr 6 students were lucky enough to be able to attend the Brisbane Writers Festival. After catching the train, we were given three very interesting talks, by three talented authors.

The first session was with Nick Earles who fascinated us with his life in Ireland as a young boy, describing to us how different his family found Australia. This was the inspiration for his latest book "New Boy". It sounds great. We have bought a copy for our library, so look out for it on the shelves in coming weeks.

The next session was with R. A. Spratt. She had us mesmerized as she read out excerpts from her Nanny Piggins and Friday Barnes series. Originally she had been a script writer for a children’s program. She found the rules and regulations around designing children’s programs limiting. She decided to write stories for children instead, so she could allow her imagination to soar and not be restricted. She was very entertaining.

The final session was with the author, Anna Banford. She had an interesting childhood, moving around from the Isle of Man, to Sudan, then Papua New Guinea and finally Australia. Her favourite memory as a young child was lifting the lid of the big wooden crate that her grandparents had sent out from England, to find a treasure trove of children's books inside. Her dream was that one day she could produce the same sort of anticipation and wonder that that experience had evoked from her. She gave us a wonderful tip on how to come up with ideas for stories. She suggested we think of the world our characters would be living in, envisage it being the same as normal but differing in one unique way. From this beginning a novel emerges and a storyline develops based on the consequences for the characters, who must live by that one change. She was inspirational. At the end of the session, I had a number of students enthused about the idea of being a future author of children's books.

We had a very enjoyable day meeting the authors and learnt some very useful writing tips. I would like to give a special thank you to Mrs O’Rourke for helping me out on the day. She was wonderful! Overall, we all agreed we had an amazing time.

Enjoy the weekend!

_Helen Oxenham, Di Kirkpatrick, Janette Matthews and Annette Anderson - Library_

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**P&C NEWS**

**KSS P&C MEETING**

**TUESDAY, 8th September, 2015**

**TIME:** 7:00pm

**WHERE:** KSS Hall / Multimedia Room

**Everyone Welcome**

**Spending Meeting**

Our annual spending meeting on Tuesday night was very productive and we would like to thank all those who attended. It was great to see some new faces too. As a result of the meeting, we have identified a number of projects to focus the expenditure on. Projects include:

- Equipment for sound and lighting in the hall
- Educational resources for the library
- Additional musical instruments
- Planning and improvement of the building and grounds
- Support for a special social event for our school families early next year

Projects will be discussed in more detail at next week's meeting and tasks allocated to get the ball rolling on each item.

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**Girls are encouraged to wear one piece togs (no bikinis)**

ALL ITEMS MUST BE MARKED WITH THE CHILD’S NAME

NOTE: Jewellery is not permitted. Sleepers/studs may be worn.

**EXEMPTIONS:**

If there are any medical or other conditions that do not allow your child to swim on a particular day, a note signed by a parent or guardian is required. Swimming is an essential part of the school Physical Education program and all children are expected to attend these lessons.

All lessons will continue even if it is raining so please send the children’s swim gear along on that day. The only reason we would cancel a lesson is if there is a thunderstorm/lightning that may develop during the day.

**Any Parents who are available to assist with supervision of classes from Prep – Year 6 or can help with activities by getting in the pool, in particular, with the Prep, Year 1 and 2 classes please contact your classroom teacher and let them know as soon as possible.**

_Sharon Walsh – PE Teacher_
Parent/Teacher Evenings
The tuckshop will be open during the Parent/Teacher Evenings next week (8th & 9th September). Pop in and say hello and enjoy a cuppa between interviews - we’d love to see you.

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.

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.

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

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

SCHOOL BANKING
Double your chance to win!
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!
Banking volunteers needed
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. Thank you!

Questions:
If you find that a deposit hasn’t made it into your child’s bank account, please email me at kssbanking@kedronss.eq.edu.au and let me know so that I can correct the mistake.

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

We are going to alter our Friday hours slightly. From term 4 they will be 8:30 to 9:00am.
Thank you to those who have volunteered to help out in uniform shop. We will need a few more people in the second half of term 4 so let me know if you are interested.

Catherine Howell – Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

STRINGS NEWS

Please contact Anne for any strings enquiries – annegrimes23@icloud.com

Anne Grimes – Strings Coordinator

COMMUNITY NEWS

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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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KEDRON OSHC
PH: (07) 3350 5333
Fax: (07) 3350 5077
Mobile: 0438 788504
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VACANCIES AVAILABLE

Resilience Skills for a Happy Life!
Book now for Term 4 groups!
Confident Kids ® + teens is an innovative coaching program for kids 5-14yrs that aims to boost confidence, emotional resilience, social skills and brain power. Students discover their strengths, and develop resilient thinking skills to reduce stress, anxiety, worry, or negative thinking. Essential tools to navigate the teen years!
Our team of experienced Psychologists will coach, encourage and support your child to be all they can be! Medicare and Private health fund rebates apply.
Register and Book online today at confidentkidsandteens.com.au Or contact us at info@positivefamilies.com.au for more details.

SWIMMING LESSONS – SQUAD AND LEARN TO SWIM
CLASSES WILL BE STARTING SOON. Belgravia Leisure will be conducting these lessons before and after school in our school pool. Any queries, please phone 0487 771 769. More info to come in next newsletter.

WAVELL STATE HIGH SCHOOL
JUNIOR SECONDARY
Parent Information Evening
Year 7 - 2016
Monday 14 September 2015
Commencing at 7:00pm
Assembly Hall
Telopia Avenue, Wavell Heights

2016 Enrolment Applications are due now
For further details contact our Enrolment Officer Ms Lock on 3350 0328

3D’s Celebration of Learning