Newsletter



Term One 24 February 2012

WOOLIES EARN AND LEARN RECEIPTS



If you were at KAS last year you probably collected your receipts from Woolworths and brought them into school. The code on each receipt was entered onto a website and we were recently the excited recipients of around \$1300 of educational equipment. The Kindergarten classes eagerly helped open the boxes and tried out some of the items. A big thankyou for your faithfulness in collecting the receipts, and especially to those mums (and students) who helped enter all of those numbers!









Trade Training Centre (TTC) at KAS

For a number of years KAS has been investigating options in regards to the commencement of a horticulture/agriculture program at the school. Moving such a program ahead in recent years has been a challenge due to ongoing building and site works. However, with the development of the new primary school precinct nearing completion, and with final refinements of the school's site Master Plan having also been completed, a specific location on the school site was recently selected as being a suitable location for the construction of a facility to house a horticulture/agriculture program.

With this in mind, in 2011 the school applied to the Federal Government for funding to construct and resource a fully equipped Trade Training Centre, or TTC, with the specific purpose of equipping students with skills and qualifications specific to horticulture/agriculture.

I am pleased to report that this funding application has been successful, and over the coming months KAS will be working towards finalizing the construction of the school's TTC (Horticulture), with students being able to complete Certificates I, II and III in horticulture and agriculture to address skills shortages in our local region.

Significantly, unlike most other TTC programs, KAS has been able to secure this funding without entering into an arrangement where the school would be required to enter into a partnership with surrounding schools. In effect, this means that the TTC at KAS will be constructed for the exclusive use of KAS enrolled students. Whilst this may seem like a small detail at present, as a school we have been very particular about ensuring that our school facilities are accessed by students who have a demonstrated commitment to the culture and ethos of our school.

The planned TTC will include a purpose built facility containing course-suitable classrooms, preparation and storage areas, hot houses and the development of land space and resources for the propagation of plants and suitable crops.

Whilst the TTC will be specifically constructed for the delivery of certificate courses for the Years 9-12 cohorts, the centre will also be available for use by all students at KAS and we look forward to our students having access to practically learn about the raising of crops and food, which off course meshes well with our overall school philosophy of promoting a healthy life through wise diet and lifestyle choices.

Kind Regards

Rohan Deanshaw

KAS Principal

Building Program Update

The following is a brief update of current or soon to be commenced building or site works at KAS. For further advice in regards to any of these projects, please contact the school office.

- 4 new classrooms opened in January 2012, now occupied by Years 2-5
- Site works have now commenced for a further 4 new primary classrooms which are due to open mid 2012.
- New school Learning Centre (Library) this project is now ready to go out to tender (Construction in second half of 2012).
- New Trade Training Centre (TTC) this project is now in the design phase and will be ready to go to tender in the coming weeks (Construction in second half of 2012).
- New car park earth works have commenced

 construction due for completion by the end
 of Term 1 (weather permitting).
- Landscaping/play areas in new Primary school/ Pre-Kindy areas – construction due for completion by the end of Term 2 (weather permitting).
- Preliminary planning/consultation has now commenced for our new 2013 construction project – details to be announced in the coming months.



The area directly behind the school office showing the site at the rear where the new classroom block will go, along with carpark area.

TERM DATES 2012
Term 1 30 Jan-5 Apr
Term 2 30 Apr-29 Jun
Term 3 16 Jul-21 Sept
Term 4 8 Oct-7 Dec

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUS PASSES

Bus applications can be collected from the school office and usually take a few weeks to be processed. Students can still catch the bus, even if they haven't received their pass. If your child is worried about not having a bus pass, please contact the school office for a photocopy of their application.

CANTEEN ROSTER

If you would like to help out in the canteen and haven't been approached yet, please contact Mrs Pead in the canteen.

SCHOOL FEES

Please ensure that you make arrangements to pay these at your earliest convenience. If paying fees electronically, please ensure that you use your name with the payment so that we know which account to credit these fees to. The school BSB number is 032580 and account number is 151898.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

All families should have received their complimentary copy of our school calendar and we hope you love it as much as we do. If you have not received yours, check your child's school bag and if it is still missing contact Leanne Deanshaw in the office. Extra copies are available for purchase at the school office for \$10.

PRIMARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

YR 6 CANBERRA TRIP

The Year 6 students are having a great time in Canberra and will return on Friday, 24 February by 5:15pm. Please make sure you're there to pick them up and staff don't have to wait until late.

HOMEWORK FOLDERS AND DIARY COVERS

At the end of 2011, the students' homework folders and diary covers were sent home by mistake. If your child came home with their homework folder and diary cover, could you please send them back to school by Friday as they are needed for 2012.

FUNDRAISING

Every Monday, students in the secondary school bring slices, cakes, drinks, etc to sell to raise money towards their service trips later in the year. If you are happy for your child to purchase items, please make sure you send some money along with them on Mondays.

SECONDARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

YR 7, 8 & 9 CAMPS - WEEK 5, 27 FEB

All students should have received an update note about their camp and should be packing and making sure they have everything that they need. Yr 8 and 9 students should make sure they have brought back all the forms that were required to be completed so that they are able to participate in all activities.

	CAMP LOCATION	STUDENTS DUE AT SCHOOL	BUSES LEAVE	BUSES RETURN
Year 7	Yarrahappini	8:55am	9:30am Mon, 27 Feb	3pm Thurs, 1 Mar
Year 8	Exodus Outdoor Adventures at Baccarumbi near Grafton	8:55am	9:30am Mon, 27 Feb	5pm Thurs, 1 Mar
Year 9	Nymboida (River) Canoe Centre, Armidale Rd, Nymboida	7:30am	8:00am Mon, 27 Feb	4:30pm Fri, 2 Mar

REMINDER...

SCHOOL ENTRANCE

Please note that the lower entrance to the school is a private driveway which is used by residents and school staff only. No children are to be dropped off or picked up from this driveway. It is currently unsafe for school parents/guardians to use this area and we ask you to please use the turning circle in the main carpark or park your car at the front of the church and walk up to collect your children. We are all looking forward to the new carpark!!!



YR 3-6 SWIMMING CARNIVAL















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God blessed our primary swimming carnival with a very beautiful, sunny day. The students performed well, with some great examples of sportsmanship evident. Final scores for the sports houses were:

Elliot 568 Landy 692 Jackson 787















PRIMARY AWARDS









INSIGHTS

by Michael Grose - No. 1 parenting educator





7 ways to make this year your child's best year ever at school

A new school year means a fresh start for students. Regardless of your child's performance last year, they start school with a clean slate. A break offers students the chance to begin new habits and adopt new behaviours.

Here are seven ideas to help you make the most of the fresh start and make this year your child's best year ever year at school:

- Commit to your child going to school every day on time.
 One of the most important things you can do to ensure your child has a bright future is to make sure he or she goes to school every day and gets there on time. Kids spend more time asleep than at school, so we need to maximise every day to get full value.
- 2. Help kids start each day well. A good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and some words of encouragement from you will help set a positive tone for a day of learning. This may mean that you adjust your morning routine so that kids have plenty of time get up, eat and get ready for the day.
- 3. Establish work & study habits. The most successful students are those that develop regular study habits that suit their lifestyle, their study style and their school's expectations. Find out the work expectations from your child's or young person's school and help them establish a work routine that matches.
- 4. Make sure your child gets enough sleep. Many children and young people are sleep-deprived, which impacts on their well-being and their learning. A good night's sleep consolidates learning, as well as assist future learning. Children need between 10-12 hours of sleep each day, while teens need a minimum of nine hours. Help kids get sufficient sleep by having a regular bed-time and get-up time each day. Have 45 minute wind-down time each night, and remove screens and mobile phones from bedrooms.
- 5. Encourage kids to exercise. Kids today get less exercise than those of past generations, which is an impediment to learning and mental health. Health professionals recommend a minimum of 60 minutes of exercise per day for kids of all ages. Encourage kids to play sport; promote free and active play and look for ways to make moving part of their daily lives.

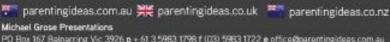
6. Focus on being friendly. Schools are very social places requiring kids to negotiate many different social situations each day. Encourage kids to be open and tolerant; to be friendly; to be involved in plenty of activities and to be social risk-takers.

7. Develop self-help skills. Successful students are often well-organised, self-directed and self-motivated. You can foster organisational skills and self-direction by developing simple, age-appropriate self-help skills related to their every day lives. Such skills as

to their every day lives. Such skills as making lunches, packing school bags, and organising after school schedules can be great lessons that impact on how kids perform at school.

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At the start of the school year kids are more likely to adopt changes than at any other time. Make the most of the opportunity by focusing on two or three areas to really focus on and you'll find that the rest will fall into place.



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Put your child in the hands of caring, qualified staff

KAS KIDS Pre-Kindy

Prepare your child for school

KASKids Pre-Kindy delivers an excellent transition program that introduces children to mainstream schooling

Children learn through fun activities and gain skills and confidence to prepare them for their first year of school

Flexible attendance means children can attend for up to five days a week or as little as one day

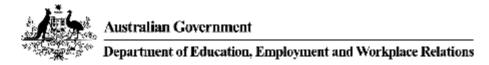


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PRIVACY NOTICE

Please read the following notice relating to information that the school is required to provide the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR).



INFORMATION REQUIRED TO HELP DETERMINE FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

PRIVACY NOTICE

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR), to advise you that DEEWR has requested your child's school to provide the following three pieces of information to DEEWR:

- Students' residential addresses (not student names)
- Students' level of education (primary or secondary)
- Students' boarding school status (boarders or day students)

DEEWR is bound by the provisions of the *Privacy Act 1988* (the Privacy Act). Section 14 of the Privacy Act contains the Information Privacy Principles, which prescribe the rules for handling personal information about individuals. DEEWR will not use or disclose the information provided by your child's school other than in accordance with the Privacy Act.

Purpose of collection

DEEWR is collecting this personal information for the purpose of administering funding to non-government schools, and to determine payments of Australian Government assistance to non-government schools, including under relevant legislation such as the *Schools Assistance Act* 2008 (Cth). DEEWR will only use this information for this specific purpose.

Disclosure of information

The information provided by your child's school may be disclosed by DEEWR to contractors working for DEEWR for the purposes of verifying the information. The contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

DEEWR may also provide this information to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA). ACARA will use this information in developing and evaluating Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA) formulas and school values.

In other instances the information will not be disclosed without your consent, unless where authorised or required by law.

Contact

If you have any questions regarding this Privacy Notice please phone the DEEWR SES Funding helpline on 1800 677 027 (free call) or send an e-mail to: SAAMailbox@deewr.gov.au.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The RTA and Enterprise & Training Company (ETC) are holding free two hour workshops to offer practical advice to parents and supervisors on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers. These workshops provide information about:

Understanding the new laws for L and P license holders.

Completing the Learner driver log book.

Understanding the benefits of supervised on-road driving experience.

Supervising learner drivers.

ETC will be conducting the workshop as follows:

Tuesday 13th March at 5:30pm – ETC office, 41 Belgrave Street, Kempsey Contact Natasha Swansborough 02 6648 5435



Kempsey-Macleay Physical Culture

Classes commence in Kempsey on 2012 on Tuesday, 7 February for preschoolers right through to ladies. It is held in the Uniting Church Hall on Wide St, Kempsey. Contact Joan on 6562 5130 or Danita on 6562 1998.

Macleay Valley Eagles AFL CLUB Come 'n Try and Registration Days

South Kempsey Oval (near Information Centre) Monday 12th March 4 - 5pm

Gladstone Oval

Tuesday 13th March 4 - 5pm

St Joseph's Primary School Oval Wednesday 14th March 4 - 5pm

These sessions are for all players from 5 years to 15 ½ years. Registrations can also be made at all training sessions.

Kempsey Basketball News

Kempsey Basketballers are looking forward to a big season this year with basketball registration and a playing session starting on Thursday, 2 Feb from 4-5:30PM at Melville High School Hall. Primary age children should attend on Thursday afternoons starting at 4pm with games from 4:30pm. The high school teams and adult teams travelling to the Port comp need to get their teams in by the weekend. For more information about the competitions call Ev Jacobs on 0418 463278. All intending players for the Port comp and Northern Junior League should attend. Unisex and high School Basketball games are played on Tuesday afternoons starting at 4pm for High School and 5:30pm for the senior unisex games. They are also looking for participants in the USA/Canada trip planned for Dec 2012.

The Kempsey District Silver Band is offering one of six scholarships to either an adult or a youth in the Kempsey Shire who is willing to have an ongoing commitment to developing their music skills and attend playouts that the Silver Band is involved in.

A scholarship will be the equivalent to \$60 worth of fees and can be used for

- One term of Beginner sessions for reed, flute or brass on a Wednesday afternoon after 4pm
- Two terms of Intermediate Band sessions held 4.30-5.30, under the tuition of Will Dodds
 Four terms in the Senior Band for experienced players, held on a Tuesday from 5:50 -7.30pm
 Nominees will need to
- pay their KDSB membership fee of \$25, if selected
- outline their full contact details, including an email address
- outline their current/past music experience and the instrument they wish to play
- have their nomination endorsed by their school's music director (if a school student)
- be at least Year 4 (unless their ability to concentrate can be verified by their teacher)
- outline their ability to regularly attend the relevant rehearsal sessions as outlined, and occasional playouts on a weekend. (These playouts are generally no longer than 1.5 hours in duration, except for Anzac Day, Australia Day and the Kempsey Carols at the Racecourse, once the player graduates to Intermediate or Senior level)
- be prepared to purchase a shirt for \$32 prior to their first playout (Uniform consists of black trousers or skirt, black shoes, tie for males and a green Akubra hat, issued by the Band)

not be an existing member or immediate relative of a Band member

Nominations need to be emailed to kempseysilverband@qmail.com or dropped into the Richard Blight Music Centre on a Tuesday or Wednesday evening after 4.30pm by Tuesday December 6.2011

The winners of the scholarships will be announced at the Kempsey Carols at the Racecourse on Thursday 15 December from 6pm. Please ring Leonie Capararo, Bandmaster, after hours on 6562 8243 for more information.



UNIFORM UPDATE

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Some items of uniform are still arriving at school. Please check the table below if you are waiting on items.

ITEM SIZE DUE* **Primary Girls Blouses** Size 4 **End February Primary Girls Shorts** ΑII Available now Secondary Girls Shorts ΑII Available now Secondary Girls Blouses ΑII Available now **Primary Boys Shirts** All except size 6 & 8 Available now **Primary Boys Shorts** Sizes 4, 6 Available now Secondary Hats All except size 61cm Available now ΑII Available now Secondary Boys Shorts **Primary Sports Shorts** Sizes 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, S Available now **Primary Sports Polos** Size 4 Due by end February

SECONDHAND UNIFORM

KAS families are encouraged to sell their outgrown uniforms which are in good condition. We do not have the facilities to sell it for you, but offer free advertising in our newsletter each week. Please email your uniform details to Ideanshaw@kas.nsw.edu.au in the format below. At present there is a high demand for primary boys and girls shirts and blouses. It helps, too, if you send revised lists after some has been sold.

Primary girls trousers size 12 \$5.00 Primary girls skirt size 10 \$5.00 Primary girls shorts size 10 \$5.00 Contact Kym-Maree on 0458 134 659 or email kempseykym@gmail.com

ACADEMIC

Primary boys shorts 1 x size 12 & 3 x size 14 & \$15.00each 1 x 'new size' 12 \$15.00 (same as old size 20, new) Primary boys white shirt 2 x size 10 \$17.00each School jumper 1 x size 10 & 1 x size 12 \$35.00each School jacket 2 x size 12 \$45.00each Primary trousers 1 x size 14 & 1 x size 16 \$20.00each **SPORT** Sports polo shirt 1 x size 4 & 1 x size 8 \$19.00each Sports shorts 1 x size 8 & 1 x size 10 \$15.00each Track pants 1 x size 10 & 1 x size 12 \$15.00each **BAGS** 1 x large KAS school bag \$45.00

HATS

2 x medium bucket hat \$6.00each

1 x large bucket hat \$6.00

1 x 57cm wide brim hat \$6.00

2 x sport ankle socks \$2.00each

Contact Melinda on mkennewell@dodo.com.au or 0401404441

2 pairs of size 6 boys shorts 1 pair of size 10 girls shorts Contact Hayley on 65667715 or 0449904811.

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

The Uniform Shop is currently available on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30am - 3:30pm.



Get your school bag before Term Two when prices need to rise due to the company increasing their supply price to us. Currently prices are \$56 for small bags and \$62 for large bags.

Announcements



'Get to Know Each Other' Morning Tea

Wednesday 14th March at 9am At the picnic tables outside the Canteen

All Parents and Guardians Welcome!

CANTEEN HELPERS

Tues, 28 Feb Kathy Barker Help Needed

Wed, 29 Feb Karen Kelei-

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Thurs, 1 Mar Chyral Cantrill Lee-anne Tozer

Fri, 2 Mar Nanette Nowa- Jacqui Reynolds

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SECONDARY SCHOOL DATES TO REMEMBER						
Class	Subject	Task	Date Due			
8	English	Poetry Anthology draft Final draft	5.3.12 14.3.12			
10	Religion	Presentation	23.2.12			
10	Industrial Tech	Ass 1	24.2.12			
12	Ancient History	In class essays	22.2.12 12.3.12			
12	Biology	Ass 2	24.2.12			
12	English	Speech	13.3.12			
12	Industrial Technology	Task 2: Class Presentation	22.2.12			
12	IT	Ass 1	22.2.12			
12	Music	Ass 1	24.2.12			
12	PDHPE	Research Assessment Task	22.2.12			
12	Religion		23.2.12			

Calendar 27 Feb - 1 Mar Yr 7 & 8 Class Camps 27 Feb-2 Mar Yr 9 Class Camp 5 - 9 Mar Yr 12 Sem 1 Examinations 6 Mar NCIS Swimming (Lismore) *new venus 9 Mar Koorong Kids order due The Shack (secondary students) 14 Mar 'Get to know each other' Parents' morning tea **NCIS Touch Football (Tweed)** 16 Mar **Outback Fundraiser -Free dress** (secondary students) 19-23 Mar Week of Worship 22 Mar Primary and secondary cross country

SPORT & LIBRARY TIMETABLE					
CLASS	SUBJECT	DAY			
PreKindy (Mrs Humphries)	Library	Friday			
Kindergarten (Mrs Hardy)	Sport Library	Monday Thursday			
Kingergarten (Mrs Hodgekiss)	Sport Library	Monday Thursday			
Year 1 (Mrs Dixon)	Sport Library	Thursday Wednesday			
Year 2 (Mrs Baywood)	Sport Library	Tuesday Friday			
Year 3 (Miss Salt)	Sport Library	Wednesday Friday			
Year 4 (Miss Donn- Paterson)	Sport Library Music	Wed + Fri Tuesday Tuesday			
Year 5 (Miss Hasan)	Sport Library Music	Friday Tuesday Tuesday			
Year 6 (Mr Humphries)	Sport Library Music	Tues + Fri Wednesday Tuesday			
Year 7 & 8	PDHPE Sport	Thursday			
Year 9 & 10	PDHPE Sport	Thursday			
Year 11	PDHPE				
Year 12	PDHPE Sport	Thursday			