



From The Principal...

ENSURING RELEVANCE BEYOND TODAY

Last week, the Queensland Government announced the introduction of a STEM (Science Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) syllabus for all K-10 students in that state from 2016 onwards. In NSW, the Board of Studies Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES), has also begun the process of moving towards a like program for students throughout this state.

Across Australia and throughout other western nations, STEM education, based upon the principles of project-based learning, has now been broadly accepted as providing a strong platform for teaching the critical skills identified through research as being required for all students entering the new employment marketplaces of the 21st century:

- Character Education
- Citizenship
- Communication
- Critical Thinking & Problem-Solving
- Collaboration
- Creativity & Imagination

At KAS, we have also begun the journey towards providing a fully-integrated, project-based learning and STEM education program throughout our K-10 classes. In 2016, this journey will, continue through both project-based learning and also the construction of our new K-12 STEM facility, due to open in 2017.

The key message at this time is not complex – if we are not preparing our students for the realities of this new century through programs such as STEM, we cannot expect our students to successfully compete for employment in the emerging global communities and economies.

Our collective commitment to growing the characters of our students, the first item on the list above, must be closely followed by the remaining five if we are truly aspiring to be a learning community which will be relevant beyond today.

Mr Rohan Deanshaw
KAS Principal



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Got some old uniforms to sell? Just go to Kempsey Adventist School Secondhand Uniforms on Facebook and post them there! We are also happy to put them in the newsletter for you.

ALL SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

YR 12 TRIP TO THAILAND

It is just 12 days until our Yr 12 group set out to serve in an orphanage in Thailand. They are looking for good quality, used children's clothes to take over there. If you have any that you would like to give to this cause, please send them in to our school office. Please don't send in old, stained, damaged clothing. Summer clothes are probably best as the climate is very warm over there. Jeans and pants are a priority too.

Also, the orphanage has a violin teacher, they just need some violins. If you have a violin that is no longer needed and you'd like to donate it to a worthy cause, please let us know.

SCHOOL BANKING

The *Lunar Light Band* is unavailable due to safety concerns. They will be replaced with a Frisbee.

PRIMARY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

MATHLETICS AND SPELLODROME TRIAL

The exciting news is that this trial has been extended so our primary students are able to continue accessing these programs from home. If they have lost their login and password just get them to check with their teacher. If you have any questions or comments about this, please contact me on rbennett@kas.nsw.edu.au. Thanks.

STEM CHALLENGE FOR TERM 4

In week 9, all of the primary students will be involved in a 'cardboard challenge'. Please could you start collecting cardboard at home, especially large sheets and boxes to donate to your child's class. If you can't store the cardboard at home, feel free to bring it into my classroom and I will find a space for it.

Thank you, Mrs Bennett.



SECONDARY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

YR 12 GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION - DORRIGO NATIONAL PARK

Last Thursday, three Year 12 Geography students ventured to Dorrigo National Park as part of their unit of study on Ecosystems at Risk. After an insightful presentation from National Parks ranger Andrew, the students set off bravely into the rainforest after being warned of the presence of ticks and leeches. The three Geographers learnt about the natural rainforest processes and how the ecosystem responds to threats. The class has been busily working on a custom Google map in order to share with you what they learnt. If you'd like to learn more, click on the following link to listen to their reflections and learn a little about the wonderful temperate and sub-tropical rainforest of Dorrigo National Park.

<https://goo.gl/20Aue9>



LEARNING INFORMATION CENTRE NEWS with MRS HARDY

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Last term, the primary students spent much of their time learning about their responsibilities when interacting in the online world and how to keep safe. Students from K-6 viewed video clips and spent time discussing the situations portrayed. Links to these videos and lessons can be found on the Primary LIC Information Blog <http://blogs.kas.nsw.edu.au/licprimary/>

“You don't want kids learning about the birds and the bees on the playground. And when it comes to navigating social media, online games, smartphones, and the Internet, it's best for kids to get their info from a trusted source. With 92 percent of teens going online daily and nearly three-quarters of kids age 0–8 using apps, having ‘The Talk’ is an essential rite of passage. As parents and educators, we want to raise kids to be safe, responsible, and ethical in the digital world. Giving kids a solid understanding of how we expect them to behave -- both online and off -- starts everyone off on the right foot. Plus, it's actually a lot easier than that other talk.”

(CommonSense Media) <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/digitalcitizenshipweek>

Check out more parent resources at <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/digitalcitizenshipweek/home>

Mrs Hardy

KAS Teacher-Librarian



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROVERS CRICKET CLUB

Rovers Cricket Club is currently seeking players from 6 - 8 years of age to Play into Cricket for the upcoming cricket season. Into Cricket is a program that teaches young kids the fundamentals of the game, which includes batting, bowling fielding and catching.

It will be held on Wednesday afternoons from 4pm until 5pm

Danny Powick (Secretary) - 0427 257 733 ,
dk.powick@bigpond.com.au

KEMPSEY MUSIC STUDIOS

Individual and group keyboard, guitar, singing, violin, flute, piano, bass or drums lessons at Kempsey and South West Rocks. Contact 6567 2157.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Sensory Smart OT services in Port Macquarie are running a range of workshops for students and parents including social skills groups; parenting workshops; handwriting clubs and the Alert Programme for self regulation. If you are interested, please ask Mrs Bennett for a brochure or see their website for details (www.sensorysmartot.com.au).

FREE SOUP AND BUNS MEAL

Any KAS families/singles are welcome to come along and enjoy a simple meal of soup & buns on a Tuesday night. Come, eat, relax & enjoy good conversation.

Where: Church Hall

When: 5.30pm Tuesdays (except 1st Tuesday of each month)

PROPHECY DISCUSSION

Interested in knowing what the Bible has to say about past, current and future events?

Where: Seminar room (room to the left of the church)

When: Tuesdays 6.30pm

LEARN TO PLAY GOLF

Frederickton Golf Club invites all boys and girls to come and learn to play golf and receive free guidance from experienced golders. For only \$25.00 annual membership you receive the use of the club facilities and unlimited golf. Contact the club for more details. 6566 8261.

KEMPSEY BASKETBALL

Kempsey Basketball is starting it's learn to play season. Children are invited to attend Junior basketball on Monday afternoons at 5 pm at the Melville High School Hall for an hour of Primary school age basketball. Instruction and a game is only \$3 per session. This is a great active team sport. For further information call Ev Jacobs on 041 846 3278.

MACLEAY VALLEY BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Opportunities to play Aussie T-ball under 6, T-ball under 10, Little league under 13, Little league under 15 and seniors. Training on Fridays at Kemp St baseball fields. Contact Rachel for more details on 0422 085 919.

APPLYING FOR A TAX FILE NUMBER

Students are no longer apply to apply for a TFN through the school. The fastest and most convenient way for you to now do it is to apply online and present the POI documents at a post office. For more information, go to ato.gov.au and search for 'QC27248'.





MACLEAY RIVER
NSW TOUCH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

IS COMING TO KEMPSEY
EDEN ST PLAYING FIELDS
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CALLED
TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS
JUNIOR BOYS & GIRLS U'10 TO 12YRS
YOUTH BOYS & GIRLS U'13 TO 16 YRS
ADULT OPEN MIXED COMPETITION

#PAID REFEREE'S REQUIRED
(TRAINING & UNIFORM PROVIDED)
FOR ALL INFORMATION & ENQUIRIES
CONTACT **MICK HAYES** ph 65669080
EMAIL: macleayrivertouchfooty@gmail.com
OR FIND US ON FACEBOOK

THE MACLEAY RIVER TOUCH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION WILL BE
INCORPORATED AND AFFILIATED THROUGH THE
NSW TOUCH ASSOCIATION AND THE AUSTRALIAN TOUCH FOOTBALL
ASSOCIATION



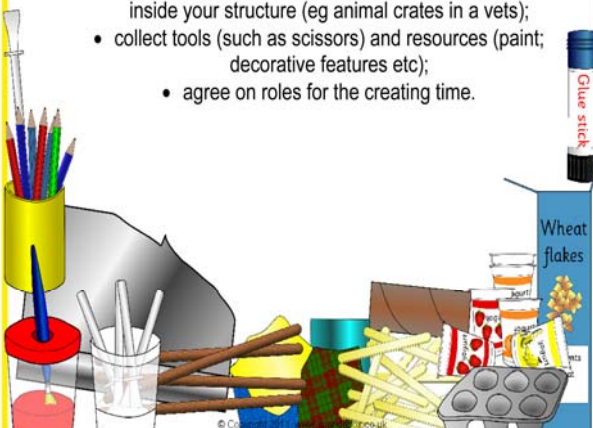
The Grand Cardboard Challenge Tuesday 1/12/15

- 8:55 – 10:55am - create and decorate a cardboard structure as a class for Pre-Kindy students to play inside.
 - 10:55 – 11:55am – drying time!
- 11:55am – 12:55pm – judging and testing by Pre-Kindy students and their teachers.
- 2:30pm Two winning classes announced (one from K to 2; one from 3 to 6)

Prize:
One hour in the High School Science Lab for each winning class with Mr De Ville.

Before 1/12/15 ...

- collect large sheets of cardboard as a class;
- agree on a theme for your structure (eg a vets);
 - agree on a design for your structure;
- decide if you are making accessories to be used inside your structure (eg animal crates in a vets);
- collect tools (such as scissors) and resources (paint; decorative features etc);
 - agree on roles for the creating time.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

UNIFORM SHOP

The uniform shop is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays before and after school. If you wish to sell any secondhand uniform please email your details or drop them into the office and we will publish it in the newsletter.

All advertisements are deleted at the end of each term.

UNIFORM FOR SALE

Jacket size M - good condition
Jumpers size 14 - good condition
Phone 0439 364 016

FOR SALE

1998 Mitsubishi Station Wagon
Manual, 2 new tyres, very economic to run, 189000 km on clock
\$2500 ono with three months rego
Phone Donna - 0423 942 481

SECONDARY SCHOOL DATES TO REMEMBER

Class	Subject	Task	Date Due
7	English	Film Review	3.11.15
8	English	Newspaper Article	2.11.15
12	Mod History	AT1	30.10.15
12	Physics	AT1	11.11.15
12	Ind Tech	AT1	Wk 6

CANTEEN HELPERS

Thurs, 29 Oct	Chyral	Help Needed
Fri, 30 Oct	Leonie	Help Needed
Tues, 3 Nov	Suzanne	
Wed, 4 Nov	Melinda	Debbie
Thurs, 5 Nov	Sandy	Help Needed
Fri, 6 Nov	Bob	Help Needed

Calendar

26-30 Oct	WOW Primary and Secondary
29 Oct	Kindy (2016) Orientation Day
2-3 Nov	Yr 5 Goldrush Camp
3 Nov	NCIS Basketball (Coffs Harbour)
4 Nov	Yr 7 (2016) Orientation Day
6 Nov	Last day HSC Exams
9 Nov	Yr 12 Formal
10 Nov	Parents' & Principals' Meeting
10-23 Nov	Yr 12 Thailand Trip
16-20 Nov	Yr 7-10 Exams
16-27 Nov	K-6 Swimming Lessons
30 Nov-4 Dec	Sec MAD week



SPORT & LIBRARY TIMETABLE

CLASS	SPORT	LIBRARY
PreKindy		Wednesday
Kindy B	Mon & Wed	Fri
Kindy Y	Mon & Thurs	Thurs
Year 1B	Mon & Wed	Fri
Year 1Y	Tues & Thurs	Fri
Year 2B	Wed & Fri	Mon
Year 2Y	Tues & Thurs	Tues
Year 3B	Tues & Wed	Fri
Year 3Y	Tues & Thurs	Wed
Year 4B	Mon & Thurs	Thurs
Year 5Y	Tues & Fri	Thurs
Year 5/6B	Wed & Fri	Mon
Year 6Y	Mon Fri (Yr6 shirt)	Tues
Yr 7	Fri	
Yr 8	Fri	
Yr 9	Wed & Thurs Wk 2	
Yr 10	Thurs Wk 1	
Yr 11	SLR students Thurs Wk 2	



Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive lessons

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent should forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are \$69 for school-aged children and \$49 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).

For more information or to make a booking, visit sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or phone 13 13 02

