FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hopefully we are starting to experience a change in the weather and more and more cooler days will start to become the norm. I have been amazed at how well everyone has coped with the continual hot weather. It has been taxing, especially during the morning recess and lunch breaks but students and staff have managed to keep going and maintain their cool. I have also been very impressed with the way in which parents have assisted their children to cope with the extended period of hot weather. Congratulations all of you.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS

The School Board ratified the School Development Days for 2014 at their last meeting. These days are now confirmed and can be placed on calendars as follows:

Friday 30th May – leading into the June Public Holiday weekend
Monday 21st July – first day of Term Three
Thursday 25th & Friday 26th September – last two days of Term Three

Students do not attend school on these days. School Development Days provide the school staff with opportunities for professional learning and for the school to analyse data and develop plans for future operations of the school.

DEVELOPING SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING

Kinross Primary School prides itself on developing the whole child as part of our educational philosophy. We adopted the ‘You Can Do It’ program a number of years ago and this forms the basis of our social and emotional well-being curriculum throughout the school. The five core beliefs of ‘You Can Do It’ are confidence, persistence, organisation, getting along and resilience. Each of these beliefs alone cannot develop a strong sense of self-worth and self-belief, but, together they can provide many children with the essential skills and knowledge to feel good about themselves.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

17 March—P&C AGM
April Workshops

DONT FORGET...

NO SCHOOL CANTEEN ON MONDAYS

Information Evening
Healthy Lunchboxes
P&C News
School Banking—Every Wednesday 8.10am - 8.45am - undercover area
Uniform Shop—Tues 8.00am - 9.00am & Thurs 8.00am - 9.00am

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The school has taken a strong view on resilience and is working hard to provide students with the resilience required to cope with situations that create stress and worry. Today’s society puts pressure on everyone to perform or present themselves in certain ways. While we cannot change social and print media expectations we can provide some of the support through developing the beliefs mentioned above.

Resilience is the ability to bounce back or recover quickly from an illness or trouble. A resilient person then has confidence in themselves, is well organised so that they can clearly think through situations, has the ability to get along with others which usually translates into having a strong support network and is persistent and doesn’t give up when times are tough. These factors contribute strongly to our overall concept of ourselves and provide the structures around which resilience can be built.

The school is committed to helping all families as their children undertake their journey through our school. If you would like to find out more about ‘You Can Do It’ please contact the school so we can determine interest in providing workshops for parents. We would also like to help individual families through this and other support programs, including our school psychologist.

SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board operates as the governing body of the school. It helps to determine the direction of the school and acts as a conduit for parents and teachers to have issues and/or concerns discussed related to all aspects of school operations.

The School Board is comprised of five parent members, three staff members and the school principal.

The parent members of the Kinross Primary School Board are Roger Crook (Chair), Pernilla Elphick, Theresa Harris, Matt Jarman and Nancy McNally.

Natalie Blewitt (nee Beck), Helen Demiris and Anne Alford are the staff representatives on the Board.

MERIT CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Georgia Foureur PP1
Luke Townley PP1
Alyssa McGuire PP2
Jensen Tarman PP2
Lily Couper PP3
Hudson Sky PP3
Madeleine Hannagan TA1
Jack White TA1
Camille Harrex TA2
Karter Stevenson TA2
Lachlan Beaton TA3
Ellah Williams TA3
Alyssa Gregory TA4
Elen Hughes TA4
Melissa Steyn TA5
Liam O’Hara TA5
Rohan Bennier TA6
Petra Jolly TA6
Boyd Fewson TA7
Bethany McGlone TA7
Tiara Tierney TA8
Jakob Stappenbelt TA8
Danika Gillespie TA9
Brock Thompson TA9
Hallie Jenner TA10
Tyler McLennan TA10
Chloe Kerr TA11
Kelso Stevenson TA11
Jasmin Basham TA12
Cameron Scardigno TA12
Ruby Bishop TA14
Martin Van Tonder TA14
Holly Edgeloe TA15
Tegan Gillespie TA15
Lily Baker TA16
Jack Harrex TA16
Emily Pennings TA17
Emma Gregory TA17
Kiera Andrews TA18
Miranda Jones TA18
Isabelle Pitulej TA19
Christian Bain TA19
Sydney Townley TA20
David Morrison TA20
Hello all! A big congratulations to Golden Key Award winners from our last assembly! All students have shown exemplary organisation, getting along, persistence, confidence and resilience:

K1 - Nate Keenan
PP1 - Connor Hook
TA1 - Ella Aberin
TA7 - Amy Clarke
TA9 - Elisha Mallows
TA14 - Erin McMahon
TA18 - Brayden Tierney

Well done to those students listed above! I'm looking forward to announcing our next Golden Key winners a little later in the term. Enjoy your week everyone.

If you have anything you would like discussed at the Board level please do not hesitate to contact any of the Board members and they will raise it on your behalf.

Ed de Ruiter
Principal

INFORMATION EVENING REGARDING EDUCATIONAL PATHWAY FOR YEAR 6/YEAR 7 AND BEYOND

This will be held at Mindarie College on 2 April at 6.30pm, further information to follow.

HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES

Do you struggle to feed your kids vegetables?
Are you tired of hearing "Mmuuummm I'm hungry?"
Do you spend too many hours and too many dollars at the supermarket each week?
Do you need lunchbox inspiration?

My name is Jade Baxter and I am here to help you! I am a personal trainer and ‘Wholefood’ educator.

I run regular lunchbox workshops all over Perth, coaching, sharing and inspiring parents with sneaky tips, easy recipes, fun ideas for kids food, knowledge on preservatives/ additives and how to make health work for your family in busy everyday life!

If you would like to learn more, be inspired and connect with like minded parents please register your interest for the FREE lunchbox workshops running here at the school.

DATES FOR WORKSHOPS

8 April 2014 at 2.00pm (venue to be confirmed)
10 April 2014 at 9.00am (venue to be confirmed)

As numbers are limited, please RSVP Helen Demiris on helen.demiris@education.wa.edu.au
We would like to invite you to join your school P&C. We are looking for some fresh new and old faces to help improve our P&C along with raising much needed money to improve our children’s school. We understand you may not be able to make every meeting or fundraiser but just offering your assistance is sharing the load and a great help!

I know the P&C hasn’t always been perceived to have a great reputation but please come along and see for yourself. We are all parents and volunteers working towards a great cause!

Our next meeting and AGM is on Monday 17 March at 6.30pm, all positions are open and we hope to see as many of you as possible. Wine and nibbles will be provided.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 2014/15

The school will be selling the 2014/15 Entertainment Book as a fundraiser. If you are interested in purchasing a book (cost is $65.00), please see our Registrar Mrs Caldwell.