Welcome to this week’s newsletter,

As we approach the end of semester one it is interesting to reflect on what has occurred to date this year. We commenced the year as an Independent Public School, meaning that we are operating under some different conditions to previous. We have a one-line budget which enables us to have greater control over our staffing, we have taken greater control of our relief requirements and we have greater decision-making powers in relation to the operation of the school. The School Council has transitioned into the School Board and we have developed our first three-year business plan.

While these changes have had very little impact on the whole-school community, other events in the school have had some impact. The staff and school community completed a survey and the results of these surveys have been published for the relevant target groups. Similarities of both surveys included better communication, more emphasis on dealing with bullying and a greater opportunity for school/community relationships. The Kiss and Drive is one aspect that has been improved and it is pleasing to see that the P&C has continued to demonstrate a willingness to support the school in a number of ways.

I look forward to continuing to work with the whole school community to further improve the already great school that Kinross Primary School is known for.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**Term 2**
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June: TA14 Assembly
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July: Reports home to parents
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Senior Choir Songfest
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July: Last Day for Term 2

**Term 3**
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July: School Development Day – no students at school
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July: First day of Term 3 for students
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July: In-term swimming commences for selected classes

A full Term 3 calendar will be available with the first newsletter of next term – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July
**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS**

**14 JUNE 2013**

**PP—**
- Reef McDonald  PP1
- Jessie Price  PP1
- Ryan Levin  PP2
- Mia Apostolovski  PP2
- Jett Bishop  PP3
- Lexie Mullaly  PP3
- Jude McGuiness  PP4
- Alyssa Gregory  PP4

**Year 1**
- Aden Morris  TA1
- Codi Poole-Jasper  TA1
- Hannah Keegan-Rodgers  TA2
- Levi Laurant  TA2
- Sam Filocamo  TA3
- Joshua Campbell  TA3
- Liam O’Hara  TA4
- Jorja Hunter  TA4

**Year 2**
- Lydia Jackson  TA5
- Jordan Peterson  TA5
- Cody Maideen  TA6
- Emily Facey  TA6
- Jack Harrex  TA7
- Erin Denham  TA7
- Ryan Gough  TA8
- Teanu Gerber  TA8

**Year 3**
- Alyssa Nelson  TA10
- Joshua Rogers  TA10
- Daniel Booyens  TA11
- Lucy Rennick  TA11
- Asyura Jamal  TA12
- Oliver Southward  TA12

**Next Assembly**

**TA14—28 June 2013**

**SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY**

Monday 22nd July 2013 is a School Development Day. Students do not attend school on this day as the staff will be involved in professional learning opportunities related to implementing the Australian Curriculum and associated professional development. Students will commence Term 3 on Tuesday 23rd July with some students also beginning swimming lessons on this day.

**REPORTING TO PARENTS**

Mid-year formal reports will be sent home with students next MONDAY 1st JULY. These reports reflect the achievement and effort your child has put into their schooling so far this year. Teachers have spent a great deal of time ensuring these reports accurately demonstrate how your child has performed to date. Please take the time to go through the reports with your child, emphasise areas of success and discuss areas for improvement. Should there be any aspects of the report you would like to discuss further with your child’s class teacher please make an appointment to meet with them either before the end of this term or early next term.

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**SECOND INSTALMENT OF THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS COMING SOON—ENSURE YOU BENEFIT**

The second instalment of the Schoolkids Bonus will be paid in July. Eligible families who have not updated their child’s education details with Centrelink have until 29 June to do so to ensure they receive the correct payment in July. Eligible families who have updated their child’s education details with Centrelink do not have to do anything.

This means eligible families will have extra money on hand to help with mid-year and ongoing education expenses, like school excursions, winter uniforms, new stationery and other school supplies.

There is a range of information materials available, including:

- an information brochure and factsheet (in English and ten languages)
- a pathfinder to help families understand if they are eligible for the Schoolkids Bonus

You can download these materials at australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus. Hardcopies of the brochure and factsheet are also available (free of charge) and can be ordered by contacting us at schoolkidsbonus@fahcsia.gov.au.

Thank you in advance for your support. If you have any questions or require any further information please feel free to contact us on schoolkidsbonus@fahcsia.gov.au.
CONGRATULATIONS TO LIAM JEANS

Liam does trampolining 3 times a week and trains very hard. He started it just over a year ago and since then has done very well in his WA competitions.

After a lot of hard work and determination, Liam has qualified and subsequently been selected for the West Australian State Team, and will be travelling to Sydney in the first week of the school holidays to represent WA for U11’s at the 2013 Australian Championships. Liam is very excited to go and that all his hard work has paid off.

We are very proud of Liam’s achievements and can’t wait to hear how he gets on.

STUDENT COUNCILLORS

Nominations and speeches for student councillors were conducted this week. The 12 new members will be announced this Friday.

NEW TO SCHOOL, KINROSS KICK START BREAKFAST CLUB

Starting on the first Wednesday back from the school holidays (Monday 22 July 2013) Kinross Primary will host a breakfast club once a week, each Wednesday from 7.45am to 8.15am.

How many kids arrive at school without having a good KICK START to their day?

There are numerous reasons why some kids miss the most important meal of the day, life can be a rush these days and we would like to make sure that those who need a helping hand with this busy time of the day can receive it—for a least 1 day of the week.

Breakfast is important to kick in concentration and energy for the start of any day.

This club will be run by the P&C and parent volunteers. Anyone who would like to help either with time or donations of food or plates, cutlery etc please contact Taia on 0438 047 443. Further information will follow closer to the GRAND OPENING DAY.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS,
14 JUNE 2013

Year 4 – Jake Broughton TA14
  Shanae West TA14
  Loui Reece TA15
  Elyssa Crook TA15
  Evelyn Main TA16
  Thomas Reilly TA16
  Brinn Hawes TA17
  Naomi Pilcher TA17
  Hannah Phelps TA21
Year 5 - Takirah Talma TA18
  Kate Aylward TA18
  Jake Robson TA19
  Eve Robinson TA19
  Rhys Heys TA20
  Skye Broughton TA20
  Zac Basten Jess TA21

NEXT ASSEMBLY TA14
28 JUNE 2013

P&C SAUSAGE SIZZLE FUNDRAISER

The P&C next sausage sizzle will be held on 30th June at Bunnings Mindarie.

If you are able to volunteer to help out on the day it will be from 8-5pm for 1 hour time slots. Please contact Lara on 0408 000 525.

Thank you for your support.
CROSS COUNTRY

NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Every July people across Australia celebrate NAIDOC Week. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

As NAIDOC Week will fall in our school holiday period this year there are a lot of opportunities to get involved in the celebrations. The official NAIDOC Website has a list of free activities and events that you can take your children along to.

Check out their website: http://www.naidoc.org.au/naidoc-events/calendar/?state=WA&check=Check

We are looking forward to the Wadumbah Dance Group performance on Thursday 27th June to help us celebrate NAIDOC week. If you would like to see Wadumbah perform you are in luck. Get along to their performance at the official launch of NAIDOC 2013 for a traditional flag-raising ceremony on Monday 8th July at 4.00pm in Central Park, Joondalup.