Thank you to everyone in the school community for the wonderful start to the school year. I would especially like to thank all the students for the way in which they have responded to the information given to them at the first assembly. There has been very little rubbish left lying around, the before school arrangements have been working well and there has been a really good feel as I have been walking around the school, both in classrooms and in the playground. Well done everyone!

School Board

Kinross Primary School is now officially an Independent Public School (IPS) meaning that the School Council takes on the new guise of a School Board. The School Council of 2012 determined that there should be a full round of elections early in 2013 so that the School Board had an opportunity to come into existence at the same time as the school gained IPS status. This means that all positions are up for nomination and possible election if there are more nominations than positions available.

All information relating to the roles and responsibilities of a school board have been uploaded to the school website www.kinrossps.edu.wa.au. Should you be interested in nominating for a position on the Kinross Primary School Board please go to the website, read the information and complete a nomination form. I urge all parents to consider this opportunity. Nominations close on Friday 22nd February 2013.

Parking on Street Verges

The issue of parking was addressed in the first newsletter that went home this year. In this all parents were strongly encouraged to consider the needs of the residents around the school when parking. We have since received an email from the manager of the Kinross Shopping Centre, over the road from the school, requesting that people do not park on the front lawn of the shopping centre along Kinross Drive. The manager has informed the city of Joondalup so there is every possibility that the City Ranger could be around the area at any time. Again, please consider the rights of others when parking near the school. Thank you.

Ed de Ruiter
Principal
Parent Information Evening

Please be advised of the times below for our parent information sessions next week. These sessions provide an opportunity for teachers to share their classroom practices, expectations and school priorities with you. Personal interviews can be arranged at a later time as there will not be time to discuss individual children’s progress during these sessions. The meeting will be held in your child’s classroom, please be prompt as teachers will be adhering closely to the scheduled times to ensure sufficient time for change over. Teachers are looking forward to sharing insights into classroom practices with you.

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Library news!

Welcome back to a new school year. It's great to see children so organised with their library bags. Please ensure children bring their bag on the correct day as this is an important part of the Library's literature programme. Just a reminder that children can also borrow before school if they forget their bags. The library programme focuses on ICT - the laptops and use of IPads. We use a variety of book and non-book tools for research and presentation of work.

The library subscribes to World Book online and is available for all the Kinross Primary community.

To access the site simply go to:

worldbookonline.com

Log on user ID: Kinrossps

Password: school

There are 3 different sets: World Book Student, Discover and Kids. This service is provided by the Library, so please make use of it to assist your children with their homework or to simply find out interesting stuff!

Our first Book Fair of the year is in week 5 - Tuesday March 5 to Friday March 8. Any parents who would like to help with shelving books on a Friday, please see Library staff. It's a great working environment and we would really appreciate the help!

From the Library staff

P&C News

Meeting Dates

The next General Meeting - Thursday 14th February - 2pm - Location to be confirmed
Annual General Meeting - Thursday 14th March - 2pm - Location to be confirmed

Please consider any points you might like to include on the agenda and advise ASAP.

Any apologies can be emailed to the P&C email address

School Shirt Orders

The new school shirts should be available for collection from 25th February 2013. The P&C appreciates your patience in the supply of the new shirts and would like to be able to get the new shirts out as soon as possible after their arrival. In order to do this we require the balance of payment paid as soon as possible so that we can deliver the shirts directly to classrooms when they arrive. We cannot deliver the shirt if there is still some money outstanding.
Hello everyone!

I hope you had a really awesome Christmas, and a great holiday. It can be a bit of a shock to the system coming back to school again (I know it was for me!), so I hope that you are able to settle in quickly and smoothly. I’ve got some interesting things planned for this year, one of which is to make this space a place where I will share some Words of Wisdom of some great quotes that I’ve found about relationships, about life, about success. The first for this year was said by C.S. Lewis, “Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art... It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things that give value to survival.”

School Banking Day

Don’t forget that Thursday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For each deposit of $2 or more made at school, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. The first token will be received upon the first deposit at school. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can then be redeemed for a range of great, exclusive reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

School Banking is located in the Undercover Area every Thursday morning from 8.10 – 8.40am.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Kinross Primary School.

Book Club

Please return all Book Club orders to the Library by Friday 15 February 2013. Please DO NOT enclose CASH/CHEQUES or CREDIT CARD details with orders. You must make your payment ONLINE or by PHONE to SCHOLASTIC before returning your order to the Library. No late orders will be accepted. Thank you.

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program

Our resources earned by the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program have arrived and teachers are thrilled with the wonderful lego kits, including robotics equipment, that we have received.

Thank you to all of our students and parents for bringing in your stickers, to the office staff who had the unenviable job of placing all stickers, individually, onto cards and massive thanks to Helen Williams (P&C member) for her dedicated efforts in setting up the program with our school and the hours of work she gave to inputting the data that earned the points for our school. Finally and certainly not least thank you to the Woolworths Program for providing such a worthwhile program to support our schools. The students and staff truly appreciate the benefits we have derived from everyone’s contributions in building our points.

Canteen Refurbishment

You may have noticed the sparkling refurbishment of the canteen. Thanks to your wonderful P&C the canteen is looking first class.
### 2013 Term Dates

**Semester 1**

**Term 1**
Monday 4 February—Friday 19 April

**Break**
Saturday 20 April—Sunday 5 May

**Term 2**
Monday 6 May—Friday 5 July

**Break**
Saturday 6 July—Sunday 21 July

**Semester 2**

**Term 3**
Monday 22 July—Friday 27 September

**Break**
Saturday 28 September—Sunday 13 October

**Term 4**
Monday 14 October—Thursday 19 December
DRUMMING WORKSHOPS FOR CHILDREN

A new year always brings new interests, ideas and challenges. Are your children looking for something new? Do they love listening to or playing music? Well then......We have just what you are looking for.

We are Bloco do Norte, Perth’s Northern Suburbs Drumming Group. We follow the exciting sounds and sights of Brazilian Street Drumming. We are a not-for-profit community group and as such, our workshops are a gold coin donation which will go to Make-A-Wish and all instruments are supplied.

We are launching our drumming workshops for children from Tuesday 19th February 2013. So what are you waiting for? Bring along your children and meet us every Tuesday night at Beldon Primary School (Enter by gate off Nautical Grove and follow the signs). Children 6 – 11 years of age can join the junior workshop from 6.00-6.30pm and are welcome to join our main group until 7.00pm.

Children 12 years and over are welcome to join the main group from 6.30-7.30pm. Parents are required to stay for the whole of the junior session and are welcome to drum along with us.

Our musical director will teach you everything you need to know and will have you happily drumming along with us in no time. You don’t need any musical experience as we believe that, “If you can say it, you can play it”.

For more information see Miss Beck in TA9 or phone Brian 0421328851.

See you soon