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Newsletter Week10 Term 1

Principal's Perspective

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the end of Week 10. It has been a busy and productive term and staff and students are deserving of a well-deserved holiday. I visited the Pre-Primary last week and noticed some interesting visitors from West Oz Wildlife entertaining our students. I walked in to PP2 and there in front of me was a large, cuddly koala sitting in a small gum tree eating leaves and being patted by the children. I couldn't resist having a pat myself, as koalas are one of my favourite animals. A beautiful, gentle dingo wandered amongst the students and a snake was held by many. Mrs Muller also held the snake, which was a big achievement for her having a bit of a phobia of snakes. It was a terrific incursion that all our students and staff thoroughly enjoyed. Enjoy the following photos.



Easter Raffle and Hat Parade

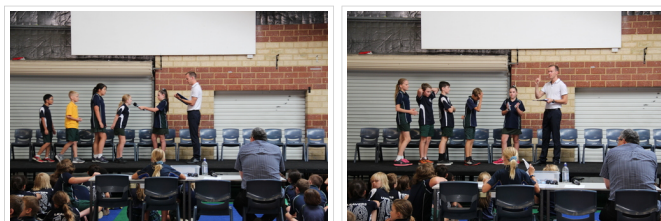
On Monday this week, the Easter Hat Parade and Easter Raffle were held in the undercover area. The students enjoyed parading wearing their special hats and were very excited to see if they would be a lucky winner. There were 63 baskets up for grabs that the Kinross P&C was able to put together due to all of our parents generous donations. A BIG THANK YOU to all parents for your donations and to our wonderful P&C for their hard work organising the raffle.

Colour Run

A reminder that the Kinross Colour Run is on tomorrow, Friday 12th April, commencing at 1.45pm. Please remember to hand in your lapaton sheets and your money raised to the office. Students are asked to wear old clothes light in colour, they can come to School in these, also bring a towel for after. Parents are welcome to come along and participate or act as spectators.

Maths Week

This week Maths has been a focus across the school. Each day in the library there was a Maths Problem of the Day to solve, which many students eagerly tackled each day. Maths competitions were also held for Years 3 and 4 (Basic Facts) and Years 5 and 6 (Multiplication Facts). This was an exciting event, particularly when the final decided who the champions were. Students also participated in many problem solving and engaging maths activities or games throughout the week. It was a fantastic week and promoted how much fun maths can be!



ANZAC Assembly

In the first week back at school, Kinross PS will hold a special ANZAC Assembly on Wednesday 1st May at 9.30am. Parents are invited to attend.

Pupil Free Day

Next term, there is a Pupil Free Day on Monday 29th April. Students will commence school on Tuesday 30th April. All Pupil Free Days are on the school website. The next two Pupil Free Days are at the beginning of Term 3 and Term 4. The dates are Monday 22nd July and Monday 14th October. School finishes for the year on Wednesday 18th December.

Have a terrific Easter and holiday break.

Kind regards,

Therese Gorton

Principal



Cross country training- Friday mornings and cars

A reminder that each Friday, before school Mrs Kaminski is running the cross country training for students. Part of the training involves running around the school boundary and pavements. Parents who use the Pre Primary and Kindy car park are asked to slow down and wait as runners cross their path. We have several parent volunteers who help coordinate this and, unfortunately, recently weeks they have had to ask drivers to stop and slow down to avoid accidents. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Mrs Bennier's News

CARE values on display!

A very brave student in year two made a big difference in other children's lives last week- by cutting off more than a standard ruler length of hair, 35.5cm to be exact!! Cerys from TA7 has donated her hair to make wigs for others who have lost their hair. She had to grow her hair to a suitable length before committing to this wonderful cause. Wigs can cost families up to \$6,000, lasting 1-2 years, meaning families can spend tens of thousands of dollars on the purchase of wigs throughout a child's youth. By making a donation to Variety - the Children's Charity, you can help provide a wig or other vital equipment to a child in need. " I am very excited about this and can't wait to donate my hair as it's taken me 4 years to grow it. I wanted to give my hair to another person who is not able to grow their hair ". Well done Cerys, an outstanding effort!

Maths magic in the early childhood!

This week, as part of the school wide Maths week, I had the pleasure of visiting our early childhood classes and sharing some 'Maths Magic'! Students created simple paper hats to develop not only their fine motor skills, but also used shape recognition and followed instructions to create their wonderful designs. Parents, make sure you ask your child about their Maths week activities and hopefully they will be able to show you some 'Maths magic' at home!

Mrs Smith's News

This week I was invited to TA5 to see the amazing Australian animal reports that the students have written. I saw everything from koalas to kookaburras and they were amazing! Well done Year 2's on such an excellent piece of writing.

NAPLAN Online Practice Test

On Wednesday and Thursday the Year 3 and 5 students participated in a practice test for NAPLAN. This test simulated what the official test will be like in May and was an opportunity for us to test our technology capabilities and for the students to become familiar with what the platform looks like. Well done to all students on their listening skills and showing patience when we experienced problems with the technology.

Nature Playground Art

Our time with Loreen and Lesley has come to an end but what a magnificent looking playground we have! Thank you to all students who participated in the painting, to the artists for spending time with us and telling us your stories, and a big thank you to Mrs Wilson for taking time out of your busy art program to ensure our students got the most out of this. The mural on the tunnel represents how the serpent shaped the waterways of the Millstream and inside the tunnel represents Ngarluma Country by the sea. We are so proud to have this mural as a part of our school.



Keeping Active with Mrs K

Jump Jam

Jump Jam will continue to run throughout Term 2 each Monday morning at 8 o'clock in the undercover area. Next term we will have some new routines to learn and the mornings will start to get cold so it will be a great way to warm up and have some morning exercise before heading off to class for the day. All welcome

Jogging Club

THE IRON ON BADGES HAVE ARRIVED!!!

These can now be ironed onto your jogging club tee shirt and at only \$15 will make a wonderful keepsake of your primary school years. Any students who don't own a jogging club tee shirt may have their badges ironed onto their Faction shirts.

Congratulations to the following students who have recently reached the first BRONZE award.

Eliza Brooks, Matt Raaths, Jessica Cooling, Mia Apostolovski, Ava Morfitt, Max Roemermann, Blake Falkingham, Aaliyah Blatchley, Holly Blatchley, Neve Haenga, Charli Brown, Emily Kerr, Daniel Martin, Keegan Makwili, Melanie Stephen, James McGuinness, Mitchell Regts, Isabel Stephen, Lewis Green, Zac Heppard, Rebecca Whitt, Sophia Stone, Kash Simic, Anabelle Hannagan, Zakariah Brown, Billy Blatchley, Jemimah Cruz, Brooke Davies, Lily Bertram, Liam Jackson, Sadie Fannon, Mr Evans, Ashlyn Roemermann, George Bishop, Riley Booth, Dean Jackson, Antoin Callaghan, Kailan Simic, Jayla Blatchley, Molly Hill, Leah Camm, Caitlin Holyday, Alex Pye, Indi Tyzack-Cunliffe, Cloey Dyer, Beau McIntosh

SILVER badges are awarded to-Mrs Wilson, Kayleigh Mangini, Travis Hook, Hunter Goldman, Drew Davies, Reece Hook, Lucas Nautu, Nicholas Fathers, Bryce Bell, Ben Sheppard, Cohen Goldman, Liliana Hannagan, Jarrod Gibson, Bella

Houghton, Jack Harris, Sonny Fannon, Max Jarvis, Storm Bond, Connor Hook

JOGGING CLUB WILL RE-COMMENCE ON TUESDAY 7TH MAY (Term 2, Week 2)

Cross Country

For week one of next term only, training will be on THURSDAY morning instead of Friday, as the Interschool Summer Carnival is on Friday.

Lapathon/Colour Run

Don't forget this will be held THIS FRIDAY from 1.45-2.45. Students are encouraged to wear old white or light coloured clothing as the teachers will have much delight in spraying them with child-safe powdered dye as they run past. All money raised will go towards supporting all of the programs run at Kinross Primary School and providing valuable resources for our students.

Faction Carnival Change of Date

Please not in your diaries that there has been a major change in the date of the Faction Athletics carnival for 2019. The new dates are as follows-

Monday 12th August- 200m sprints. Heats (am) Finals (pm)

Thursday 15th August- long jump and shot put finals

Friday 16th August- Athletics carnival. (sprints and team games)

Summer Carnival

Each team requires a parent helper for the day to stay with the team as the supervising teacher will most probably be asked to umpire or score. If you are available to help, please let the appropriate teacher know.

Kinross is hosting the cricket and we need to provide 4 umpires and 4 scorers for the day. Please let me know ASAP if you are able to help out for the day or even half a day would still be a huge assistance.

Happy and safe holidays and Easter to all.

School News

School Contributions

Sincere thanks to all the parents who responded to our request to pay the school contribution for this year. The school receives an annual grant for standard provision of learning and teaching programs. Your voluntary contribution allows us to provide your child with an enhanced learning program above the standard provision. If you want more for your child, then we need your support by paying the amount endorsed by the School Council. Contributions for 2019 are \$60. Payment can be made by Direct Deposit, Credit Card, Eftpos, Cash, or Cheque. BSB 086 275 Account No. 483571077.

Kindy / Pre-Primary - Year 6 Applications for Enrolment for 2020

We are currently taking Applications for Enrolments for Kindy and Pre-Primary - Year 6 students for 2020.

If your child was born between 01/07/2015 - 30/06/2016 they will be able to enrol for Kindy 2020.

Waste Wise at KPS

We have some great recycling programs at KPS and now we really want to focus on **REDUCE** and **REUSE**. We are working on reducing waste at KPS by bringing waste free lunches to school. It is wonderful to see more students bringing waste free lunches most days of the week.

We have two new compost bins. One is located in the Pre-Primary area and the other is in the senior Garden area. Our Resource Rescuers are feeding the compost bins with scraps from Crunch n Sip and the compost will be used on our vegetable gardens.

REUSE BINS

Our two big Reuse Bins are located outside of the library. We are now collecting:

Small glass jars with lids (please place these carefully into the bin so that they don't break)

Egg cartons

REUSE BOXES (*Located in the library*)

Coles Stikees – we are collecting these for maths sorting games. Please make sure that they are clean and undamaged.

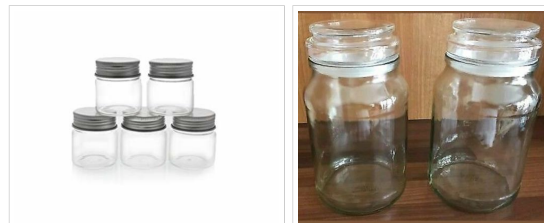
Woolworths Disney character tiles – we are collecting these for literacy games. Please make sure that they are clean and undamaged.

Don't forget our **RECYCLING PROGRAMS**:

***Battery recycling** – household batteries, including cell batteries, can be deposited in our battery bin which lives just inside the library door.

*** Aluminium cans** – clean, crushed cans can be deposited in the labelled bin outside the library.

*** Oral care products** – old toothbrushes, used toothpaste tubes, empty floss containers, toothpaste and toothbrush packaging can be deposited in the labelled bin outside the library.



Vegetable Garden

The Pre Primary and Kindy students have been involved in creating a fruit and vegetable garden in the playground. We were the lucky recipients of a \$2000 Woolworths Land Care grant.

The students have planted a variety of berries and vegetables that we look forward to eating in the near future. They have also been learning about composting their food scraps in a compost tumbler. We hope to use the compost we make in the vegetable garden later on in the year.



P&C News

Easter Egg Raffle & Parade

A huge thank you from the P&C for all your support with this fundraiser! Together you raised nearly \$1600 for our school in raffle ticket sales alone which is just fantastic! You may remember a few weeks ago we mentioned that only 135 families had paid their P&C contributions so far this term. To try and encourage a few more we gave you the chance of winning the Grand Easter Hamper if you'd paid. When we did the draw on Monday there were over 200 families in the draw which is over \$1000 extra in vital funds for our school this year! We would also like to thank the parents for their support with the Easter hat parade. It was wonderful to see so many children wearing their creations. It was so hard to choose the winners for each year group.

Mothers Day Fundraiser

This year we think we've found something really unique and special for our mums. Orders can be placed up to this Friday 12th April. Please note we will be ordering a small amount of spares but these will be strictly best in best dressed. The order will need to be placed during the school holidays to allow for Delivery to WA. A copy of the order form is attached and please contact Nicolene if you have any questions!

https://kinrossps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/428/mothers_day_2019_seed_kit_order_form.pdf

Pizza Day – Term 2

Term 2 will see a pizza day in week 5. Notes will be sent home with more information early in term 2.

Music Room Carpet

You read it here first! Over the holidays the old carpet will be ripped up and replaced with brand new commercial grade carpet tiles. I am sure we will agree this was long overdue and will benefit all of our children.

The replacement of the carpet was first raised at the AGM early in term 1, but with quotes around \$5000 it had to go on the wish list. One of our members took on the challenge of getting a better price and succeeded after persuading Trevor's Carpet in Joondalup to supply and install at cost price saving nearly \$2500. The carpet has been funded due to the generosity of the families who have paid their P&C contributions – THANK YOU!

We have an install date of 23rd April meaning any help the day prior clearing the furniture out and then moving it back in would be appreciated. If you are able to help please contact us directly.

Uniform Shop – a message from Margaret

Thank you to all the volunteers that have supported the uniform shop this term, and to all the parents for their patience with the new shirt arrivals – both for jogging club and the year 6 leavers shirts.

From term 2 we will only be open on a Tuesday with Thursdays by appointment only. Second hand uniform will only be available on a Tuesday when a volunteer is available to help.

Our final shipment of jogging club shirts have arrived meaning we have all sizes available. For the keen parents amongst us we have adult sizes available!



School Banking with the Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program:

School banking hit the 100's this term when we saw 102 bankers a few Wednesdays ago. Sadly it dropped down again to just under 90 so we are missing a few faces! Remember your child can bank as little as 50c and earn a silver token each time. Keep your eyes open for a special banking visitor on 15th May (woof woof)

School banking will resume in WEEK 2 of term 2. Please note there will be no banking on Wednesday 1st May due to the Anzac Service.

Fundraising for 2019 – our Targets

Term 1 has been a great one! Starting with our Candyland Disco and ending with our Easter Bonnet parade and raffle, along with a meal deal and Mother's Day squeezed in for good measure, we have been blown away by the support and generosity of our parents. Term 1 has seen the delivery of a Samba Band to the music room, new printing equipment for Art and new books for the library. Together you've raised nearly \$6000 which is a tremendous effort!

Please remember to pay your P&C contributions if you haven't already. A reminder that this payment is tax deductible. Your support will help us reach our air-conditioning target for the Library.

Canteen News

The canteen will be open from 8.15 Tuesday - Friday. (Parents please note children should not be at school before this time). Please remember to utilize www.quickcliq.com.au for your online ordering and save time lining up or digging out change in the mornings.

We now have our very own EFTPOS available daily so no digging for change. Term 2 also sees the return of our new winter menu – attached. There are some great additions for the colder months ahead.

If you can spare any free time either in the morning or at lunch time Claire is always very grateful for extra hands. Please pop in and see her if you can help out.

https://kinrossps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/429/kinross_lunch_box_canteen_winter_menu_2019.pdf

P&C Noticeboard

SO we can be sure to reach everyone in our school community we have installed our very own noticeboard outside the gates to the main entrance. All our upcoming events / important information / notes will be posted there as well as through the newsletter and on our social media pages.

P&C General Meeting

Thank you to all who turned out for our General Meeting last Monday 1st April. Our next P&C Meeting will be in week 4 of term. Date and time to be advised. It's never too late to become a member. Forms are available in the office and it costs \$1!

North Coastal Children's Choir

https://kinrossps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/319/choir_presentation_flyer_26_may_2019.pdf

April School Holidays Vacation Care Program 2019

https://kinrossps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/320/newsletter_go_bananas_.pdf