From The Principal’s Desk

SONG ROOM—Yesterday I had the pleasure of attending the first True Colours Festival at the Cessnock Performing Arts Centre to watch the Kearsley PS choir perform as a separate item and as part of a massed choir. Under the guidance of Miss Rawlins and Lyn Bowtell from Songroom, our students from K-6 looked fabulous in their uniform and sang beautifully.

Thank you to Miss Rawlins, parents who dressed our students so well and to the students who behaved in a very settled and polite way.

INTENSIVE SWIMMING—This program started this week under the guidance of Mrs Fairlie, Miss Rawlins and Mrs Goldman. Together with the pool staff our children are strengthening a very important life skill and having fun in the hot weather.

CAMPOUT FOR KIDS—We are looking forward to our new activity with Year 3/4 students and their parents. Notes are due by tomorrow and a deposit. A commitment needs to be made by tomorrow as the CAMPOUT bags need to be ordered 3 weeks before we hold it. Late orders will not be possible. Marshmallows are definitely allowed!!

REPTILE PARK EXCURSION—Kindergarten and Year 1 had a wonderful day at the Reptile Park yesterday. Many thanks to Miss Williams, Mrs Pitt, Mrs Lizdenis and Mrs Dodd along with our parent helpers for making it such a great experience.

POSTIE BIKE RACE DAY—Last Sunday a new event was held in Cessnock where riders raced in teams on Postie Bikes. Kearsley PS ran a stall selling food, drinks, show bags and lucky dips to raise money for our school. A HUGE thank you must go to Amy Archibald, Jenny Brooks, Melva McLennan, Kristy-Ann Callaghan-Wilkinson and Lesa Weekes for giving up their Sunday on a very hot day to raise funds for our school. We really appreciate your effort.

DATES/NOTES for term 4—Please transfer dates to your calendar that we have sent home at the beginning of the term and cut off the information on notes for later reference. S Holt.

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School Banking Rewards Day Thursday 27 November

Term 4 reward day will be Thursday 27th November, please send all your eligible tokens in to Mrs Duggan on this day along with your choice of reward. The Commonwealth Bank is again running a competition with some fantastic prizes for our regular bankers. Every deposit you make between 20 October and 30 November will automatically create one entry into their competition.

Rewards for this term:
- Blue Wallet
- Dollarmites Money Box
- Headphones
- Knuckles Game
- Pat Money Box
- Projector Cup
- Pru Money Box
- Scented Pencils
- Sea Streamers
- Shark Key Ring
- Spen Money Box
- Swimming Bag

Year 3/4 Campout 20 November 2014

CampOut with Kids is a fantastic fun program where one parent and child camp overnight at school and participate in the CampOut program. The cost is $30 total for one parent and child. Each student must have a parent/mentor/suitable adult stay with them overnight to participate. Permission notes were sent home today with details.

New Sports Shirt 2015

The P&C held a vote and it was a unanimous decision to change the sports shirts from white to navy. The new shirts will be on the shelf to purchase from Flanagan’s late this term ready to start for term 1, 2015. Cost will be $24.95. Flanagan’s are reducing the white shirt down to $10 to get rid of them. So if anyone wants a new white shirt get in quick as sizes are limited. The shirt will be phased in so the white shirt will still be able to be worn until you need to purchase a new sports shirt.
**Intensive swimming scheme**
The children have been working hard and enjoying their daily swimming lessons. Parents please note that there will be **NO SWIMMING TOMORROW**. Due to the council picnic day the pool will be closed.

**Wetlands Excursion Year 2/3**
Year 2/3 will be participating in an excursion to the Hunter Wetlands Education Centre on Monday 17 November 2014. Private transport will be required on the day for this excursion to be possible. Parents are able to stay for the day if they want; the entry fee for parents is $8.00. We will be leaving school at 9am and leaving the Centre at 2pm to return in time for the afternoon bus at school. Permission notes were sent home to students, notes and money need to be returned by 12 November 2014.

**Reptile Park Excursion Stories By Kinder**
At the Reptile Park I got to see a massive python snake. It was soft. I loved the crocodile called Elvis. By Gavin F
At the Reptile Park I liked watching the platypus swim under the waterfall. By Clayton H
At the Reptile Park I liked watching the swimming turtles. By Tennielle P
We went to the Reptile Park on the bus. We went to see the lizard and it was a blue tongue lizard. I felt happy. By Mitch S
My favourite animal at the Reptile Park was the brown hopping frog. By Klay W
My favourite animal at the Reptile Park was the cute faced Koala. By Ava D
I went to the Reptile Park and I saw a crocodile. By Haimish L
I went to the Reptile Park and I saw a dingo. By Thomas B
I went to the Reptile Park and I saw a spider. By Porsha B
At the Reptile Park I saw a blue tongue lizard. I was excited. By Luke A
Yesterday we went on the bus to the Reptile Park. My favourite part was holding the blue tongue lizard. It made me feel excited. My dad came too. By Saranah R
At the Reptile Park I saw a fast lizard. By Clare C

**Kindergarten 2015 Orientation 3**
Our third and final Kinder 2015 Orientation is on Thursday 6 November 2014 from 9:30 until 11.00am. Come straight to the Kinder room. Parents leave your child here and collect him/her at 11am. Please make sure you have handed in your enrolment forms to the office (with their immunisation and birth certificate) and general information sheet about your child to me. You can ask me questions during pick up time. Thank you, Mrs Pitt

**Song Room Music Festival Wrap-up**
On Tuesday 28 October 2014, our choir went to the Performing Arts Centre for a Song Room Festival. We sang three songs called Pompeii, Brave and Fireflies, it was good. Everyone enjoyed the day performing in front of other Schools and our families. By Sophie R

**Book Club - Final one for 2014**
We have just received our final book club order forms for 2014. As we have just finalised orders only last week for our previous one we will **not** be sending this one home with students. **If you would like your child to order from the last one for the year or you would like to order some Christmas gifts please see Mrs Dodd for a copy of the order forms.** Money and orders will need to be finalised by **Friday 21 November 2014**. We realise there has been quite a lot of extra-curricula activities in the last few weeks and coming weeks and did not want to place any more financial pressure on families by sending this one home. Book Club has always been **NOT COMPULSORY** but we also know how children can sometimes guilt parents into purchasing.
## Kearsley Canteen Roster - Term 3 2014

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

Please send in bank books every Thursday for Mrs Duggan to process. Thank you.
Children need to eat a range of different foods to provide nutrients to meet their growth and energy needs. Young children also have smaller stomachs than adults so they need to eat every few hours to keep up their energy levels.

Snacks based on fruits and vegetables, reduced fat dairy products and wholegrains are the best choices.

Reference:
Adapted from South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Health school newsletters distributed to schools as part of the Live Life Well @ School program.
Dear Parents and Carers,

Students will be invited to our PBL Reward Day which will be held on Friday 12 December 2014.

It is a reward day for all of our students who have been following our PBL rules and expectations of RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY and LEARNING.

Students who have had five (5) or more amber cards, red card or suspension throughout the year will not be invited to this day. They will be supervised at school. Students will receive an invitation next term closer to the date.

Thank you

PBL Team Co-ordinators
Nicole Pitt/ Melissa Trigg
WEA, TAFE & Uni4You are offering a free Information Session on Courses, Programs, Training & Open Foundation available in 2015.

Wednesday 19 November 2014 @ 10am-12noon
Samaritans - 198-202 Vincent Street, Cessnock

Choosing the Career Pathway that is right for you!

Contact:
Roger Currie
49216795
Email: Roger.Currie@newcastle.edu.au

Vicki James
4921 6992
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Coordinator: Tuesday-Friday

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- Enjoy working on speech skills
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Wednesday 29th October 6.30 to 8.00 pm
or
Thursday 13th November 9.30 to 11:00 am
Koe-nara, Schools as Community Centre
Child minding only available by prior booking for 13 Nov session only

Call Jane Hodgson on 4990 9354 or 0428 263 854 to book your seat
Family Fun Day
Friday 21 November 2014
Fun Begins at 12 til 2pm

- Sandpit Treasure Dip - 50¢ per turn
- Coloured Hair Spraying - $2.00
- Tattoo’s (Fake of Course) - 50¢ each
- Jumping Castle - $5.00 per child unlimited turns
- Minute to Win It - 30¢ per turn
- Fairy Floss - $2.00
- Cold Cans Drink - $2.00
- Large Tropical Sno Cones - $4.00
- Nail Painting - $2.00
- Chocolate Toss - $1.00
- Lucky Dip - $1.00
- Face Painting - $2.00
- Cake Stall - Various Prices
- Just Dance - FREE
- Sack Races - FREE
- Hoola Hoop Competition - FREE
- Limbo Competition - FREE
- Egg & Spoon Races - FREE

JOIN US FOR A PICNIC LUNCH STARTING AT 11:30AM
All proceeds from the day will go towards
Yr 6 fund raising efforts

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ALL WELCOME