It was lovely to meet our new Kinder students for 2015 again for their last orientation day. Thank you to all of our Kinder parents for completing the necessary enrolment information.

**CAMPOUT WITH KIDS** - Next Thursday is our Campout with Kids experience. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting day/night. Please ensure you have your tents and sleeping equipment organised. A separate note was sent home on Tuesday for the non sleeping option for our students. Please ask your child, check their bag, or check with Miss Rawlins for our other option.

**WETLANDS EXCURSION**—Next Monday Year 2/3 will be going on their wet/dry environment excursion to the HUNTER WETLANDS. Private transport has been organised and a separate note will go today with parent helpers names and groups of children. Parents will need to pay $8.00 admission and enter through the gates with the children.

**2015 LEADERS**—Our Year 5 students will present their speeches to the whole school next Thursday morning in the hall. Staff and students will vote for their new leaders straight after the speeches and the Year 5 students will be told of the result before the rest of the school. School leaders will be announced at an assembly at 2:40pm on Thursday and they will be presented with their badges on Presentation Day. We look forward to seeing everyone for this important occasion.

**YEAR 6 FUN DAY**—Next Friday Year 6 FUN DAY will be held and Mrs Trigg has assured me there are lots of fun activities organised for the day. So count your 50c pieces and get ready for the Year 6 fundraiser. Year 6 use the funds to buy their gift for the school. Thank you for your support.

**COMPETITION WINNERS**—Over the last couple of weeks three of our students have won prizes in Photographic Competitions. Well done to Bradley Robinson, Cody Probert and Jarrod Hodges. Prizes will be awarded in assembly in the coming weeks. 

Sue Holt
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
- Handball
- Headphones
- Knuckles Game
- Pat Money Box
- Projector Cup
- Pru Money Box
- Scented Pencils
- Sea Streamers
- Shark Key Ring
- Spen Money Box
- Swimming Bag
- Sea Streamers
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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.
School Leaders 2015 Speeches & Voting

Nominations are now open to all Year 5 students who wish to nominate for School Leaders in 2015. Nomination forms can be collected from Mrs Trigg and need to be returned by **Friday 14 November**. Speeches for Leaders will take place on **Thursday November 20 from 9:00am** so have your speeches prepared ready for this day. Parents and friends are welcome to attend. Voting will take place immediately after speeches have been made. The candidates will visit the infants classes during voting to help the younger students remember each candidate clearly. At **2:40pm on Thursday 20 November** the school will assemble outside where the leadership positions will be announced. Parents are more than welcome to attend. Successful candidates will be presented with their badges and sign a leadership agreement at Presentation Day on **Thursday 27th November**. Parents are invited to participate in this ceremony.

Thank you Morning Tea Tuesday 25 November

The staff will be hosting a morning tea in the school hall on Tuesday 25 November 2014 to thank the wonderful volunteers who have contributed to the smooth running of the canteen, Special Religious Education, sport, reading programs, gardens, transport, cultural programs and classroom activities. We very much appreciate your work and hope you are able to accept this invitation. We look forward to seeing you. Please RSVP by 21 November 2014.

Presentation Day Thursday 27 November

Our annual presentation day will be held November 27 starting at 10am under the COLA. We look forward to seeing parents, family and friends coming along to help celebrate the many talents of our wonderful students.

Yr 6 Farewell Dinner & Disco Thursday 27 November

The Year 6 Farewell Dinner will be held on Thursday November 27 starting at 5:30pm, invitations have been sent home to Year 6 and their parents. Please RSVP by Friday 21 November at the latest for catering purposes. At 7pm the rest of the school students will be joining Years 6 for the Farewell Disco. The disco will conclude at 8:30pm and it would be greatly appreciated if students could be collected promptly. Entry to the disco is $3 per student. The P & C will have drinks, chips, lollies & glow sticks available for purchase.

Yr 6 Fun Day 12-2pm Friday 21 November

The students of Year 6 have been busy organising a Family Fun Day as an end of year fundraiser for the school. Information regarding this day has been sent home to each family. We are asking for donations of baked goods for the cake stall, coloured hair spray and lolly pops. If each student brings in just one item that would be a fantastic help. This is a whole community event so if you would like some flyers to display in local businesses please call in to school and pick some up. We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing a huge turn-out for this day.

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.
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To get an idea of volunteers for next year’s roster, can you all let me know if you are still happy to volunteer in the canteen on your usual day/s of the month for next year. If you won’t be volunteering next year, please let me know so I can make notes to remove you from next year’s roster. You can email me on amykarchibald@gmail.com or text/phone me on 0431891776. Thank you for all your help and dedication throughout 2014.

Amy Archibald
P&C President

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

Please send in bank books every Thursday for Mrs Duggan to process. Thank you.
MUSIC FOR LIFE

If you are after music lessons for your children why not give Troy Saxby a call at Music For Life. They specialise in teaching guitar, bass, ukulele, drums, piano and vocals. All lessons are just $20 for 30 mins. They are located at 49a Cumberland St Cessnock. For any enquiries phone 0411989862.

Easy ways to add physical activity to your day:

- walk to the store, the school or the playground instead of using the car
- allow time for children to play outdoors
- park the car away from the shops
- get off the bus one stop earlier
- don’t use the remote control
- plant a veggie garden
- take the stairs instead of escalators or lifts
- schedule regular time each week for your family to be physically active together
- limit television time to no more than two hours per day or 14 hours a week.

In Season Now - Watermelon

We belong to the melon family and can be round, soccer ball-size or an elongated, egg shape with smooth, hard, thick, green or yellow skin or rind. Kids love eating watermelon because of its sweet flavour and juicy texture – perfect for the lunch box or Crunch&Sip®. Watermelons are rich in carotenoids which are good for maintaining healthy eyes. There are many different types of watermelon. The most popular is the Red Tiger but other varieties include: Viking, All sweet, Sugar Baby and Champagne.
New South Wales
Hunter Valley

CESSNOCK FOOTBALL – (SOCCER)
SUPPORTED BY CESSNOCK UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

The Special Olympics Cessnock Football Club is an opportunity for those with special needs, of all abilities to have some fun and make some new friends in a relaxed environment. Special Olympics caters for those with intellectual disabilities and behavioural issues.

Enjoy the opportunity to develop fitness, skills and friendship within a friendly, patient and accepting environment. We have no formal games and an understanding of rules etc. is not expected, so there is no pressure what so ever. Just a lot of fun for the kids and a break for the parents.

Where: Baddeley Park Soccer Field, Evans Street Cessnock
When: Monday Afternoons 6PM-7PM
(We continue throughout the year during school terms)
Contact: Troy Crosdale 0413411766 or Claire Chaffey 0400373568
www.facebook.com/HunterValleySpecialOlympicsFootballClub

THE SEBEL
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HUNTER VALLEY

DRAYTON’S
FAMILY WINES
Our school is committed to implementing Fresh Tastes@School in our canteen. Fresh Tastes@School is a state-wide policy that determines the types of foods and drinks available for sale in school canteens.

All foods and drinks are grouped into one of three categories:

**Green foods** — Fill the menu. These foods are full of nutrients and should dominate the canteen menu. For example, vegetables, fruit, reduced fat milk, lean meat, bread and cereals.

**Amber foods** — Select Carefully. These foods are mainly processed foods and have some sugar, fat and salt added to them. They should not dominate the menu. For example: Full cream milk, fruit drinks, pizzas, chicken nuggets and pies.

**Red foods** — Occasional foods. These foods can only be sold twice per term and should not appear regular items on the canteen menu. For example: Confectionary and deep-fried foods.

Our school is being supported by the Good for Kids team to help make some healthy sustainable changes to our canteen menu.

Reference:

Good for Kids PICINIC resources
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

AT KEARSLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL
ALL WELCOME
Dear Parents/Caregivers

You are invited to

Kearsley Public School’s

Presentation Day 2014

10:00 am

Thursday 27 November

We look forward to seeing you as we celebrate the achievements of our wonderful students.
Thank you to our Sponsors for their generous support!