From The Principal’s Desk– Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

It is hard to believe that 2014 is coming to a close. We have sent most of our Year Six students off to Cessnock High as they continue their educational journey. Best wishes go with our remaining school leaders as they head off to Mount View next year.

A big thank you to everyone who attended our Presentation Day last week and congratulations to our prize winners. I would also like to acknowledge all of the wonderful students at Kearsley PS who did not receive an award this year. The students in our school have worked hard and unfortunately not all students are awarded prizes. Keep on trying hard!

Our PBL reward day is Friday 12th December. We are looking forward to using the new facilities at Cessnock PCYC. Notes will go home this week to the invited students.

Next Thursday evening the Kearsley Christmas Cheer evening will be held from 6pm –8pm. The P&C will be running a barbecue and drawing the raffle for the amazing prizes that have been donated this year. Students will be singing some Christmas carols and we will be able to enjoy the end of the year as a community. Parents are reminded that children MUST be supervised at this event and it will conclude at 8pm. Just a reminder that this is an ALCOHOL FREE event.

We will be holding a TALENT QUEST FINAL next Wednesday at 1:00pm in the hall. Auditions will be held on Monday and Tuesday at lunch time. Student names have been collected and items need to be ready on Monday. Parents/Carers are invited to the Wednesday FINAL at 1:00pm.

This will be the last newsletter for the year and tomorrow’s assembly will be the last one for 2014. I would like to take this opportunity to warmly thank the students, staff and parents of the Kearsley community for working with me this year. It has been a joy to work here and I have really enjoyed meeting such a committed group of people who care about quality education for the children. I wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and a very happy 2015.

Sue Holt

Important Dates:
8 & 9 Dec Talent Quest Heats
10 Dec Talent Quest Finals
11 Dec Kearsley PS Christmas Carols 6-8pm
12 Dec PBL Reward Day @ PCYC Cessnock
16 Dec Water Day/Party in your lunchbox
17 Dec Last day 2014 for students
28 Jan First day 2015 for Yrs 1-6
 2 Feb First day 2015 for Kinder

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P & C Christmas Raffle

All raffle tickets sold or unsold and money must be returned to the office by Monday 8 December. We have some fantastic prizes on offer. The raffle will be drawn at the Kearsley Carols night.

Last Day Students

Last day for students in 2014 is Wednesday 17 December!

PBL Reward Day @ PCYC Cessnock

The PBL Reward Day will be held on Friday 12 December from 9.30am till approx. 2pm. Qualifying Students will only be invited, students who have had five (5) or more amber cards, one (1) or more red card or suspension throughout the year will not be invited to this day. They will be supervised at school by Mrs Holt. The activities for the day will be: Sports Aerobics, Gymnastics, Indoor Sports and Trampolining. Students will return to school in time for recess where they will be given a zooper dooper ice block from the canteen. Sports uniform with joggers is to be worn. Students are to bring a packed lunch with plenty of water. Travel will be by bus and the school will cover all costs of this excursion.

School Swimming Carnival 2015

Our school swimming has been booked for Tuesday 3 February 2015. Full details and notes will be sent home with students Term 1 next year. Children from Yr 2 who turn 8 in 2015 and all primary children will attend.

Kearsley Carols Night

The P&C Christmas Carols will be held Thursday December 11 from 6pm. Bring along a picnic blanket or chairs, your singing voice and your Christmas cheer. A BBQ and soft drinks will be available for purchase. Santa will be coming along to visit the children. Christmas hamper raffle tickets will be available to purchase. The raffle will be drawn on the night. This will be a fantastic community event not to be missed!
**Canteen Procedures for end of year.**

The canteen will close for 2014 on the last week of school. The volunteers totally clean out the canteen by washing walls and ceilings, emptying fridges and freezers etc as per school policy. The last day for lunch orders will be **THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER**. We wish to thank all our volunteers who give their time to provide a very valuable service to our students.

**Students in Years 1-6 2015**

Wednesday 28 January 2015 is the first day for students in Year 1-6 for the new school year. The office will be open on Tuesday 27 January for any queries.

**Kindergarten Start 2 Feb 2015**

Our new kinders will begin at staggered times on Monday 2 Feb 2015. Each child should have received their start times already if you have misplaced yours please see the office. They have enjoyed 3 days of Kinder Orientation throughout Term 4 and have spent time getting to know their buddies. We are looking forward to seeing all their smiling faces next year!

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**Student Classroom Equipment Requirements for 2015**

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**THE LAST ASSEMBLY FOR THE YEAR IS TOMORROW**
Kearsley Canteen Roster - Term 4 2014

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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

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School Banking

Last day for banking for 2014 will be Thursday 11 December. Please send in bank books for Mrs Duggan to process. Thank you.
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Children imitate adult behavior – both good and bad. When it comes to sun protection, setting the best example is important for teachers and parents.

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The service is monitored and supported by approved service provider, the Samaritans, to ensure quality outcomes for children.

In Home Child Care is designed for families who are unable to access existing child care services.

The family must meet one or more of the following criteria:

- The personal/parent/parent/guardian work part-time or not at all.
- The family lives in amet or remote area.
- The family has a child or parent/parent/guardian with an illness or disability that outlines the family's capacity to care for the children.
- The personal/parent/parent/guardian have two or more children not attending school.

In Home Child Care provides:

- The comfort and security of the child's own home
- The benefit of government subsidised fees
- Personalised child care
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- Do you want to be self employed?
- Are you warm, energetic and enjoy working with children?
- Are you willing to partake in ongoing Professional Development?

If you wish to be part of a team of In Home Child Care Educators providing a valuable community service, please contact

Samaritans In Home Child Care

- 08 8183 7923 (Adelaide)
- 03 8308 7920 (Melbourne)
- If you cannot reach someone please call 1800 007 333

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“PARTY IN YOUR LUNCHBOX WATER PLAY DAY”

Tuesday the 16th December

To replace class parties this year students are asked to bring their own party in their lunchbox as we celebrate a successful year at Kearsley Public School. Children can decorate the outside of their lunchbox and we will have a picnic lunch together.

Students can also bring items for a water fun day. Bring swimmers, sunscreen and towel in a plastic bag. Please don’t wear swimmers to school. Timing of the water play will depend on the weather that day.
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