Farewell Year 6

Congratulations to our wonderful group of Year 6 students who have completed primary school! We wish you every success in the future and hope that you really enjoy high school. Best wishes!

School Leaders 2016

Congratulations to our new school leaders for 2016. Our captains Leah P and Jayden M and vice-captains, Keelee S and Alexandra K will be an amazing leadership team next year.

Kuluwayn Team Leaders 2016

Our Kuluwayn Aboriginal Education Team have held their Annual General Meeting and voted in their executive team for 2016. Congratulations to Leah P—President, Chelsea P—Vice-President, Korey Thomas—Secretary and Alex K—Assistant Secretary.

Year 6 Fun Day

What a fantastic day we had last Friday for our annual Year 6 Fun Day. Even though it was extremely hot, all of the children enjoyed the activities a great deal. A huge thanks to those parents who came along and helped on the day.
Kookaburra Awards

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Yr 6 Farewell Dinner & Disco

The Year 6 Farewell Dinner will be held tonight at Kearsley Community Hall starting at 5:30pm and at 7pm the rest of the school students will be joining Year 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 & glow sticks available for purchase.

Farewell to Long Serving Families

This year we have a few families who will be leaving the school as their children move on to high school. On behalf of the staff and students, we would like to thank the families of Louise Douglas, Zoe Grady, Wesley McDonald, Liam Orchard, Bailey Reed, Thomas Sumners and Jordan Watts for their support, hard work and dedication over the time their children have attended Kearsley Public School.

Semester 2 School Reports

Year 6 students will receive their semester 2 school reports on Friday 27 November 2015. All other years will receive reports on Friday 11 December. If you would like to discuss your child’s progress report with any teacher please make an appointment at a time convenient to you and the class teacher.

School Leadership

Congratulations to our new school leaders. The new captains for 2016 are Jayden M and Leah P. The vice-captains are Alexandra K and Keelee S. All 10 candidates presented wonderful speeches and they should be very proud of themselves. The new captains were inducted at the presentation assembly today.
**Body Shop Fundraiser**

Davina Newell has dropped Body Shop catalogues to the front office. If interested call at the office to collect a brochure. If staff or parents place any orders instead of host gifts the school gets 10-15% of sales. Orders need to be placed with money to the office by 30 November 2015. Thank you for your support!

**PCYC Fun Day**

The PBL Reward Day has had a change of date and will now be held on **Tuesday 8 December** from 9.30am till approx. 2pm. Qualifying students will only be invited. Students who have had 2 or more amber cards this term or 1 or more red cards or suspensions throughout this term will not be invited to this day. They will be supervised at school by Mrs Trigg. The activities for the day will be: trampolining, gymnastics, futsal, indoor games and hip hop dancing. Students will return to school in time for recess where they will be given a zooper dooper ice block. 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.

**Student Bus Passes**

As you may have seen on recent media releases, the NSW Government Transport Department is introducing Opal Cards for student travel. This will be replacing the current system of bus, train and ferry passes. All parents or carers of students entering **Kindergarten, Year 3 and Year 7 in 2016** are now required to apply online for their School Travel Pass. The recent bus pass applications you have completed have now been made obsolete.

How to apply:

**Step 1.** Complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students

**Step 2.** Print, sign and date the completed application, then bring it to the school for endorsement by 11th December 2015.

**Step 3.** The school will then endorse the application and forward it to Transport for NSW. Once approved, the school Opal Card will be sent to the address provided on the application.

**Kooka Badges**

Congratulations to the year 5 students who were presented with their “Kooka” badges on Monday 16 November. The hard working students were Samuel A, Jordan B, Brock B, Alex B, Kye B, Oliver C, Rhett D, Jake G, Tamara H, Alex K, Jayden M, Justin P, Leah P, Keelee S and Lachlan W.

**P & C News**

We hope everyone has received their book of raffle tickets for the annual P&C Christmas raffle, which is being drawn at the Christmas Carols and Open Air Cinema Night, Thursday 10 December 2015. Tickets are only $1.00 each and there will be some great prizes up for grabs. If you require more tickets, please don’t hesitate to call into the office and pick up an extra book. Good Luck! Some of our very generous sponsors include: Balloon Aloft, Travel Managers, Balloon Worx, Marsh Estate, Ivahoe Wines, Flanagan’s, Drayton’s Wines, Pedens Hotel, Bombora, Kimmy’s Fish & Chips, Kearsley Auto Port, Video Ezy Cessnock and many more!

Our last P&C meeting of the year will be held on Thursday 10 December 2015 at 1.30pm in the school library, with the main agenda item being possible changes to the school uniform. Hope to see you there!
Year 2 have had an exciting 2015!

Term 1, students explored the aspects of family and the roles and responsibilities of themselves and those around them. Year 2 invited parents in to assist in developing a family brick for a wall display and built a family tree. Students enjoyed engaging their parents in their learning opportunities and discussing how things such as houses and technology have changed over the years.

During Term 2, students focused on developing an understanding of Aboriginal culture, their connection to place. Students created Aboriginal artwork, developed aboriginal shelters and learned about Aboriginal dreamtime stories. Students also tried kangaroo and yabbies to make connections with Aboriginal food.

Year 2 attended an excursion to Milbrodale, where they participated in Aboriginal Dance, were exposed to Aboriginal language, discussed how the land has changed over time and the importance for preserving Aboriginal rock art. The class had a fantastic time!

In Term 3, students were excited to be participating in the Kearsley School performance evening. They worked hard to put on a great performance. On top of this, students participated in lessons about their community and environmental features. Students created art works using water-colours to develop different textures in nature.

During Term 3, students also began learning about information texts. They discussed the features of an information report and began to research and develop information reports on Koalas and other Australian Animals. Students were so enthusiastic when learning about Koalas that they decided to adopt two Koalas from the Koala Hospital in Port Macquarie. Students were excited to welcome Clarence Neville and Links VTR to the classroom.

This term, students have participated in the school Swimming Scheme program. It was fantastic to see students grow in comfort as they tackled new challenges within the water.

They have also been exploring their development of creative writing. Students enjoyed embracing the Lego universe to assist in connecting with their characters and settings for writing.

It has been a joy to work with such a fantastic class!

Miss Rawlins
Token Redemption Day:
Thursday 3rd December 2015.

For banking on that day please bundle up 10 of your silver bank tokens and enclose them in your bank folder with your banking and a piece of paper detailing: your name, your class and which one of these items you'd like as your banking reward. Some things have run out but you have the choice of:-

- Dollarmites Moneybox
- ET DVD
- Galaxy Glider
- Invisible Ink pens
- Intergalactic Rocket
- Outer Space Savers Moneybox
- Scented Pencils- 2014
- Shark Keyring-2014

Don't forget that students who consistently display stellar savings behaviour by making 25 or more School Banking deposits in 2015 will automatically go into the draw to win a family trip to California's Disneyland (ends 11.59pm AEDT 18/12/15). This astronomical prize includes return flights, five nights accommodation, transfers, three days park entry for up to two adults and two kids, plus AUD$2,000 spending money.

KEEP BANKING so you get your ticket in this Disney Drawer!

HELP US SUPPORT
JODIE’S PLACE

Kearsley Public School is proudly a White Ribbon School. We would like to support Jodie's Place our local women’s refuge by collecting items of need. They are in great need of toiletry items - anything you might use in the bathroom, they need it! Think toilet paper, deodorant, sanitary items, toothbrushes, toothpaste, hair care, plus baby items such as wipes and nappies.

Please consider picking up an extra item or 2 when you next shop, and drop it off to the office. Thank you for your support!

All students K – 6 are invited to the Year 6 Farewell Disco

When: Thursday 26 November 2015
Where: Kearsley Community Hall
Time: 7pm – 8:30pm
Cost: $3 per student

Drinks, Chips, Glow sticks & Lollies will be available for purchase.

PLEASE NOTE: The disco is for KPS students only and will be fully supervised by staff.

All students to be collected promptly at 8:30pm.
Kearsley Canteen Roster—Term 3, 2015

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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 2015.

Amy Archibald
P&C President

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SCHOOL BANKING

Please send in bank books every Thursday for Mrs Duggan to process. Some great prizes can be earned for regular banking! Thank you.

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Christmas Carols and Open Air Cinema

Thursday 10th December

5:30pm—BBQ Dinner to support the Rural Fire Service

Jumping castles (Free to KPS families) - $15 unlimited for other community members

Slushies, Fairy Floss and Traditional lemonade: $4 each

Bucket of Popcorn — $5 Bag of Popcorn — $4

Christmas carols—sing along with the school choir

8:00pm—Open Air Cinema:
Christmas themed family movie

** All funds raised will be donated to ‘Jodie’s Place’**

Come along and enjoy a great family night!
Please support Craig Richards (a parent of our school) who has generously tinted the classroom windows of 2 of our classrooms. The reduction in glare and heat will benefit our students for years to come. Thank you for your support Craig!

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Entries open 1st November – Close 4th December

For more information and details about the Cessnock Facebook photo competition please go to the Cessnock Chamber of Commerce Facebook site as above.
2015 Christmas Raffle Donation Prizes

- Lostmy.Name – book voucher
- Funky J’s Handmade - $30 voucher
- Naarah Grace Photography – family photography voucher
- Sugar & Spice Cake Design – 24 cupcake voucher
- Richmond Vale Railway – 2 X family passes
- Balloon Aloft – hot air balloon ride voucher
- Elfin Hill Accommodation – 1 nights mid-week accommodation, breakfast & wine
- Aqua Golf Hunter Valley – 1 X voucher (2 games aqua golf & 4 games putt putt) and 1 x voucher (1 game aqua golf & 2 games putt putt)
- Saddlers Creek Wines – 4 bottles wine
- Marsh Estate – 2 bottles wine
- Ivanhoe Wines – 2 X wine and cheese tasting packages
- Drayton’s Wines – wine pack
- Pedens Hotel – 2 X $50 dinner vouchers
- Shark & Ray Centre – 1 X family voucher
- Cadbury – Marvellous Creations block chocolate
- Kelman Vineyard - wine
- Jane Fowler Travel Managers - $250 travel voucher
- Wynward Estate – 2 x wine and cheese tasting vouchers for 4 ppl
- Pepper Tree Wines – 2 bottles wine
- Xtreme Go-Karting – 6 X $25 vouchers
- Pokolbin Estate Wines - wine
- Video Ezy – Cessnock – 10 X New Release movie hire vouchers
- Flanagan’s – 2 X $50 vouchers
- Newcastle Maritime Museum – 2 X family passes
- Kimmys Fish n Chips - $20 voucher
- Balloon Worx – voucher
- Xedos Cutters – shampoo, treatment and blow-dry voucher
- Kick 4 Touch – sporting voucher
- Bombora - body board
- Jdlani Jewellery & Giftware - $20 voucher
- Sienna B Boutique - $25 voucher
- Super Strike Bowling – bowling passes
- Bluebird Florist - $20 voucher
- Mitre 10 – steel bucket and assorted gardening products
- Hair by Ali – product & voucher
- Mars Food Australia – food package
- Aberdare Takeaway – 2 x plain hamburgers, 2 x kids hamburgers, medium chips and 6 chicken nuggets (value $30) voucher
- Toboggan Hill Park – activity pass for 4 people (value $50)
- Battlezone – 2 X family pass
- Captain Cook Cruises – cruise voucher Sydney Harbour 2 Adults
- Cafe De-Javu @ Toronto - $60 dinner voucher
- Abermain Bowling Club – 1 bottle Lindeman’s Wine voucher & buy 1 meal, get one free voucher
- Hunter Wetlands Centre – Family Day Pass and Canoe Hire
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St. Joseph’s Parish Cessnock
2015 Sacramental Programme

ENROLMENT FOR RECONCILIATION
Children who are in Year 4 (or older) are warmly welcomed to take this important step in their faith journey. If you feel that your child is ready to participate in this programme please note that the Enrolment Meeting will be held after 6pm Mass on Saturday 6th February 2016 at St. Joseph’s Church.

Details required are: Baptismal Certificate

Is your child starting school next year? Would $500 assist you with education costs?

Join Saver Plus and match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to $500 for educational costs including:
- school uniforms and text books
- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps
- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 21 years old, have a regular income from work (you or your partner), such as full-time, part-time, casual or assessor work, and have a child at school or studying.

Contact Cynthia Cilfone for your local Saver Plus Worker:
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or cynthia.cilfone@theflushfamily.com.au

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