Yet another fantastic fortnight at Kearsley Public School!

A huge congratulations to our debating team who did a fantastic job at their first debate. Our team consisted of Zoe G, Brock B, Louise D, Alex K and Lily G. Good luck for their next debate! Thanks to Mrs Graham for preparing the team so well!

Our girls soccer team had a fantastic victory over Kitchener on Monday, winning 3-0. The girls played very well and displayed excellent sportsmanship. Thanks to Miss Williams and Miss Rawlins for their time organising the game and coaching the girls. I wish our boys soccer team all the best for the gala day that will be happening within the next few weeks.

Our Star Struck students were at a rehearsal yesterday in preparation for their performance in a few weeks time. This is a wonderful experience for our students and I thank our parents for their support, and Mrs Manderson for her time and effort preparing our students for the show.

Cessnock High School has organised a variety of experiences for our students to be involved in. We have some senior students attending a Creative and Performing Arts day today, some of our Aboriginal students participating in an indigenous art group and our senior Aboriginal girls will be a part of a cultural dance group. I am sure the students will enjoy all of these experiences.

I will be running a parent information session about our ‘Spelling Mastery’ program on Wednesday 17th June from 2:30-3:30pm in the Library. If you have questions about the program or would like to give some feedback, please come along on the day. If you can’t make it on the day and would like some information about the program, come and see me or give me a call.

I have noticed that there are quite a few students and ex-students in our school grounds after hours. There have been a few instances where litter has been left and school property has been interfered with, making it an issue for staff the following school day. Please ensure that if your children are on school grounds after hours, that they only use the basketball court and stay out of all other areas. Thank you for your support with this matter.

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P & C Pie Drive
The P&C will be holding a pie drive as their next fundraiser. Order forms have been sent home. Pie drive orders and money need to be returned to the office by Friday 12 June 2015. The orders will be delivered to school on Tuesday 23 June and can be picked up from the hall from 2-3pm. All orders must be picked up by 3pm as the school has no facilities to refrigerate any unclaimed orders.

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Newcastle Uni Day - Year 6 Students

Tomorrow Year 6 students and their families have the opportunity to experience a day on campus and see what university is all about. The day is for family members and students to see and hear about university together. PLEASE NOTE: Travel will be by private transport.

School Photos - New Date: Monday 15 June

School photos will take place on Monday 15 June by MSP Photography. Full summer school uniform is to be worn. Students are to return photo envelopes with money on the day. If you would like a family portrait taken please collect an envelope from the office. A few helpful points to remember are:

- You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Please enclose correct monies as no change is given. Cash, cheques and money orders only (sorry no credit cards accepted).
- There is a new order online system available this year, also full details appear on the front of each envelope.

IF YOU HAVE LOST YOUR ENVELOPE PLEASE CALL AT THE OFFICE

NAIDOC Orders

NAIDOC week is July 5–12 and as this is during school holidays we will be celebrating our NAIDOC week here at school from Tuesday 14 July. On the back of this newsletter there are various items of merchandise that can be purchased. NAIDOC week merchandise is available to purchase by order ONLY. This is NOT compulsory. If you wish to purchase any of the items please send the order form and money to school by TOMORROW MORNING. LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BE PROCESSED.

Bathurst Update - Year 5 & 6

A deposit of $50 was required by FRIDAY 15 May (for those have not already started paying for their trip) to secure a place on this excursion and is now OVERDUE. Students who have not paid this are asked to do so by Friday 5 June. The balance may be paid now, or weekly instalments or in 2 instalments as follows:

Instalment 1 - $85 due by Friday 26 June 15 (The P&C has generously donated $50 per student which has been taken off the first instalment)
Final Instalment - $135 due by Friday 7 August 15

If student assistance is required please collect a form and return to the office by Friday 5 June. All applications are kept strictly confidential.

Zoo Snooze - Year 3 & 4

Students in Years 3 & 4 will be attending an overnight excursion to Taronga Park Zoo on Thursday 13 and Friday 14 August 2015. Permission notes, medical forms and payment schedules were sent home with students. The total cost of this excursion is $130, a deposit of $50 needs to be made by TOMORROW. Families can also make weekly payments of smaller amounts if they wish. Permission and medical notes need to be returned by Friday 5 June. If student assistance is required please collect a form and return to the office by Friday 5 June. All applications are kept strictly confidential. Parents who have expressed an interest in attending this excursion will be notified tomorrow after a draw from the hat.

Aboriginal Cultural Day - Year 2

Students in Year 2 will be attending an Aboriginal Cultural Day at Ngurra Bu at Wollombi on Thursday 18 June 2015. The cost of the excursion is $30, permission notes and money need to be returned by Tuesday 16 June 2015. Permission notes were sent home with students last week.
# Kearsley Canteen Roster - Term 2 2015

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All volunteers who work in the school canteen, reading groups or who volunteer and are on school grounds need to pay a membership fee to be covered for insurance purposes. Please pay your $2.00 P&C / Canteen membership to the school office ASAP. Amy Archibald is doing canteen rosters and can be contacted at anykarchibald@gmail.com for any questions regarding rosters.

The canteen is now open every Monday!

School banking: Please send in bank books every Thursday for Mrs Duggan to process. Some great prizes can be earned for regular banking!
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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**TRIVIA NIGHT**

**FUNDRAISING FOR**

**Shine 180 Walk**

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Friday 29th May 2015
Cessnock Basketball Stadium
6.30PM

Teams of 2-8 just $10 per person
Steak/Sausage sandwiches + Beer/Wine available for purchase on the night
(Strictly no BYO Alcohol but nibbles allowed)

Great Fun and Prizes – Family Friendly Event

RSVP by 23rd May to the VSS Team on 49913655
or email

tours@vineyardshuttle.com.au
School is back, assignments are due and half yearly exams are approaching. Let the library help.

Cessnock City Library subscribes to a tutoring service provided free to our library members. From Year 3 through to Year 12 and TAFE, yourtutor can assist you and your children to succeed. Yourtutor is an anonymous online chat service available from Sunday to Friday 3pm –10pm. English, Maths, Science, assignment and research skills are just some of the subjects they cover.

All you and your child need is to have valid Cessnock City Library card to log in to this valuable service.

cessnock.spydus.com - eResources – eReference

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