



Newsletter

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Kororo Public School

Dear Parents,

Week 6 Term 1, 5th March 2014

It's Week 6 already and we are well and truly up and running. A huge congratulations to our swimmers who performed magnificently at the Mid North Coast Carnival on Monday. Our four relay teams are off to the North Coast Carnival in Lismore next week! There are indeed a team of swimmers making the trek as individual competitors, a number of who are in the running for some record breaking swims. Good luck to our swimmers – Go Kororo!

The Education Act 1990 requires that every government school allow time for the religious education of children of any religious persuasion. The Act was amended in 2010/2011 to allow special education in ethics as an option for students who have been withdrawn from Special Religious Education (SRE). Parents also have the option to decide that they do not want their child to participate in either of these lessons.

Each year a suitable timetable needs to be developed which balances the number of children in Scripture and Ethics classes, the availability of teachers for SRE and Ethics classes and the appropriate placement of students not attending either. SRE and Ethics are timetabled at the same time of the day for any given class. It is not permitted for formal activities nor academic instruction to occur at this time set aside. Students who do not attend lessons are supervised in a neighbouring age appropriate class.

Each of the classes are taught by personnel registered by the individual providers with child protection checks needing to be current and valid. Lessons are for a 30 minute period each. Schools are required to communicate to parents the organisation for special education in the school. Please refer to the table below for an overview of when you can expect the time allocation for special education to occur for your child.

Tuesday (9.15am – 11.15am)	4CA, 2VW, 2GH, 1JB, 1RP, 2LB, 1/2CB, K/1 W
Wednesday (9.15am – 11.15am)	KR, KS, KC, KG
Friday (9.15am – 11.15am)	5BT, 5LF, 3DH, 6HG, 6DD, 5/6LS, 4LB, 3/4LM, 3SL, 3BY

At KPS, the Deputy Principal, Mrs O'dell, is the go to person for all questions and queries with regards to Special Education. In her absence please contact the office and your query will be forwarded to the Duty Executive. The school's Religious Education Policy is published on our school website for your perusal.

Hope it's a wonderful week for you and your children,

Sue Mackay
Principal.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Alone we can do so little: Together we can do so much". Helen Keller



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Thanks to our P & C

A huge thank you to our P & C for their first social event on Friday evening at the Big Banana. It was great to see so many families out enjoying themselves and socialising.

Important Dates



- Friday, 7th March** * Assembly 2GH at 11.40am, Assembly 3SL at 2.30pm
- Wednesday, 12th March** * North Coast Swimming Carnival
- Friday, 14th March** * Assembly 2VW at 11.40am

MID NORTH COAST SWIMMING

On Monday 22 students from Kororo represented the district at the Mid North Coast Zone swimming carnival. Again I was extremely proud of every student and wish to thank the support from the parents that attended. Many of our students achieved places which results in them now representing the zone at regional level in Lismore next week. Many individual swimmers performed outstandingly and have qualified in the following events:

L. Stacey

- Jorja W:** 100m Freestyle, 10yrs Freestyle, Junior Breaststroke, Junior Backstroke, Junior Butterfly, Junior IM
- Tarryn A:** 100m Freestyle, 12yrs Freestyle, Senior Breaststroke, Senior Backstroke, Senior Butterfly, Senior IM
- Levi B:** 10yrs Freestyle, Junior Butterfly, Junior Backstroke, Junior IM
- Tom Y:** Junior Breaststroke
- Nick A:** 9yrs Freestyle and Junior Backstroke
- Natalie S:** 11yrs Backstroke
- Olissa O:** Junior IM and Junior Butterfly
- Aisha G:** 11yrs Breaststroke
- Hunter C:** 11yrs Freestyle
- Summer W:** 9yrs Freestyle
- Addison T:** 11yrs Freestyle, 11yrs Backstroke, 11yrs Butterfly
- Hayley F:** 11yrs Freestyle, 11yrs Breaststroke, 11yrs Butterfly
- Ethan S:** Senior IM

Kororo School dominated in the Relays with 3 first placings and a second in the Senior Boys. All of our relay teams are through to the next level:

Junior Girls: Jorja W, Cloe N, Olissa O, Alyssa J.

Junior Boys: Levi B, Jaylen F, Tom Y, Nick A.

Senior Boys: Ethan S, Hunter C, Addison T, Jaden H.

Senior girls: Tarryn A, Ella D, Aisha G, Hayley F.

We all wish our students good luck in Lismore!

CANTEEN NEWS

A great start with our new items on our menu.



Don't forget to pre-order sushi on Thursday for Friday's lunch - \$2.50 per roll, very yummy! Flavours are Chicken Teriyaki, Tuna and Mayo and the Kororo Roll - (Carrot, Cucumber, Cream Cheese) 10c for soy sauce.

The fried rice is popular and is available every day for \$3.00. Both of these foods are made fresh in the Canteen

2014 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS (ICAS)

These external competitions target students across Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Brunei, the Pacific Region and South Africa who are achieving a very high standard in different areas of the curriculum.

ICAS provides an opportunity for students in Years 3 to 12 to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external testing situation. It is very different from NAPLAN which tests all students in Australia on the set curriculum. ICAS is above level testing to provide a bench mark for talented students in English, Mathematics, Science, Computers and/or Writing.

The testing takes place at school but at a cost. While it provides very valuable feedback it is important to think about whether it is a worthwhile experience for your child. As a guide he/she would need to be very capable in the areas they were sitting for the test. You could look at past school reports, talk to their class teacher or use your own knowledge of your child's ability. They are competing with the top bands of students from across many countries. The tests are quite challenging but very valuable to assess the level of talented students. The testing and marking is coordinated by NSW University.

Please read the details below regarding costs and payment dates. If you would like your child to enter the Computer or Science tests please complete the form and return to school with the money by **Friday, 4th April** so we can forward the entry.

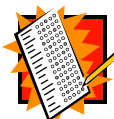
Test dates are: *Computer Skills* - Tuesday, 20th May, *Science* - Wednesday, 4th June, *Writing* - Monday, 16th June, *English* - Tuesday, 29th July, *Mathematics* - Tuesday, 12th August.

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Please return with payment

I give permission for my child _____ to sit the selected tests. Please find enclosed _____ for entry fee.

SUBJECT	CLOSING DATE FOR PAYMENT	COST	
Computer Skills	4th April	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Science	4th April	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Writing	4th April	\$17.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
English	4th April	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mathematics	4th April	\$8.00	<input type="checkbox"/>



Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

**Payments for these competitions
CAN NOT BE PAID ONLINE**



This year one of our very brave staff members, **TANDY ARNOLD** is going to **SHAVE FOR A CURE**. Yes she is actually going to shave all of her hair off at school!

Thank you to those who have donated but we are still quite short from the target of \$1000. Tandy will only shave her head if she can raise this amount and she is really keen to do so!

Donations can be made at the office where we can give you a receipt.

The big shaving day will be on
Friday, 14th March.

CANTEEN ROSTER



Thursday, 6th March	Belinda Lynch pm
Friday, 7th March	Gayle Bellamy, Sally Wynne am
Tuesday, 11th March	Hilary Melittas
Wednesday, 12th March	Melissa Herden
Thursday, 13th March	Kathy Eagles am

Coffs Harbour Community Preschool

Back to Preschool Day
Saturday 5th April 2014 10.00am-2.00pm
11 Brodie Drive, Coffs Harbour

An invitation is extended to everyone who has connected with Coffs Harbour Community Preschool over our last 61 years of operation. Come back to visit and see what has changed and what has stayed the same! Stay for a short time or bring a rug and settle in for the day.

Photos spanning the years will be on display - bring your stories and memories along to share and add your name to our Generation Tree.

Activities on the day (for a small cost) include face painting, Lions Club BBQ, and a photo booth. At 11.00am there will be a free show by children's entertainers "Animals Rock".



Starworkers



KC	Leo F, Sophie N, Amaia A, Caleb C.
KG	Noah O, Oceana B, Olivia B, Bailey C.
KR	Zali Mc, Jack C, Hannah C.
KS	Kaylee S, Leilani B, Charli C, Lilah S.
K/1MW	Finley R, Harry P, Jarvis s, Chelsea C.
1JB	Eddie M, Maja R, Bailey T, Paige D.
1RP	Noah T, Liam W, Harmony C, Bayleigh K.
1/2CB	Georgia K, Alex D, Maddelyn J, Daxin M.
2GH	Jeremy M, Nissiah K, Mark M, Skye C.
2LB	Eva W, Cameron B, Noah L, Yvonce C-R.
2VW	Riley L, Paige H, Jasnoor B, Lily V.
3BY	Yana B, Ethan B, Hayley C, Kane P, Rocco S.
3DH	Mia G, Jyden P, Bec H, Lily R, Emily S.
3SL	Sam M, Aiden W, Abigail S, Amelie S, Aiden W, Precy C.
3/4LM	April H, Mitchell H, Jack L, Lucy H, Elise C.
4CA	Charlotte B, Austyn B, Kaitlin G, Georgia L, Charlie M.
4LB	Georgia K, Miriam P, Casey A, Cloe N, Katie P.
5BT	Isaac J, Aisha G, Meika H, Ruby H, Olivia S-C.
5LF	Jamie O, Sydney S, Ashley S, Ali-Rose S, Hunter C.
5/6LS	Jack W, Claudia L, Ben S, Jimmy D, Tayla L.
6DD	Bailee Mc, Jackson G, Henry Mc, Grace H, Tarryn A.
6HG	Megan D, Ebony C, Ming E, Joe G, Kirra M.



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