Term 3 - Week 8 Tuesday 27 August 2013

OUR FOCUS: Attitude, Attendance, Achievement

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Kin Kora Kids
Your children are amazing. We have visited many rooms this week and we are SO impressed with the work ethic and overall attitude of your children. They are highly engaged and enthusiastic about their learning. I would also like to commend students on their outstanding behaviour and manners during our school assemblies. They are definitely proud to be Kin Kora Kids. Kin Kora is humming.

Kin Kora’s Got Talent
Congratulations to Kael and Quinn Brennan, Sophia Ross, Giselle Loveland and Kyron Kirkpatrick who have been selected to take part in the 2014 Combined School Musical, Peter Pan. Well done to these students and all students who auditioned.

Staff Car Parks
We have a couple of parents who have been parking in the staff car parks. Please leave these spaces for our teachers. Our designated staff parks are the staff car park at the rear of the school ie next to the Kindy, the set of parking bays opposite the playground ie next to PREP A and PREP B and the bays outside the administration office.

Sports Success
Congratulations to our two touch sides who competed in the interschool 5-a-side carnival at Benaraby last Friday. Our girls’ team managed 2nd place whilst the boys finished 5th. Both team showed excellent behaviour and sportsmanship. Ainsley Downie was named Best & Fairest. Thanks to Ms Wood and Mr Trickett for coaching and managing these teams.

Congratulations also to our Kin Kora soccer team who played very well but were defeated 1 nil in their semi final last Wednesday.

Attendance
Our aim is 95%. This week we achieved a brilliant 97.55% with our best attendees being Years PREP, 2 and 4. Thank you so much for your support in ensuring that your children attend school on a regular basis and that they are wearing their uniform every single day. It is only when we work together that we can achieve the wonderful culture and atmosphere that permeates our school.
Cyberbullying
Being aware of a few simple strategies can help keep the use of social media positive and constructive:

• Before you post something online, ask yourself if the community or individual really need to know. Is it relevant, positive and helpful?
• Remember that what you post online is a direct reflection of who you are. People will potentially form lasting opinions of you based on what you post online.
• Be a good role model. If things get heated online consider logging out and taking a few moments to relax and think. Hasty, emotive responses could inflame situations unnecessarily.
• Be mindful when commenting, try to keep general and avoid posting anything that could identify individuals.
• A few years ago parents may have discussed concerns or issues with their friends at the school gate. Today with the use of social media, online discussions between you and your close friends can very quickly be shared with a much wider audience, potentially far larger than intended.
• Taking a few moments to think about the content you are about to post could save upset, embarrassment, and possible legal action.
• As a parent you have a role in supervising and regulating your child’s online activities at home and its impact on the reputation and privacy of others. Parents are their child’s first teachers - so they will learn online behaviours from you.

Yours in Education
Kay Kirkman
Principal

CASUAL CLEANER NEEDED ASAP. PLEASE BRING YOUR RESUME TO THE OFFICE.

GS HS Year 8 Laptop Class 2014
Online applications will open for the 2014 Year 8 Laptop program on Mon 2nd of September at 8.15am and will close on Fri September 6th of September at 3.15pm through the school website - www.gladstonslhs.eq.edu.au. Please note. The link will not be present until the applications open.
If you would like further information, please contact Danie Player dplay1@eq.edu.au or 49766123 or Jo Dahl jdahl14@eq.edu.au or 49766155.

BOOKFAIR
This week, the Resource Centre has been turned into a Bookshop which will be open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Most children at school will visit the Fair during school time or lunch time while adults may visit at any time.

Payments Due

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Classroom Round-Up
The Year 4’s had a fantastic time on our canoeing excursion at Awoonga Dam and we learned a lot of new skills. Thanks to all our wonderful parent helpers.

Sports News
Congratulations to Greer Sherriff who came first in discus and second in shotput, and Tiana Watkins who placed third in high jump, at the Capricornia trials which were held in Mackay last week.

TUCKSHOP
Go to www.flexischools.com.au

Wed 28 Aug - Fri 6 Sep - NEED HELPERS PLEASE
P&C News

Please note that this week is the last week to hand in skip-a-thon money.

FATHER’S DAY STALL
On Friday 30th August our Kin Kora Father’s Day Shop will be open to purchase gifts for Dad or Granddad. Gifts range in price from $1 to $10. Thank you to all who wrapped the gifts on Friday. We are wrapping Wednesday afternoon in the Resource Centre from 3pm - 4pm. We urgently need helpers to man the stall (especially from 9.30 onwards). Please return your purple note as soon as possible or leave your name at the office. Donations of home cooking and wrapped lollies or chocolates or “ready to sell item” are also needed. Liz Fallon & Marcelle Graham P&C

Bazza Awards

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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Nude Food

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HAPPY FATHERS’ DAY TO ALL OUR KK DADS