OUR FOCUS: Attitude, Attendance, Achievement

From the Principal
Dear Parents/Guardians,

2014 Leaders
This Thursday, our Year 5 and Year 6 students will be taking part in a full day Leadership Program. Nomination forms for 2014 leadership positions will be distributed early next term.

Fathers' Day Stall
Thanks to our wonderful volunteers who wrapped gifts and worked on our stall last Friday. I'm sure our dads enjoyed the gifts they received, which were either purchased or made with love. Thanks also to our P&C, Liz Fallon and Marcelle Graham for coordinating this event and ensuring the quantity and quality of goods.

Uniforms
Kin Kora Kids are always proud to wear their Kin Kora uniform and we certainly appreciate your support in this area. However, of late, we have noticed that a small number of students are not wearing their correct shorts/skorts. Black shoes and white socks are also part of the school uniform. We remind parents that the school jacket is available from the Uniform Shop in Auckland Street. The photo below represents the items to be worn.
**Art Auction**
A reminder that our Year 7 Art Auction will be held next Thursday in the Resource Centre from 6pm. Student and teacher canvases will be available for purchase. Items can also be pre purchased prior to the auction.

**Instrumental Music**
Year 3 students will attend short instrumental music demonstrations this week. Notes will then be issued to students wishing to take part in the school’s Instrumental Music Program for 2014.

**Election**
Kin Kora State School is a polling booth for this Saturday’s election.

**Yr 7 Camp**
Yr 7 parents can obtain information about the Year 7 Camp by going to our website homepage, scrolling down to quicklinks and clicking on Year 7 Camp 2013.

**Cyberbullying – A Series of Helpful Hints from the Department of Education**
Is it appropriate to comment or post about schools, staff or students?

- Parental and community feedback is important for schools and the department. If you have a compliment, complaint or enquiry about an issue at school, the best approach is to speak directly to the school about the matter, rather than discussing it in a public forum.
- While many schools use social media to update parents of school notices, the department prefers that parents contact schools directly with a compliment, complaint or enquiry due to privacy considerations. Imagine if your doctor, accountant or banking institution tried to contact you to discuss important matters via Facebook.
- If you have raised an issue with a school or know that another person has, consider refraining from discussing those details on social media, particularly the names of anyone involved.
- Keep comments calm and polite, just as you would over the telephone or by email.
- If you encounter negative or derogatory content online which involves the school, hinders a child’s learning and/or affects the school community at large, contact the school principal.

**Classes for 2014**
In term 4, we begin determining 2014 class placements and therefore need early notice if your family is leaving the area at the end of the year. Please phone 49715111 if this is the case.

**Attendance for Last Week – Our goal is 95% or above**

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Thank you, parents and well done, students.

Yours in Education  
Kay Kirkman  
Principal

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**Classroom Round-Up**
This term, 5B have been very busy! In Writing, we have been exploring ethical dilemmas and are currently planning our own comic strip based on an ethical dilemma of our choice. In Science, we have been experimenting with light, how it moves, sources of light and shadows. This term, in our exploration of Science, 5C have been creating mazes to show our understanding of how light travels.

**TUCKSHOP**
Go to www.flexischools.com.au

**Wed 28 Aug - Fri 6 Sep - NEED HELPERS PLEASE**
National Asthma Week

National Asthma Week is an event celebrated by Asthma Foundation Queensland in the first week of September (1-7) each year. This year’s event aims to create awareness about the importance of compliance with asthma medication, especially preventer medication. Asthma Foundation Queensland has a number of activities planned during National Asthma Week, all of which can be found here: http://asthmaaustralia.org.au/
People are also encouraged to phone the Foundation on 1800 ASTHMA (1800 278 462) and speak directly with an Asthma Educator to receive any information about asthma.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

| Wed 11 Sep | Prep C - G Botanic Gardens Exc | Sun 3 Nov | Yr 7 Camp departs |
| Thur 12 Sep | Year 7 Art Auction 6pm for 6.30pm | Fri 8 Nov | Yr 7 Camp returns |
| Wed 18 Sep | P&C Meeting 6pm | Wed 13 Nov | PREP Orientation Day 9.30am-10.30am |
| Fri 20 Sep | LAST DAY Term 3 | Thu 14 Nov | PREP Orientation Day 9.30am-10.30am |
| Mon 7 Oct | Labour Day Holiday | Tue 3 Dec | GSHS Orientation |
| Tue 8 Oct | FIRST DAY Term 4 Class Captain badges on parade 2014 Class Preference Forms distributed | Wed 4 Dec | GSHS Orientation |
| Thurs 10 Oct | Yr 7 Camp meeting for Parents 6pm - 7pm | Wed 4 Dec | GRADUATION Yr 7 |
| Tue 15 Oct | Enviro Captain badges on parade | Thu 5 Dec | Volunteers’ Afternoon Tea |
| Sat 19 Oct | CENT SALE | Fri 6 Dec | Christmas Stall |
| Mon 28 Oct | Parent Induction 9am-10.15am | Thu 12 Dec | Final Parade 9am |
| Fri 13 Dec | LAST DAY Term 4 |

BOOKFAIR REPORT

Bookfair is over for another year and YES, it’s another record amount of books, posters, pencils and erasers sold. The final tally is not quite complete as a few sales need to be finalised but I can tell you that the amount of items sold will top $9000! More details next week. Ten customers have placed orders for books. Those books are already on their way and will arrive very soon. A huge THANK YOU to those who helped with sales, calculating prices, tidying up and writing receipts as well as all our valued customers.
Happy reading!

Bazza Awards
Nude Food

Touch Footy

PREP Fathers’ Day Creations

Softball
State Selection

Skip-a-thon
Top Fundraisers

Botanic to Bridge Random Draw Winners