Term 4 - Week 3 Tuesday 22 October 2013

OUR FOCUS: Attitude, Attendance, Achievement

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

World Teachers’ Day
Every day, in classrooms around the state, Queensland teachers are making a difference by educating and inspiring young Queenslanders. World Teachers’ Day is a chance to acknowledge our teachers and say thanks.

Kin Kora teachers are renowned for their skills in the classroom and their genuine care and concern for your children as individuals. You would go a long way to find a more dedicated team. These teachers do a wonderful job and I certainly commend them for their significant, life-long contribution to education, their commitment to young people and for sharing their passion for working with students.

We will celebrate our wonderful teachers and staff this Friday on World Teachers' Day.

Day for Daniel
This Friday is also the annual 'Day for Daniel’. We ask students to wear something red in support of the Daniel Morcombe Foundation. Suggestions include a shirt, a ribbon, socks etc.

Yr 7 Graduation Tickets
A letter regarding ticketing information was sent home last Thursday. Please read this document very carefully to ensure that you do not miss the ticketing period.

Class Placements 2014
THIS FRIDAY is the last day to submit requests for class placements for 2014. No requests will be accepted after this date. We would also appreciate early notification if your child will not be attending Kin Kora State School next year as we are in the process of drafting next year's class groups.

PREP Enrolments
As the school is now zoned/ enrolment managed, it is imperative that we are aware of intending enrolments as soon as possible. If you have not lodged an enrolment form, please do so before this Friday, as we will be making offers to those on our 'out of catchment’ waiting list THIS Friday.

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**Kin Kora Kids are Winners**

**Gardening:** Congratulations to Mrs Homann, Mrs Deb Reardon and PREP B who were announced as the winners of the 2013 Gladstone Schools’ Garden Festival Award last week. This is a tremendous achievement and just reward for all their hard work. Kin Kora student, Maddyson Graham also won the Junior Garden Competition.

**Eisteddfod:** Huge congratulations to 4C and Mrs Richardson for winning their Verse Speaking Section at the Gladstone Eisteddfod last week. This was a wonderful achievement given the high standard of all competitors.

**Netball**

Congratulations to our KKSS Netball Team who came second in last week’s interschool netball carnival. I would like to commend these young ladies not only on their excellent skills but also on their sportsmanship. Had they not assisted another less skilled team then they would have won the championship. I am very proud of these young ladies.

**Safety Concerns**

The teachers on bus duty in the COLA have noticed a number of students lingering or playing in the park after school whilst waiting for parents. Some of these students are exhibiting unsafe behaviours and seem to be there for an extended period of time. We respectfully request that children be collected as close as possible to 3pm and that you reinforce with your children the dangers of playing in the park unsupervised after school.

We also remind students that they are to ‘walk’ bikes out of the school grounds, they are to have helmets fastened and that they are not permitted under any circumstances to ride their bikes in the COLA.

All children should depart for home immediately and not linger around the school, the park or the shopping centre. SAFETY is paramount.

**2014 Leadership Positions**

Year 5 and 6 students have been notified that from tomorrow they may obtain a nomination form to become a school captain, house captain or prefect for 2014. All nominations will be scrutinised by staff to ensure that candidates are capable and worthy of selection. All nomination forms require the signature of a parent. Please read both sides of the nomination form carefully.

**Cent Sale Success**

A HUGE thank you and congratulations to all who contributed to, assisted with, or attended our extremely successful Cent Sale last Saturday. A special thanks must go to our very hard working P&C and in particular, our Vice President, Liz Fallon, who has worked tirelessly to ensure the success of this event.

Yours in Education

Kay Kirkman
Principal

**Cyberbullying - A Series of Helpful Hints from the Department of Education**

How do I report inappropriate content?

Social media providers may remove content that contravenes their terms of service and/or acceptable use policies. Most websites and apps have a ‘report/block this person’ or ‘report/flag content’ function.

**Classroom Roundups**

Prep E have participated in ‘grouping’ and ‘place value’ activities in mathematics this term. In literacy, we have spoken about words that are used to describe objects, people and places

**Tuckshop**

Tuckshop is now open 5 days a week.

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Cent Sale Up-date

At the time of printing our profits from the day equal $5600. The day was a huge success. A big thank you to everyone who donated, baked and helped before & on the day and especially the following businesses who donated to our Cent Sale.


Bazza Awards