Term 4 - Week 4 Tuesday 29 October 2013

OUR FOCUS: Attitude, Attendance, Achievement

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It’s been a busy couple of weeks at Kin Kora and we thank you for supporting Bandanna Day, the Eisteddfod, Day for Daniel, Dance Fever, K Factor and World Teachers’ Day.

EISTEDDFOD

Congratulations to our Year 6&7 Choir (3rd place), Year 3,4,5 Choir (3rd place), Year 1&2 Choir (1st place), Mrs Maitland and Mrs Tanna on their superb efforts at the Eisteddfod.

Congratulations also to the following students who won major awards:
Sophia Ross and Bella Hurworth received the Duologue in Costume Primary School Students trophy.
Sophie Smith received the Verse (Other than Australian) Author Independent Retirees 8 yrs and under perpetual trophy and also the George C Bush perpetual trophy aggregates for 8’s and under.
Quinn Brennan won the Jessica Simpson perpetual trophy (Speech & Drama) Encouragement Award for 9 & 10 years.

KK Kids are Clever

On Friday we presented certificates to the following students who achieved fantastic results in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) - Maths and English:

| Maths Credits                  | Ethan Frost, Ben Bycroft, Jacelyn Davidson, Jack Small, Daniel Benson, Kaushika Alahakoon, Jordan Lester, Lily Orgill, Khushi Patel, Jenna Petersen, Archer Boyes, Lachlan Blake, Alana Dwyer, Baillie Elliott, Annika Messervy, Tia Crosisca, Gracie Moore, Jacob Lumsden, Hui Lin Dong, Chelsea Fanning, Hannah Davison, Ella McIvor |
| Maths Distinctions             | Liam Tawharu, Lucy Hudson, Tai Scott, Kithmini Alahakoon, Kael Brennan, Nicholas Versic, Lachlan Christie |
| English Credits                | Tara Donohoe, Jacelyn Davidson, Tahlia Appo, Abby Noy, Jack Small, Kaushika Alahakoon, Lily Orgill, Quinn Brennan, Lachlan Smith, Damian Pershouse, Paris Fallon, Chelsea Fanning, Ethan Roberts, Ella McIvor, Holly Bebendorf |
| English Distinctions           | Liam Tawharu, Daniel Benson, Tai Scott, Ryan Crosisca, Keeley Davidson, Nicholas Versic, Lachlan Christie |
**KK Kids are Honest and Courteous**

One of our KKSS students found a wallet at the Eisteddfod. Here is an email from the owner.

‘Thank you so much for handing it in. It wasn’t the first time I had lost my wallet, but it was certainly the first time I got it back with everything still inside, including the money! I really appreciate the gesture and please congratulate your student for his / her honesty for me.’

We also received an email from one of the Gladstone Observer reporters who made comment on the courteous nature of our students during her visit on Bandanna Day.

**CHESS CLUB**

Many of our students have joined the newly formed KKSS Chess Club which takes place each Tuesday at first break in the Resource Centre. We thank KKSS dad and P&C Secretary, Sanath Alahakoon for setting up and assisting with this venture.

**STAFFING**

This Friday, we will farewell Mr Leong on parade. Mr Leong has been at Kin Kora for a total of twenty-two years and in this time, has taught many children, coached our rugby league teams and worked on our Workplace Health and Safety Committee. We wish him all the very best in his retirement and thank him for his tireless devotion to his profession. Lawrence is looking forward to spending more time on his favourite hobbies which include golf and cooking.

Mrs Hilson commences maternity leave next week and will be replaced by our very experienced Kin Kora teacher, Mrs Jackie Thomson.

**SCHOOL CAMP**

All the best to our Year 7s, Mrs Burke, Mrs Brennan, Miss Lily, Miss Goss, Mrs Small and Mrs Versic as they head off on school camp this Sunday. We thank all involved for their tremendous efforts preparing for this event. Please ensure that all children are at the bus stop by 8.45am at the latest.

**2014 Enrolments**

As we are currently working on drafts of 2014 classes, we need to know urgently if your child/ children will not be attending Kin Kora State School in 2014. We particularly need confirmation of students who will be attending Year 7 at Toolooa State High. Thanks to those who have already informed us.

Yours in Education  
Kay Kirkman  
Principal

**Sports Results**

_Golf:_ Congratulations to Kianni Cartwright and Deklan Corke who represented our school in the CQ Primary Schools Championships Second Round which was held in Yeppoon.

_Athletics:_ Greer Sherriff placed 19th in Shotput and 8th in Discus for the State Titles in Brisbane. Well done Greer.

**Classroom Roundups**

This term Prep F have been working really hard to remember their friends of 10 in Maths. The have used number fans and IWB games to help recall these adding to ten facts. Literacy this term has seen us explore many of our favourite stories, breaking them apart and writing letters. The activity we have enjoyed the most is making our very own WOMBAT STEW...we were very creative!

1E have been enjoying learning about `procedures`. We have followed procedures to make play dough animals and sandwiches. Now we are working on writing our own procedure and putting it into a PowerPoint presentation.

**String Ensemble Notice**

This term, the beginner string students have joined the String Ensemble rehearsals in the morning before school starts. They have done a fantastic job so far! Unfortunately, our usual schedule will be disrupted for the next two weeks: Week 4 - no morning rehearsal & Week 5 - no morning rehearsal.

There will still be lessons during the day in both week 4 and week 5. Students should check the Instrumental music room door for the revised timetable for next Tuesday.
Tuckshop
Tuckshop is now open 5 days a week.
The tuckshop is running a competition to help our Flexischools (online pre-ordering) get off the ground and are asking our families to sign up and use the system. The class with the most children signed up to Flexischools will win an iceblock from the Tuckshop. Competition ends 5th November 2013. You have one week. Good luck to all classes. Sam, Managing Tuckshop convenor. Go to www.flexischools.com.au

| SCHOOL CALENDAR |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Sun 3 Nov       | Yr 7 Camp departs by 9.00am | Mon 2 Dec | TSHS Orientation - Yr 7 |
| Fri 8 Nov       | Yr 7 Camp returns approx 4.30pm | Mon 3 Dec | TSHS Orientation - Yr 6 |
| Tue 12 Nov      | School Capt speeches 9.15am | Tue 3 Dec | GSHS Orientation |
|                 |                              | Wed 4 Dec | Yr 7 Graduation |
| Wed 13 Nov/Thu 14 Nov | PREP Orientation Day 9.30am-10.30am | Thu 5 Dec | Volunteers’ Afternoon Tea |
| Tue 19 Nov      | House Capt speeches | Fri 6 Dec | Christmas Stall |
| Fri 29 Nov      | House Captains and Prefects announced | Fri 13 Dec | LAST DAY Term 4 |

Bazza Awards

Eisteddfod

Chess Club

Enviro Capt
Nude Food

K Factor

Eisteddfod Choirs

Yrs 1 & 2

Yrs 3, 4 & 5

Yrs 6 & 7