



KIN KORA STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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OUR FOCUS: Attitude, Attendance, Achievement



From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

School Focus

At Kin Kora State School, we focus on Attendance, Achievement and Attitude every day.

You can support our endeavours by:

- Ensuring that your child attends schools on a regular basis. Every day is a learning day at Kin Kora and research indicates that higher student attendance equals higher student achievement.
- Reinforcing the 'Bazza' rules at home ie being respectful, responsible, safe and a learner.
- Discussing with your child the work they have been undertaking at school, the learning goals they have for this semester and of course, insisting that homework is completed and that reading is undertaken on a regular basis.

We thank you for your continued support in these areas.

Whole School Attendance (term 1 to date): 95.1%.

Class	Term 1 to date	Class	Term 1 to date
P	94.7%	4	96.3%
1	94.1%	5	94.3%
2	94.8%	6	96.1%
3	95%		

**Every day is a learning day at Kin Kora.*

Congratulations goes to Prep A, Prep B, 1D,2F, 6A, 6B and 6D whose attendance is greater than 97% for week 4. Keep up the great effort.

The Observer Prep Feature

The Gladstone Observer will be attending school on Wednesday 25 February from 10:00am to take photos of all our Prep classes for a feature article. All students must be in full school uniform. If you do not consent to your child being photographed, please notify the school in writing or via email or phone call urgently.

Parent/Teacher Interview

Interviews will take place in the last two weeks of this term. More information regarding the schedule will be sent home with your child at a later date. Please utilise this time with your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress and support options.

Kin Kora Kids Clean Up Day

The Environmental Committee has organised a competition for Clean Up Day this Friday, with all classes being judged on the area surrounding their classrooms. If possible, please send along some gloves for your child.

Parking

Please do not park across the driveways of our neighbours. When parking in a residential street, there are general rules that you need to remember. These rules ensure all roads and footpaths can be used safely by other motorists and pedestrians.

Make sure that you don't park:

- On footpaths or footpath ramps; or
- Across or partly blocking driveways or footpaths; or
- In any area or space designated as emergency, essential services or disability parking (unless your vehicle is permitted).

Unless otherwise signed, the following rules apply at intersections and bus stops:

- Park at least 10 metres from an intersection without traffic lights; and
- If there are traffic lights, park at least 20 metres away from the intersection; and
- Park at least 20 metres behind a bus stop, or at least 10 metres in front.

It is also important that you don't stop or park at any time in zones marked with a solid yellow line on the road. This is a 'No Stopping' zone. Other than the yellow line, these zones are usually not signed.

School photos

School photos' will be taken on Monday 23 March and Tuesday 24 March. Envelopes will be sent home in the next couple of days.

Sports News

Rugby League - Cancelled last week due to the weather.

Boys Soccer - Kin Kora boys played Star of the Sea yesterday and won their game 2-0.

Girls Soccer - Our Kin Kora girls team defeated Star of the Sea yesterday 2-1.

Interschool Chess Competition

Congratulations to Kaushika Alahakoon, Archer Boyes, Gareth Meikle and Harry Allen on their efforts at last week's interschool Chess Challenge. The team managed to secure 1st place. A special mention must also go to Gareth and Archer who managed 2nd and 3rd place respectively for the individual tournament.

Being Cybersmart Tip

Offensive or Illegal Content

Be aware of how your child uses the internet and explore it with them. Discuss the kinds of sites that are okay to explore and those that are not.

Swimming

At this present stage, we are trying to organise for all Year 2 students to attend swimming in week 7. Notes will be coming home in the next couple of days.

Yours in Education

Justin Harrison

Principal

Payments Due

Event	Amount	Due	Event	Amount	Due
Swag of Tales	\$4	11 Mar	Old MacDonald Farm (PREPS)	\$7.50	16 Mar

Medical Issues

If your child has an Epipen, Asthma, or any other medical condition Action Plan, please ensure school has an updated version for the beginning of 2015. All children taking any medication also need to renew medication forms annually. Forms are to be filled in and handed in to the office prior to starting school.

Electronic Newsletters

How do I download the QSchools app?

To download the app visit the application store for your device:

- iPhone/iPad
- Android
- Windows phone
- Windows PC

The app can manage updates from multiple schools which is useful for parents who have students in different schools.

Healthy Lifestyle Program

Get your family active and eating well

The healthy lifestyle program for families called PEACH™ - Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health - is taking registrations now for a group to start in Gladstone in term 2.

The **FREE** program is available to families with a child aged between 5-11 years who is above a healthy weight their age.

The program is fun for kids and helps parents and carers make healthy eating and activity a part of every-day life.

It consists of 10 group sessions that run for 90 minutes each. The first 9 sessions are held weekly within the school term. Ongoing individualised family support is offered through the second half of the program ending with one final group session.

Some of the topics covered include nutrition skills, relationships with food and eating, changing family lifestyle behaviours and making healthy eating affordable. While the parent sessions are taking place, children enjoy active play with a trained child physical activity facilitator.

The program is funded by the Queensland government and being delivered by the Queensland University of Technology.

If you would like more information about the PEACH™ program or to register please contact free call **1800 263 519** or visit www.peachqld.com.au

Change of details

For parents who have changed their address or contact details recently, there is a new form available on our website for you to complete and return. It is important that the school has up to date information for each of our students.

P & C News

Volunteers needed!! Kin Kora State School needs volunteers to assist with supporting our fundraising activities and working with teachers and school administration. No skills required, just a bit of your time.
Dave Orgill, P & C

Tuckshop

Please go to www.flexischools.com.au to order your child's tuckshop requirements. Please drop in and see Sam or phone her on 0417 101605 if you need assistance with this process. All volunteers are **MOST** welcome to join our team of tuckshop ladies.

SCHOOL CALENDAR			
Wed 25 Feb	Observer PREP Feature	Mon 23 Mar	School photos
Thu 5 Mar	Parent Induction 9.15am - 10.15am	Tue 24 Mar	No parade today School photos
Fri 6 Mar	PJ Marsh Cup	Thu 2 Apr	LAST DAY TERM 1
Fri 13 Mar	Old McDonald Farm PREP	Fri 3 Apr	GOOD FRIDAY
Wed 18 Mar	P & C AGM	Mon 20 Apr	FIRST DAY TERM 2

Bazza Awards



Nude Food



Attendance Award



Enviro Captains





GRIP Leadership

