Term 3 - Week 10 Tuesday 15 September 2015

**OUR FOCUS:** Attitude, Attendance, Achievement

From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is hard to believe that we are in the last week of Term 3.

This term has had many highlights but it is the everyday behaviour and presentation of our students that is particularly commended. We continually focus on our students being RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, SAFE and LEARNERS and this is clearly evident in our daily interactions and in the feedback we receive from staff, visitors and relief teachers. We also expect children to focus on their ATTITUDE, ATTENDANCE and ACHIEVEMENT as so many of them are working hard to do this and thus become the very best that they can be.

We thank you for supporting all of our endeavours, ensuring your child is in their uniform every day and for reinforcing the school values and expectations. By working with us, you enable us to provide the best possible learning environment for all Kin Kora Kids.

**Eisteddfod News**

Last Tuesday we had ...27 excited Year 1 and 2 students, 34 energetic Year 3 and 4 students AND 16 cool Year 5 and 6 students... travel to the Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre for the Annual Gladstone Eisteddfod.

The Year 1/2 choir sang amazingly well against some very tough competition and secured third position, while the 3/4 and 5/6 choirs provided the audience with polished and precise performances - and won their respective sections. A HUGE thank you must also go to our wonderful pianist - Mrs Norma Tanna, who gave up her precious time and practised with us for the last three Mondays.

CONGRATULATIONS to all involved and a special thank you to Mrs Maitland for her time and commitment to our students. They would not have reached their full potential without her support.

### Whole School Attendance

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Congratulations to 6B for having 99.2% attendance for Week 9. Kin Kora's attendance goal is 95% for every year level.

**Term 3 - Week 10:**

**Bazza says:**

**BE SAFE**

**PLAY AREAS**

Encourage your child to:
- Leave sticks and stones on the ground.
- Use playground and equipment properly.
Prep
We had an excellent turn out at last week’s Prep information night. We thank everyone that attended the evening and took a vested interest in their child’s education. If you know of anyone intending to enrol their child for Prep at Kin Kora in 2016, please ask them to contact the office. For those outside our catchment area, names are placed on a waiting list and parents notified late in Term 4. We are already looking to next year’s staffing and class structures and this information will assist in this endeavour.

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, we also need to know if your family is leaving Gladstone and will therefore not be attending Kin Kora in 2016.

Extension Drama
Twenty five students from six schools enjoyed an extended day of learning in Drama at Tannum Sands State School on Monday 7th September. The students built on their drama skills through breathing, voice, mime, movement and improvisation activities. The students participated in each activity enthusiastically and developed confidence as the day progressed. Working in mixed interschool groups, the students demonstrated their willingness to “have a go” and co-operate, resulting in many entertaining skits and moments of laughter. The students demonstrated excellent behaviour and all are to be commended for their contributions to a very successful day.

Sadie, the only Kin Kora student who attended, demonstrated great maturity and resilience and was commended for her level of participation and enthusiasm.

Mathletics
Congratulations this week to 6B, 5C and 2D for achieving the highest class points for this week. Students earn a Bronze Certificate when they complete 1 000 points in a week. A Silver Certificate is awarded to students after they have achieved 5 Bronze Certificates.
Well done to the following students who have achieved a Silver Certificate last week. Jake Delioglanis, Cara Corke, Jasmine Christie, Harry Allen, Oscar Penno, Zoe McDonald, Melia Sorrensen, Aidyn Cannon.

Sports News
This term Kin Kora State School has been busy on the sporting fields, with teams competing in touch, AFL, netball and volleyball. Our touch team has a very successful carnival finishing second in all three divisions. All players have showed fantastic effort and sportsmanship at these events. A huge thankyou to all the teachers who have helped with sporting teams this term!

Cybersafety Tips
Learn how to keep a copy of online conversations and how to block people prior to an issue occurring.

Gladstone State High School 2016 Enrolments
GSHS are currently looking at enrolment numbers and forming classes and lines for 2016 so it is imperative that families in their catchment areas enrol their children as soon as possible.

Gladstone State High School is enrolment managed and only families living within our enrolment catchment are eligible to enrol. Please see the Catchment Map http://www.qgso.qld.gov.au/maps/edmap/. If you are unsure or need assistance with this please contact the school office.

Families who have not already enrolled their child for 2016 please come into the office to enrol as soon as possible. IMPORTANT: Please bring with you proof of residence. This can include Electricity Invoice, current Council Rates Notice or a lease agreement. If you do not have any of these items please contact the school for further advice.

Upon receiving your completed enrolment form you will be contacted to arrange an enrolment interview. Interviews take approximately 15minutes.

Should you have any queries in relation to enrolling at Gladstone State High School please feel free to contact them on 4976 6111.
Remember, the first day of Term 4 is Tuesday 6th October as Monday 5th May is Labour Day. Please have an exciting, safe and enjoyable holiday.

Yours in Education
Justin Harrison
Principal

Instrumental Music - Recruiting/Combined Schools Band and Orchestra.
All instrument recruiting forms should now be handed into Mrs Maitland. The testing process begins early next term. Also a reminder that the Combined Schools Band and Orchestra will be performing down at the COLA this WEDNESDAY at 11.30am. Our year 2 and 3 students will be in attendance. Any interested parents are welcome to watch. They will be demonstrating each instrument of the Orchestra that your child may be interested in learning through the school.

P & C Update
The next P&C meeting is tomorrow night at 6pm in the Resource Centre.

Get your family active and eating well
Families in Gladstone can now sign up the free healthy lifestyle program called PEACH™ - Parenting, Eating and Activity for Child Health. Registrations are open for a new group to commence in term 4, 2015.

The program is fun for kids and helps parents and carers make healthy eating and activity a part of everyday life. It is available to families with a child aged between 5-11 years who is above a healthy weight their age and consists of 10 group sessions that run for 90 minutes each after-school hours.

Topics covered include nutrition skills, reducing screen time and being more active as a family. 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 state-wide 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

Foster Carers
Every child deserves a safe environment where they can grow and thrive. For some kids, that means foster or kinship care. Foster carers are needed right across CQ, from our major regional centres to the smallest country towns. If you can help build a bright, healthy future for some of our community’s most vulnerable children, get in touch with Anglicare today on 4972 8220.

Payments Due

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Tuckshop
Please go to www.flexischools.com.au to order your child’s tuckshop requirements. Drop in and see Sam or email her on kinkorasstuckshop@yahoo.com.au if you need assistance with this process. All volunteers are MOST welcome to join our team of tuckshop ladies.

2016 Classes
We are already commencing work on next year’s class structures. If you have any concerns which will impact on your child’s learning in 2016 please complete the proforma that is located on our website by Friday 23 October. Forms arriving after this date will not be considered. Please place the form in an envelope marked CONFIDENTIAL - To the Principal. Please notify us as soon as possible if you are leaving at the end of the year.
## SCHOOL CALENDAR

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## Bazza Awards

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![Bazza Awards Image 4](image4.jpg)
Nude Food

Sports
Eisteddfod

Stem Project

Twilight netball