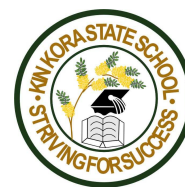




KIN KORA STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Term 4 - Week 6 Tuesday 10 November 2015

OUR FOCUS: Attitude, Attendance, Achievement



From the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you are all too well aware, I was appointed as Principal to Kin Kora State School in an acting capacity. Unfortunately, I have been unsuccessful in gaining permanency and will therefore be returning to Toooloa State High School in 2016. I can confirm that Jorgen Nielson, currently at Denison State School has been appointed permanently.

2016 PREP Transition

I would like to welcome our future 2016 PREP students and their parents to the transition session that is happening over the next three days. This is a very important time for both parties to assist in the transition to Kin Kora. These days have been designed for children and their parents to meet one of our PREP teachers, participate in activities and do a tour of the five PREP classrooms. Parents will have an opportunity to discuss learning at PREP, prepare your child for school and Kin Kora SS procedures and expectations. For further information regarding 2016 enrolments into PREP or the transition program, please contact the office on 49715111.

Year 6 Camp

Welcome back to all Year 6 students and teachers who attended camp last week. Not only did all students have a fantastic time and enthusiastically engaged in all activities, the behaviour of our students was exemplary. On many occasions, members of the public commented on the exceptional behaviour our students displayed. I would like to thank the Kin Kora staff who gave up their time to allow students this fantastic opportunity to learn outside the classroom and experience something new. It truly is a big effort from all staff to leave their loved ones for that period of time.

Whole School Attendance

Term 4 to date: **93.6%**

Yr	Sem. 1	Yr	Sem. 1
P	92.6%	4	93.6%
1	93.8%	5	94.1%
2	92.5%	6	95.1%
3	94.2%		

Kin Kora's attendance goal is 95% for every year level. Congratulations to 3C whose attendance was 97.9% for Week 5.



Term 4 - Week 6:
Bazza says:
BE RESPECTFUL
TUCKSHOP

Encourage your child to:

- Use manners.
- Use conversational voice.
- Be aware of their own and others personal space.

QLD Tuckshop Day

Last Friday was QLD Tuckshop Day. The Kin Kora community would like to thank Sam, Tracey, Charity and all volunteers for the hard work they put in every day. All volunteers are MOST welcome to join our team of tuckshop ladies.

Enrolments for 2016

2016 planning is already in progress and we ask that you contact the office as soon as possible if you intend leaving Gladstone at the end of the year OR if you wish to enrol a student for next year. We need this information to determine class structures and staffing requirements. Please contact the office if you require additional information.

Mathletics

Congratulations 5C, 4D and 2A for achieving the highest class points for last 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 over the last two weeks. Jaihdn Silvester, Benjamin Ward, Zoe Grooby, Sahara Serrano, Harry Allen, Ashley McCann, Summah-Angel Ward, James Newton, Mackenzie McCann and Justin Wanakore.

How you can help your child with reading

To get your child interested in reading, it's important to vary the books you read together and to talk about the types of material you read each day.

Our school encourages parents to work with us to develop children's reading skills. Here are a few tips to get you started:

- play number plate games in the car by looking at different number plates and making sentences starting with the same letters
- encourage children to re-tell stories they have read and to share these stories with other family members
- when reading to your child, stop and ask "what do you think will happen next?" and occasionally ask "why do you think the author included that part in the story?" to ensure they understand what they are reading
- if your child makes a mistake when they read aloud, give them time to correct the mistake themselves.

With five weeks of school left for 2015, there is still lots to be done in our learning agenda - every day is a learning day so please assist by ensuring that your child is ready for learning every day; we will be ready to teach every day.

Yours in Education

Justin Harrison

Principal

Cybersafety Tips

Show your child how to set up location services on their phone so they are not inadvertently broadcasting their location.

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.

Tuckshop

The tuckshop is now offering breakfast packs every morning from 8am. The packs will consist of a cereal box (Nutri-grain, Special K or Weetbix), milk, juice (apple, orange or apple blackcurrant), spoon and a piece of fruit (which could be used for fruit break). These packs will be \$4.50. **No pre-ordering is required.** All volunteers are MOST welcome to join our team of tuckshop ladies.

News from the Library

The year is quickly coming to a close, and apart from Book Fair, this is the busiest time of the year in the Library. Lots of books and resources need to be returned and shelved and this needs to be done before the end of the school term. Therefore, there will be no borrowing from the start of Week 9 (30 November 2015) for the rest of the year. During this time, we would love you and your child/children to check for all borrowed or overdue books that may be hiding in your house, your car, children's classrooms, Nan's house etc. We would appreciate these books to be returned as soon as possible.

First 5 Forever

The first 5 years last a lifetime. Research shows that up to 90% of a child's brain development happens in the first 5 years. First 5 Forever is about improving the outcomes for all Queensland children through supporting confidence around communication and learning.

Visit the first5forever.org.au for more details.

Summer Reading Club

Get lost in a good book this summer. The Summer Reading Club (SRC) is a national reading program that runs from 1 December to 31 January. Join by signing up online and enjoy a range of fun activities and competitions. Sign up at summerreadingclub.org.au

Naomi Hughes and Suzanne Morgan, Library Teachers

Music

DATE CLAIMER: Information Evening for NEW students to the Instrumental Music Program in 2016. Letters of offer will be forwarded home shortly to students (and families) advising them of their child's inclusion in the Instrumental Music Program for 2016. Waiting list letters will also be sent home at the same time. Please mark in your diaries the following date for the 2016 Information Evening for new students to the program.

When: Thursday, 24 November, 2015

Time: Strings 6.30 pm Brass & Woodwind 7.30pm

Where: Clinton State School Hall

We look forward to welcoming and meeting our new students and families to the program in 2016.

P&C News

The P&C is undertaking a new fundraising activity this term and we need your support. We have joined forces with 2kool4skool.com.au to raise money through sales of reusable school book covers (no more contacting books!), headphones, pencil cases and other items including school bags.

10% of all orders using our unique school code **kinkora** placed prior to 26/1/16 will go directly towards helping us achieve our fundraising goals. Please share our unique code with family and friends as all orders across Australia benefit us. The 2016 booklist has been released, so please visit the 2kool4skool.com.au website and start ordering today.

Kin Kora's P&C fundraising provides better equipment and resources for our children including proposed improvement to the KKSS Prep playground area and more sun shelters around the school! See the attached flyer for further details and visit the office to view samples.

Fundraiser

2kool4skool.com.au

We are running a fundraiser in conjunction with 2kool4skool.com.au

Just log onto www.2kool4skool.com.au

Have fun flicking through the colourful pages.

Place an order using your school's unique Code: **KinKora**

You have now donated 10% of your orders value to your school.

How cool is that!

Orders must be placed by **26 / JAN / 2016**

NO MORE CONTACT NO-MO

We really need your support!

these are awesome dude

SCHOOL CALENDAR			
Thu 24 Nov	New instrumental music students info evening 6.30pm & 7.30pm	Wed 9 Dec	Yr 6 Graduation
Tue 1 Dec	Open Prep morning 9.30am-10.30am	Fri 11 Dec	LAST DAY TERM 4
Wed 2 Dec	Volunteers Afternoon Tea	Tue 26 Jan 2016	AUSTRALIA DAY
Thu 3 Dec	Open Prep morning 9.30am-10.30am Christmas Stall	Wed 27 Jan 2016	FIRST DAY TERM 1 2016

Bazza Awards



Nude Food



Mathletics



Attendance

