



Kearsley Public School

NEWSLETTER

"Individuals Achieving Goals Together"

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From The Principal's Desk

Kearsley Carols

Thank you to the wonderful effort of the P&C for organising Kearsley Carols last Friday night. It was a beautiful night and I'm sure everyone enjoyed the singing and companionship that was experienced throughout the evening.



Thank you Mr Pynsent

A special thank you needs to be extended to Mr Pynsent for the many years service he has dedicated to the school. He has worked with many of your children over the years and has produced some wonderful results for the school and individuals. We would like to wish him all the very best as he takes on his new role as Mayor of Cessnock.

New Relieving Assistant Principal

The school would like to welcome **Mrs Justine Thompson** who has accepted the position of relieving assistant principal for Term 1. Staffing will make a decision about the AP's position next year based on our school numbers at the beginning of the year. This will determine how the position is filled for the remainder of the year.

Merry Christmas

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas break. Enjoy the time with your family and friends and I hope Santa finds you all. Merry Christmas to everyone!

Important Dates:

19 Dec	Last day Term 4 2012
20 Dec	Staff Development Day
21 Dec	Staff Development Day
29 Jan	Staff Development Day
30 Jan	First Day Yrs1-6 Term 1 2013
4 Feb	First Day Kindergarten Term 1 2013
15 Feb	School Swimming Carnival
22 Feb	Zone Swimming Carnival
2 April	School Photos

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Class Awards

	Mrs Pitt	Mrs Singleton	Mrs Alcevski	Mrs Fairlie	Mrs Graham
Week 8	Ebony B	Korey T	Matthew G	Tyreece P	Brandon R
	Katlyn E	Justin P	Lachlan C	Braith G	Elijah R-W
			Gemma-Rose D		
Student of the week: Tyreece P					
Week 9	Ebony B	Aryahn H	Brock B	Christian S	Luke P
	Rella S	Annabelle R	Sam A	Emma M-W	Nikki M
	Katlyn E	Tyren C-R		Tyreece P	Nicholas L
		Korey T			
Student of the week: Lachlan W					

Open Forum

My sincere thanks to the parents who came alone to the open forum last Tuesday afternoon and / or completed the online survey (8 parents completed the survey). The afternoon was very informative for the staff and it has certainly given us direction for 2013. Some of the issues raised were:

Communication from school to parents, fair treatment/ bullying/respect/tokens, breakfast club.

The staff are now looking at the information that is provided in the notes going home and a colour system will also assist parents to know if information needs to be returned.

A small group of parents and teachers will visit other schools next year to have a look at their Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program to see if we can make changes to improve the system of discipline and rewards for the students at KPS. The PBL lessons will also have a greater focus on tolerance/ respect and provide guidance about dealing with inappropriate behaviour at school. With these ideas and working with the community I am confident we can build a better school. We will provide more information early next year about these issue and any changes.

Classes for 2013

The teachers are in the process of forming classes for next year. At this stage we are looking at Mrs Pitt - Kindergarten, Mrs Singleton (Uhle) - 1/2, Mrs Fairlie - 2/3, Mr Falla-4/5 and Mrs Thompson - 5/6. When putting the classes together we are conscious of academic and social needs of each child. If there is any information that you feel the teachers need to be aware of please put it in writing addressed to the principal.

Mrs Alcevski & Mrs Graham

Kearsley Public School staff and students would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Alcevski and Mrs Graham for their dedication to the school and their enrichment of the students' learning during their time here. They will be missed by the staff, students and community and we hope that in the future they will be able to return. We wish Mrs Alcevski and Mrs Graham all the very best for the future.



Sausage Sizzle

A **FREE** sausage sizzle will be held tomorrow for the students lunch. They will still need to bring in their recess, lunch snacks and drinks. This is just an end of year celebration and thankyou to the students for a fantastic year. The students who are on the choir excursion will join us back here for lunch between their performances.



Choir News

Our fantastic Kearsley Public School Choir will be making their return performance at Jacaranda Grove and Mount View Lodge tomorrow. They will travel by bus to the venues and will return between performances to join the rest of the school for our free sausage sizzle. They have all been practicing very hard and are looking forward to sharing their Christmas songs with the residents of both venues. Full details of the excursion can be found on the note sent home this week by Mrs Alcevski.

Cessnock Community of Great Public Schools Choir

On Tuesday 11 December auditions were held here at school for children who were interested in joining the CCGPS Choir of 2013. Out of the children who auditioned we had 9 children who impressed the organisers from Cessnock East Public School and have been selected to join the choir for next year. Congratulations to Bradley R, Hollie L, Zoe G, Sophie R, Isabelle P,

CANTEEN CLOSURE - NO LUNCH ORDERS

The last day of canteen lunch orders was Friday 7 December.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused. This has occurred due to repainting of the roof. However we will be selling ice-creams, drinks and chips during lunch breaks only until stocks are sold out. Canteen helpers will remain the same as per December roster.

NO LUNCH ORDERS PLEASE





CHILDREN'S PLAY SESSION BOOKINGS
are open for your child in term one 2013 at Cessnock TAFE Campus.

- Available for Children 0-5 accompanied by their parent or grandparent
- Sessions commencing Friday 15 February 2013

• Minimal fees apply • Qualified Early Childhood Teachers coordinate play sessions • Early Childhood students work with children • Opportunities for parents to network and meet other parents • Parking available.

Register NOW and call 4979 1640

**Last day for
2012 is
Wednesday
19th
December**

CESSNOCK PCYC HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

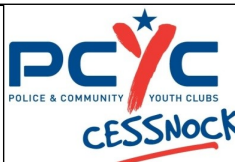
JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAM

KidzCare Vacation Care

8.30am - 5.30pm

Monday-Friday

\$35.00 per day CCB Rebates apply



Indoor Rock Climbing

School Age

1.30pm - 3.00pm

Week 1 & 2

Tuesday to Thursday

\$5.00 per class

Junior Boxing

7yrs - 13yrs 3pm

Week 1 & 2

Monday & Wednesday

\$6.50 per class

Bookings are essential for all our activities.

For more information about any of our activities please

Call 4991 1407 or email cessnock@pcycnsw.org.au.

If you would like to book in please call or email before the end of this school term.

**Merry Christmas to all our great
volunteers & supporters.**

Gymnastic Fun Class

5yrs - 12yrs

1.30pm - 2.30pm

Week 1 & 2

Monday

\$10.00 per class

Advanced Tumbling Class

11yrs - 16yrs

1.30pm - 3.30pm

3.30pm - 5.30pm

Week 1

15th, 17th & 18th July

Week 2

22nd, 24th & 25th July

\$52.00 for 4 classes

**Have a safe and relaxing
holiday break!**



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**First day for 2013 for
Yrs 1-6 is
Wednesday
30 January
First day for 2013 for
Kinder is
Monday 4 February**