



## Kearsley Public School

### NEWSLETTER

*"Individuals Achieving Goals Together"*

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## From The Principal's Desk

### How cybersmart are you?

Last week Stage 3 students, teachers and parents had the opportunity to attend a Cybersmart awareness session. During this time we all gained valuable information about the use of current technology. Your children have never known a world without the internet. Knowing the risks is as important as knowing how to help your children stay safe online. This website has helpful advice. See more at: <http://www.cybersmart.gov.au>

We have also added a link to the cybersmart site onto the school webpage. I encourage all parents to visit this sight and become cybersmart!

### Kinder Orientation

As wet as it was for our picnic the new Kinders had a great time with their Year 5 buddies learning new skills under the COLA. It is an exciting time for the new students as they embark on their educational journey. Thanks to all the parents who attended the day and supported the beginning of the journey for their children.

### Happy Camping!

Good luck to all the campers heading to the Zoo Snooze. I'm sure you will all have a great time sleeping with the animals at Taronga Zoo. I would like to thank Mr Falla and Mrs Fairlie for the time and effort they have put into planning and organising this trip. My travel tip: Remember they are all wild animals... so don't pat the lions!!! Have fun.

### Special Yearly Photo

The P&C have requested that a special photo be taken similar to the 100th Centenary school photo that shows the time since opening. This year is 101 years so the photo will be taken of the whole school in the shape of 101 on Tuesday 19 November at 9:05am.

Children are to wear normal school uniform for the photo( yellow shirt). These photos will be for sale through the P&C.

#### Important Dates:

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| 14 & 15 Nov | ZooSnooze Excursion Yr 3 & 4                 |
| 21 Nov      | School Captains 2014 Speeches + Voting       |
| 22 Nov      | Yr 6 Fun Day 12 - 2pm                        |
| 22 Nov      | Kinder 2014 Orientation 3 (10am-11am)        |
| 26 Nov      | Parent/Helpers Thank you Morning Tea         |
| 28 Nov      | Presentation Day / Yr6 Farewell              |
| 29 Nov      | Last day @ KPS for Yr 6 going to Cessnock HS |

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## Kookaburra Awards

| Mrs Pitt  | Mrs Singleton | Mrs Fairlie | Mr Falla   | Ms Thompson |
|-----------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Madison K | Seth A        | Sam A       | Isabelle P | Nicholas L  |
| Owen H    | Preston B     | Lachlan C   | Louise D   | Tyler R     |
| Jack B    | Jorja K       | Oliver C    | Noah W     | Nina R      |
| Seth J    | Jason W       | Brock B     | Adam A     | Jayke C     |
| Ella C    |               | Harrison R  |            | Luke P      |
| Zaria W   |               | Aryahn H    |            | Abbie G     |
|           |               |             |            | Lloyd D     |
|           |               |             |            | Joshua M-W  |
|           |               |             |            | Josh G      |

### Year 2/3 Gingerbread House

Year 2/3 and Mrs Fairlie have been busily preparing their Gingerbread House for the Hunter Valley Gardens Competition. Thank you to Mr Fairlie for building the house. The children then painted and decorated the house. It had to have at least one edible element to it. All the gingerbread houses will be on display at Hunter Valley Gardens from this Saturday through the Christmas period.



### School Captain Speeches & Voting

Nominations are now open to all Year 5 students who wish to nominate for School Captain in 2014. Nomination forms can be collected from Mr Lamph and need to be returned to the office by **Monday 18 November**. Speeches for Captain will take place on **Thursday November 21 @ 9:15am** so have your speeches prepared ready for this day. Parents and friends are welcome to attend.

### Yr 6 Fun Day Friday 22 November 12 - 2pm

The students of Year 6 have been busy organising a Family Fun Day as an end of year fundraiser for the school. Information regarding this day has been sent home to each family. We are asking for donations of baked goods for the cake stall, coloured hair spray, M&M's, Lolly pops, small water pistols, 250g blocks of chocolate, little toy prizes and tattoo's for our stalls. If each student brings in just one item that would be a fantastic help. This is a whole community event so if you would like some flyers to display in local businesses please call in to school and pick some up. We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing a huge turnout for this day. We will be having a sausage sizzle lunch on the day and **ALL orders must be in by Wednesday 20 Nov.**

### P & C Christmas Raffle

The P & C will be running a Christmas Hamper raffle to be drawn on the Christmas Carols Night. All donations of non perishable Christmas related items for the hamper will be greatly appreciated. Bon Bon's, Christmas party food etc. Items to be taken to the office by Friday 6 December. Raffle tickets will be sent home soon.



### School Musical DVD's

Cinderella & Rockerfella Musical DVD's are now available for sale from the office @ \$5 each. While not professional quality they are a great memento from a wonderful evening.

## Scripture Magician

The students were entertained by a special guest yesterday. Mr Alvin Williams the Yr 4/5 scripture teacher organised for the whole school to see a magic show while being taught about the Christmas message from our local churches. The students thoroughly enjoyed the show.



## Jollybops Science Show

Students from K—6 attended the Jollybops Science Show on Monday 11 November. The K-2 group saw Move And Groove with Energy, the year 3-6 group saw Natural Phenomena and Energy. The students loved the shows which was a fantastic hands on learning experience for them.



## Yr 6 Farewell Dinner & Disco

The Year 6 Farewell Dinner will be held on Thursday November 28 starting at 5:30pm, invitations have been sent home to Year 5 & 6 plus Year 6 parents. Please RSVP by Monday November 18 for catering purposes. At 7pm the rest of the school students will be joining Years 5 & 6 for the Farewell Disco. The disco will conclude at 8:30pm and it would be greatly appreciated if students could be collected promptly. Entry to the disco is \$3 per student. The P & C will have drinks, chips & glow sticks available for purchase.

## Kindergarten 2014 Orientation

Orientation for our 2014 Kinders will begin in Term 4. The days for orientation are as follows:

**No 3. Friday 22 November 10am-11am. Come straight to the Kinder room.** Parents STAY to talk to Mrs Pitt (one on one to discuss your child) and Mr Lamph takes the class.

**No 4. Tuesday 3rd December 2013 from 9.30am until 11.00am.** Come straight to the Kinder room. You leave your child here for the hour and a half.

**No 5. Thursday 5th December 2013 from 9.30am until 11.00am.** Come straight to the Kinder room. You leave your child here for the hour and a half.

We are looking forward to meeting you and your family.

## Active After School Term 4

Term 4 Active After School Sports is well underway and runs for six weeks concluding on Thursday 21 November. The children will participate in dance, volleyball, touch football and cricket. This is a free program provided for the students to encourage a healthy and active lifestyle. Parents are welcome to volunteer to help the teachers.

## Student Banking Token Redemption Day—20 November

Please send in tokens before Wednesday 20 Nov 2013 : please bag spare tokens up in bundles of 10 with your name and selection (see pictures) written on each bag and send in to the **office immediately**. Mrs Duggan will collect and process on Thursday 21 November.

**IT'S TIME TO TRADE IN YOUR DOLLARNITES TOKENS FOR A REWARD.**



Headphones



Calculator



Moneyboxes



Hand Ball



Knuckles

Important: Our Dollarnites Moneyboxes will no longer be available from next year. Some rewards are in limited supply and are on a "while stocks last" basis.  
Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124.



# Kearsley Canteen Roster - Term 4 2013

NSW Department of  
Education & Communities

## November

| Mon                 | Tue                                   | Wed                                | Thu                                 | Fri                                   |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 11<br><b>CLOSED</b> | 12<br>Julianne Duggan<br>Jane Hayes   | 13<br>Chris & Linda<br>Cunningham  | 14<br>Suzy Marr<br>Crystle Crossley | 15<br>Nicole & Lynne<br>Dunnicliff    |
| 18<br><b>CLOSED</b> | 19<br>Tina & Wes Batey                | 20<br>Karieanne Clifford           | 21<br>Amanda Penfold<br>Tina Batey  | 22<br>Melva McLennan<br>Dusty Lawless |
| 25<br><b>CLOSED</b> | 26<br>Renee Flaherty<br>Colleen Jones | 27<br>Sandy Robinson<br>Tina Batey | 28<br>Amanda Vine<br>Kristy Jones   | 29<br>Kiley & Dianne<br>Flaherty      |

## December

| Mon                 | Tue                                   | Wed   | Thu                                    | Fri                                    |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 2<br><b>CLOSED</b>  | 3<br>Amy Archibald<br>Vanessa Rockley | 4<br>Louise Robertson<br>Karieanne Clifford | 5<br>Amanda Penfold<br>Amanda Vine     | 6<br>Melva McLennan<br>Dusty Lawless   |
| 9<br><b>CANTEEN</b> | 10<br><b>CLOSED FOR CLEANING</b>      | 11  | 12                                     | 13                                     |
| 16<br><b>CLOSED</b> | 17<br><b>CLOSED</b>                   | 18<br><b>LAST DAY FOR<br/>STUDENTS 2013</b> | 19<br><b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT<br/>DAY</b> | 20<br><b>STAFF DEVELOPMENT<br/>DAY</b> |



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### School Banking

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our school banking. Money and  
deposit books should be sent to school  
each Thursday.



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Simply make two or more School Banking deposits from 21 October to 30 November and you'll be automatically entered into the competition.

**Treasure Chest Prizes.**

- Just by saving, you could win one of these great prizes:
- 60 x Apple iPod touch 16GB
- 100 x Adventure DVD Pack including *Despicable Me*, *Despicable Me 2* & *HOP*

**Things to know before you Can:** Apple, the Apple logo and iPod touch are trademarks of Apple Inc., registered in the U.S. and other countries. App Store is a service mark of Apple Inc. Apple is not a participant or sponsor of this promotion. NSW Permit No. LTPS/13/6945, ACT Permit No. TP13/3206, SA Permit No. T13/1612. Competition opens 21/10/13 and closes 30/11/13. Winners will be drawn on 10/12/13 at 12.00pm AEDT, Level 2B, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000 from all entries received. Individual prizes are an Apple iPod touch valued at \$249 and a DVD Pack valued at \$76. The Promoter is Commonwealth Bank of Australia ABN 48 123 123 124, Level 2B, 11 Harbour Street, Sydney NSW 2000. Full terms and conditions at commbank.com.au/adventureisland

### DONATIONS FOR CLOTHING POOL

We are in need of items for our clothing pool. If you have any unwanted uniforms please send to the office. Thank you

The next P&C meeting will be held at 2pm on Thursday 5 December in the school library. **ALL WELCOME!**



## Gold Coin Day for Our Farmers

December 4th is Gold Coin Day for Aussie Helpers across Schools Australia Wide. Schools are being asked to run a Gold Coin day where students can bring a gold coin to donate to the Buy a Bale campaign and those gold coins will then be turned into Bales of Hay. Help to support the farmers in drought declared areas of Australia. Year 6 student Nicholas Larsen has asked our school to support this fundraiser. As Year 6 will already be at high school on this date we have decided to put a donation tin at our Year 6 fun Day. Anyone who would like to donate to this worthy cause is encouraged to do so on this day.



**Kinders**



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## Family Fun Day

### Friday 22 November 2013

### Fun Begins at 12 till 2pm

- ✦ Sandpit Treasure Dip - 50¢ per turn
- ✦ Coloured Hair Spraying - \$1.00-\$2.50
- ✦ Tattoo's (Fake of Course) - 50¢ each
- ✦ Jumping Castle - \$5.00 per child unlimited turns
- ✦ Minute to Win It - 30¢ per turn
- ✦ Fairy Floss - \$2.00
- ✦ Cold Cans Drink - \$2.00
- ✦ Ice Cream Cones - \$1.50
- ✦ Nail Painting - \$2.00
- ✦ Coin Toss - 20¢
- ✦ Shoot the Hoop - 50¢
- ✦ Face Painting - \$2.00
- ✦ Cake Stall - Various Prices
- ✦ Ping Pong Picnic - 30¢ per turn
- ✦ Sack Races - FREE
- ✦ Hooola Hoop Competition - FREE
- ✦ Limbo Competition - FREE
- ✦ Egg & Spoon Races - FREE

**JOIN US FOR A SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH STARTING AT 11:30AM**  
 ✦ All lunches **MUST** be pre-ordered **NO** orders will be taken on the day and there will be **NO** extras for sale  
 ✦ All proceeds from the day will go towards Yr 6 fund raising efforts

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"I've seen a change in the way my kids interact since starting rock and water"

**DATE:** Saturday 16th November, 2013


**VENUE:** Auchmuty Court, Sport & Aquatic Centre (The Forum)  
Callaghan Campus, University of Newcastle

**TIME:** 11.30am-12.30pm


**COST:** FREE

**RSVP:** The Family Action Centre  
e. [FAC-events@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:FAC-events@newcastle.edu.au)  
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### A.E.C.G

### General Meeting

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2013  
 Kurri Kurri High School  
 3.30pm - 5pm

RSVP: Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Nov

**Contact:**  
 Kurri Kurri High School  
 Fax: 4937 3773

or

Stephanie AECG Secretary  
 0410 303538  
[s.earl@bigpond.net.au](mailto:s.earl@bigpond.net.au)

# Thank You to Our Volunteers Morning Tea

Tuesday 26 November 2013

11:15am to 12:00pm

Dear .....

The staff will be hosting a morning tea in the school hall on Tuesday 26 November 2013 to thank the wonderful volunteers who have contributed to the smooth running of the canteen, Special Religious Education, sport, reading programs, gardens, transport, cultural programs and classroom activities.

We very much appreciate your work and hope you are able to accept this invitation.

We look forward to seeing you.

Please RSVP by 22 November 2013.

The Staff of Kearsley Public School



✂.....

## Thank You to Our Volunteers Morning Tea

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would love to come

\_\_\_\_\_ Sorry, I cannot make it.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_



## Volunteers Thank you Morning Tea

The staff will be hosting a morning tea in the school hall on Tuesday 26 November at 11.15am. Please put this date in your diary as we would love to see as many of you as possible. We would like to thank the wonderful volunteers who have contributed to the smooth running of the canteen, reading, gardens, sport, transport, cultural programs, classroom activities, Special Religious Education etc. We appreciate your work very much. If you have not received your invitation yet please fill in the one above and return to the office by 22 November 2013. THANK YOU.



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High Performing Students Unit

Year 7 entry to  
selective high schools  
in **2015**

## Information bulletin for principals of primary schools

### Important dates

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Online application opens   | 15 October 2013     |
| Application information and forms available in schools                                       | 22 October 2013     |
| Parents who are applying on paper return application forms to schools                        | 18 November 2013    |
| Application closes   | 18 November 2013    |
| Unit* emails schools to advise of online applications. Schools begin processing applications | 25 November 2013    |
| Non-government principals complete application processing and return paper forms to the Unit | by 10 December 2013 |
| Test centre advice received by parents or carers   | 27 February 2014    |
| Selective High School Placement Test   | 13 March 2014       |
| Parents advised of outcome   | July 2014           |

Information for parents is published on the internet at:  
[www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement)

The High Performing Students Unit can be contacted at:

Telephone: 1300 880 367

Fax: (02) 9266 8435

Email: [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au)

Post: Locked Bag 53 DARLINGHURST NSW 1300

**Note:** In this document 'selective' includes fully selective high schools, partially selective high schools and selective agricultural high schools as well as the virtual selective class provision.

\*The High Performing Students Unit is referred to as the 'Unit'.

The student parliament are asking for the school communities input into what apps you would like the children to have access to on the school iPads. If you have come across any **EDUCATIONAL APPS** please fill out the attached slip and return to Ms Thompson.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

APP: \_\_\_\_\_