



## Kearsley Public School

### NEWSLETTER

*"Individuals Achieving Goals Together"*

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## From The Principal's Desk

Welcome back to Term 3 and to our two new staff members, Mrs Trigg on Yr 5/6 and Miss Rawlins on Yr 3/4. The classes have settled and are working well.

Next week is Education Week where we celebrate 60 years of Education Week. The theme is the same as it was 60 years ago, 'Lighting the way to a better world'. Our school will celebrate by holding 'Education Day' on Wednesday 30th July where we will have class visits from 12pm for half an hour followed by our formal assembly where awards will be presented. Then parents/friends/grandparents will stay for a picnic lunch until 2:00pm. We look forward to sharing our day with you. Cessnock High will host the Education Week awards afternoon at 4pm. We hope to see you there.

Our Canberra excursion is fast approaching and final payments will need to be addressed. A note went home with students in Yr 5/6 yesterday to help us to find a male adult whose child / grandchild is in Yr 5/6, to accompany us on this excursion.

Mr David Robson (Relieving Director) will speak to KPS on Friday 1st August at 9:30 am in the Library to discuss new plans by the DEC to reclassify the Principal position in small schools. Parents are invited to come along to hear about the new proposal.

Also on Friday 1st August is the Zone Athletics Carnival. Notes were sent out last term and should have been returned to Miss Rawlins who will be accompanying our students. Good luck to those students.

Zone Public Speaking Finals will be held at Nulkaba PS on Monday 4th August for Kinder and Yr 5/6 students and Tuesday 5th August for Yr 1,2,3 and 4 students. Times will be sent home next week..

**PARKING** - Access for Kearsley Fire Service needs to be kept clear. **Please do not park** in front of the fire station. Thank you to the parents who are reverse parking in Tomalpin St making it safer for our students. S.Holt- Relieving Principal

### Important Dates:

22-25 July	GATS Camp for selected students
29 July	UNSW English
30 July	Education Week Open Day 12-2pm
1 Aug	Zone Athletics Carnival
4-5 Aug	Zone Public Speaking Finals
6 Aug	ATSI Health Screenings Kinder & Yr6
<b>8 Aug</b>	<b>Final Instalment Canberra Excursion Due</b>
12 Aug	Book Fair

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## Kookaburra Awards

Mrs Pitt	Miss Williams	Mrs Fairlie	Miss Rawlins	Mrs Trigg
Thomas B	Jack F	Seth Att	Annabelle R	Adam A
Luke A	Zachary C	Lilly B	Justin P	Isabelle P
Mitch S	Harmony L	Izaiah W	Rhett D	Rex C-R
Maddi B	Kaydence B	Jackson H	Tamara H	Riley B
Saranah R	Jarrah W	Jorja K	Kye B	Annaliese H
Pierah K		Hayley F		Luke P
		Callum M		

### Kinder Enrolments 2015

Names are now being taken for Kindergarten 2015, we currently have 17 Kinders on our list. Please call at the office to add your child's name to our list. If you know of any new families that will be joining our Kinder class in 2015 could you please let them know to call at the office. Enrolment packs were sent home today.

### FRIDAY ASSEMBLY 9:05am

Friday assembly will revert back to Friday mornings **starting in Term 3**. It will be held each Friday at 9.05am in the school hall. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

### Make Online Payments

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. **The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting \$ Make a payment.** Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, excursions and sales to students (hats). There is also a category called Other this is to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the **\$ Make a payment** you must enter: the students name, and class and reference number OR the students name, and date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact Lesa or Kathryn at the office.

### ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

Active After School Sport started again today, Thursday 24 July 2014 from 3:15 - 4:15pm. All students who have returned permission notes will be able to participate. There are only 2 spots left at this stage so if you wish to attend you need to return your note ASAP. The students will again enjoy a piece of fruit at the conclusion of the activities and must be picked up promptly at 4:15pm.

## Speech Therapy Talk

Does your child have difficulty speaking clearly and being understood by others at school and by family members? On Friday August 8 in our library from 12-2pm Jordan a speech therapist from All Areas Speech Therapy is coming to give a talk to parents, carers and the community. She will talk about children's speech development milestones, things to be aware of as your child's speech develops, articulation and the need for clear role modelling and support that parents can receive if necessary. Please come along and join us on this day.

## Zone Athletic Carnival

The Zone Athletic Carnival is on Friday August 1 2014. Notes have been sent home with qualifying students and should be returned to Miss Rawlins by Friday 25 July 2014. Congratulations to the selected students and good luck!

## Canberra Update

The parents/carers who have been chosen to attend are now able to start making payments to the office for the cost of their trip. The total cost for adults is \$420 and needs to be finalised by August 8 2014. An update of what each student owes has been sent home and all student payments must be finalised by August 8 also.

## Education Week 60th Anniversary

On Wednesday July 30 we will be holding our Education Week Open Day. We would like to invite all parents, carers, grandparents and community members to share the day with the children. Classrooms will be open for everyone to visit.

12:00pm	Class Visits
12:40pm	Assembly
1:00pm	Picnic lunch with children
2:00pm	Children back in class



## ATSI Health Checks

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Kindergarten and Year 6 have the opportunity to access a health check here at school on Wednesday August 6. Forms were sent home to relevant students and need to be returned to the office at school as soon as possible. This is a free service carried out by a Hunter Health Family Nurse.

## PSSA Basketball Gala Day Wrap-up By Chloe S & Zoe G

The basketball team went very well. We played against Bolwarra, Denman and Millfield. We won against Denman and Millfield. Because we won two games we got into the quarter finals and played against Ashtonfield but we lost. The team consisted of: Alex B, Ryan C, Chloe S, Corey S, Adam A, Harrison R and Zoe G

## Young Leaders Breakfast

Our school leaders Riley B, Sophie R, Josh G and Annaliese H have been invited to attend the "School Leaders Breakfast" at Cessnock Performing Arts Centre on Wednesday 6 August 2014. Parents are asked to drop their child off at the Performing Arts Centre by 7.10am. Mrs Trigg and Mrs Holt will be accompanying the students and will drive them back to school at the conclusion of the breakfast. Sam Cawthorn will be the special guest/presenter.

## Book Fair - "Catch the Reading Bug"!

Our annual Book Fair will be held on Tuesday 12 August. Parents are welcome to come in with their children and purchase books from 11.20 - 11.50am and then again from 2.30 - 3.15pm. A brochure will be sent home closer to the day with a small selection of what is available to purchase.

# Kearsley Canteen Roster - Term 3 2014

NSW Department of  
Education & Communities

## July

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
21 CLOSED	22 Renee Flaherty Colleen Jones	23 Sandy Robinson Tina Batey	24 Amanda Vine Kristy Jones	25 Melva McLennan Rayleen Bereczky
28 CLOSED	29 Amy Archibald Vanessa Rockley	30 Louise Robertson	31 Amanda Vine Kristy Jones	1 August Amanda Penfold Patricia Bell

## August

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4 CLOSED	5 Amy Archibald Vanessa Rockley	6 Chris Cunningham Linda Cunningham	7 Bobbie Orr Nichole Levett	8 Melva McLennan Rayleen Bereczky
11 CLOSED	12 Julianne Duggan Jane Hayes	13 Louise Robertson Leanne Robertson	14 Sarah Kedwell Carol Wilton	15 Nicole Dunncliff Lynn Dunncliff
18 CLOSED	19 Tina & Wes Batey	20 Patricia Bell <b>Help Needed</b>	21 Amanda Penfold Tina Batey	22 Melva McLennan Rayleen Bereczky

All volunteers who work in the school canteen, reading groups or who volunteer and are on school grounds need to pay a membership fee to be covered for insurance purposes. Please pay your \$2.00 P & C / Canteen membership to the school office ASAP. Amy Archibald is doing canteen rosters and can be contacted at amykarchibald@gmail.com for any questions regarding rosters.



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### SCHOOL BANKING

Please send in bank books every Thursday for Mrs Duggan to process. Thank you.



#### 5 facts about strawberries

1. Strawberries aren't actually berries, they are known as 'accessory fruits'
2. On average, strawberries have about 200 seeds
3. They're the only fruit with their seeds on the outside
4. They are a good source of Vitamin C
5. Most children love them!

Why not pack strawberries for Crunch&Sip® this week?

### Our very talented basketball team!



Connect to reading!

# Come to our BOOK FAIR GARDEN

Catch the reading bug!

**Date** Tuesday 12 August  
**Time** 11.20 - 11.50 + 2.30 - 3.15  
**Place** School Library

All purchases benefit our school.

Find these and hundreds more books at the Book Fair!

SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs

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**Time:** 10.00am to 12.30pm

**Where:** 5 Hall St  
 Cessnock 2325



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## In Season Now - Mandarins

Our name reflects our colourful and interesting past! We belong to the citrus family and grew in China a very long time ago. We were so highly regarded that we were named after the officials of the Imperial Court, the mandarins - that's how we got our first name. These days, we're the ultimate convenience food, great for Crunch&Sip®. We're easier to peel than oranges and our segments separate easily. Just spit the pips out or remove before eating. Unlike other citrus fruit, which can be harvested all year round, we're only harvested in late autumn and winter. We're picked carefully by hand when we're ripe as we're difficult to harvest without our skins being bruised or damaged. Select those of us which are glossy and heavy for our size - this indicates good juice content.





All Areas Speech Pathology is a private speech pathology practice, which is now in operation from Monday to Friday in Cessnock and the surrounding district. The Speech Pathologists at All Areas Speech Pathology are trained to assist babies, children and adults with speech, language, swallowing, reading and keyword signing (sign language) skills.

### **Financial Assistance with Speech Therapy**

Some people are able to access speech pathology services using a General Practitioner Management Plan (GPMP) Care Plan. An GPMP Care plan provides Medicare funding for up to FIVE speech pathology sessions per calendar year (eligibility criteria apply).

#### **Eligibility for a care plan is based on:**

- ⚡ chronic needs (such as a long term communication or swallowing impairment)
- ⚡ complex needs (needing services from 2 or more health professionals, such as: speech pathology, occupational therapy, psychologist, paediatrician, ENT or other medical specialist)

All Areas Speech Pathologists are registered with Medicare and are able to receive referrals from medical practitioners to see clients using an GPMP Care Plan.

To find out more about an GPMP care plan, visit your GP (general practitioner/family doctor) to discuss your or your child's specific needs and eligibility.

For more information or to make a speech pathology appointment, please contact All Areas Speech Pathology on 1300 787 136 or email [info@allareasspeechpathology.com.au](mailto:info@allareasspeechpathology.com.au). Thank you.

### **The All Areas Speech Pathology Clinic is located at:**

108 Aberdare Rd ABERDARE

**\* Home and Centre Visits are available in most areas**

### **Fundamental movement skills**

There is evidence that children with poor fundamental movement skills such as jumping, skipping, leaping, kicking, throwing and catching are less likely to be active. Give your kids a head start and teach them these skills.

