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Excellence, opportunity & success in a caring learning community

December 4, 2014

P & C meet the third Monday of every month, 7.00pm - President P&C: Cherie Castaing

Calendar				
Friday December 5	Gold Assembly - 1.30pm			
Monday December 8	2014 School Presentation Evening School Hall 6.00pm to 8.00pm			
Tuesday December 9	Years 5 & 6 S3 End of Year Picnic Day Kincumba Mountain			
Wednesday December 10	Year 6 Graduation Assembly School Hall 9.30am			
Wednesday December 10	Year 6 Farewell Evening MacMasters Beach SLSC			
Wednesday December 10	Kindy, Years 1, 2,3 & 4 End of Year Outing, Avoca Beach Theatre			
Thursday December 11	K - 2 Christmas Assembly 12.15 - 1pm			
Wednesday December 17	Last day of school School reports issued to parents			

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

This week:

- **Presentation Evening**
- Class Placements and KPS Orientation Day
- **Early Arrivers and Late Stayers**
- **Thanks**

Presentation Evening

We are looking forward to our presentation evening to be held here at the shops early. school next Monday night - the first for a very long while!

Please don't forget our expectation that the audience will participate in a Regrettably, I have to advise that we have to stop offering this service as manner appropriate to this occasion, too.

Here's the reminder:

- Arrive early and be seated so that we can start promptly.
- Show appreciation by applause; cheering is inappropriate.
- awards have been presented.
- Mobile phones, watches, alarms etc should be silenced.
- don't obscure others' vision leaving your seat.
- Students attending should be in full school uniform. If this may be a ovals adjacent to Avoca Drive. problem, please contact us so we can assist you in meeting this expectation.
- appropriate.
- Drinking plain water in the school hall is acceptable but other food and drink is not to be consumed inside.
- In the event of any emergency or disruption, please follow the directions of school staff.
- Parents are expected to manage the behaviour of siblings not receiving awards seated in the audience. However, teachers will step Trish Peters in to reaffirm expectations if unacceptable behaviour disrupts others' Principal

enjoyment.

Class Placements

For the past several years, Kincumber Public School has run a highly successful transition to the new-year program.

Teachers spend a great deal of time presenting academic, attendance, behaviour and friendship information in a meeting with their stage teams to develop classes based on the best possible information we have. We consider, age, gender, friendship groups, academic success along with numbers and letters from parents.

Each year I ask for parent input as we aren't always aware of the changing family circumstances for some folk and we almost always can accommodate requests when we are given the information by the due date. I do not know of any other Central Coast school who puts as much time and thought into class placement (and if they do, they copied us) as

You will help me greatly if you read the newsletter to be proactive about supporting your child's learning and provide feedback to me by the due date. I am disheartened by the number of parents who have advised me that they do not read the newsletter and have made demands about class organisation after placements have been tentatively made in good faith.

I trust you and your children found our transition day worthwhile and that we have settled the nerves a bit for next year.

Early Arrival and Late Stayers at School

Please see the funny side in the first two paragraphs and please read between the lines for the important message.

In the lead up to Christmas, many parents take advantage of the free child care service that teachers offer at this school to enable parents to get to

none of us want to end up in court (me especially) because an incident has occurred because we allowed children in the school grounds early before supervision commenced.

Just a reminder SUPERVISION COMMENCES AT 8.20am. Please do not Remain in the hall until the conclusion of the presentation (about 1 allow children to ride, walk, catch a bus or get dropped off to school before 8.20am.

When requested, hold applause until after all recipients for class In addition, if you and/or your children stay on the school grounds after 2.40pm when supervision ceases then we expect that parents will assist us to ensure compliance with the school's behaviour expectations. Children If you intend to take photos, try to be seated near the aisle so you are NEVER allowed to climb on building roofs of any sort at any time. Football, chasing and cricket-type games are only allowed on the grassed

Thank you Gennine, Martine and Eve

The audience, including younger siblings, should dress appropriately Thanks Gennine, Martine and Eve for keeping the canteen open from for a formal school event. Thongs and beachwear are not Tuesday. As you know the canteen was closed on Monday because Linda had a family emergency. Gennine, Martine and Eve stepped up and served hundreds of pizzas - we couldn't have done it without you - thanks a million!!!

Hope you have had a great week at our great school!

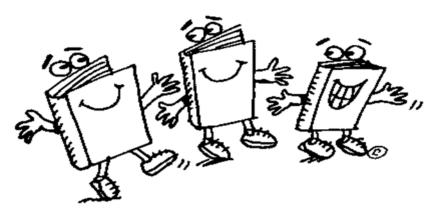


Students of Week 8, Term 4, 2014.



KE	Jada Matthews	1E	Tyson Masterton	2L	Alex Borg	3K	Kieran Vella
KP	Chloe Smith	1H	Abbie Andrews	2K	Katelyn Annabel	3H	Kal Rash
KW	Laura Finnelley	1M	Ellinya Kirkman	2H	Chelsea Johnston	3S	Alannah Kirkness
1G	Olivia Kilby	1T	Will Sakovits	2M	Michael Bushnell	3W	Lachlan Royds
		2C	Paige Uzelac	Library		Yvey Southall	

Parenting Tips



What makes a good book for young kids?

- any book that they want to read!

Choosing to read over choosing not to read is the most important aspect of introducing your kids to the world of books.

Good books teach kids things subtly while still telling a great story. For example, in "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" kids learn about numbers, fruit and days of the week, but it's hardly noticed because they have fallen in love with the illustrations and their newly discovered ability to predict what is going to happen next.

Good stories allow kids to explore other worlds and other lives but they are still familiar enough that they see themselves in the characters.

It's important that you allow them to reject the books they dislike and encourage them to tell you what it is they do like in others.

Some other tips are:

- The best way to choose a good book is through your child.
- Good books are authentic, credible, captivating and exciting.
- Resist the desire to choose only books you read as a kid.
- Don't worry if the words appear hard; this exposes kids to more complex language in context.

Books with vivid imagery, exciting stories and strong characters will not only entertain your child but set them up to enjoy reading for the rest of their life.

Further information is available on the *School A to Z* website.

KINCUMBER PUBLIC SCHOOL REVERSE CHRISTMAS TREE

Our Christmas Tree is up in the foyer and looking great. This year as in the past we are asking families to donate an unperishable grocery item or gift to the less fortunate families on the Central Coast. Please make sure that any grocery items have not passed their 'use by date' or 'best by date' and that the item is something that you would like on your Christmas table.

K-2 children may wish to bring their gift/grocery item to school on Thursday 11 December (their Christmas assembly day) and give it direct to a 'very special person in red' who will be visiting the classrooms that day.

Thank you!!

Class item 1H

- I like reading, doing sports, creation table and computers. **Abbie**
- I like sport, reading books, handwriting, drawing and the wonderful art. **Lochlan**
- I like doing handwriting, maths, reading, and sport. I really like doing art. **Alana**
- I like reading because I went up to Level 29. I liked playing sport in winter. **Ella**
- I like to read and also to play sports. **Terence**
- I like to do craft in class and making fish, seahorses, octopuses and painting. **Jarryd**
- I like writing, reading and drawing. **Chanel**
- I like doing class sport and games. I like free play. **Jack-son**
- I like playing soccer. Archie
- I like the job chart, playing sport on Thursday and having free play. **Kaelon**
- I like to do handwriting, reading, playing with my friends and writing. **Sophie**
- I like being with Keeley doing lunch orders. Kobe
- I like free play and free drawing because it is fun. **Jye**
- I like sport and watching movies. **Thomas**
- I like colouring in. I like to play on the computers, reading books and writing. **Mathew**
- I like to play sport and 'Over the River'. **Noah**
- I love reading books! **Jason**
- I like sport and 'Over the River'. I like free play. Bailey
- I like learning English. Patrick
- I like maths best. Sean



Year 6 Farewell 2014

When: Wednesday 10 December, 2014
Where: MacMasters Beach Surf Life Saving Club,
Marine Pde, MacMasters Beach

Time: 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Cost: \$25.00 Dress Code: Smart Casual

While this is not a '**Formal'** it is expected that all students will dress in appropriate attire for a very special, end-of-year evening function.

Parents are invited to attend the evening from 8.45pm for the final dance.

Karen Wardlaw





LEARNERS



* Active Listening *Being Organised *Being Persistent

Watch the 'Learner' lessons !! -

Use kpswatch

Active listening: http://

vimeo.com/112602382

Be Organised: http://

vimeo.com/112369093

Be Persistent: http://

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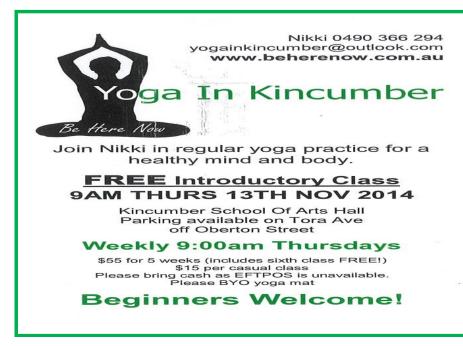




During our first week of lessons we learned what 'Active Listening' looks like, where and when we can use it and importantly, why we should use it.

Our second lesson taught us about "Being Organised" We learned what it means to be organised, where we need to be organized, what organised students look like and what they do.

"Being Persistent" was the focus of Week 8 lessons. We discovered how and where we can *be persistent*, why it is important and how being persistent can lead to success.



'KINTEEN'- CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 - WEEK 10

Monday December 8	Charlote
Tuesday December 9	Need Help!
Wednesday December 10	Rachael
Thursday December 11	Wendy
Friday December 12	Jo

Don't forget to use our online ordering, a great way to order your children's recess and lunch.

Fleximeals on line: www.fleximeals.com.au
If you would like information on how Fleximeals works please call
Linda the school's canteen manager

FIRST LOT OF BACK PACKS HAVE ARRIVED AND READY FOR COLLECTION. ORDERS NOW BEING TAKEN FOR ANOTHER BATCH COST \$38.00 SAMPLE IN OFFICE.

NEW SOFT BRIM MICROFIBRE HATS NOW AVAILABLE
COST — \$15.00

UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

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TUESDAY	8.30am to 9.30am
WEDNESDAY	2.00pm to 3.00pm
THURSDAY	8.30am to 9.30am



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