



KELSO STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Hi all

Kelso Proud

Congratulations to our amazing members of our P&C for running our annual Mother Day stall. Than you to our school community for supporting this fundraiser and I hope all our mums and carers enjoyed their gifts.

Toys at school

Over the last couple of weeks there has been a significant increase in the number of students bringing toys to school. The issues that arise when students bring toys to school often cause issues and disruptions to learning and fights. It is important to know that if students are allowed or have bring **toys** to school and they are lost, broken or stolen, the school will not be responsible for their replacement. The toys doing the rounds at the moment are fidget spinners. We ask that fidget spinner be kept at home. Students who have authorised therapeutic aides recommended by specialist Occupational Therapists and Paediatricians are exempt.

Thank you for your support.

At Kelso we are amazing because we are;

- Responsible
- Respectful
- Safe

Regards
Patrick McDonnell
(Principal)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PA	Ivy B
PB	Indiana A
PC	Zachariah K
PD	Jeremiah D
1A	Brock B
1B	Caitlyn B
1C	Riley B
1D	William B
2A	Jayde B
2B	Adam P
2C	Lana C
2D	Jazmin B
3A	Jasmine S
3B	Curtis B
3C	Bianca M
4A	Cailin L
4B	Rylee S
4C	Harrison B
4D	Zayden H
5A	Aiden S
5B	Charlotte F
5C	Beatrice M
5/6D	Zechariah H
6A	Tannae A
6B	Georgina K

GOTCHA OF THE WEEK

Owen H
Adele H
Sophie W
Ben
Gabrielle B
Dinah M
Falevai W
Ethan A
Georgia T
Keira D
Leon T
Marley A
Ryan K
Jack W
Tara S
Shyontai K
Sophie R
Sam W
Lilly P
Arabella R
Chloe N
Brock S
Jessika T
Wyatt K
Jett C

2017 SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken on **Monday, 22 May**. Order envelopes have been sent home to each student. **This envelope must to be returned to the photographer on the day of photos.(Even if not buying photos)** Please do not return the envelopes any earlier. Correct money needs to be placed in the envelopes as the photographer has advised that no change can be given. Family photo envelopes can be obtained from the school office upon request. Full school uniform needs to be worn on this day.

SMENCILS

More Smencils have arrived! On sale at 1st break for \$1.20 each.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Available from Kookies Kitchen
Parent Coffee- **\$2**
Yoghurt & Muesli Crunch **\$2**
Custard & Crumble Cup **\$2**

DATE CLAIMERS

MAY

22 School Photos

26 National Sorry Day

29 May- 2 June

National Reconciliation Week

21 June NAIDOC Celebrations

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to these classes for meeting or beating our whole school attendance target of **95%**. All classes have been challenged to strive to be our class **Attendance Champions** for the week.

Term 2, Week 4 Attendance Champions (At or above 95%)

Prep A – 96%, Prep D – 98%, 3B – 95%

Overall winners – 1C – 98.09%

Attend Today and Achieve Tomorrow

UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES

It has been pleasing to see so many of our students back to start school on time, including a number of new students to our school this term. I would like to remind everyone that our whole school attendance goal is **95%** and we would like our entire school community to help support us to meet our goals. Sharing student attendance data with parent/carers is a vital link in our school improvement process. Parents/Carers if your child is absence from school please inform either the classroom teacher or the school office. Unexplained absence letters are sent home on a weekly basis to Parents/Carers, the letters need to be completed and returned to the classroom teacher or school office. Let's work together and reduce unexplained absences.

20 Day Challenge

It is great to see all classes are excited and enthusiastic about the 20 day challenge. Improving your child's attendance rate will have numerous benefits both academically and socially. We have challenged all our classes to work towards this goal because **Every Day Counts**. The classes are competing for two awards:

1. **Most Improved:** the class that has made the **greatest improvement** in their attendance rate from term 1.
2. **20 Day Champions:** the class in which has the **most** students completing the 20 day challenge.

Our current class leaders are:


Most Improved: **2A**

20 Day Champions: **1C**

Winners will be announced next week.

Try for 5

Kelso State School has been invited to participate in the North Queensland Cowboys Try for 5 program. As an overview of the program, each fortnight they will provide the school with merchandise to reward the class with the highest attendance for the fortnight, encouraging an intra-school competition. Good luck to all classes!



Head Lice scratching for answers
What should I wash or treat at home?
As head lice only live for a short time off the head, the only extra cleaning needed is to wash the pillowcase on the hot cycle or place in clothes dryer for 10 minutes. Head lice combs can be cleaned in water hotter than 60 degrees

KIDS MATTER

Communication Skills for Building Relationships:

Tuning in. Paying attention to emotional connections is really important for supporting positive family relationships. As well as listening to words, effective communication requires paying attention to body language and expressions so as to notice and respond to feelings. Tuning into your own feelings and expressing them in ways that allow others to understand how you feel promotes caring relationships. Tuning into children's behaviours and the feelings they communicate is especially helpful for understanding children and guiding them as they learn to express their feelings and words.



2017 Townsville Reconciliation Week Commemoration Events
Saturday 3rd of June 2017
Unity in Community Expo
Celebrating 25 years since the Mabo Decision
Upper Ross Community Centre
10:00am - 12:00pm
Free Entertainment,
Free Childrens Amusements,
Food & Drinks on sale,
Cultural Art and Craft Stalls,
Free Cultural activities
Island Night
Upper Ross PCYC, Athlone Lane, Rasmussen
5:30pm to 11:30pm

Liverpool to Lavarack

1RAR Band presents a tribute to the Beatles

Come and be entertained by Townsville's Band of the 1st Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment, perform a selection of Beatles songs arranged for big band and a variety of small ensembles.

Venue: Riverway Arts Centre, Thuringowa
Date: 7.30pm, Wednesday 31 May 2017
Enquiries: 4411 7374
Bookings: www.trybooking.com/281204
Entry by donation, all proceeds going to Legacy

