



# KELSO STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Hi all

### Kelso Proud

I would like to congratulate all members of our P&C for their efforts with their most recent school fun run fundraiser. With a full executive at the helm I encourage all parents and community members that have the time to spare to come and be involved in our amazing P&C association. On behalf of our whole school I would like to thank them for their commitment to supporting the building of a resource shed for the Prep classes. It has been a long going wish of mine to put a shed in our Prep area to house the large amounts of equipment they have and need to store. So to Rebecca Forster and her amazing team thank you on behalf of all our staff, students and community. It is wonderful to have a supportive and engaged P&C that has a strong focus on supporting our school and community.

### Interschool Sport Season 2

As we prepare to begin season 2 of interschool sport I would like to remind all parents and carers of their responsibilities while attending student games. Parents and spectators are bound by Townsville Primary School Sports Code of Behaviour. It is my expectation that all students, staff and parents are being Kelso Proud at all times. It is important that all adults model the behaviour we expect from students.

At Kelso we are amazing because we are;

- Responsible
- Respectful
- Safe

Regards

Patrick McDonnell

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PA	Bailey G
PB	Adele H
PC	Jacobi R
PD	Braith F
1A	Joshua M
1B	Stephen K
1C	Ashley I
1D	Miesha D
2A	Talia J
2B	Jelena W
2C	Zakai E
2D	Micheal B
3A	Morgan K
3B	Matilda B
3C	Mason B
4A	Amanda B
4B	Mya L
4C	Farraliah T
4D	Eli H
5A	Kacie D
5B	Alex B
5C	Annalomi N
5/6D	James B
6A	Carter B
6B	Shaylee H

## GOTCHA OF THE WEEK

Sophie C
McKenna W
Alayah P
Kiarlee E
Silas W
Jarrold M
Alekai W
Brody L
Pheonix W
Harley H
Justin H
Marley A
Kyan W
Kaylee B
Chad F
Kaydn B
Trinity T
Mitch S
Coby J
Michael M
Paul N
Samantha C
Elijah C
Danny W
Liam B

## ATHLETICS DAY

Students are now practising for Athletics Day on 23 June. All PE classes are being run outside on the oval so all students need hats for the last 5 weeks of school. During week 9 all students in grade 3 and up will compete in high jump during their PE lesson. During week 10 all 800m races will be run during lunch breaks for those students grade 3 and up. Also during week 10 those students grade 3 and up will run in heats for the 100m sprint. **ONLY FINALS FOR 100m WILL BE RUN ON ATHLETICS DAY.** It is important that students are at school to attend these events or they will miss out on them.

## TABLE TENNIS COMPETITION

Competition will begin Wednesday 31st May at second break outside the library. Year 6 volunteers for refereeing duties are also welcome. There will be weekly prizes and ribbons with the finalists receiving a trophy. The competition will run through term 2 and 3.



## DATE CLAIMERS

### MAY

- 26 National Sorry Day  
29 May- 2 June National Reconciliation Week

### JUNE

- 1 Interschool Sports starts  
2 QLD Day Celebrations  
21 NAIDOC Celebrations  
23 Athletics Day  
23 Last day of Term

### JULY

- 10 First Day of Term

## 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 7 Attendance Champions** (At or above 95%) Prep C – 96%, Prep D – 95%, 4A – 95%, 4C – 95%, 5C – 95%

**Overall winners – 1C – 98%**

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.

## 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. Congratulations to Prep C for being the fortnightly winners. Best of luck to all classes for the next fortnight.

## INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Season 2 sport commences this Thursday. Touch Football will be played at Greenwood Park, Thuringowa Drive  
Soccer will be played at Brolga Park, Murray  
Please bring hat, sunscreen and water bottle.

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION SCHEME

Just a reminder that Voluntary Contribution payments can be made at the office via cash or EFTPOS. \$40 per child or instalments of \$10.



## QUEENSLAND DAY

### Friday 2nd June

As part of our Queensland Day Celebrations for 2017 Kelso School will be organising our annual camp fire and damper cooking. Some of the students will be involved in the following activities:

1. Camp fire
2. Cooking damper
3. Whip cracking (watching only)
4. Queensland 'sing-a-long'
5. Bush Dances

The children are welcome to come dressed as a Queensland 'bushman', swagman, drover, shearer or in the Queensland maroon colour. However they must have closed in shoes and sun safe clothes or they will not be able to be involved in all the activities. We will require camp ovens to cook the damper. If you are able to supply a camp oven for the day please ring the school on 47896222 or bring it (labelled with name) to the school and leave it at the office.

## National Reconciliation Week

Each year National Reconciliation Week (NRW) celebrates and builds on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians. It is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation journey.

NRW is held from 29 May to 2 June each year.

**This year's theme** is - *'Let's take the next steps'*.

A large part of learning about, and working towards reconciliation is learning about and respecting Australia's First Peoples, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Kelso students will be immersed in a range of learning activities throughout the week and building their knowledge on reconciliation.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Riverway Drive Duplication Project

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) would like to advise that works will soon commence on the Riverway Drive Duplication project. This project will duplicate a 3 km section of Riverway Drive between Gollogly Lane and Allambie Lane, Rasmussen. From June 2017 speed restrictions will be in place along Riverway Drive. The speed reduction is necessary for the safety of all road users and workers. When travelling on this section of Riverway Drive, please be aware of changed traffic conditions.