



KELSO STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Attendance

I would like to congratulate all our staff, students and community for their commitment this term to help improve attendance at our school. They say it takes a whole village to raise a child and I believe that this also applies to whole school improvement. It will take a continued combined effort of our entire community to improve whole school attendance to meet our annual target of 92%. We are making great progress towards this target for 2017. Congratulations to 4A who took the last attendance champions award for term 2 with an amazing 96%.

A big congratulations needs to go to all our students and families who supported our whole school 20 Day Challenge with Ms Budby. Success builds success and we are well on the way to improving student academic success with improved attendance.

Staffing

I would like to congratulate Ms Budby for winning a position working in Regional Office in Semester 2. Ms Budby has been working at Kelso State School for the last 6 ½ years with the one goal of improving students outcomes for all students and developing strong, smart and proud Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders students. Ms Budby will still be working with us 1 day per week and on behalf of the entire school community both past and present, I'd like to thank Ms Budby for always being Kelso Proud and wish her the best of luck in her new role.

Athletics Carnival

This Friday is our annual school athletics carnival. All students are expected to have hats, sunscreen and water bottles for the day. We encourage all parents and carers to come along, in house colours if you can, and support our students while they compete. We encourage all students to display sportsmanship and be Kelso Proud as they compete.

At Kelso we are amazing because we are;

- Responsible
- Respectful
- Safe

Regards

Patrick McDonnell
(Principal)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PA	Tyler H
PB	Derek J
PC	Addison B
PD	Cooper R
1A	Kyle S
1B	Troy T
1C	Alekai W
1D	Destiny A
2A	Retemoi S
2B	Hudson K
2C	Raynard N
2D	Zac O
3A	Dekotah R
3B	Aimee B
3C	Kadyn C
4A	Allen H
4B	Sophie J
4C	Dezmond W
4D	Lilly P
5A	Dominic G
5B	Rowyn H
5C	Brandon B
5/6D	Joshua W
6A	Maria D
6B	Skye H

GOTCHA OF THE WEEK

Kima P
Indiana A
Korah
Larz F
Tayte B
Lincoln F
Mia C
Amelia F
Khalon B
Cyarne W
Kylah G
Marley A
Jordan R
Jayme H
Isabella T
Sophie R
Arielle L
Toma A
Chloe F
Rehema I
Jaron L
Annalomi N
Andie W
Ella H
Kyle P

ATHLETICS DAY

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.

DENTAL VAN

The Dental Van



will be closed for the School

Holidays. Any Dental Emergencies can contact the Kirwan Health Campus-Dental Clinic on 44339900. The Dental Van will re-open again when School goes back after the School Holidays.

PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

P&C meeting will be held this Thursday 22nd June at 3.15pm in the resource room. All Welcome

INTERSCHOOL SPORT

There will be no interschool sport this Thursday. Sport will resume next term.

DATE CLAIMERS

JUNE

- 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 9 Attendance Champions (At or above 95%)

Prep C – 96.66%, Prep D – 95%

Overall winners – 4A – 96.92%

Attend Today and Achieve Tomorrow

UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES

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.

NAIDOC Celebrations

Once again Kelso State School students will be celebrating NAIDOC day on **Wednesday 21 June 2017**. NAIDOC stands for National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee. NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The official week for NAIDOC is 2 – 9 July 2017.

This year's theme – **Our Languages Matter** – aims to emphasise and celebrate the unique and essential role that Indigenous languages play in cultural identity, linking people to their land and water and in the transmission of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, spirituality and rites, through story and song.

NAIDOC Week is celebrated nationally across Australia.

The aim of the week is to celebrate and promote a greater understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and culture.

Parents and community members are welcome to come along and join in the celebrations.

C&K Kindy Car Park

Please do not park in the C&K Kindy car park. This car park is only to be used by parents with children attending the Kindy.

TUCKSHOP

Limited menu this week due to last week of Term, some substitutions will need to be made with student agreement.

Friday 23rd June is Red Day - another Super Funky Food Day with item ranging from \$0.50 to \$2.50. Only open 1st Break for Service.

Tuckshop will be closed for 2nd Break on Friday 23rd June for end of term cleaning.

PANCAKES

On Friday 23rd June, Chappy Mark will be serving FREE pancakes. So come and join him in the CPA from 8.00am-8.30am



HEAD LICE: SCRATCHING FOR ANSWERS

Can head lice spread disease?

No. Head lice cannot transmit or spread disease on to people.



Who is responsible for checking and treating head lice?

Like similar conditions such as scabies and ringworm, it is the parent or guardian's responsibility to treat and care for their child.

Do head lice live in carpets, clothes, hats or sheets?

No. Head lice very rarely fall from the head. They require blood to survive. Head lice feed 3-4 times a day and without blood will dehydrate in 6 hours in a dry climate and 24 hours in a humid climate.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



WOULD YOU LIKE \$500 TO ASSIST WITH SPORTING AND/OR EDUCATIONAL COSTS IN 2018??

PREPARE NOW TO RELIEVE THE STRESS OF SCHOOL COSTS IN 2018 FOR CAMPS, SCHOOL TRIPS, COMPUTER NEEDS & MORE!!!

JUNE start- receive matched \$5 in APRIL 2018

JULY start- receive matched \$5 in MAY 2018

Would you like \$500 to help pay for your uniforms, Resource Fees, sporting costs, music lessons, camps, excursions, school-related overseas trips, or even a laptop? Saver Plus can match your savings for education costs dollar for dollar, up to \$500. Wouldn't it be great to take control of your financial situation and learn new skills on how to budget and save? Allow me to introduce you to the **Saver Plus Program!!**

To be eligible you need to answer **YES** to **all** criteria below:

- I hold a Health Care Card or Pension Concession Card
- I have children at school now or starting next year, or I am attending vocational education myself at TAFE or Uni.
- I have some form of household income from work, (myself or a partner) has part time, casual, full time or seasonal employment. Cash in hand is ok, so can also be child minding, ironing or mowing a lawn
- I have not received matched funds from completing Saver Plus already

For further information, please contact me ASAP:
Nikki Storey, Saver Plus Coordinator
Call – 0418 201 533 OR
SMS your name to - 0418 201 533

HAVE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY AND STAY SAFE.
SCHOOL REOPENS ON MONDAY, 10 JULY.

