



# KELSO STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Dear Teacher Aides

Thank you for all you do to keep our great school running. It is a team effort to keep our school safe, secure and operating all of which is no small task!

We will celebrate your great work this this Friday as we reflect on the significant contribution you make to our school community.

We are very proud to recognise the essential role you play in our school and we will continue to do so.

I am always impressed by the work that is undertaken by you and your colleagues throughout our fantastic school as I walk around every classroom.

**"Vocabulary knowledge is knowledge;** the knowledge of a word not only implies a definition but also implies how that word fits into the world."  
*Steven Stahl, 2005*

**Increasingly sophisticated meanings** across various curriculum areas means that we need to have good comprehension skills linked to a wide vocabulary.

Kelso State School Teachers encourage students to be curious about the origins, meanings and uses of words whilst working explicitly to expand students' vocabulary resources and develop their Literal, Inferential and Evaluative comprehension.

At Kelso we are amazing because we are;

- Responsible
- Respectful
- Safe

Have a great week everyone

Darrell Sard  
(Principal)

Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.

Benjamin Franklin

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PA	Kima P
PB	Riley M
PC	Ivy C
PD	Bryton B
1A	Kyle S
1B	Darlah D
1C	Jacob F
1D	Lillian S
2A	Kain W
2B	Cyarne W
2C	Emily V
2D	Noah M
3A	Kyan W
3B	James M
3C	Jasmine H
4A	Lily T
4B	Michael F
4C	Heather H
4D	Chloe M
5A	Dominic G
5B	Lucas L
5C	Summer C
5/6D	Zechariah H
6A	Mercya D
6B	Jodie B

## GOTCHA OF THE WEEK

Laurence
McKenna W
Shaylee E
Dennisha J
Alecia R
Hazel M
Ashley I
Destiny A
Jayde B
Jelena W
Hunter C
Isabelle B
Jody H
Tobias F
Isabelle F
Zartiesha H
Amelia B
Dacey T
Matilda W
Paige M
Ricky S
Summer C
Issac T
Billy E
Nathan S

## STAFFROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT

QT Mutual Bank and RACQ are giving every Queensland school an opportunity to win a \$20 000 staffroom makeover.

This August show your teachers how much you appreciate their hard work and register to play Staffroom for Improvement.

With a \$20,000 staffroom makeover and other great prizes to win, your participation is the ultimate token of appreciation.

Voting for Kelso School is quick and easy. The more you play and the more players who join, the greater your chance to win!

The competition runs from 24 August to 1 September.

Visit [staffroomforimprovement.com.au](http://staffroomforimprovement.com.au) now to register your interest.

## TUCKSHOP VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED.

Remember you can go in a monthly draw to win a week's free tuckshop for your child/grandchild.

1st Winner will be drawn this week for August. Contact Danielle 47 896 226 if you can help.

## DATE CLAIMERS

### AUG

29-31 Father's Day Stall

31 Book Club Due

31 Interschool sports starts

### SEP

4-8 C&K Kindy Open Week

15 Last day of Term 3

## PARENTS & CITIZEN ASSOCIATION

The P&C will be meeting Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 3.15pm in the Resource Centre. All Welcome.

## ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance target is **95%**. All classes have been challenged to strive to be our class **Attendance Champions** for the week.

**Term 3, Week 7 Attendance Champions**

**Overall winners – 1C 93%**

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.

## Whole School 20 Day Challenge

We will be running a 20 challenge for the whole school from the 14 August – 8 September. The challenge is for the whole school to attend for the whole 20 days. Classes with the best attendance and the greatest improvement will be recognised. We look forward to see everyone at school for the 20 day challenge!

**Current Leading Class: 5A**

**Current Most Improved Class: Prep D**

## P & C ASSOCIATION'S FATHERS DAY STALL

Father's Day Stall is being held again this year with the help of our P & C Volunteers on Tues 29 August – Thurs 31 Aug. Each class has been allocated by teacher's choice a day for your child/class to attend. Gifts will range from .50c to \$10. Please send your child's money with them on their allocated day in a bag or envelop with their name on it and give to the teacher at beginning of day.

**Tuesday 29th August - 4D, 2A, 4B, 3B, 2C, 6B, 2B, 1D, 5/6D**

**Wednesday 30th August - 6A, 3C, 3A, 5B, 5A, 5C, PD, PA, PC**

**Thursday 31st August - 1C, 1A, 1B, 4A, 2D, PB, 4C**

**HAPPY FATHERS DAY TO ALL OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY - FOR THE FATHERS, THE STEP FATHERS, THE GRANDFATHERS AND CARERS**

## INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Interschool sport resumes this week. Basketball will be played at Murray Basketball Courts and AFL played at Murray Sports Complex from 11.30pm. Please wear full school uniform and hat and bring a water bottle.

## WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN

Kelso State School is participating in the Woolworths Earn and Learn. Simply collect 1 sticker for every \$10 spent at Woolworths and bring them into the office. The more stickers collected the more resources we can earn for our school.



## REEF Guardian Program

On Thursday 24th August students from our Reef Guardian program attended the annual Future Leaders Eco Challenge at Reef HQ. As part of the STEM challenge, students had to design a rubbish collection tool that would work to pick up ground and water based rubbish. Our team received many compliments for their tool and were praised for how effective their design would be. During the day students engaged with different activities to help them understand the issue of littering and how they could design a program that would decrease our schools litter with the help of local businesses and the council. Students had a fun and educational day and can't wait to share their knowledge to make our school cleaner and help the reef.

## ALTHEA PROJECTS – WEE CARE PROGRAM

Wee Care is situated in Railway Estate and provides emergency/respite Child Care to children from 0-11 years of age. Wee Care has been supporting families locally for 44 years and is funded by the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services. The program is funded to provide a safe and nurturing home environment for up to 6 children with 2 Direct Care workers short term.

### Families who can access Wee Care are:

- Parents/Carer's/Grandparents with Children in their care who may be experiencing a crisis or an emergency situation.

### How Wee Care can help families:

- Family support through Planned Respite, Emergency Child Care, Play Group, Financial Assistance (ERF)

### How long can children stay at Wee Care?

- Each family are assessed on their individual needs. Although usually 2 or 3 days.

### Referral process:

- Families' can self-refer to our program or your School/Child Care centre may ring on the families behalf and speak to our staff.

If you would like a Wee Care brochure and a referral form please feel free to collect one anonymously from the shelf inside the front door (below student work displayed) or alternatively ask the ladies at the front office.