



### Capability Team Chatter

Hello everyone, we have progress on our Prep sandpit and playground areas. Over the Easter break the decommissioned sandpit between Prep A and Prep B will be removed and a new play area, made of Softfall (a rubberised material), will be constructed in its place.

Over the next year we will concentrate on replacing the sand in the other two Prep play areas with Softfall, this should enhance the play experience for our Preppies. Eventually all playgrounds across the school will have the sand removed and have this replaced with Softfall.

We are also working on quotes for flagpoles, we envisage having four flagpoles and installing these on the opposite side of the main walkway from the office.

During the term some staff may be participating in or attending various professional development activities, on or off site. These opportunities are important to ensure we build capacity to maximise learning outcomes for all students. Please feel free to ask us how professional development supports your child's learning.

The school has developed a number of very explicit policies and processes to do with our daily operations and work expectations and all staff are expected to follow these explicitly. Please ask if you would like to know more about our processes or expectations.

Reporting is part of communicating with parents and building the school-parent partnership to improve student learning. In the first week of term 2 we will be conducting Parent / Teacher get togethers to report on student achievement for term one.

In preparation for this you could ask your child/ren the following questions;

1. What are you learning?
2. How are you doing?
3. How do you know?
4. How can you improve?
5. Where can you go for help?

More information will come home regarding this in the next few weeks.

At Kelso we are amazing because we are;

Responsible      Respectful      Safe

Have a Great Week

"**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**

### STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PA	Brock B
PB	Reef D
PC	Jaylah D
1A	Adele H
1B	Charlee A
1C	Ella B
2A	Genifa G
2B	Shantelle S
2C	Harry N
2/3D	Jack W
3A	Marley A
3B	Loha P
3C	Derreck H
4A	Morgan K
4B	Riley B
4C	Troy L
5A	Lukeah C
5C	Kasey W
5D	Jordyn E
6/5B	Trinity T
6A	Arabella R
6C	Sue L

### GOTCHA OF THE WEEK

Ariana H
Sophie W
Jakaylen A
Constantino
Braedon W
Bryan B
Layla O
Xiva P
Andes F
Brock B
Kendra B
Cyarne W
Kinnely L
Max L
Riley B
Rhys H
Jacqui H
Chloe F
Shanade B
Riley Smith
Grace F
Shaiyan S

### NATIONAL DAY FOR ACTION AGAINST BULLYING AND VIOLENCE

The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence is this Friday 16 March. In recognition of this day, we invite all students to wear orange to school. This will be a free dress day and no payment is required. We encourage you to talk with your children about Bullying and visit the Bullying No Way! Website for tips and ideas.



[www.bullyingnoway.gov.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.gov.au)

### YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP CAMP PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

As part of our preparedness procedure we would like to invite all parents and students to an information session. Get information about getting ready to send your child on camp, what children should expect while away, allow us to answer your questions and provide initial paperwork.

Date: Thursday 22 March

Time: 7.30am-8.00am

Place: Kelso State School in the PLR  
(Tea and Coffee will be provided)

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<https://www.facebook.com/Kelsostateschool/>

### DATE CLAIMERS

#### MAR

- 15 P&C Meeting
- 16 Wear orange – Day Against Bullying
- 21 Prep photos in Townsville Bulletin
- 29 Last Day of Term 1

#### Apr

- 17 First Day of Term 2

## ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance target is **95%**. All classes have been challenged to strive to be our class **Attendance Champions** for the week. We look forward to seeing which classes will lead the way in 2018 or will it be the teachers!

Class	Percentage	Class	Percentage	Class	Percentage
Prep A	74%	3A	90%	6A	92%
Prep B	87%	3B	93%	6/5B	92%
Prep C	76%	3C	89%	6C	98%
1A	90%	4A	92%	Classes at 95% or above are highlighted because they have met the school target.	
1B	93%	4B	94%		
1C	90%	4C	87%		
2A	92%	5A	88%	Winners:  6C	
2B	91%	5C	94%		
2C	85%	5D	90%		
2/3D	90%				

Teachers = 90%

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.

## INTERSCHOOL SPORT

Season 1 Sport is on Thursday.

Netball: Murray Sports Complex Netball Courts, Annandale. Rugby League: Brothers Leagues Club, Kirwan. Please bring hat, sunscreen and water bottle and mouth guard.

## PIES, SWEETS AND HOT CROSS BUNS

Please support P&C Pie Drive. Order forms went home last week. Please note error- Steak & Mushrooms Pies are \$12 not \$1 as listed. Orders and Money due Wednesday 21 March. Orders to be collected from Tuckshop 2.00pm to 3.30pm Tuesday 27 March.



## MUSIC NEWS

Band Muso of the week was awarded to Blayde H. Well done Blayde!  
Lesson Muso of the week goes to Morgan K. Well done Morgan!.



## ENTRY AND EXIT TO SCHOOL GROUNDS

The main gate will always remain open, however, we are trialling the following: Gower, Gladys and Yvette (Prep) Street gates will be open from 8:00am until 8:50am (when classes commence) and then re-opened at 2:45pm then locked at 3:15pm (when school has finished).

**PARENTS, CARERS AND STUDENTS OF KELSO STATE SCHOOL ARE NOT PERMITTED ON C & K KINDY PROPERTY UNLESS YOU ARE TAKING YOUR CHILD TO KINDY. PLEASE DO NOT CUT THROUGH THE C & K KINDY OR USE THE C & K KINDY CAR PARK.**

## \$ PAYMENTS FOR EXCURSIONS/EVENTS

It is extremely important that all money sent to school for payments of excursions, sports or other events is **CLEARLY LABELLED** with Student Name, Class and what they are paying for. We have received a couple of payments with no information attached therefore we are unable to process the payment.

If you have made a payment recently and have not received a receipt please contact the school office on 47896222 to confirm if the unallocated money is for your child's payment.

## TUCKSHOP NEWS

The Tuckshop will be open 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Break Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8.30am - 1.30pm. Orders are taken through the class Tuckshop boxes or at the Tuckshop window before school.

Volunteers are required to assist. Please contact Bernadette on 0434 009 422.

**NO SLUSHIES AVAILABLE**

## SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS 2018

For every \$10 spent at Coles, you will receive one voucher to go towards our school's tally. Please bring them to the office and place them in the box provided. The more vouchers we receive, the more sporting equipment we can order for our school.

**Week 3 Tally- 7400**

## STUDENT CONTACT DETAILS

Please keep the school informed with current phone numbers and address details for your child. It is imperative that we are able to contact you in case of sickness or emergency.



## HEAD LICE: SCRATCHING FOR ANSWERS



- Itching is not always a reliable sign of head lice.
- They can be difficult to see if looking at the hair while it is dry.
- Eggs may be easier to see, but are only important if they are found 1.5cm from the scalp.
- Conditioner and combing is the only proven reliable way of detecting head lice.