



KELSO STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Hi All

At this point of the year I would like to take the time to acknowledge and celebrate success within our whole school community, a community that I believe is Kelso Proud.

At Kelso we encourage all parents and carers to become active partners in our school to support the learning of all children. It is a fact that when parents have open communication with their child's teacher and engage in conversations about learning with children a learning partnership is created. Learning partnership help support students to improve learning outcomes. Thank you to all those parents who have become legitimate partners with our school and encourage others to think about how we can all get involved and informed in 2017.

Over the holidays, I would also like all of our parents and carers to consider how they can contribute to our school next year. You may have a skill that you can share with us or help contribute to an extra-curricular activity, join the P&C or just help in the tuckshop, we are interested in hearing from you.

Kelso Proud

This week and particularly at this time of year, I have challenged all our students to be **thoughtful**. This includes being **thoughtful of**,

- The learning of others in their class
- Students with special needs in the school
- Their teachers during assessment and reporting
- Parents and carers at this busy time of year
- Lastly, all those friends and family who need our support and care the most at this time of year.

This is what being a Kelso Proud member of our school community looks like.

At Kelso we are amazing because we are;

- Responsible
- Respectful
- Safe

Regards
Patrick McDonnell
(Principal)

DATE CLAIMERS

24 Nov Christmas Pie Drive Money Due

30 Nov Mix, Meet and Learn Day

01 Dec RE Concert

07 Dec Year 6 Graduation

09 Dec Last day of the School Year

23 Jan 2017 First day of school Year

P&C MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FOURTH TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 1.30PM IN THE P&C ROOM (Modular Withdrawal Room)

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

PA	Lylah J
PB	Kingston R
PC	Brailliana M
PD	Sharisha S
1A	Hunter C
1B	Tasharli H
1C	Nallannie M
1D	Gemma W
2A	Ciara S
2B	Jimmy N
2C	Jennifer M
3A	Sophie R
3B	
3C	Tobey M
3D	Koda B
4A	Natalie D
4B	Aiden B
4C	Alex B
5A	Toby B
5B	Maria D
5/6C	Amber M
6A	Claire K
6B	Tania M

GOTCHA OF THE WEEK

Caitlyn B
Ellie M
Kyle S
Ethan A
Lindsay W
Marley A
Raynard N
Phoenix W
Kaylee B
Nicholas R
Steven S
Maddy M
Zack S
Charlotte K
Sophie J
Kahleasha N
Zechariah H
Rehema I
Liam B
Skye H
Amber M
Claire K
Talon W

Mix, Meet and Learn Day

On Wednesday 30th November, Thuringowa State High School is holding a transition day for all students who are currently enrolled and those with an enrolment interview to start year 7 in 2017. Come and learn our school routines, meet the staff and develop new friendships. RSVP to the office by Friday 25th November.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

Tuckshop will be closed for end of year clean up on Thursday 8th & Friday the 9th December -no food will be available

The special for this Wednesday 23rd November is Bacon n Egg Roll @ \$4.00.

P&C Christmas Pie Drive



P&C Association are running a Christmas Pie Drive to complete fundraising activities for the year. Please complete your order form and return with money to the tuckshop by Thursday 24th November. Orders will be delivered to the school and can be collected on Friday 2nd December.



CHRISTMAS RELIGION CONCERT AND MORNING TEA

On Thursday 1st December at 11.00am all teachers, students and parents are invited to a morning tea in the hall, followed by a Christmas concert at 11.30 where Religion students will sing songs and display some of what they have been learning in RE. If you do not wish your child to attend, please send a note to your class teacher.

Attendance

Congratulations to these classes for meeting or beating our whole school attendance target of 92%. All classes have been challenged to strive to be our class **Attendance Champions** for the week.

Week 7 Attendance Champions (At or above 92%)

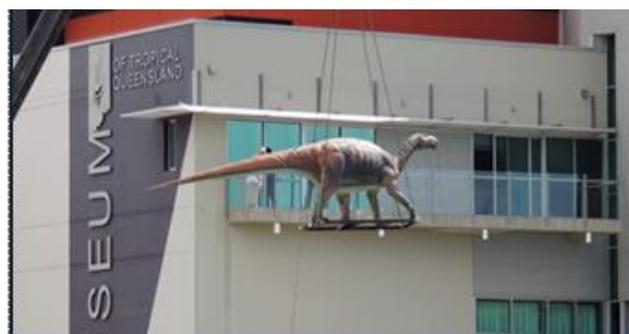
1A – 93%, 3A – 94%, 3C – 92%

Overall winner – 4B – 95%

Attend Today and Achieve Tomorrow

Attendance Rate Letter

Students will receive an attendance rate letter next week indicating their attendance rate from the beginning of the year to Week 8, Term 4. This is a new initiative at Kelso State School informing all parents/carers on their child's attendance rate on a regular basis. Our target student participation and attendance rate of **92%** is expected for students enrolled at Kelso State School.



Dinosaur Discovery: Lost Creatures of the Cretaceous OPENS 10 DECEMBER 2016!

You may have seen the amazing press coverage of the dinosaurs arriving at the Museum earlier this month, and we are busy transforming our Great Gallery into the lost world of the Cretaceous. The exhibition opens December 10 and will run through to 9 July 2017. Please visit our [website](#) for more information.

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Kelso State School has decided to do Christmas Hampers for the less fortunate families in our local area. We are going to give Hampers to *North Reach Baptist Church*.

We have asked every child to bring in some non-perishable food. Some things your child could bring in are

- Canned food – spreads or canned fruit
- Packaged food – Chips, lollies, biscuits
- Bottled food – Cordial, soft drink, water
- Special Food – Canned Christmas ham, plum pudding.

Your child will be able to give this food to their class teacher.

Classes will collect items for the next week and there will be a special assembly on Tuesday 6th December to present the food hampers to North Reach Baptist Church

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND

KIDS MATTER

www.kidsmatter.edu.au

Family relationships and expectations have a major influence on children's social development.

How parents can help: **Promote a strong sense of identity.** When parents and carers notice and acknowledge what children do to help, it shows children that their contributions are worthwhile. This gives them a sense of pride and encourages them to 'do the right thing'. Help children to work out ways to stand up for what they believe in and let them know that you are proud of them when they do. This helps children to build confidence in their own strengths and values.

HEAD LICE: SCRATCHING FOR ANSWERS HOW DO HEAD LICE MOVE FROM ONE HEAD TO ANOTHER?



Head lice are like trapeze artists- they swing from hair to hair using their strong claws. Head lice need close head-to-head contact to spread from one person to another. Electrostatic charge from combing dry hair can fling head lice up to 1 metre. Only the young lice and adult lice can move from one head to another.

END OF YEAR TRANSFERS

Are you leaving Kelso State School at the end of this year?

The end of the school year is approaching and we will soon be starting to organise classes for 2017. To do this, we will need to know how many students will be in each year level so please advise the school office if your child will be leaving Kelso State School.