



KELSO STATE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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A MESSAGE FROM THE LEADERSHIP TEAM

Hi All

YWAM

Last week we had a number of members of the YWAM organisation come to our school assembly and discuss their work in supporting families in PNG improve oral health care. Our school has partnered with YWAM to help them provide toothbrushes and toothpaste to improve oral health to our neighbour country in need. We are asking for our amazing Kelso community to kindly donate a toothbrush or toothpaste to send to PNG to support their work. Our school will be collecting as many of these as possible to send when their ship next leaves port for PNG. We will also be holding a free dress day on the last week of school with all gold coin donations going towards this worthy cause.

Attendance

Congratulations to Prep C (99%) on being attendance champions for this this week. As I mention to our assembly this morning, this award also goes to the parents/carers of Prep C for being **Kelso Proud** and knowing that **Everyday Counts**.

PBL Behaviour focus for the week

Our PBL focus for the week is **First time every time**.

This includes following staff instructions to;

- Being ready for learning
- Completing classroom work
- Being at the right place at the right time

At Kelso we are amazing because we are;

- Responsible
- Respectful
- Safe

Regards

Patrick McDonnell
(Principal)

Congratulations for a job well done.

STUDENT OF THE WEEK	GOTCHA OF THE WEEK
PA Izaak A	Lylah J
PB Jack W	Charee S
PC Lathisha W	Tannen W
PD Jordan B	Amelia R
1A Grace B	Constance D
1B Matthew P	Jelena W
1C Joel M	Mason D
1D Jayde B	Loha P
2A Kaylee B	Denan P
2B Igitto M	Tiona N
2C Ellisa-Jayde F	Taylah B
3A Kayley M	Shanade B
3B Sammy F	Mitchell W
3C Maija K	Kein J
3D Mikah C	Toma A
4A Deanne W	Annalomi N
4B Malachi M	
4C Lidia M	Nicole M
5A Caitlin W	Sienna B
5B Dakota M	Mikayla O
5/6C Tarquinn F	Talik M
6A Keira A	Kadafi N
6B Seth A	Charlie W

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 8 Attendance Champions (At or above 92%)

1B – 92%, 2B – 94%, 4B – 93%, 6A – 93%

Overall winners – PREP C – 99%

Attend Today and Achieve Tomorrow

HOMEWORK CLUB

Homework club will no longer be operating for the rest of the year.

2017 PREP ENROLMENTS

We are now taking enrolments for Prep 2017. If your child was born between 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012 he/she is eligible to enrol. It is a requirement of the Queensland Education Department that a birth certificate must be sighted before the child can commence school in 2017. Enrolment forms are available from the school office.

DATE CLAIMERS

SEP

- 07 Reef Guardian Excursion
- 09 Yr 6 Camp returns
- 09 Obe Geia Competition
- 16 Last day of term

OCT

- 04 School resumes

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



SCHOOL BANKING

School banking – THURSDAY

READ-A-THON



The Read-a-thon will be running from Monday of week 7 through until Friday of week 10.

LOST PROPERTY

Our Lost Property box is overflowing. Please check this box ASAP for your lost belongings. Items not taken by the last day of this term will be donated to charity. The box is located outside the Cleaners' room on the Computer Lab side of Amenities 1.

STAFFROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT – VOTE, VOTE, VOTE!!!!!!

QT Mutual Bank is giving every Queensland school an opportunity to win a \$20 000 staffroom makeover. Show your teachers how much you appreciate their hard work and register to play in QT Mutual Bank's Staffroom for Improvement competition.

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 fun, quick and easy. The more you play and the more players you get to join, the greater your chances to win!

Visit staffroomforimprovement.com.au now to register your interest.



DENTAL VAN

The Dental van will be open during the school holidays if parents would like to make an appointment for their children for dental treatment.

Treatment Letters have been sent home for Year One children and should be arriving in the mail, over the next week or two.

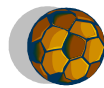


When you receive your letter, please call the number on the letter to make an appointment.

KIDS MATTER

www.kidsmatter.edu.au/resources/information-resources

How children learn: Although children are born with some inherited tendencies, an environment that stimulates learning and development is necessary to ensure children reach their learning potential. Adults play a vital role in providing stimulation and support for children's learning. Parents and carers can nurture children's development through understanding the importance of what children experience in the world around them, and providing experiences that arouse their curiosity and interest. Opportunities for children to be actively involved in learning from their experiences are especially important for their development.



SPORT

There is NO interschool sport this week or next week.

Next games will be played on Thursday, 6 October.

YEAR 4 SWIMMING will take place every day next week. Students are required to bring togs, towel, sunscreen and a sun smart shirt to all lessons. Students should wear their togs to school and will change out of their togs at school after they have returned from their swimming lesson.

Head Lice scratching for answers

Is it true that head lice only like clean hair?

No. Head lice are not selective. They don't care if hair is long, short, blonde, brown washed this morning or last week. As long as they are warm, and have blood to drink, then they are content.

Is there a way to prevent head lice?

No. It is important to check your child's head regularly with conditioner and comb even when you don't think your child has head lice. There is no research to prove that chemical or herbal therapies can prevent head lice.

MOBILE PHONES AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Kelso State School policy is that students who bring mobile phones to school must give it to the office for safekeeping on arrival at school. The phone will be returned to the student at the end of the school day. The school accepts no responsibility for the safety of a mobile phone left in a student's school bags. Students using their mobile phone during the school day will have their phone confiscated.

We strongly recommend that mobile phones and other electronic devices including iPods, MP3 Players, Video Cameras, gaming devices, etc are not brought to school unless for a specific reason related to a lesson.

It is an offence under the Telecommunications Act for inappropriate use of mobile phones, particularly those with a camera. This is further covered in the schools Responsible Behaviour Plan.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRAMATIC ART – NIDA Drama School are running short courses for all ages during these school holidays in Townsville.

Visit www.nida.edu.au for further information.