Week 8 – 19th March 2014

Sharing Our News

Gardens Looking Great!!!

Thank you so much to the people who were able to spare some of their time on Sunday to help with the working bee at school. You have made a big difference to the look of our school. We would like to thank the following: Rashmi, Karl and Amanda (and kids), Ros (and kids), The Upcroft family, Rachel, Cindy, Wendy, Tania (and kids) and The Stewart family. Thank you for caring for our school environment.

EWOKS Committee

Saturday Excitement

On Saturday our teaching staff gathered for a Staff Development Day. This was in lieu of the final day of the year Friday the 19/12. In the morning we finalised the milestones of the final year of our 3 year strategic plan. In the middle session we developed our own professional learning plans for the year and in the afternoon we updated our Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) training. This is always an interesting time as staff end up lying in various poses practising the recovery position and practising compressions on mannekins. (I wanted to take photos but they wouldn’t let me!)

We will train our administration and support staff in CPR later in Term 2.

I would like to thank both our staff and wider community for their commitment at the weekend.

Cath Larkman
**Canteen Roster**

| Week 9          | 24/3/14 | Tayla Stamp, Danielle Davy  
| 25/3/14 | Jackie See  
| 26/3/14 | Ros Kelley  
| 27/3/14 | Maxene Chesworth, Belinda Richards  
| 28/3/14 | Tayla Stamp, Cheryl Holz, Nicky Jones  

**Uniform Shop**

- 25/3/14 (Tues 2-3pm): Jackie/Sharee
- 27/3/14 (Thurs 9-10am): Belinda Richards

**Three Weeks left to pay for ‘Supercover’**

The first visiting performance this year will be on Friday, April 11th, and the option to pay ‘Supercover’ will only be available until this date. ‘Supercover’ is a one off payment of $20 which will cover the 4 visiting performances this year (including the Life education Van). This is a saving for families of $4 per child, and eliminates the need to pay each time the performances come around.

Our voluntary contribution remains at $35 for 2014. These payments can be made at the office.

**Excursions**

Parents/carers are welcome to begin paying off major excursions at the office.

The following is a list of major excursions students will be offered in 2014:

- **Kindergarten:** Hunter Valley Gardens/ Hunter Valley Zoo
- **Year 1 and Year 2:** Australian Reptile Park
- **Year 3 and Year 4:** Point Wolstoncroft (Cost $225)
- **Year 5 and Year 6:** Canberra (total cost $425-$50 deposit due 7th April)

**Movie Tickets Now Available**

Thank you to the families who supported the recent canteen fundraiser. Your movie tickets are now available from the canteen.

The Canteen Committee

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**Stage Assemblies**

- **Infants (Wednesday of even weeks at 2.30pm in the Hall):**
  - 19th Mar: 2F
  - 2nd Apr: 1/2T

- **Stage 2 (Wednesday of odd weeks at 2.20pm in the Hall):**
  - 26th Mar: S2M (Please note change)
  - 9th Apr: S2B

- **Stage 3 (Friday of even weeks at 12.00pm in the Hall):**
  - 21st Mar: S3G
  - 4th Apr: S3A

**Stage 2 Assembly Awards – Term 1 Week 7**

- **Merit Cards:**
  - S2B: Mikayla E, Jack R, Zeke S
  - S2I: Jackson M, Nell S
  - S2M: Rasharna S, Dylan P, Cally H
  - S2T: Leahni A, Declan S

- **K.S.P.S. – P.B.L.:**
  - S2B: Ella, Jade S
  - S2I: Laura C, James B
  - S2M: Imogen M, Lily S
  - S2T: Eliza P, Rochelle F

- **Sports Awards:**
  - S2B: Tyler C, Jacelyn M
  - S2I: William P, Darcie M
  - S2M: Dylan W, Raymond L
  - S2T: Joseph L, John W

- **STAR Card Award:** Sailor F, Tyler C, Chloe-Rose F, Ruby B

- **Environment Award:** Raymond L, Tyler C

**Easter Egg Raffle on Again!**

One of the highlights of Term 1 for KSPS students is always our Easter Hat Parade and Pedlars Parade. This exciting day will be on Thursday, 10th April.

The P&C will again be holding a monster Easter egg raffle. Members of the P&C will be in the COLA from 8.30am each morning to collect donations to contribute towards the 100+ prizes. The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday, 8th March, and tickets will be coming home with your children this week.

Every child who donates an Easter Egg will go in a special class draw.

We thank everyone for their support and donations.

KSPS P&C Committee
Parent Representatives Required for School Council

The KSPS School Council is a representative body that plays an essential role in the strategic planning, management and development of the school. This body consists of staff, parent and P&C representatives. Community members who do not have a direct involvement with the school are also invited to join. This brings together a diverse range of expertise and ideas which is extremely beneficial in supporting our school executive.

Due to maximum terms being served by current members, we are seeking parent representatives to join the School Council. If you are interested, please fill out the following form and return to the school office. Please note that to join the Council you do need to be nominated by another parent/carer. If we receive more nominations than the number of positions that are available, a vote amongst the parent body will be held.

Thank you for your support.

Bass Clarinet to make its Band Debut

Last year many of the staff and parents of King Street attended a very enjoyable Dinner Dance to raise funds to purchase a bass clarinet for our wonderful school band.

This beautiful instrument has arrived, and lucky Elena is the first person to have the opportunity for lessons. We look forward to hearing its contribution to the band at our first Gold Card assembly in a few weeks time.

Elena has the opportunity to learn to play an instrument that is almost as tall as she is!

Thank you For Donating Sandpit Toys

We would sincerely like to thank Mrs Kelley and Ms Gray for their kind donation of sandpit toys. They are certainly being well used and the students are very appreciative.

Our students are enjoying the new sandpit toys.

What can you sell at this year’s Pedlar’s Parade?

Following this year’s Easter Hat Parade our primary students will once again ‘sell their wares’ at the annual Pedlar’s Parade. The Parade will be held during recess, and the proceeds this year will support Stewart House and our World Vision Sponsor Child ‘Onsey’.

School Council Parent Representative Nomination Form

I,…………………………………………………………(print name)
nominate……………………………
for the position of parent representative on the KSPS School Council.
Signed:……………………………………
Date:……………………………………

I,…………………………………………………………(print name)
accept the nomination for School Council.
Signed:……………………………………
Date:……………………………………
**Exciting day at PSSA Trials**

On Friday King Street Public School was represented with teams at the netball and soccer PSSA zone trials. As always, our teams showed great skill and sportsmanship.

**Netball**

Our netball team travelled to Rose Point Park to compete in a round robin competition. The team played well all day, coming second overall. Congratulations to Karla R and Josie B who have been selected in the zone team to compete at the regional competition.

*Our netball team not only play well, but look great in their new uniforms.*

**Soccer**

Ewan K, Jackson S, Lleyton R, Cooper M, Tom S and Harrison W were the 6 students from our school who participated in the zone soccer trials on Friday. The boys played 2 mini games, and were all selected for the possible and probable match. Congratulations Ewan, Jackson, Lleyton, Cooper and Harry for being selected in the zone team. The boys will now compete in the regional competition.

**Great Cross Country Participation**

Well done to all our students for a competitive but fun cross country carnival last week. In beautiful weather we had some great results, and thank our students for their excellent participation. The results were as follows:

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Ashlee on her way to the finish line, and the senior girls lined up ready to start.
Great Sounds from KSPS Drum Corps

If you live close by King Street School you might be lucky enough at lunch times to hear the sounds of our drum group practicing. This is another great activity offered for the students of our school.

Mr Upcroft is working his students hard, so watch out for their first performance!

What does Australia mean to Stage 2?

This week in Stage 2 teachers have been treated to a wide range of very interesting projects. Students were set the task of presenting to their class a box containing 5 items that represent what Australia means to them. The boxes and contents came in all shapes and forms, and students have obviously put in a lot of thought and time. Well done!

Road Safety Information

For the safety of our children, we would like to remind motorists of the various RTA signs that surround our school. For your convenience we have included some information from the RTA website:

To further ensure the safety of our children, the P&C has erected signs on the Sussex Street fences to remind drivers of the drop off/pick up area. These signs indicate the areas where the zone starts and finishes.

If you are stopping in this zone you must remain within 3 metres of your car, and you may only stop for 2 minutes. This means you can pull up, get out and collect school bags from your boot or backseat, kiss your child then depart. We would appreciate it if all motorists could use this zone correctly, as it would maintain smooth traffic flow in Sussex Street, and help to keep our children safe.
Opportunity to Participate in UNSW Competition

All students in years 3-6 will have now brought home a note offering them the opportunity to participate in the University of NSW International Competitions and Assessments for Schools.

This note is also in this week’s newsletter. This is a great chance for students to experience and master the skills of external testing.

If you would like your child to participate, we encourage you to return the note and payment as soon as possible (payment is due 10th April), as there can be no late entries for this competition.

New Working with Children Check

If you are one of the many parents/carers who regularly volunteer at our school, please ensure you have filled out your Working With Children Check which is available at the school office.

We thank you for your time and support.

Important Information Regarding the School App

We are now regularly sending out reminders of school events and information through our school App. To receive these notifications, it is essential to turn on the ‘notification’ setting in your phone. This can generally be done by going into ‘settings’, and turning ‘on’ banners and alerts.

The App can be downloaded by searching ‘King Street Public School’ in your App store.

King Street is an Allergy Aware School

This is a reminder for all families that some of our students have serious reactions to products containing nuts and fish.

We ask families to carefully consider the danger that others could face if they touch or eat these products.

We ask that you please do not send foods or containers to school that contain nut or fish products.

King Street Values the Wellbeing of our Students

Please be aware that we have an immuno-suppressed student in our school.

If your child develops a contagious disease, please let the school know ASAP so we can act accordingly.

REMINDER At King Street School we have a policy endorsed by the WHS Committee (Work, Health, and Safety) that no animals are to be on school grounds.

The only exception would be if they are brought in for “Show & Tell” and taken home immediately after by parents. It has been noted that some parents are bringing dogs to school with them when dropping and collecting children. We would ask that these parents cease this practice for the safety of the children at our school.

Thank you
K Kermode
WHS Committee

Mr Kembers Homework Centre

Open Fridays at 8.30am. All Students and Parents are Welcome.

PERMISSION NOTES
NOW AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE.

EFTPOS
NOW AVAILABLE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE
Fresh Fruit & Vegetables
Mick & Chris’s Fruit & Vegetable Store open Fridays & Saturdays over the Railway Bridge on Glenridding Road.
Centenary of the Red Cross

Singleton Branch Members invite you to

Red Cross Calling Market Day

At the CWI Hall, Pitt St, Singleton

Gate Donation $5.00

On 28th March 10:00am - 4:00pm

Enjoy a fantasy of flowers and floral themed items on display

Light Refreshments $5.00

Market Stall - potted plants, pre-loved jewellery and books, crafty gifts, fresh cakes,

Demonstration of floral art by Kaylene from ‘Singleton Blooms & Blooms’ at 11:00am

Lots of raffles too.

Join us to help raise funds for Red Cross humanitarian work.

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Boxing 4 Fitness

Starr Performance Personal Fitness Training

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The class is a combination of boxing, functional and body weight exercises.

The class is open to all members of the community, including children and adults.

For bookings, please contact: 0401241286

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Holiday Fun

Singleton Strikers Football Clinic 2014

Monday to Wednesday 14th to 16th April, 2014.

Cost: $50.00 per child, $110.00 per family.

Includes: 3 hours of professional coaching, a sports shirt, a soccer ball, a cap, a water bottle, ice cream and a Belgium waffle.

For more information, please contact: 0401241286

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Harmony Day

29 March 2014

Singleton Public Library 9:30am - 11.30am

Storytellers in national costume

Music & crafts

International morning tea

In the park 11.30am - 2pm (near Gym & Swim)

Barbeque (gold coin donation)

Jumping castle

Games & activities

Performances by local musicians, dancers & singers

For more information contact: Wendell Peacock on 02 6774 7225

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www.kingstreet-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
UNIVERSITY OF NSW 2014
International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

Each year King Street Public School offers our students the opportunity to participate in the UNSW International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS).

Students from Year 3-6 have the opportunity to enter Computer Skills, English, Mathematics, Science and Spelling.

Regardless of students’ results, they get a wonderful opportunity to experience and master the skills of external testing. Sometimes students can have the knowledge but not the confidence when they are put into this sort of environment. As there is more external testing happening right across our educational system, it makes sense to offer them this opportunity if we can.

All students receive a certificate and an individual report.

Please return the attached form for each child to the school office with payment.

UNIVERSITY OF NSW 2014
International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

The papers we offer are Computer Skills, Science, Spelling, English and Mathematics.

Students may choose to do any combination of these tests if they wish.

Name ________________________________  Class ____________ Year ____________
(Use a separate form for each child)

My child wishes to do the following tests, Please circle.

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NB: (Spelling test is $11 as it is hand marked.)

Please note that entries and payment for all tests are due by Thursday 10th April 2014

NB: If you have more than one child a separate entry is needed for each child.
Mathematical Problem Solving by 1/2T

The answer is 10. What is the question?

5 + 5 = 10
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6 + 4 = 10
8 + 2 = 10
100 - 90 = 10
9 + 1 = 10
7 + 3 = 10
30 - 20 = 10
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2 + 2 + 6 = 10
3 + 5 + 1 = 10
4 + 5 + 1 = 10
200 - 100 - 90 = 10

Brandon, Baxter, Jack C, Jacob, Sophie, Katy, Tayeisha, Rylie, Tahlia, Ella, Alyssa, Bridie, Seth, Thomas, Jack F. Kane, Naite, Layla, Mathia, Billie, Charlie, Jessica, Julian, Laila
Recipe for a “Perfect World”

Ingredients:
Big looks after little.
Happiness.
World trade.
Friendship.
We give to less fortunate.
Respect.
Tolerance.
Fairness.
Peace.
Freedom of choice.

Method:
1. Get 5 cups of big looks after little.
2. Add 2 teaspoons of happiness.
3. Mix 6 teaspoons of world.
4. Put down 3 cups of love.
5. Give a sprinkle of friendship.
6. Add a handful of “we give to the less fortunate”.
7. Swirl 2 handfuls of respect.
8. Mix it all together until you get a warm fuzzy feeling.
9. Then pour in tolerance, fairness and peace.
10. Wait 5 minutes till you get freedom of choice.

By Maddison
Recipe For A ‘perfect world’

INGREDIENTS

- Peace
- No poverty
- Equality/balance
- No use of weapons
- Freedom of choice
- Love
- Family
- No evil/crime
- A mincer/meat-grinder
- Paper Mache
- Coloured paint

METHOD

1. Gather all ingredients and place in meat-grinder
2. Grind everything until mushy
3. Get your mould and fill with the ingredients you just mushed
4. Put in fridge until rock hard
5. Cover with paper Mache and wait until dry
6. Colour with paint so it looks like planet earth
   (add extra features if you want)
7. Display where can see and enjoy!  By Jude