



## From the Principal's Desk...

A big thank you to Ben Edwards and his team for constructing a cement path for us last Friday and Saturday. I would like to also thank every person who came along to help. We have so many parents, students and past students assist in making the job so much easier...and who can forget the wonderful lunch provided by the P&C!!! Thanks to the P&C for their financial support in making this initiative possible. What a wonderful, supportive community we have here at our school!

Students are busy preparing for their talent quest and Term 3 assembly which will be held on Thursday 22nd September. The P&C have offered to cook a BBQ lunch on the day as their last fundraiser for the term. I would like to invite everyone to come along and be a part of our day from 12.00 noon.

This Friday we will travel to Uralla for our Rugby Day. Students need to be at school by 9.30am to catch the bus. Wet weather is forecast for Friday. If the day is cancelled, a notice will be out in FM 100.3 at around 7.30am. I will try to send a text message to all families as well.

Guitar, keyboard and piano lessons will end for this term next week. Could you please finalise payments with Eric and Helen as soon as possible. Thanks for your help.

Finally, our School Education Director, Phil Jones will be bringing Mr Brian Smyth King, Director, Disability Programmes, and Mrs Robyn Bale, Director, Early Childhood and Interagency Programs (both from Sydney) to visit our school. They are coming to observe our welfare programmes and also look at how a small school operates. We are really lucky to be chosen to host these visitors from Sydney.

**Have a great week!**  
**Brad Hunt**

## Award Winners for Last Week

Joel Croft—Fantastic effort in Maths  
Tom Robertson—Trying his best when Reading  
Vanessa Simpson—Being a good listener

Rex McGrath—Excellent effort in Art  
Mitchell Cartwright—Excellent effort in all areas  
Kevin Rothschild—Fantastic effort in PE/Sport

## Students of the Week

**Madeleine Scott  
and  
Nat Edmonds**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### SEPTEMBER

- Friday 9th:** Rugby Skills Day at Uralla  
No weekly assembly this week
- Tuesday 13th:** NSW DET visitors from Sydney
- Wednesday 14th:** New Scheme Teacher Workshop  
@ Kelly's Plains School (P&C Catering)
- Thursday 15th:** Spelling Bee (Glen Innes)
- Friday 16th:** CWA Presentation  
3rd Year UNE prac finishes
- Thursday 22nd:** Talent Quest, P&C BBQ lunch and  
Term 3 Assembly. (12.00 noon)
- Friday 23rd:** "Footy Colours" out of uniform  
fundraiser  
Last day of Term 3.

### OCTOBER

- Monday 10th:** First day of Term 4 ~ Students return  
(No school development day)

**Friday Lunch Orders**  
Orders this week are from  
Lynches Road Store. 



Our P & C has been asked once again cater for a Teacher's Accreditation Day, this coming Wednesday 14th September. There will be up to 30 people at our school for morning tea and lunch. This will be another easy fundraiser for our P & C.

We will do platters of freshly made sandwiches and fruit platters for lunch, and the usual famous KPS Baking for morning tea.

I was wondering if people could help in the following ways:

1. Donating food items for the sandwiches; or
2. Baking for morning tea; or
3. Assembling sandwiches on the morning of the lunch.

If you are able to help in any of these ways, it would be fabulous...it keeps our costs down and profits up! Let me know if you have a preference from the list above.

Thanks for your help...

Rachael Smith



# You Can Do It!

All students are still continuing to focus on the 'Getting Along' Key. This week we looked at how our thoughts can attribute to either making us angry or alleviate our anger. We discussed the positive habit of the mind that can help us to do this and as always the negative habit of the mind. It is important to know that it is not wrong to have negative thoughts, but it is important to teach them to change them to positive thoughts. This HOM (Habit of the mind) is " Being Tolerant of Others". In Lower division we played a board game and recorded each persons thoughts both positive and negative, reiterating that it is important to accept others as they are, even though they might not like their behaviour or response.

In Upper Division this week we looked at the same Habit of the mind and focused in on learning to demonstrate conflict reducing behaviour. We took it one step further and looked at how results during conflict can differ when we act without thinking, or act with thinking. This led us onto a great discussion about anger and how different things make different people angry, thus helping us to learn a great deal about our classmates and I believe in turn this will make us more tolerant of each other.

Vanessa Harwood



## Kelly's Plains Parents and Citizens Association

Thank you to the P&C for providing our students with the new cement path between the Upper Division classroom & the new room. We really appreciate the fact that everyone took time out of their busy schedules to help. Ben Edwards in particular, deserves a special mention as he spent much of his weekend and early Monday morning at the school pouring concrete and making sure it was in working order before the students arrived.

Thank you also to those who donated goods/food and those who manned the P&C lunch day. The P&C lunch days are proving to be a great success with the children and staff. It is a really fantastic fundraising activity as each event has raised over \$200 for the school – keep up the good work.

Next week our school is hosting a workshop for new scheme teachers. Once again the P&C are catering for morning tea and lunch. Rachel Law Smith has kindly offered to organise the sandwiches/refreshments and would greatly appreciate donations of bread, butter, baked goods etc to make sure the day is a success.

Next week, Phil Jones (our School Education Director) will be bring Mr Brian Smyth King, Director, Disability Programs, and Mrs Robyn Bale, Director, Early Childhood and Interagency Programs (both from Sydney) to visit our school. It's always good to show teachers and principals from other schools what we have at Kelly's Plains.

Our talent quest will be held on Thursday of the last week of term from 12 noon. The P&C will provide a BBQ lunch for everyone on the day. After lunch we will have our term 3 assembly.

At the end of next term there will be an overnight excursion for the year. The idea is for students to sleep in tents in the playground, the teachers can set up a camp fire etc... If it is wet we can sleep inside. If some parents feel that their children are too young to stay overnight there is the option of attending the dinner and activities and then heading home at approximately 8pm. Brad will send home information about this early next term.

Steve MacMillan from 2AD rang the school on Monday 5th September and asked if the school would like to run the Coles opening day fundraiser BBQ from 7am-10.00am on Wednesday. Coles have donated all food and beverages. This is a great opportunity to raise money for the school so thank you to those parents who have given up their morning to man the barbeque.

Kelly's Plains received a lovely card from the Brown family thanking us for all the support given to Luke and their family during Luke's cancer treatment. Luke is now in remission and back at school.

We now have enough money from selling vegetables/herbs etc from the school vegie patch to purchase some more seedlings. We discussed that purchasing and planting should take place early next term. Georgie Scott (P&C Secretary)