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Term 2, Week 3—Wednesday 15 May 2013



From the Principal's Desk...

I am very proud of the Year 3 and 5 students who are busily completing NAPLAN tests this week. Tuesday was the Language Conventions and Writing tests and today they have completed the Reading sections.

Thursday is the Numeracy component and also the final day of the National testing. Due to a number of students being unwell on some of the test days at Kelly's Plains, we will have to utilise Friday as the designated catch-up day to complete their tests.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Mother's Day stall and the P&C lunch last Friday afternoon. The P&C raised about \$400.00 for the school. I am sure there were plenty of Mothers who woke up on Sunday morning to a wonderful surprise.

This Thursday May 16, due to popular demand we will be holding our first **Kelly's Plains Disco** for the year. It will be a whole school disco held at Dangarsleigh Hall from 6.30pm until 8pm. Cost is \$4 per child or a maximum of \$8 per family that will include a drink, chips and a glow stick. There will be plenty of dancing, games and prizes to be won.

This Friday we will hold our annual **School Athletics Day**. Students can come dressed in their Sport Team Colours. The Powerful Pythons colours are yellow, green and black. The Venomous Vipers team colours are pink and blue. Parent helpers are welcome to assist in organising races and activities on the day. The teachers will be organising lunches for those who wish to purchase a pie, sausage roll or spinach and fetta roll. Please return your child's intention to purchase lunch before Thursday so we can get our order to Moxon's Bakery. Students are to bring their money on the day. Any money raised from the lunches on Friday will go toward purchasing a protective case for our new Lower Division iPad and the purchase of more iPads for our whole school.

Following the Athletics Carnival, we will hold a **Working Bee**. This will enable us to finish moving the new sand, top up the vegetable gardens with manure and soil and to plant new plants along our walkways and in our gardens. If you can send along a shovel, wheelbarrow or any other

If you would like to contribute to the ongoing beautification of our wonderful school, you can purchase a plant or two. The staff from **Cedar Nursery and Design** have very kindly compiled a list of plants that would be suitable to be planted in a variety of places around the school. Please see the Information provided later in the newsletter.

School contributions are now due. Payments are set at \$40 per student or a maximum of \$70 per family. These contributions enable us to purchase up to date resources and continue to support additional initiatives for our students at school. Thank you to the families that have already paid these contributions.

STUDENT AWARDS

Kai Hyland	Careful thinking in Maths
Tom Robertson	Pleasing improvement in handwriting
Josiah George	Lovely neat writing and great all round effort
Jesse Gardiner	Great work in Soundwaves
Layla Weber	Thinking hard in Maths
Georgia White	Great story writing
Lucy Neary	Giving 100% to all her work
Riley Poulter	Improved concentration in class
Nicholas Weier	Concentrating well in class
Millie Edwards	Working hard in all KLAS
Ryan Hendrickse	Great work in writing tasks
Nat Edmonds	Being a focused worker



Oliver Weier
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Relief Teachers: Mrs Emma Schaeffer



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY

- Thursday 16:** NAPLAN
School Disco 6.30-8.00pm
- Friday 17:** KPPS Athletics Carnival
Working Bee
- Tuesday 21:** ICAS Computer Skills
- Wednesday 22:** ACOS meeting—Mr Cotter replaced by Mrs Schaeffer
- Thursday 23:** Public Education Day
- Friday 24:** ARCO training—Mrs Piddington replaced by Mrs Schaeffer
- Monday 27:** PDHPE training—Mr Cotter and Mrs Piddington replaced by Mrs Schaeffer and Mrs Weier
- Tuesday 28:** PDHPE training—Mr Cotter and Mrs Piddington replaced by Mrs Schaeffer and Mr Porter



Winter Uniform Order

Kris Jones will be placing an order for uniforms shortly. If you want to order uniforms, please speak to Kris. The LW Reid catalogue is on the table in the foyer of the Office. Or you can look online at www.lwreid.com.au

Shane Pickett (P&C President) is requesting parents to email her on shanemiaseb@bigpond.com

Shane is putting together a distribution list of parent emails to be able to send out P&C minutes and information. Also, if you are on *facebook*, let her know this in your email.



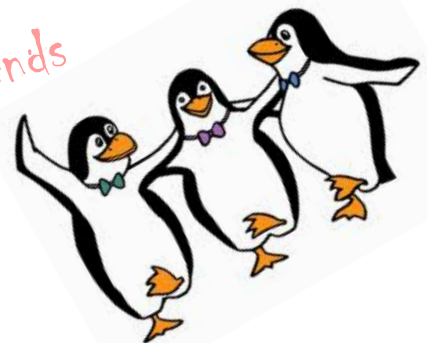
The P&C are putting together a Facebook Event to help promote the sesquicentenary (150th) that will be held on October 25, 2013.



fun

music

friends



dancing

SCHOOL DISCO
Thursday May 16
6.30—8.00pm
Dangarsleigh Hall
\$4.00 each student
Max \$8.00 per family



laughter



games



Cedar

Wholesale Nursery and Design

Cedar Nursery + Design
557 Rockvale Rd
Armidale NSW 2350

Cedar Wholesale Nursery and Design will be donating a number of advanced Liriope plants to our school and the school will purchase some also. If parents would like to donate one or two plants to the school, we are also looking to purchase Abelia, Pittosporum and Erysimum Bowles. This beautification of our grounds is in preparation for our 150th celebrations later this year. These plants will be enjoyed by past, current and future students of our school.



Abelia	\$8.75 less 25% discount
Pittosporum	\$12.75 less 25% discount
Erysimum Bowles	\$14.75 less 25% discount

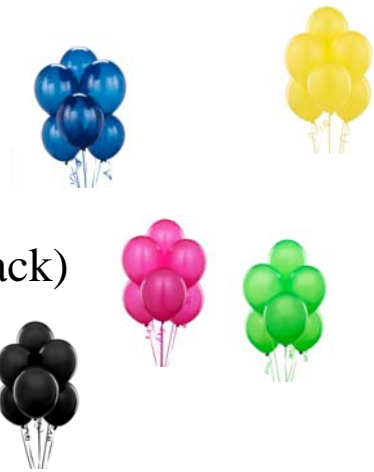
So, if you are out and about this weekend. Why not drop into Cedar Wholesale Nursery and gets some plants for the school and a couple for yourself.

Kelly's Plains Public School Athletics Day 2013

Dress up in Team Colours

Powerful Pythons (yellow, green & black)

Venomous Vipers (pink & blue)



Friday May 17

Working Bee

We would appreciate any parent assistance. Bring along a shovel, wheelbarrow or any other useful tools.



Reminder to return order slip for

Pies \$3.50

Sausage Roll \$2.50

Spinach & Feta Roll \$3.00

Poppers \$1.00

to school by tomorrow.

