



# "THE PLAINS EXPRESS"

*Celebrating 150 Years of Quality Education*

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Term 2, Week 4—Wednesday 22 May 2013



## From the Principal's Desk...

Thank you to all the parents who assisted last Friday with both the Athletics Carnival and the Working Bee. Friday was very cold and windy and it took very brave students, teachers and parents to be out in that weather. Thank you also to the dedicated people who heated our pies and sausage rolls ready for a warm lunch. Look for a full list of Athletics Champions later in the newsletter.

Have you noticed how good our gardens are looking at the front of the school? All the sand is in the sandpit, we have planted new plants along the entrance walkway and up towards the Lower Division classroom. We are also putting in some screening plants around the demountable buildings. **Cedar Nursery and Design** has donated 60 plants to assist us in our beautification projects. Remember, you can make a donation by visiting Cedar Nursery and telling them you would like to purchase plants for Kelly's Plains. Thank you to the parents who have already done this, your support is appreciated

Last Thursday night we had our first disco for the year. The students enjoyed the night and were extremely well behaved. Thank you to the teachers who gave up their time to supervise and thank you to the parents for dropping off and picking up the students from Dangarsleigh Hall. Due to the positive feedback from students and parents we will definitely have another disco in the near future.

**Absences** - if your child is absent from school it would be appreciated if you could phone the school on the day. If this is not possible you must provide a note explaining the absence upon their return to school. If you are planning a family holiday or need to be away for a family reason you can apply for and be granted an exemption from school. You will be provided with a document that should be carried with you and can be produced if requested by an Education Department Official or a Police Officer. Remember that regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential.

Please remember 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.

**Uniform** – with the cold mornings, students still need to come to school dressed in full school uniform each day. Every afternoon Mrs Piddington and I have collected numerous school jumpers (many of them without names). These are being placed in a box in the Upper Division Storeroom. Please assist your child in locating their belongings and naming them. Remember that students can purchase beanies and warm jackets through the office in preparation for the cold and windy winter days ahead.

Assembly will be held this Friday at 3pm.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY MAY

- Thursday 23:** Public Education Day  
**Friday 24:** ARCO training—Mrs Piddington replaced by Mrs Schaeffer  
Assembly 3.00pm  
**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



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



## 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

## Direct Deposit into KPPS Bank Account

Some parents have asked about the possibility of depositing funds into the school bank account to pay for excursions, book packs etc. This can be done in person at the Westpac Bank or through your own internet banking facilities. **You MUST put your family name and a brief description of the activity being paid for e.g. Jones - Life Ed.**

**Bank:** Westpac Bank  
**Account Name:** Kellys Plains public School 2273 Administration Account  
**BSB** 032-001  
**Account no.:** 142170



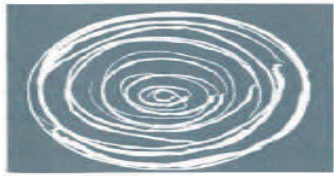
### Lower Division

Please remember to bring in your reader each day to change it.



### 150th Celebration Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday  
29 May 2013  
**Time:** 6.00pm  
**Place:** School



# Cedar

## Wholesale Nursery and Design

Cedar Nursery + Design  
557 Rockvale Rd  
Armidale NSW 2350

If parents would like to donate one or two plants to the school they can go to Cedar Nursery and let them know you would like to buy plants for the school. They have a list of plants that we are currently using to beautify our grounds 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

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## 2013 Age Champions



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