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Term 4 Week 2 - 22 October 2020

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From the Principal's Desk

Term 4

Welcome everyone to Term 4 and the new and exciting learning and activities that await. In line with our wellbeing policy we have attached an updated version of our school rules. We can't wait for you to all to be able to join us in this learning but our rules remain the same with parents unable to be on school grounds unless a prearranged meeting with the principal or teacher in regards to student wellbeing and learning. The activities allowed continue to be the same with canteen, uniforms and banking able to continue as in Term 3.

Kindergarten Orientation

We can't wait to welcome all of our new Kindergarten Class of 2021. Thank you to everyone for your patience regarding our Kindergarten Orientation as you may know there are a few things I had to clear up around how this can be run. Kindergarten Orientation will run for two weeks on Monday 2nd and Monday 9th November. These sessions will be from normal start of school at 8:30am until 11:30am. Due to restrictions parents and carers of our new kindergarten students must only be on school grounds for no longer than 10 minutes. We also need to avoid queuing during these visits. Students will be introduced to our wonderful cohort of children and to the routines at Kelly's Plains Public School. It would be great if children could wear school uniform on these days. We have some second hand uniforms available for a gold coin donation if you would like to ring the school or one of our amazing parents to organise a time to fit and pick these up. To support this transition we will have Mrs Bourke, Sally and Catherine in class for all learning on these days. If you have any queries could you please contact the school.

Sophie Masson

Last Thursday 15th October we welcomed Sophie Masson to Kelly's Plains to share her experiences and ideas to support writing. Sophie shared many stories of her path to becoming a writer through moving to Australia and all the way to Armidale. She shared a book she has written all about our very own Autumn festival held in Armidale. The enjoyment for all students was shown in the many and varied questions for Sophie around becoming and Author and her wider experiences. Thank you Sophie.



Sophie Masson

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Welcome to Indigo and Sienna to our Upper Division Classroom. It has been wonderful to see you settle into our school with such ease and forming friendships within

the playground to accompany your learning. Welcome to Kelly's Plains Amber and Paul and your family.

Birds in Schools – This Term we are very lucky to welcome Matt McKenzie from Thalgarrah to our school each week. Matt has chosen Kelly's Plains to share his expertise with our students in a Birds in Schools program. This program runs for one hour each week and is a fantastic opportunity for our students.

This term in week 4 we will be welcoming Nicholas Smith to Kelly's Plains Public School. Nicholas is completing a 4 week Practicum for his Masters of Education. Nicholas will working in the 2-5 classroom.



Library – This Term we will doing library on Fridays in the Upper Division again if students could please bring their books on this to borrow some new stories.



