

# Kippa-Ring State School Newsletter

Term 1, Week 5: 24 February 2016



## STUDENT ABSENCE LINE

Ph: 3897 5360



***Smart start:***

***"I'm on time, every day.***

***I arrive by 8.30am!"***

## SCHOOL FOCUS:

Week 5 & 6

### SET AND ACHIEVE GOALS - ACADEMIC

*What do I need to learn?*

*What is the next piece of  
learning to improve reading  
/ comprehension?*

***Celebrate success.***

## ADMINISTRATION TEAM

**Alan Brooks**

Principal

**Rebecca Campbell**

Deputy Principal

**Lynne Ryan**

Business Services Manager

## Principal and Deputy Principal News *by Alan Brooks & Rebecca Campbell*

At Kippa-Ring State School, our 2016 explicit School Improvement Agenda is...

1. **Successful learners**
2. **Engaging learning environment**
3. **Responsible behaviour**
4. **Excellent attendance.**

Dear Parents/Carers, Students and Members of the Kippa-Ring State School Community,

### SMART START – LESSON #2

Question: What do I need to make a successful start to my school day?

Answer: **ORGANIZATION... What does it look like?**

- Leaving home with all materials needed for school. This includes nutritious food, hat and water bottle.
- Being on time and focused on important instructions and class procedures.
- Having all my supplies ready at a neat desk.
- Getting started on class work straight away.

😊 **Being organized is a habit for life.**

😊 Let's all work together to ensure all students have a **smart start**, every day!

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photo Day for 2016 is fast approaching... **TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MARCH**. This is a very big day and we look forward to all students being on time and very well presented. Order forms and information were sent home in Week 2. Please see the Office if you have not received this important information, so you can decide your photo order preference. The school does not handle money. The process is explained in the school photo envelope / order form. Please note the clear timelines for orders.

### SPORTING REPRESENTATIVES

Throughout the year, students (aged 10 years and older), have a wide variety of opportunities to represent the school in sporting trials. We belong to the Redcliffe District and pay an affiliation fee to support trials and management of school sport. Students need to be of a high standard to participate in the Trials.

Mrs Streten, our Health and Physical Education teacher, promotes participation in **District Trials**. The latest opportunity has been swimming. Congratulations to **Mackenzie Glen**, Year 5, who achieved some personal best times at the recent carnival. Congratulations also to **Adam Tullett**, Year 6, who has been selected in the **Redcliffe District AFL** team.

The next Trials are...

**Sport:** 10 - 12 years Boys' football (soccer)  
**When:** Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February  
**Where:** Grace Lutheran College, Mewes Rd, Rothwell.  
**Time:** 3:30pm-5:00pm.

**Application forms for Trials are available from Mrs Streten. Extra copies are posted on the Hall notice board.**

## ATTENDANCE

Student attendance is recorded every school, with rolls marked both morning and afternoon. **Students need to be at school by 8.30am**, for an 8.35am start.

It is essential to reduce late arrivals from a few families. Attendance patterns for individuals and families are noted. Poor attendance, including late arrivals and early departures, reduces the opportunities for successful school life. There is a strong relationship between poor attendance habits and poor learning and social outcomes. Every student deserves the best outcomes from school time; excellent attendance is essential.

**Categorising attendance rates:** *The Table below presents the standard range of attendance rates used for describing student attendance.*

Student - My attendance rate	School days <u>missed</u> per year	Student - My Learning Zone
😊 99% – 100%	😊 0 – 2	😊 Excellent!
😊 95% – <99%	😊 3 – 10	😊 Good!
😞 90% – <95%	😞 11 – 20 !!	😞 Needs improvement!
😞 85% – <90%	😞 21 – 30 !!	😞 Well below standard!
😞 Less than 85%	😞 More than 30 !!	😞 Critical!

## YEAR 6 GRADUATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 6 Graduation Committee meeting will be held in the **Resource Centre** on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February**, commencing @ **3.00pm**. Topics for discussion include... 1). Venue choices for graduation 2). Organization of Sausage Sizzle / Roster for the Regional Council Elections – Saturday 19 March. Come along and have your say – Parents as partners in education.

If you are aware of potential sponsors / supporters, please bring the details along to the meeting. A range of fund raising activities will be held throughout the year, to help fund... year book, venue hire, water park excursion etc. Activities are planned in association with the school's P&C and Student Council, to ensure appropriate co-ordination.

### “YOU CAN DO IT!” PROGRAM

“*You Can Do It!*” is a highly respected program that identifies and supports the social and emotional capabilities that all young people need to acquire in order to be **successful in school**, experience **wellbeing**, and have **positive relationships**.

This year, we are introducing the “*You Can Do It!*” program throughout our school. Ms Powell and Mr Brooks will be undertaking facilitator training. The face to face training is delivered by Professor Michael Bernard, the author of the program.

### The Twelve positive Habits of the Mind... with examples in action!

- 1) **Confidence** means knowing that you will likely be successful at many things. It means not being afraid to make mistakes or to try something new.
- 2) **Accepting Myself**. Not thinking badly about yourself when you make a mistake.
- 3) **Taking Risks**. Thinking that it's good to try something new even though you might not be able to do it.
- 4) **Being Independent**. Thinking that it's important to try new activities and to speak up even if classmates think you're silly or stupid.
- 5) **Persistence** means trying hard and not giving up when schoolwork feels like it's too difficult or boring.
- 6) **I Can Do It**. Thinking that you are more likely to be successful than you are to fail.
- 7) **Giving Effort**. Thinking that the harder you try, the more successful you will be.
- 8) **Working Tough**. Thinking that in order to be successful in the future, you sometimes have to do things that are not easy or fun in the present.
- 9) **Organization** means setting a goal to do your best in your school work, planning your time so that you are not rushed, having all your supplies ready, and keeping track of your assignments' due dates.
- 10) **Setting Goals**. Thinking that setting a goal can help you be more successful at a task.
- 11) **Planning My Time**. Thinking about how long it will take you to do schoolwork and planning enough time to get it done.
- 12) **Getting Along** means working well with teachers and classmates, solving problems without getting too angry, and following the rules of the classroom.

### The Five Foundations they support...

1. **Being Tolerant of Others**. Not making overall judgments of people's character based on their differences or behaviour.
2. **Thinking First**. Thinking that when someone treats you badly, you need to think about different ways you can react and the impact of your actions on the other person's feelings.
3. **Playing by the Rules**. Thinking that by following important school and home rules, you will live in a better world where everyone's rights are protected.
4. **Social Responsibility**. Thinking that it is important to be caring, honest, and respectful, a good citizen, and to help build a world with fairness and justice for all.
5. **Emotional Resilience** means knowing how to stop yourself from getting extremely angry, down, or worried when something “bad” happens. It means being able to calm down and control your behaviour. Emotional resilience skills include: *Finding someone to talk to; Finding something fun to do; Relaxation; Changing negative to positive Habits of the Mind.*

## POLLING BOOTH – VOTE AT KIPPA-RING STATE SCHOOL

On **Saturday 19 March**, our School Hall (Korsch Street entry), will be open as a polling booth. Voting will include Council elections and the state government referendum.

Year 6 parents and students will run a **Sausage Sizzle** during the morning. This fund-raiser will be the initial activity in support of Year 6 Graduation activities. A roster will be distributed to Year 6 families; please help when you can.

*Best wishes, Alan Brooks – Principal & Rebecca Campbell – Deputy Principal*

## CLASS AWARDS

Being a member of a team is an important skill. The word “TEAM” can be extended to emphasize... “Together Everyone Achieves More!” To promote cohesiveness, unity and social responsibility across classes, we have class awards at Assembly. Congratulations!

Class of the Week Awards	LOTE Chinese	Health & Physical Education	Performing Arts	Tidy Classroom
Week 4	6R	1P	-	5E
Week 5	6MD	PREP T	3T; 5L	2M

## School Policy *Organization / Reminders*

### MOBILE PHONES / ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students with **mobile phones** must ensure their security. They are for emergency use only and are not to be used as toys, to be shared or to take images. They must be signed in every morning. Students who do not follow these procedures lose the option of bringing them to school. There is no reason to bring other **electronic devices** to school. They are for home use, not a distraction at school.



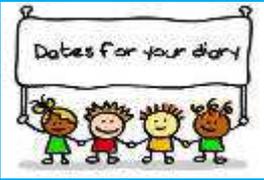
Parents are also advised to carefully monitor their children’s use of **home internet**, both from a personal security point of view and ensuring only appropriate, legal forms of communication are engaged in.

### PARENT - TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Our valuable Parent – Teacher interviews will be scheduled for the end of this term. Please use this opportunity to meet and discuss your child’s **Term 1 progress** and **goals** for Term 2.

This sharing of information covers 1. Academic results 2. Effort 3. Attendance 4. Behaviour, and the needs and interests of individual students. This 2-way conversation builds strong, positive relationships.

We know that **parents + teachers as partners** support successful learners. We look forward to building on the progress to date, with a strong commitment to further developing our *School Improvement Agenda* in Term 2.

 <h1>CALENDAR OF EVENTS</h1> <p><i>“Striving... Learning... Achieving Together”</i></p>		
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Thursday 25 February</b> <b>Friday 26 February</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Permission notes for Interschool sport are due</li><li>• Year 6 Graduation committee Meeting – 3.00pm – Resource Centre</li><li>• Interschool Sport commences</li><li>• 8.45am – 10.15am: Playgroup (Performing Arts room)</li></ul>
<b>Week 6</b>	<b>Monday 29 February</b> <b>Wednesday 2 March</b> <b>Thursday 3 March</b> <b>Friday 4 March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2.15pm Assembly: School Hall</li><li>• First payment for Interschool Sport due now!</li><li>• Instrumental Music “Beginner Workshop” @ Hercules Road SS</li><li>• Day 2 - Instrumental Music “Beginner Workshop” @ Hercules Road SS</li><li>• Interschool Sport</li><li>• 8.45am – 10.15am: Playgroup</li></ul>

<b>Week 7</b>	<b>Monday 7 March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clean Up Australia – Student Council activity</li> <li>• 2.15pm Assembly: School Hall</li> <li>• School Photo Day</li> <li>• Share for a Cure – Crazy Hair day – Gold coin donation: Student Council activity</li> <li>• Interschool Sport</li> <li>• 8.45am – 10.15am: Playgroup</li> </ul>
	<b>Tuesday 8 March</b>	
	<b>Thursday 10 March</b>	
	<b>Friday 11 March</b>	
<b>Week 8</b>	<b>Monday 14 March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2.15pm Assembly: School Hall</li> <li>• Anti-Bullying day: wear orange, Sausage Sizzle and drinks. Funds raised support Student Council activities</li> <li>• Extreme Science Van – Year 4</li> <li>• Interschool Sport</li> <li>• 8.45am – 10.15am: Playgroup</li> <li>• Local Government Election day – Year 6 Graduation Committee sausage sizzle</li> </ul>
	<b>Wednesday 16 March</b>	
	<b>Friday 18 March</b>	
	<b>Saturday 19 March</b>	
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>Monday 21 March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2.15pm Assembly: School Hall</li> <li>• Extreme Science Van – Year 5</li> <li>• Last day of Term 1</li> </ul>
	<b>Thursday 24 March</b>	
<b>Term 2, 2016</b>		
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Monday 11 April</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Day 1, Term 2</li> <li>• 2.15pm Assembly: School Hall</li> <li>• Interschool Sport</li> </ul>
	<b>Friday 15 April</b>	

## From the Office / School Procedures

- **PAYMENTS** are receipted on **Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday** from **8.30am - 10.00am**.

Payments can be made at the Office via Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS, or by Direct Debit into the School account and now by BPoint.

- **Kippa-Ring State School**
- **BSB 064-166**
- **Account 00090032**
- If using the Direct Debit option, please remember to use your **student's name** or **EQ ID** as a reference.
- When using the **BPoint** option, please note that **only one invoice can be paid at one time**. For example, Interschool sport & Life Ed cannot be paid in one transaction. **Each invoiced amount must be paid separately.**
- **STUDENT BANKING** Day is **Tuesday**. If you would like to receive application forms to set up an account, please ask at the Office. Please make sure your child's Deposit Books are handed in to the Office **before school** (by 8.50am).
- **CONTACT DETAILS** – Please notify the Office immediately once your contact details, or those of your child's emergency contacts change. It is important that we have updated information on your child as soon as it happens, in case of sickness or an emergency. "Change of Details" forms are available at the Office.
- **MEDICATION** – Due to changes through Education Queensland, **all medication** including Panadol, Nurofen etc, must be prescribed by a doctor and have a chemist label stating the child's name and dosage, before it can be administered at school.

For children requiring Asthma, Anaphylaxis or Diabetes medication, an Action Plan must also be supplied. Please notify the Office or the First Aid room ASAP if there are any changes to your child's health/medical conditions.

- **ABSENCES** – Please be aware that the Text Messaging service used to notify the school of your child's absence is currently unavailable. We apologise for any inconvenience and are endeavouring to have the service up and running in the near future.

☺ Please continue to call the Kippa-Ring State School Absence Line on **3897 5360** to report your child's absence.

## Parents & Citizens Association News

The **Annual General Meeting** (2016) of the Kippa-Ring State School Parents and Citizens Association was held on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February**, from **5.30pm** in the Resource Centre. At the meeting, a Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer were elected. We are still seeking nominations for the position of **President** (2016).

The P&C has valuable roles in discussing school policies and procedures, encouraging social and fund-raising activities, managing sub committees, and a range of practical decision making opportunities. We would love to see you involved, either at meetings or as a valued volunteer.

Membership forms are available from the office foyer. These can be completed in advance of the next meeting and are tabled as part of the agenda.

- ❖ The next General Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday 15 March**, from 5.30pm.
- ❖ An important decision will be: **“What is the best day / time for P&C meetings, to maximize participation?”**

☺ **P & C Facebook Group** – Don’t forget to become a member of our Kippa-Ring State School P & C Facebook group. You will find out here first about all the great stuff happening at the school and with the P & C. Stay up to date, sell second hand uniforms and connect with other parents, staff and community members of our school.

☺ **P & C FUNDRAISER ~ Pie and Bake Drive**

Our first fundraising activity for 2016 is a **“Pie & Bake Drive”**. This is your chance to order some delicious pies and baked goods to enjoy over the Easter Break.

An order form has been sent home to the youngest in the family with this week’s newsletter, and will also be available on the school website.

Your orders must be submitted with your payment (cash preferred), either to the Tuckshop or Uniform shop, by the due date. **NO LATE** orders can be taken after this date. Extra order forms will be available from the Office, Uniform Shop or Tuckshop for outside orders.



**TUCKSHOP NEWS from Carmel Bennett - Tuckshop Convenor**

- 📌 Tuckshop is open on **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday**, from 8.25am to 1.50pm.
- 📌 Please remember to have your orders placed by 9.00am to ensure your child’s food has plenty of time to be prepared.
- 📌 Due to new changes and updates to the “Smart Choices Program,” and in accordance with the National Healthy School Canteen Guidelines, there will be some big changes to the Tuckshop menu. These changes will take affect at the beginning of Term 2. Please keep an eye out for the new menus.
- 📌 You can purchase a bundle of 20 “tuckshop” bags for \$2.00
- 📌 **Home baking** this week is :- Banana muffins & chocolate slice @ \$1 per slice
- 📌 **Slushie flavours** this week are: Blackcurrant & Pineapple

TUCKSHOP ROSTER	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Nicole
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wai
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Pauline
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nicole
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Wai
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Rachelle

**UNIFORM SHOP NEWS from Carmel Bennett - Uniform Shop Convenor**

- 📌 Opening times are **Monday and Tuesday** mornings, from **8.30 to 10.30am**.
- 📌 **Please note:** We are still waiting on our delivery of headphones, chair bags and library bags. For those who ordered through the booklist, these items will be delivered to your child’s classroom once we have received them.
- 📌 Size 6 shorts have finally arrived, but we are still waiting on the size 4 shorts to be delivered.
- 📌 New style jumpers have arrived for winter, so we are selling our school jackets at a discounted price to make room for the new stock. Jackets are now \$20.00.

**Uniform Price list**

- ❖ **Polo Shirts** \$35.00
- ❖ **Shorts** \$20.00
- ❖ **Bucket Hats** \$15.00
- ❖ **School Jackets (old stock)** \$20.00

Every student must **bring and wear their school hat** every day. This sun smart, responsible behaviour supports a good habit. It is essential that students have their hat on ready to go at the start of their **HPE (Phys Ed) lesson** every week.

📌 **BREAKING NEWS!!!** You can now order Uniforms and Textbooks online! We now have the ability for parents to place online orders. You need to use a valid credit or debit card for your order to be processed.

📌 Orders will be sent home with your child on the day we receive your order (or the day after in busy periods) and you will be emailed a receipt. Please visit: <http://bit.ly/24m4get> to place your online orders for the Uniform shop.

## School Photos

Kippa-Ring State School photos will be taken on **Tuesday 8 March**. For the convenience of our school community, **Advancedlife** have introduced on-line ordering. School photos can now be ordered and paid for using a secure on-line Web Portal. **Please note: Photos can still be purchased using the envelope.** To place your order visit [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) and enter the code: **N6N GYN 8HE** (A full set of instructions can be found on the pack of the order flyer.) The order code can also be found printed on the envelopes supplied by Advancedlife. All online orders must be placed on, or before, the 7<sup>th</sup> of March. Once orders are closed, a LATE FEE will apply.

Sibling/Family envelopes are available from the office. These can be ordered online or via the envelope. To ensure a smoothly run photography day, **on-line orders for Sibling/Family photos will be cut off at midnight, the day before (7 March)** the photos to allow a list of students the require Sibling/Family photographs taken to be compiled. Sibling photos can still be ordered via the envelope up until the day of the photos.

## In the Classroom

### CLASS 2M ACTIVITIES

Did you know 2016 is the year of the red Fire Monkey?

Earlier this month, 2M learnt about the traditions of Chinese New Year during Art time. We read "*Speak Chinese Fang Fang*" by Sally Rippen, to help us understand how Chinese Australians celebrate their cultural heritage.

We marked the New Year by making paper dragons. We were fascinated to learn that unlike castle-burning dragons of Western stories, the Chinese dragon can breathe fire, summon wind and call for rain, fly into the clouds and hide at the bottom of the sea. The Dragon is an important symbol of strength and good luck.

If you would like to read about some of the Chinese New Year customs, check out 2M's dragon display in the office foyer.



### STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to be **Class Representatives** as part of 2016 Student Council:

- ☺ **4R** Caitlin Simmill & Tahlia Phelps
- ☺ **4DC** Drew Vincent & Erin McConachie
- ☺ **5E** Dakota Dawson & Rakshikaa Muttucomaroe
- ☺ **5L** Tayla C & Jayd Herbert
- ☺ **6R** Vytautas Jasinskas & Isabel Botha
- ☺ **6MD** Travis Wieland & Tamika Bennett



## Playgroup

### Kippa-Ring State School

# Playgroup

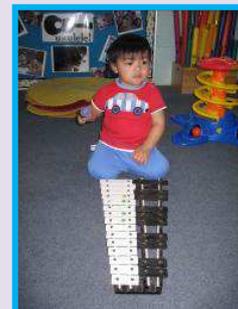
## FRIDAY MORNINGS

8.45am – 10.15am

Free activities for all ages

- Little Mozarts Music Program
- Craft Activities
- Outdoor Obstacle Course

Come and join Mrs Shannon & Ms Cath for some fun



This term you'll find the Chaplain doing a variety of different activities that will show students that they matter and they are important.

- 📌 **Chappy room** - Scott will have a small group meeting on Mondays and Fridays at first break, for students who need some time to build new friendships in a safe and supportive environment.
- 📌 **SUPA Club** - Is a fun, safe afternoon activity where students have the opportunity to learn more about God, ourselves and how to get along with others. This is a free activity which runs from **3.00pm - 4.00pm** at the Resource Centre in the month of March, on **Wednesday afternoons**.
- 📌 **Kickstart program** - This will run most **Mondays** all year round, for students who enjoy sport and exercise. Students meet Scott in the Year 5 / 6 undercover eating area at 8:00am, for 30 minutes of exercise before class, to get the brains ready for learning. Scott will also share briefly each week a positive value, related to sport like... *teamwork, communication, persistence, listening to the coach, goal setting*.

## Can you Help?

### SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

We are looking for donations of uniforms (shirts & shorts), in a reasonable condition and in small sizes, preferably sizes 4 – 8. If you can help, please drop them to the Office. It will be very much appreciated.

## Community News

### POSITION VACANT ~ School Crossing Supervisor

A "casual" position still exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at Kippa-Ring State School, up to five days per week in all weather conditions. Hours are 1.25 hours per day on a rostered basis, with the pay rate @ \$28.18 per hour.

Some pre-employment conditions apply. Further details in the application pack, which is available at the School Office.

\*\*\* Applications close: **Friday 4 March 2016**



### DATE CLAIMER – ANZAC DAY STREET MARCH – REDCLIFFE

Each year, our school participates in the ANZAC Day street parade at Redcliffe. The march, on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April** (Public Holiday), starts at the roundabout, at the end of ANZAC Avenue. We would love to see a strong representation of students at this important occasion. Please mark your calendar.



### AUSTRALIAN GOJU KAI KARATE

Have you ever thought about Authentic Japanese Goju Ryu Karate classes? Such classes can enhance calmness, focus and fitness. They provide positive life skills and assist with the goal setting for everything students do. They lay the foundations of self-discipline, providing a positive outlook for home and school.

They will learn the importance of learning from their mistakes, why good nutrition is important, responsible, legal and safe behaviour, the ability to avoid negative peer pressure and self defence while reinforcing the virtues of hard work, concentration, planning, self-discipline and family values.

Australian Goju Kai Karate, the premier Karate school, offers martial arts classes at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels. The adult martial art classes are aimed at increasing confidence, flexibility, co-ordination, people skills, self defence, strength, stamina and improved general fitness. Classes are energetic, positive, fun and versatile.

To inquire, contact: **Bernie Sensei on 0409 474 494 or visiting [www.agkk.com.au](http://www.agkk.com.au)**

