Kippa-Ring State School - Newsletter
Term 3, Week 5: 10 August 2016

Principal and Deputy Principal News  by Alan Brooks & Rebecca Campbell

At Kippa-Ring State School, our 2016 goals are...

1. Successful learners : fortnightly focus – Term 1
2. Engaging learning environment : fortnightly focus – Term 2
3. Responsible behaviour : zero or 1 exit/detention per student per term
4. Excellent attendance : > 92% attendance rate

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

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEYS - 2016
Parents/Caregivers, school staff and a random sample of 60 students in Year 5 and Year 6, were encouraged to have their say in this year’s School Opinion Survey, by providing their opinions about what this school does well.

Responses to the surveys were completed by 42 parents, 93 students and 43 staff. We will share the results of the 178 surveys as soon as they become available. Thank you to all participants.

NAPLAN 2016

In 2008, the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) commenced in Australian schools. The program continues with primary school students in Years 3 and Year 5, (Years 7 and Year 9 in secondary school), being assessed using common national tests in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation) and Numeracy.

Obviously, the NAPLAN tests are one indication of a child’s learning in a number of areas. This information must be considered together with school-based assessments and reports across the whole of the school year. As a school, we analyse the results to identify trends; areas of strength and areas for improvement.

We will celebrate the successful outcomes of students who achieved TOP 2 Band results at assembly, with the presentation of certificates on Monday 15th August.

Year 3: Delaynee Dresse, Ethan Botha, Jamie Dicker, Liam Herbert, Moana Edgar, Samantha Layt, Brendan Forster, Joshua Fox, Brodie Fair, Montana Harris, Lachlan Tran, Mitchell Godfrey, Rocky Mitchell, Cooper Allen, Amelia Carey, Ayana Kopu-Myers, Isabella Tarres, Jasmine Hewett, Magarytah Vehikite, Connor Churchward and Phoebe Richardson.


In Year 3, our school’s 1st placed student was Moana Edgar. Moana achieved Band 6 (Highest Band) in Reading, Grammar & Punctuation and Numeracy; Band 5 Writing and Spelling.

2nd place went to Delaynee Dresse, with Band 6 in Reading, Grammar & Punctuation and Numeracy; Band 5 in Writing and Spelling.

Other high performing Year 3 students were... Amelia Carey, Connor Churchward, Montana Harris and Phoebe Richardson.
In Year 5, our school’s 1st placed student was Rakshikaa Muttucomaroe. Rakshikaa achieved Band 8 (Highest Band) in Reading, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation, Numeracy; Band 7 Writing. This included some perfect (100%) results!

2nd place went to Dakota Dawson, with Band 8 in Reading, Grammar & Punctuation; Band 7 Writing and spelling, Band 6 Numeracy.

ARTHUR CONLON – “ARTIST IN RESIDENCE”

We were very pleased to welcome Arthur Conlon back to Kippa-Ring State School. Arthur has a long established relationship with our school and once again lead students and staff in creating beautiful murals and artworks.

This week, we share some samples of the significant works undertaken, as a lasting legacy for all members of our school community.
SCHOOL CAMP
The 3rd letter in relation to the Year 5 & 6 camp was distributed on 2 August. The letter has sections for 1). permissions 2). medical return 3). payment options and 4). clear deadlines to be met.

😊 Please return Permission and Medical forms to the Office with first payment of $120 by Friday 12 August.

The camp will be held at Camp Moogerah from 7th – 9th September. Payment deadline is Friday 26th August.

REDCLIFFE DISTRICT SPORTS ASSOCIATION
Schools in the Redcliffe / Deception Bay area pay an annual affiliation levy to be a member of the Redcliffe District Sports association. This is calculated on a per capita basis, with our 2016 fee being $1,437.04.

These fees assist with the management of major carnivals, affiliation to regional associations, representative’s uniforms and some teacher release time to plan and manage a vast range of sporting opportunities for local students.

Thought of the Week:
😊 “Everyone makes mistakes. It is what you do afterwards that counts.”

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

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

This morning the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) released the 2016 NAPLAN results, which show that Queensland has continued to achieve some of its best results across all year levels since NAPLAN began.

These results confirm what we have seen across many other local and state-wide indicators — the hard work of Queensland teachers and students is paying off. Our strongest results were in the Year 3 and Year 5 cohorts, where Queensland achieved some of its highest ever rankings against the national minimum standards (NMS). Highlights of Queensland's NAPLAN results include:

- ranking first nationally in Year 3 Grammar and Punctuation (the first time that Queensland has ever ranked first in a test area)
- ranking second nationally in Year 3 Reading and Numeracy
- ranking second nationally in Year 5 Grammar and Punctuation
- ranking second nationally in Year 7 Spelling.

There are a wide range of views about the role and purpose of national assessment, but without doubt it provides educational leaders, and society more broadly, with an idea of what effect our efforts are having on each student’s performance in skills necessary for everyday life: reading, writing, spelling and numeracy.

What NAPLAN tells us is that the leadership of principals, the dedication and perseverance of teachers and the hard work of Queensland students has been rewarded with performance gains relative to our peers around the country. Since Queensland’s relatively low baseline performance when NAPLAN began in 2008, we have travelled a steady and continuing improvement journey that now sees us as the most rapidly improving jurisdiction in the country.

I congratulate all staff and students on another year of significant and sustained improvement, which has been demonstrated not only in NAPLAN results but in many other achievements throughout the year.

Warm regards
Dr Jim Watterston  -  Director-General
### SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Parents and Teachers as Partners in Learning**

#### TERM 3, 2016

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<th>Every week...</th>
<th>⇒ Mondays:</th>
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<th>⇒ Fridays:</th>
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#### Week 5
- **5 – 21 August**
- **Wednesday 10 August**
- **Friday 12 August**
- **2016 Olympic Games in Rio**
- **SUPA Club begins @ Resource Centre ~ 3pm to 4pm**
- **Year 5/6 Interschool Sport permission returned to Office**
- **Year 5/6 Camp permission returned to Office ~ First payment due.**

#### Week 6
- **Tuesday 16 August**
- **Wednesday 17 August**
- **Friday 19 August**
- **P & C Meeting - Resource Centre @ 5.30pm**
- **NO Strings Lessons – CANCELLED due to Advanced Music Workshop ~ 16 to 18 August**
- **SUPA Club @ Resource Centre ~ 3pm to 4pm**
- **Year 4 Excursion to the Redcliffe Library**
- **Interschool Sport Begins – Year 5 & Year 6 students. First payment of $22.50 due.**

#### Week 7
- **Monday 22 – Friday 26 August**
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- **Tuesday 23 August**
- **Wednesday 24 August**
- **Thursday 25 August**
- **Book Week**
- **Chaplaincy LCC Meeting - Resource Centre @ 3.00pm**
- **Year 6 Graduation Photo**
- **SUPA Club @ Resource Centre ~ 3pm to 4pm**
- **Book Character Day - students**

#### Week 8
- **Wednesday 31 August**
- **Thursday 1 September & Friday 2 September**
- **Last SUPA Club for Term 3 @ Resource Centre ~ 3pm to 4pm**
- **Father’s Day stall – P&C activity**

#### Week 9
- **Wed 7 – Fri 9 September**
- **Friday 9 September**
- **School camp – Year 5 & 6 @ Lake Moogerah**
- **Interschool sport payment to be finalised**

#### Week 10
- **Monday 12 September**
- **Friday 16 September**
- **“Purple Day” ~ Celebrating our “Persistence” “You Can Do It!” Term 3 focus**
- **Last day of Term 3**
- **School resumes **TUESDAY 4 October** (NB: Monday 3 October – Public Holiday ~ Queens Birthday)

### TERM 4, 2016

#### Week 1
- **Tuesday 4 October***
- **Thursday 6 October**
- **Friday 7 October**
- **Day 1, Term 4 – Every day counts! *****
- **Peninsula Music Festival**
- **“Arts @ Twilight” + mini fete**

#### Week 2
- **Monday 10 October**
- **QUT Vision Screening**

#### Week 3
- **Monday 17 October**
- **Student free professional development day**

#### Week 4
- **Wednesday 26 October**
- **Friday 28 October**
- **UQ Hearing Screening**
- **“Day for Daniel”**

#### Week 5
- **Thursday 3 November**
- **Music Count Us In ~ Undercover area @ 11.30am**

#### Week 6
- **Friday 11 November**
- **Remembrance Day ☻**

#### Week 7
- **Tuesday 15 November**
- **Year 6 Orientation Day @ Clontarf Beach SHS and Redcliffe SHS – Students must be enrolled.**

#### Week 8
- **Wednesday 23 November**
- **Prep – Year 3 Concert evening**

#### Week 9
- **Monday 28th Nov – Friday 2nd December**
- **Wednesday 30 November**
- **School Swimming Program**
- **Years 4 - 6 Concert evening**

#### Week 10
- **Monday 5 December**
- **Tuesday 6 December**
- **Wednesday 7 December**
- **Thursday 8 December**
- **Friday 9 December**
- **Year 6 Graduation Evening – Redcliffe RSL**
- **Year 6 Graduation Assembly – School Hall, from 9.00am**
- **Year 6 Excursion – Chermside Water Park**
- **Class Parties**
- **Last day of 2016 school year**
Playgroup
@ Kippa-Ring State School
Friday mornings: 8.45am to 10.15am

From the Office / School Procedures

OFFICE 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.**

CONTACT DETAILS

Please ensure that your contact details and those of your child’s listed Emergency contacts are up to date. If you have moved house, changed mobile numbers, or no longer wish to have a person listed as an emergency contact, it is important that you notify the school as soon as possible after these changes have occurred. “Change of Details” forms are available at the Office.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **12 August** – Year 5/6 Camp; Interschool Sport Permission & Medical forms due back to Office.
  First Camp payment of $120.00 due.
- **19 August** - Interschool Sport Starts. First Payment of $22.50 now due.
- **26 August** – Final payments due for Year 5/6 Camp.
- **9 September** – Final payments due for Interschool Sport.
You Can Do It! Program

YOU CAN DO IT! (PROGRAM ACHIEVE)  TERM 3 FOCUS = PERSISTENCE

We continue our school wide focus on the “You Can Do It!” – social and emotional program, every week in every class of our school. This term, our school focus is on **PERSISTENCE**.

Examples of Persistent Behaviour:

- Trying and completing work considered ‘boring’
- Staying on task
- Asking for help rather than giving up
- Not being distracted by what’s going around you
- Finishing work instead of playing
- Listening when tired
- Completing work in the time allocated
- Completing homework on time
- Editing / checking work for mistakes
- Asking necessary questions

When you ‘catch’ your child demonstrating persistent behaviour, give lots of **positive, behaviour-specific feedback**. For example:

- “I like the way you did all of your work before playing”
- “You really tried hard”
- “Making that effort will help you with your learning”
- “Great effort”
- “I knew you wouldn’t give up”
- “I’m so glad you kept trying”
- “I like it when you try hard”
- “Your effort is so important. It will help you succeed”

Parents & Citizens Association News

TUCKSHOP NEWS from Carmel Bennett - Tuckshop Convenor

**Opening Hours**: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday ~ 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. Please use **two** separate bags when ordering for both breaks.

**You** can purchase a bundle of 20 “tuckshop” bags for $2.00

Our “new” Tuckshop Menu is now available. Copies were sent home with the Term 3 Week 1 newsletter. If you do not have a copy of the new menu, please see the ladies in the Office or Carmel at the Tuckshop.

**Please note a change of some prices, new items, and the removal of other items that are no longer available.**

**Slushy Flavours** ~ Raspberry & Pineapple

**Home Baking** ~ Biscuits & Muffins

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**TUCKSHOP ROSTER**

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UNIFORM SHOP NEWS from Carmel Bennett - Uniform Shop Convenor

- **Open:** Monday and Tuesday mornings, from 8.30 to 10.30am.
- **JUST IN:** For ‘preppies’ starting next year, we now have size 2 shorts in stock.
- **Old style Jackets are now $20.00 – a great bargain!**
- New style zip up jumpers are available @ $30.00. They are proving very popular.
- Bucket Hats @ $15.00 each. Every child needs their hat every day. Please check they are clearly named.
- Interschool Sports socks @ $5.00 a pair – make the school teams look great!
- 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](http://bit.ly/24m4get) to place your online orders for the Uniform Shop.

FROM THE P & C COMMITTEE

- **😊 P & C Committee Meeting - Tuesday 16 August @ 5.30pm** in the Resource Centre. All welcome.
  - Seeking a secretary for the committee. Update of school activities and goals for 2016.
  - “Supporting our students; Supporting our school.”
- **😊 Father’s Day Stall – Thursday 1 September and Friday 2 September** at the back of the Resource Centre.
  - Children will go to the stall in their class groups, at a rostered time.

Chappy’s News

- **SUPA club starts on the Wednesday the 10th of August 3pm-4pm** at the Resource Centre. Afternoon for the children is generously provided by some amazingly kind people. We’ll have some fun games and activities and we’ll share about God’s word and how Jesus told really interesting stories. New members welcome, and it’s free to all year 5 - 6’s. **Our last week is the 31st of August for this term.**
- The chaplaincy service is facilitating an **A-2-B leadership program** for year 6 boys on Wednesdays in period 7. This is to build up students in their leadership potential and develop new skills to become even better leaders in our community.
- Recommended resource for parents with boys – “**Raising Boys**” by Steve Biddulph. Last week I heard Steve present to the SU Qld chaplains. His books are very practical and an easy read. Our local council library will have copies of this for parents if you’re struggling to understand your young man in training.

Surfing the Pages

At Kippa-Ring State School, we are committed to providing quality educational opportunities that meet the needs of all our students. Each term a different year level is offered the opportunity of participating in our reading program ‘**Surfing The Pages**’, as an alternative before school program aimed at enhancing literacy skills.

This term from **Tuesday 26th July**, our **Year 1 students** are invited to share a story with a teacher each **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning from 8:15 to 8:40am.**

This story sharing will be held in ‘F’ block **next to the Blue Room**, in our special ‘Surfing the Pages’ reading room. There will be an announcement each morning at 8:15am to remind students to attend. If any parents would like to know more about this program, you are welcome to join us for the first session on **Tuesday 26th July at 8:15am.**

District Athletics by Mrs Stretten

Congratulations to all our wonderful athletes who competed on Wednesday Aug 3th and Thursday Aug 4th at the Redcliffe District Athletics carnival. Our team this year was only very small, with 26 competitors representing Kippa-Ring, but what a great effort.

Special mention to both **Adam Tullett** and **Brianna Shanahan** who placed in the “Top 8” of the 12 years Long Jump! I would also like to congratulate our relay competitors who worked so well with team mates from Clontarf State School to combine to compete. Their ability to adapt and work well with other athletes shows persistence and true sportsmanship.

This is an amazing result considering there were approximately 30 competitors from 12 schools in each event! Special thanks to Mrs Carter for her assistance as an event marshall for both days, and Mrs Brown for an amazing job managing the team.

Parents should be equally proud of the behaviour of our Kippa-Ring team with very complimentary comments from the staff from other district schools as to our conduct on both days. Also, a huge thanks to our parent supporters who gave up their valuable time to cheer us on in such blustery conditions. We really appreciate your effort!

Well done to all!
Performing Arts News

It’s coming up to that time again where we join the rest of Australia in singing together!!!

All classes have heard the song “Let it Play” and we are now learning it. You will hear it during assembly also. The whole concept of Music Count Us In involves more than 600,000 students, teachers - and often parents – from schools all over Australia who sign up to learn, rehearse, then perform the same song, on the same day, at the same time.

😊 The date is Thursday 3 November 2016. We will be congregating in the year 2/3/4 eating area at approx. 11.25am, to sing along with all of Australia at 11.30am! I hope you will be able to join us.

😊 To hear the song and more information please go to the website: www.musiccountusin.org.au

Library News

Book Week Excursion

On Friday 19th August, our Year 4 students have been invited to participate in activities at the Redcliffe Library as part of Children’s Book Week. This is a great opportunity for our classes to find out more about storytelling, writing and creativity. Tristan Bancks will conduct a 45min presentation on storytelling and creativity, inspiring kids to read and create.

Tristan Bancks is a children’s and teen author with a background in acting and filmmaking. His books include Two Wolves (recognised as an Honour Book in the 2015 Children’s Book Council of Australia Book of the Year Awards, as well as winner of the YABBA and KOALA Children’s Choice Awards), the My Life series (weird-funny-gross short stories featuring Tom Weekly) and Mac Slater, Coolhunter. His short films as writer and director have won a number of awards and have screened widely in festivals and on TV. Tristan is excited by the future of storytelling and inspiring others to create.

Permission forms have previously been sent home with your student. If you wish for your child to participate in this activity, please complete the consent form and return all pages to your child’s class teacher before Monday 15th August. For further information about this activity, please contact Charmaine Bowering (Curriculum Coordinator @ Kippa-Ring SS) on 3897 5333.

Student Council News

KIPPA’S GOT TALENT

⇒ HEATS ~ Week 6 & 7 (15 – 26 August)
   Held in Classrooms. Class teacher will choose 3 or 4 semi-finalists.

⇒ SEMI-FINALS ~ Week 8 & 9 (29 August – 9 September)
   Held in the Performing Arts room during break time. A timetable will be prepared, so students are aware of which day they are on.

⇒ FINALS - Week 10 (Date to be announced)
   Whole school parade.
   Parents/Family members are welcome to attend.

★★★★ ENTRY IS FREE ★★★★
SAVE THE DATE ~ Friday 7 October
Kippa-Ring State School is counting down to its annual “Arts @ Twilight” evening.
Our first edition of the “Twilight Times” will be published next week, and then weekly up until the event, so keep an eye out it.

Dates for the Collection Drives are as follows:
- Week 7 (22 – 26 August) – NOVELTY PRIZES (LUCKY DIP)
- Week 8 (29 August – 2 September) – SECOND HAND BOOKS
- Week 9 (5 – 9 September) – CHOCOLATES/LOLLIES
- Week 10 (12 – 16 September) – SOFT DRINK CANS

Community News