Principal and Deputy Principal News  by Alan Brooks & Rebecca Campbell

At Kippa-Ring State School, our 2016 goals are…
1. Successful learners
2. Engaging learning environment
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,

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
Each year, a number of our students participate in the University of New South Wales academic competitions. The first set of results has revealed outstanding results! Congratulations to two of our students who achieved top 2% results in this English subject national competition. The standard is very high.

😊 Top 1% in Australia – Elliot Bishop (Year 4)
😊 Top 2% in Australia – Rakshikaa Muttucomaroe (Year 5)

PREP – COMPULSORY IN 2017
From 2017, it will be compulsory for all Queensland children to undertake the Prep Year, prior to commencing Year 1.

The ‘compulsory’ component requires principals to ensure that all children engage in Prep prior to year 1. That is, if a child seeks enrolment and has not previously done Prep or equivalent, they must be enrolled in Prep, even if they are year 1 age appropriate. (This does not apply to children already enrolled in year 1 for 2017).
CONNECT, REFLECT and RECHARGE - YuMi Deadly Maths Teachers @ QUT KELVIN GROVE

YuMi Deadly Maths is a unique pedagogical approach developed by QUT’s YuMi Deadly Centre to improve capacity to teach mathematics and covers all strands of the Australian Mathematics Curriculum. It aims for the highest level of mathematics understanding and deep learning, through activity that engages students and involves teachers, parents and community. It is the basis of mathematics projects covering extension, enrichment, remediation, acceleration and special education.

The YDC Sharing Summit brings together education practitioners from YDC projects across Australia to share best practice and their experiences with YuMi Deadly Maths. A number of Kippa-Ring teachers attended the summit to learn more about YuMi Deadly Maths and to connect, reflect, and recharge.

STUDENT PARTICIPATION

Every day, it’s a celebration when 100% of students are present in their class. This ensures maximum teaching and learning time. What a difference that makes! No late arrivals or early departures also makes a significant difference.

.cycle 7 is the first 5 weeks of Term 4: Tuesday 4 October – Friday 4 November.

. Students with 95% or better attendance, are presented with an Attendance Award each 5 week cycle.

MANAGING STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

One of the questions on the annual School Opinion Survey relates to the management of student behaviour.

So here is some current data about student behaviour at our school....

. On an average school day, 97.3% of students do not have a detention or class exit. Congratulations to the vast majority of students!

. There is currently a reduction by 32% of student misbehaviour in 2016, compared with the same period of time in 2015. This trend is certainly heading in the right direction.

. Excellent behaviour is one of the important criteria that leads to the presentation of Honour badges to students, at the end of this term.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION – 2017 CLASS GROUPS

The “Matters for Consideration” form is an opportunity for you to make a comment in relation to class groups (2017). This was distributed with last week’s newsletter. Extra copies are available at the office foyer display.

School staff and administration undertake a complex process to arrange placements, considering academic, social and behavioural groupings. With around 370 students to place, not every consideration may be met.

You may wish to provide information about...

1. Who your child works well with.
2. Who they do not work well with.
3. Particular circumstances etc... that may have an effect on placement.

This is not a teacher selection process. Closing date = Friday 4 November 2016.

- If your child (other than Year 6) is NOT RETURNING to Kippa-Ring in 2017, please tick the box □ and write the student’s name/s on form.

- If you are aware of families who are joining us in 2017 (we have had a surge of enrolments in the past 2 weeks), please advise them to contact the school now.

PROVIDING MEDICATION TO THE SCHOOL

Before you provide the school with your child’s medication, check the expiry date to ensure it is in-date and there is enough for the agreed time period. It is also a good idea to take a note of the expiry date, so that you can replace the medication before it expires.

Please note, school staff will not administer medication that you can buy over-the-counter at chemists and supermarkets (e.g. paracetamol, eye drops, cough syrup), unless it has been prescribed by your child’s qualified health practitioner. For example, the school would administer paracetamol to a student, only if it has been prescribed by their dentist to be taken for a short time after dental treatment.

School staff are bound by these regulations and we ask that all parents will acknowledge and cooperate with these rules.

It is safer for all students if you can provide medication to the school in person (rather than send medication with the student). If you can’t provide the medication in person, contact the school to determine the easiest and safest approach for the school to receive the medication.

When your child’s medication is no longer required to be kept at school, please collect all unused medication. Thank you for your assisting the school in keeping our students safe and healthy.

ADMINISTERING MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

If your child requires staff to administer medication to your child at school, please contact the school office in the first instance to discuss your child’s requirements. Please note, school staff will only administer medication that:

- has been prescribed by a qualified health practitioner (e.g. doctor, dentist)
Office staff will ask you to complete and sign Section 1 of the Administration of medication at school record sheet.

N.B. If your child requires more than one medication, you will need to complete a form for each medication.

KEY DATES TO NOTE

⇒ Inter-school sport (Years 5 & 6) ends this Friday 4 November.
⇒ Friday 9 December – Last school day for 2016
⇒ Monday 23 January – 1st school day of 2017

Thought of the Week: “Hope is not a strategy.”

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

Respect our staff, respect our school

SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Parents and Teachers as Partners in Learning

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<th>Every week...</th>
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<td>• Instrumental Music ~ End of Year Recital Evening @ 6pm in the Hall</td>
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From the Office / School Procedures

OFFICE PAYMENTS are receipted on...

- Tuesday, Wednesday and 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: 0009 0032

⇒ 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 Education” cannot be paid in one transaction. Each invoiced amount must be paid separately.

You Can Do It! Program

YOU CAN DO IT!  TERM 4 FOCUS = GETTING ALONG

You Are The Key To Your Success
"YOU CAN DO IT!"

We continue our school wide focus in every classroom, every day with the “You Can Do It!” – social and emotional program. This term, our whole school focus is on... GETTING ALONG. Getting Along is evident when people work co-operatively with each other, resolve conflicts through discussion rather than fights, manage their anger, show tolerance for others and follow class, school and community expectations and rules. Getting Along also involves people (young and old) making positive contributions to helping others and to making the school, home and community safer, healthier and happier places to live and learn.
YOU CAN DO IT! CHARACTERS – Help us learn and practise great skills.

Confidence | Organisation | Getting Along | Resilience | Persistence
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Connie Confidence | Oscar Organisation | Gabby Get Along | Ricky Resilience | Pete Persistence

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Parents & Citizens Association News

TUCKSHOP NEWS from Camel Bennett - Tuckshop Convenor

- **Opening Hours**: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday ~ 8.25am to 1.50pm
- **First Break** ~ 10.50am to 11.20am
- **Second Break** ~ 1.30pm 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
- **Slushy Flavours** ~ Blackcurrant & Pineapple @ $2 each
- **Home Baking** ~ Chocolate Slice and biscuits @ $1 each.
- With the weather warming up, salads are just the thing to have for lunch 😊
  - Salad Sandwiches - $3.50
  - Salad Tubs - $4.00 (with meat - $5.00)
  - Salad Wrap - $4.00 (with meat - $4.50)

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TUCKSHOP ROSTER

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UNIFORM SHOP NEWS from Carmel Bennett - Uniform Shop Convenor

- **Open**: Monday mornings only, from 8.30 to 10.30am.
- For ‘preppies’ starting next year, we now have size 2 shorts in stock.
- New style zip up jumpers are available @ $30.00. They proved very popular this winter.
- Bucket Hats @ $15.00 each. Every child needs their hat every day. Please check they are clearly ‘named’.
- We have new style bucket hats in stock! Reversible with house colour and house name @ $15.00 each
- Broad brimmed hats @ $10 each. Only a small amount still in stock.
- Interschool Sports socks (Year 5 & 6) @ $5.00 a pair – make the school teams look great!
- You can now order Uniforms **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/24m4et](http://bit.ly/24m4et) to place your online orders for the Uniform Shop.

2017 Class Booklists – This year we have access to a convenient online ordering system through Office Max for our 2017 student book packs. This method saves time spent waiting at the bookshop in queues to order and collect your child’s stationary supplies. In a few clicks, your back to school supplies can be ordered well before the new school year begins. Ordered stationary will be delivered to your home address, via Australia Post’s eParcel service. If you do not have access to a computer or internet, and would still like to order your child’s 2017 Book Pack online, please contact the Office or see Carmel in the Uniform Shop on Mondays and in the Tuckshop – Tuesday to Friday.

Your child’s “2017 Book List” will be delivered to classrooms with this week’s Newsletter. Please check your child’s bag.

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YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Graduation invitations, and a letter outlining the Year 6 Graduation Activities were sent home with our Year 6 students yesterday, so if you haven’t received yours yet, please check your child’s school bag, or with the class teacher.

There was a slight error with dates on the Graduation letter, for which we apologise. The Morning Event, which is the “Graduation Assembly” will be held in the Hall at 9.00am on **TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER**, and the visit to the “Chermside Water Park” is on **WEDNESDAY 7 DECEMBER**.

Tickets for the Evening event on **Monday 5 December** at the Redcliffe RSL, will be on sale at the Uniform/Bookshop on Monday mornings (8.30am to 10.30am) @ $10 per ticket (Graduating student is free). There is a limit of 3 tickets per family, due to the seating capacity at the venue. NO reserved seating. Ticket sales close at 10am on **Monday 21 November**.
Surfing the Pages

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, our Prep students are invited to join a teacher before school each morning, to “Surf the Pages” of great books. A message is announced every morning at 8.15am to let the students know that it is time to go up to the “Surfing the Pages” room (next to the Blue Room.)

Book Fair

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings to school the books kids want to read. It’s a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child’s reading habits.

Our last Book Fair for the year is a BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE FOR THE SCHOOL LIBRARY Offer.

Book Fair dates: Monday 7th November to Wednesday 9th November

Shopping hours: 8.15am to 8.40am and 2.50pm to 3.15pm

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

Chaplaincy News

We are fortunate to have allocated a number of Bunnings BBQ dates for next year. Funds raised support Chaplaincy activities at our school. Looking forward to 2017 - we have been given three dates:

- Monday 23rd January
- Saturday 11 February
- Tuesday 18 April.

If you are able to help on any of these dates, this will be greatly appreciated. Let Scott, or the office, know.

Kaye Devine ~ Local Chaplaincy Committee Chairman

SUPA CLUB

Starts this Wednesday the 2nd of November and will run to Wednesday 30th of November from 3-4pm at the Resource Centre. This term we will be “Jungle” themed and we’ll be preparing our Year 6 students for how to survive in the ‘jungle’ of high school. In this group we play games, share afternoon tea, and explore faith and life.

Year 5’s and 6’s welcome to join and this event is freely provided by the team of volunteers and the chaplaincy service.

⇒ Scott and two Volunteers are running a Year 5 girls group on Wednesday lunchtimes and we hope to encourage, build up and strengthen the girls in how special they are and how to be an amazing person at school, home and in the community. This is a 6 week program run at second lunch.

⇒ One of our Chaplaincy volunteers is a retired teacher who has lifeline counselling experience he is offering a free parenting course beginning soon. Mike Mohr is the presenter and any parents interested in this Triple P parenting course please speak with Scott on Wednesday or Friday.
Performing Arts News

MUSIC COUNT US IN

All classes have heard the song “Let it Play” and we are now ready to sing it out loud this Thursday 3 November.

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 hall 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

COMMUNITY CAROLS

Kippa-Ring State School presents

Community Carols

Tuesday 29th November

6.00pm to 7.30pm

Carols in the School Hall
Swimming Program

Students in Year 1 to Year 4 at Kippa-Ring State School will be participating in a 5 day "Learn to Swim / Swim to Survive" program at the Redcliffe Dolphins Aquatic and Fitness Centre, from Monday 28 November to Friday 2 December.

Students will receive 5 X 45 minute lessons over the week. The lessons cater for all students at all levels of swimming confidence, from those students who have a fear of swimming, to those who are quite proficient. A hired bus will transport students to and from the facility.

Each child will receive a complimentary swimming cap, which needs to be worn at each lesson. Goggles are not required, but can be worn if desired.

A ‘Certificate of Achievement” will be handed to all participating students once all lessons have been completed. As this is a compulsory Education Queensland activity, students will be required to produce a medical certificate or letter outlining valid reasons to exempt them from this activity.

Please return your child’s Permission & Medical forms and payment of $45.00, or part payment of $22.50 to the Office before Monday 7 November. If using the part-payment option, please finalise by Friday 18 November.

Playgroup News

⇒ Playgroup is held on Friday mornings.

8.45am ~ 10.15am

⇒ Thanks to all who have supported this great school – community initiative!

⇒ Playgroup is held in our Performing Arts room.

Community News

Metro North Hospital and Health Service
MAKE OCTOBER YOUR MONTH TO HAVE A BREASTSCREEN

If you’re a busy mum juggling home duties, work commitments, being the family taxi driver and general multi-tasker, read on. Many of us find excuses when it comes to making appointments for our own health checks. How many times have you heard yourself say, “I just don’t have the time” or “I’ll do it next week”? If there is one thing you should do for yourself in the month of October, it’s to make an appointment to have a breast screen.

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and a timely reminder for eligible women to take advantage of the free Breast Screen Queensland Program. Medical Director of Breast Screen Queensland (Brisbane Northside), Dr Jane Brazier, said women of all ages need to be breast aware. This means getting to know the normal look and feel of your breasts.

“If any change in or around the breast area is noticed it is important to contact your GP without delay,” she said. Dr Brazier said all Breast Screen Queensland radiographers are women and a doctor’s referral was not needed for this free service. A breast screen is strongly recommended every two years for women aged between 50 and 74, as this is the age group where the benefits of screening are most evident, however women are eligible to access this free service from the age of 40.

Brisbane Northside services are available at Chermside, Brisbane City, Keperra, Kippa-Ring, North Lakes and Indooroopilly. Make the time for yourself - phone 13 20 50 for your free breast screen today.