15 February 2017

**Principal’s News**

At our school we are united in our pursuit of excellence, ensuring that every classroom, every student is learning and achieving to the best of their potential.

During this term our teachers have been working with your children to set personal goals in many areas of their schooling with a specific focus in Literacy and Numeracy.

Please take the time to discuss these goals with your child/children. It is interesting to listen to them discuss what they want to achieve and how they are going to get there.

As adults we understand the importance of setting goals and working towards them, with our students setting personal goals they too are learning this value.

We are nearly halfway through our term; this is an important time for students to be regularly attending school.

Your child’s learning journey builds from day to day; week to week therefore it is imperative that students don’t just miss school.

If your child has missed school please see their teacher to ensure they receive catch up work if required.

Your child’s education is important to us as we work together as partners.

**Student Leader Induction**

On Monday we celebrated our school leaders at our Induction Ceremony. Our leaders are an inspiring and dedicated group of young people, with whom we can all be very proud of.

‘Every individual has the capacity to become a unique and special person’, I believe that the Student Captains and School Leaders that have been chosen will impact our school in a positive way throughout 2017.

As Principal I was very proud of their manner and ease these students displayed in addressing the audience. These Captains and School leaders will be wonderful role models for our younger students. Congratulations to each one of them.
At Kenmore South we are committed to improving our standard of communication across all areas of the school community as a matter of priority.

The table below outlines a range of methods Kenmore South State School staff employ when communicating to parents and the wider community. It is important to recognise that the timelines included represent the minimum expectation across the school; the reality is that most teachers communicate to parents using a variety of methods on a more regular basis.

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<td>• A snapshot of our school to the wider community, current and prospective families</td>
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<td>• Includes: our vision, policies, staff, facilities, curriculum offerings, extra-curricular offerings, calendar and news, our community and key documents</td>
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<td>School Newsletter</td>
<td>• Electronic newsletter containing upcoming events, news and information from the school, P&amp;C and community groups</td>
<td>One issue each fortnight, usually on a Wednesday</td>
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<td>• Register to receive our newsletter using the link</td>
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<td>• Face to face meeting with class teacher to discuss your child’s progress</td>
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<td>• Student achievement in each learning area is assessed against achievement standards and reported to parents. Student behaviour and effort is also reported</td>
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<td>• School student leaders and a member of the leadership team host school assemblies</td>
<td>Every Monday in the Hall 2:25-2:55pm</td>
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<td>• Student awards, general messages to students and community notices</td>
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<td>• Combined whole-school assemblies are held for special events and at the beginning of each term</td>
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Dear Parents of Years 2 – 6 Students

Each year Kenmore South State School students participate in the ICAS program conducted by the University of New South Wales. If you would like to register your child for one or more competitions, please complete and return the form below.

ALL ICAS tests will be conducted BEFORE school from 7:45am. These will be conducted in the Library. If you would like your child to participate in the competitions below, they will need to be at the school BEFORE 7:45am ready to begin on time. No testing will be conducted during school time for children who are unable to make it at 7:45am. Please take this into consideration when deciding whether your child will be participating in the ICAS competitions or not.

All students who participate in the competitions receive a certificate and an individual student report indicating which questions they answered correctly and their score compared with the rest of the students tested. The tests are an excellent preparation for National tests and the student report is useful for highlighting your child’s strengths and weaknesses. The UNSW certificate and individual student report are also suitable for your child to include in a portfolio.

High quality UNSW certificates are awarded for each year level as follows:

- High Distinction to the top 1% of entrants
- Distinction to the next 10% of entrants
- Credit to the next 25% of entrants
- Participation to all other participating students

Please collect a permission form from the office if you are interested in your child participating in ICAS.

3JR Portraits

Year 1 Literacy

Recently Year 1 students were introduced to Wombat Stew by Marcia Vaughan.

These are some of the activities covered.

- Students learned the meaning of the words: ambled, brewing, crunchy, graceful, boasted.
- Read and completed a pictorial storyboard of Wombat Stew.
- Learnt about nouns and identified nouns from the book and surrounds.
- Completed an Art study using Wombat Stew and a checklist to create a drawing.
- Draw and write a sentence for each sequential animal from the story.

This term in Literacy Year 1’s are focusing on retelling a story.

You Can Do It!

This year, Kenmore South will again be running the You Can Do It! program. The main purpose of the program is to support our students in a collective effort to optimize their social, emotional, and academic outcomes. It identifies 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 including making contributions to others and the community (good citizenship).

The first unit in the program is Ready, Set, You Can Do It! where the teachers set the foundations for success in learning and in life, looking at the blockers and the strategies. The focus is around identifying and defining the five qualities that will help students to be happy and successful: Confidence, Persistence, Organisation, Resilience and Getting Along. The older students further develop these understandings by working towards identifying their own strengths and weaknesses in applying the five keys to success to school work and in other areas, and then stating goals to actively improve in each of these areas. The theme each week is introduced on assembly and reinforced throughout the week by all staff. Please use the topic of the week to have a discussion at home.

You Are The Key To Your Success ‘YOU CAN DO IT!’
Kenmore South Facebook Page

Kenmore South State School has an official Facebook page.

http://www.facebook.com/kenmoresouthss

Our Facebook page aims to positively promote Kenmore South State School and provide up-to-date information about official events occurring at the school and within the local community. Links to official forms and documents found on the school website are also provided on our Facebook page.

Our Facebook page can be viewed by “everyone” therefore you do not need to have a Facebook account to keep up with the latest information. Parents who do have a Facebook account and “like” our page, are able to comment on photos and other posts made by the school, but need to be mindful that the page is monitored and any negative or inappropriate comments will be removed from the page. Our Facebook newsfeed is also available to view on our website.

If you would like a photo or any other official information uploaded to the Facebook page or the school website, please contact the page administrator, Pia Adriaansz (email: padri2@eq.edu.au) for approval.

Please note that photos and other content involving students at Kenmore South will only be published on the page if parents have completed the corresponding Consent Form (available from the web site).

Permission authorities

We are currently updating all students’ permission details. If you receive these forms please return them to the office at your earliest convenience. Also a reminder for parents to update their details i.e. phone and email.

Same Day Absence Notifications – SMS

Each school in Qld is required to implement an SMS alert system to ensure the safety of all students. The system will generate a text message to parents if their child is absent from school. All parents will be notified by text message when their child is absent from school if there has been no prior explanation provided to the school. Texts will be sent to nominated parent mobile contact numbers by 10am on the day of absence. Please contact the school office if you need to update your current mobile phone number details. If you receive a text absence notification you will be able to reply directly with any possible absence explanations for our records. You won’t receive text notifications if you have already advised the school by phone (Student Absent Line is 3327 0860). Please contact school office if you require any more information. You can also email the school attendance@kenmoresouthss.eq.edu.au

Christian Religious Instruction (RI)

From Thursday 16 February, weekly lessons in the basic beliefs in the Christian faith will be offered at Kenmore South State School in Years 1 to 6. Further details on the curriculum and a consent form (only if opting in) are attached to this GreenSheet. Information is also made available on the school’s website.

If your child participated last year, they will automatically be enrolled again this year. If you nominated a Christian denomination on your child’s enrolment form, they will also attend Christian RI. All other students will need to bring in a signed consent form (attached) in order to participate.

Students who are not opted into Christian RI will complete other instruction and will be supervised in a separate learning space. Other instruction will relate to part of a subject area already covered in class and may include, but is not restricted to: personal research and assignments, independent reading, revision of class work such as literacy and numeracy activities and/or online programs currently accessed by the students.

Please note that there will be the following annual cost to cover RI workbooks as follows: Year 1 $6, Years 2-6 $8 ($4 each semester)

If you would like more information or you would like to discuss any aspect of the program in further detail, you may contact the RI coordinator, Steve Blencowe - email steve@kpc.org.au

School Banking

Thank you for your patience with 2017 rewards. Hopefully all students have now received their info booklets home and can start ordering rewards if they’ve reached their target. These rewards once ordered, take 1-2 weeks to be delivered to the school.

We are in the process of acquiring a school banking email address, this will happen by next week hopefully.

Year 2 classes are currently winning the class banking challenge for this term followed closely by year 6 classes. Get your friends banking to make sure your class wins the term 1 award!

Kitty K and Tahlia K – School Banking Coordinators

Finance

To enhance and maximise student learning Kenmore South State School students are given the opportunity to be involved
in a number of activities and excursions that require payment. Invoices are generated by email when your child is involved in these. Our preferred payment is via BPoint.


Student of the Week

Kenmore South State School
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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<td>For being such a kind and caring team member during group activities.</td>
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<td>PGP</td>
<td>Elowen B</td>
<td>For always making an effort to be an active listener in the classroom. Keep it up!</td>
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<td>PM</td>
<td>Cameron S</td>
<td>For being so focused and neat when completing your Soundwaves letters and sounds book. You are a super star!</td>
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<td>PD</td>
<td>Ally C</td>
<td>For engaging in all Prep tasks and group work. Well done, Ally.</td>
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<td>1B</td>
<td>Gwendolen T</td>
<td>For fabulous use of vocabulary words when retelling the ending of &quot;Koala Lou&quot;.</td>
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<td>1C</td>
<td>Ashton J</td>
<td>For trying every activity, and persisting, even when it feels tricky. Also for being brave and asking for help when you need it.</td>
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<td>1F</td>
<td>Thomas B</td>
<td>For being a caring, considerate classmate who always displays exemplary behaviour for others to follow</td>
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<td>2OL</td>
<td>Aaliyah M</td>
<td>For always doing her very best in every task in class.</td>
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<td>Elena R</td>
<td>For constructing an amazing picture graph with accurate titles and a key.</td>
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<td>Amelie H</td>
<td>For innate kindness and willingness to help others without being asked.</td>
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<td>Siannah S</td>
<td>For always trying to do her best when completing tasks.</td>
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<td>Emily S</td>
<td>For great development in persuasive writing.</td>
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<td>Hamish W</td>
<td>For confidently solving addition number problems using the split strategy.</td>
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Chaplaincy news

Random Acts of Kindness Challenge!

In weeks 8 and 9 of Term, 13-24 March, we will be participating in the Random Acts of Kindness challenge!

The concept is to give students the opportunity to do something unexpected for someone else during the promotional weeks. Each student will be given a ‘Smile’ card to leave for the person that they have done the kind act for. The awesome side of this is that it doesn’t stop there! This card is a ‘pass it on’ card, which would then give the recipient the challenge to do something kind for someone else; continuously
Kenmore South SS 50 year anniversary

As you may be aware, Kenmore South State School turns 50 years old this year. We will be having a celebration during the year and have the time capsule OPENED!

To commemorate this occasion the school will host a fete to be held on Saturday 5 August 2017.

If anyone has memorabilia to provide for the Celebration or you would like to find out more please contact Georgina Allardice on gala7@eq.edu.au Care will be taken with all memorabilia and promptly returned after the celebrations. If you would like to offer any help in any way you think you could, please contact us! We would love to hear from you.

We look forward to seeing you all for the anniversary!

Sport/HPE News

Inter-school Sport

Students in Years 5 and 6 are trying out for our Friday afternoon Inter-school sporting teams.

Semester 1 sports are Soccer, Touch, Netball and AFL. Our Kenmore South SS teacher/coaches will conduct training sessions to select teams.

P&C News

Kenmore South State School P&C Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 21 February @ 7:30pm

With each New Year comes a new opportunity for a shift in roles and participation within the school community.

The items below give a quick breakdown of the different roles within the P&C – starting with arguably the most important – YOU the community member.

P&C Members

People can become P&C members by completing a membership application form and attending a general meeting to submit the application. However at the AGM people can submit a membership application form without being present at the meeting or they can attend the AGM and submit their form.

People who wish to join a subcommittee must be members of the P&C Association. Membership is renewable each year at the AGM.

P&C members can greatly assist the chairperson by being attentive to the issues being discussed, putting their point of view clearly during debate and providing direction to the meeting through the careful wording of motions. Members that wish to raise an issue should do so in a respectful and informed manner.

Every member of the P&C should be familiar with the P&C constitution and the financial and legal responsibilities of the P&C Association. Except in matters of urgency, P&C members make all decisions (including those recommended by subcommittees) and direct the actions to be taken, at a duly constituted meeting of the P&C.

At Kenmore South State School, we meet once per month for approximately 2 hours for the general meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of the month – starting at 7:30pm.

Outside of this 2 hour commitment once per month, there is no expectation other than for you to come with your opinion and a willingness to make decisions for the good of the school community. There is no expectation on automatic participation in P&C sponsored activities (however we greatly welcome that!).

The P&C Executive

This consists of:

1. Principal
2. President of the P&C (and vice-president)
3. Treasurer
4. Secretary
5. and relevant vice-positions

If you are interested in applying for these roles – we strongly encourage you to do so! For a great overview of the responsibilities for each of the roles this can be found at the Support Guide for P&Cs starting on page 16.
KSSS has a few changes to note for tuckshop this term. Open as usual **Wednesday** and **Friday** for **full tuckshop** service and open **Tuesday** and **Thursday** for **drinks and iceblocks only during summer months**.

SUSHI has finally arrived at KSSS – available **FRIDAY 2nd Break** only at a cost of $3.00 per serve and orders must be in by 9.00am to avoid disappointment.

Online ordering with Munch Monitor saves time making your school day easier and is a sure and efficient way of ensuring your child receives the right choices of food items.

Setting up an online Munch Monitor account is easy and joining details along with our summer menu are available from the office. We encourage all parents and staff to register as our tuckshop is run with the help of wonderful volunteers and online ordering saves us time as well.

Parents/grandparents - our tuckshop is a great place to meet and catch-up with others and presents an opportunity to contribute to the school in a positive and welcoming environment. Flexible shifts are available so please come and join the tuckshop community for as much time as you can spare – once a month – once a term – a few hours here and there as all helps and without volunteers we would have no tuckshop.

Please Contact:

Carla Potts for menu and nutritional enquires on 0447838805 email willegobung@bigpond.com

For volunteers and roster enquires simply pop into tuckshop Tuesday – Friday or make contact with Kim Lawrence on 0419663880 email kimroseaus@yahoo.com.au A big thank you to all our willing volunteers who have come forward again this year. Our tuckshop is providing good nutrition and healthy choices for our children.

Chess club has began!

Chess Mates specialises in teaching chess to children of all age groups and skill levels. Our team is dedicated to teaching chess in a fun and engaging way, so that children of any age can join in regardless of experience level. We teach younger students through songs and stories, for older or more advanced students we teach openings, strategies and forward planning. We don’t focus on winning (in fact, we teach kids how to deal with winning and losing). Instead, we focus on making new friends and having fun while learning.

Classes are held at 11:00 - 11:40 on Wednesday lunchtimes, classes are held in the library and the cost is $11 per class.

If you have any questions about the classes please either e-mail info@chessmates.com.au or call Ash on 0415 256 452.

**Tennis Coaching At KSSS**

JOIN TENNIS LESSONS AND LEARN SKILLS AND HAVE FUN DURING 2017

**Tennis Coaching**

Kenmore South State School

First Term 2017

Classes are for beginners to advanced boys and girls, wishing to enjoy the game and to keep fit.

Private lessons are also available.

To Enrol Phone Mrs. Crooke 3411 7575 or Mobile 0418791005

**Community News**

To see the flyers of our Community groups - please click on the following links:

Kenmore Bears AFL
Little Lifesavers Southbank Parklands

**SOUTH BANK PARKLANDS**
(St Kilda Rd)
- 19 - 23 September 2016 (5 weeks, Monday to Friday)
- 24 Nov - 3 Dec 2016 (5 sessions, Saturday morning)
- 9 - 12 January 2017 (5 weeks, Monday to Friday)
- 4 Feb - 4 Mar 2017 (5 sessions, Saturday morning)
- 3 - 7 April 2017 (5 sessions, Monday to Friday)

8am - 10am
Registration includes long sleeve rash shirt, water bottle, activity book and wet bag.
For more information
littlelifesavers.com.au
littlelifesavers@lifesaving.com.au
(07) 3846 8000

Play Cricket Kenmore T20 Blast

**MSW BRISBANE HEAT**
**MILO T20 BLAST (KENMORE)**
**Venue:** Our Lady Of The Rosary School, 1
Kenmore Rd, Kenmore
**When:** Wednesday 8th Feb – 22nd March
**Time:** 4:00pm-5:30pm
**Cost:** $99 (Register and pay online)
**Contact:** Kara Sutherland 0466 463 528

Dreaming N Drawing – Children’s Art Classes

Children’s Art Classes
on Stardust!
(6 Stardust Street, Kenmore)
Imagination is Important
Ages 3 - 12 years
First Lesson Free
Call Aretha now
0456 631 333
Aretha@dreamingndrawing.com.au
www.dreamingndrawing.com.au

Flute and Piano Lessons

**FLUTE and PIANO LESSONS** – I am a patient and very experienced teacher offering fun flute and piano lessons for children aged 5 and over in Kenmore (close to KSSS). I also teach adults. I have some loan flutes available including little flutes for young children and keyboard hire is available if needed. For more information please phone Debbie Ellison (Dip Mus QCM) on 3191 5009 or email jahara22@tpg.com.au

Taringa Rovers FC

**JUNIOR FOOTBALL (soccer) at TARINGA ROVERS FC**

Looking to play football; New to Brisbane; Want a new challenge

Taringa Rovers FC are looking for Junior players, Boys & Girls ages 5 to 16, to play in our junior teams, all ability and age levels catered for.

Registration from 9th January 2017 via the club website, Season Starts March 2017.

For more information
Email juniordoc@taringarovers.com.au Visit the link below or facebook us.
http://www.taringarovers.com.au