NEWS FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

The end of the year is fast approaching. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and families for their support throughout 2016. Our teachers really appreciate all that you do for our students. It was great to see so many parents join us today at our volunteer thank you morning tea. It was lovely to share this time with them.

Awards Morning
On Monday 5th December at 9:30am, our Annual Awards Ceremony will take place in the school hall. It is a wonderful celebration of achievements by our students and a lovely way to finish our school year.

Year 6 Graduation
On Monday 5th December at 2pm we will farewell our 2016 year six students. Parents and friends of our year six students are welcome to attend our Graduation Ceremony. It will be a wonderful way to acknowledge these students as they remember and celebrate their time at Kenmore South.

2017 Classes
On Wednesday afternoon, our students will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher for 2017. Some teachers will not be arriving in Brisbane until the holidays however they have emailed through a photo and some information to share with the students about themselves in preparation for the start of the school year. All students will bring home a letter on Wednesday afternoon. Please note that our teachers and leadership teams have worked very hard to ensure classes are balanced with a range of student personalities and abilities and meet parental requests. All prep 2017 students will receive a letter in the post this week with a photo of their teacher and class location. We are looking forward to a wonderful and exciting 2017.

Medication
As the year is drawing to a close we would like to remind parents of students who have medication stored at the school for medical emergencies and other conditions that they need to pick this up from either their child’s teacher or from the school office on their child’s last day for 2016. If you DO NOT want this to happen and you are happy for the medication to stay at school for the returning year, please email the school with this request. Thank you.

NEWS FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

Look, Listen, Report
Please help to keep our school safe over the holiday period - report any suspicious movement or activity within our school grounds to:
School Watch
Phone: 131788

Raylee Davies – Principal
Robyn Cooney – Deputy Principal & Pedagogical Coach
Pia Adriaansz – Head of Curriculum & ICT Coordinator

CALENDAR of EVENTS

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WRITING NEWS

This week Year 3 students would like to share some of their fantastic published poems about a significant place. When asked to write about a place that has meaning to them, the students were able to add emotion and description to convey a positive and reflective mood to their reader.

The writing process consists of three main areas create-collaborate-celebrate. Publishing student work is part of the celebrate stage and gives the student achievement and a purpose for their writing.

We hope you enjoy these wonderful poems.

Author’s Corner
This is the last week of Author’s Corner for the year. We have had so much fun on Tuesday’s and Friday’s creating our books and sharing our ideas.
YOU CAN DO IT!
This week will see the conclusion of the ‘You Can Do It!’ program at Kenmore South State School for the year. A big thank you and well done goes to all the families who have supported this program at home. This week in class, students will be able to use a ‘Taking Risks’ way of thinking rather than a ‘Needing to be Perfect’ way of thinking. They will be able to use ‘I Can Do It!’ rather than ‘I Can’t Do It!’ when faced with new or challenging work. They will be able to identify situations that can happen at school and at home that can lead to them feeling very angry, down or worried, and they will identify a range of reliance skills and thinking strategies to say calm in stressful situations they might encounter. Older students will additionally learn that a helpful way of thinking that will help them manage their anger and boost their resilience is the ‘Being Tolerant of Others’ way of thinking. They will be able to use the technique called ‘It’s unfair but I can cope’ as a replacement for ‘It’s unfair and I can’t stand it’ thinking to deal with unfairness and to manage their anger.

Banking News
Next Tuesday will be the last banking day for 2016. If you want to claim ET DVD, Outback Pat Bag Tag, Outer Space Savers Money Box or Wriggly Glow Worm, make sure you claim it! We also have a few Back Pack Eraser Pens and Wildlife Writer Sets in storage. Don’t forget! If you claim your reward next week, you will not receive it this year. It will be given to you next year. Alternatively, you can wait till next year to claim new rewards, which will be announced in Week 1, Term 1 2017.

As we announced already, Sarah and I will not be doing student banking next year. Kitty and Tahlia will be taking over and Thursday will be the banking day in 2017.

Chanellle Hoare – School Council Member

School Council
The Kenmore South School Council scheduled an election for the 1st November. One nomination was received and therefore an election was not required.

The council is delighted to announce that Chantelle Hoare is our new council member. Chantelle has two children at the school in years 3 & 5. Chantelle brings to the council strong experience in finance and business process improvement.

The council would like to thank outgoing member Andrew Bradley for his valuable contribution to the council. In particular we’d like to acknowledge the hard work Andrew put into developing surveys of the parent and student...
population. The survey results helped inform the school strategy that was developed by Scott Curtis and reviewed by the council in Term 2 this year.

Catherine Belward

P&C FETE
Hello there KSSS! My name is Ellissa and I am very happy to be the Fete Convenor for our fete in 2017. I'm mum to Lily who is currently in year 2, and to Oskar who is starting in Prep next year.

As you may already know, the fete will be held on Saturday August 5th 2017. We already have some lovely parents and carers who have kindly volunteered already (you legends!), but LOADS more help is needed! Please email me at fete@ksss-pnc.org.au if you are able to help in any capacity - even if its just helping out on the day. Everyone is welcome and it is a great way to get to know the school community, especially if you are new to the school (don't be afraid!).

In the coming weeks I'll be in touch to invite you to go on our volunteers mailing list, to join us on Facebook and to reveal our theme for 2017. The Fete committee will begin meeting regularly in early 2017.

Here's to an amazing and successful community event in 2017!

Ellissa Nagle – 2017 Fete Coordinator

P&C SCHOOL DISCO
Hi everyone.

Friday 2nd December will be the last disco for the year so I am hoping this gives our kids a chance to 'let their hair down' after a busy and demanding school year. I know many of the children are looking forward to this event!

Can I please ask one more time that if you have been thinking of volunteering but have not let me know yet, (or if you feel sorry for the disco coordinator) could you please let me know ASAP? I can promise low pay, busy work conditions but grateful kids as compensation!

We current have the following vacancies:
- BBQ/KITCHEN (Cooking, food prep and sales)
- Lolly stall (Cales lollies and drinks)
- Bar (Sales)
- Set up (Set up and food preparation – please note this includes a person to get the keys, class lists and float from office or myself)
- Jumping Castle (General supervisor with support man from Jumping Castle company – second shift 6:30-7:30pm)

Many thanks in advance and see you all on the night!

Keyewest Mason – Disco Coordinator

P&C NEWS
Are you creative? Do you have a spare hour each month? The P&C needs you to be our next Publicity Officer.

The P&C also has three notice boards throughout the school where we put up notices and posters to advertise our events.

To be the Publicity Offices you need to become a P&C member and attend our monthly meetings in order to gain all the info that needs to be communicated.

Our first general meeting as well as AGM is on 21 February 2017, so come along, become a member and join the team of enthusiastic volunteers that is our P&C.

Kelly Underwood – P&C President

ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP NEWS
Mrs Lenane and I have never seen our vege patch so dry! We had our last EHC weeding session today and we seem to have got on top of the worst of the weeds. A combination of plenty of mulch and not much rain has made the job easier than it could have been. I'll be laying out the rest of the weed matting to see if we can suppress them as much as possible until the New Year.

Our three citrus trees have responded well to the good soaking I gave them recently and they are all fruiting - we have baby limes and lemons and even fruit appearing on our 'mystery citrus'. I can't believe another year has passed with us still not knowing what kind of citrus tree it is!!

We'll be getting into the Christmas spirit next week in EHC! It would be lovely to see all the student gardeners who have helped throughout the year come along to Mrs Lenane's classroom on Monday at lunchtime.

I'd like to extend a big thank you to Tom and Delphie who came to our rescue and helped me get the water tank pump going again. Now all we need is rain!

Cathy Collins – Parent Volunteer
Over the school holidays
KENMORE STATE SCHOOL P&C introduces
New to
Kenmore Community Education SUMMER CLASSES
BoogieFit and Zumba Gold with Olga
Teenage Photography classes with award winning Colin Bushell
For more info, and to book and pay visit www.kenmorecommunityed.com

December Holiday Tennis Clinic- Brookfield Tennis Centre
With the Holidays almost upon us we are now taking registrations for the holiday clinic that will run in the first week of the holiday.
When: Mon 12 Dec – Thur 15 Dec from 8:00am – 11:00am
come and drop your kids for a morning of tennis.
Classes open for online registration at www.brookfieldtennis.com.au/kids or call Brookfield Tennis Centre on 07 33741046.
Lessons will be run for Red Ball, Orange Ball and Green / Yellow Ball. Registrations are limited so best to hurry. Cost $180.

Term 1 - 2017 Tennis Lessons Enrolments
We are busy taking enrolments for our Term 1 lessons.
Please call us to enquire about the kids and adults program – we would love to have you on the court with us. 07 33741046 or email tennis@brookfieldtennis.com.au