The focus for the school continues to be the Explicit Teaching of Writing. This is evident in all classrooms as the students are taught different genres, various writing skills and are given the opportunity to practice their skills in differentiated settings. Many of the Student of the Week awards are around writing skills – sentence structure, vocabulary usage or punctuation. Our regular foyer display is focused on writing and currently has some pieces of narrative writing from Year 5. You are encouraged to come in and read their great work! Each staff meeting this year is based around Writing as the teachers continue to upskill, discuss resources and ideas and refine their teaching of writing.

Building work will commence on the Activates Centre in the holidays. This will become the new Outside School Hours Care. This is an exciting project that the P&C are funding which will improve the daily running of the school and positively affect our children. There will of course be some interruptions while this work is being carried out and areas will be cordoned off to maintain the safety of our children.

We will be farewelling our very capable groundsman on Thursday as Mr Donoghue will be leaving us. Mr Sullivan will be returning to his role in term 2. We thank Mr Donoghue for working so hard at maintaining the school grounds and for his friendly disposition.

ICAS
Tomorrow is the cut off day to give names and payments of students who wish to participate in the University of New South Wales ICAS testing program. Please look at the table below and consider if you want to participate in this program. This year’s testing will be completed before school time from approximately 7:30 am on the day of the testing. The closing date for the entries is the last day of school this term, Thursday 24th March.

If you are interested in your child participating in any/all of these tests please come to the front office to collect a permission and payment form to be completed.

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MISSING BIKES
Unfortunately, two bikes were taken from the bike racks at Kenmore South SS on Tuesday afternoon. The bikes are TREK brand and MERIDA brand and are very much missed.

This matter has been reported to the POLICE. If you have any information about the whereabouts of either of these bikes, please contact the School Admin. Thank you for your help with this matter.

Update: the bikes have been found and the police are investigating the circumstances. Please ensure that you lock your bike or scooter when placing it in the racks.

Robyn Cooney – A/Principal & Pedagogical Coach
Pia Adriaansz – A/Deputy, Head of Curriculum & ICT Coordinator
BSM NEWS
Absentee Line – 3327 0860
The school absentee line is available for use all day. We do however request that you attempt to leave your message by 8.30am so we may enter this data for the classroom teacher’s knowledge before the school day commences.

Badges for Volunteers
We would like to remind all parent helpers/volunteers that you are required to sign in at the office and receive a visitors badge, this is for your safety and the students. If there are any new volunteers this year (those who are not parents) please be aware that you are required to hold a Working with Children Blue Card. Please provide a copy to the office. A voluntary Blue Card is free of charge to obtain, if you need to apply or are not sure please contact the office for the appropriate paperwork/advice or follow the link provided. https://www.bluecard.qld.gov.au/applications/need-to-apply-for-card.html

Caitlyn Hawkins – BSM

National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence & Harmony Day
This Thursday 24th March, Kenmore South State School will celebrate our National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence and Harmony Day. This week’s theme focused the students’ thinking around the consequences of their actions and what makes a safe and supportive school environment. These topics were discussed by Ms Cooney on assembly and are being reinforced throughout the week by all staff. Please take the opportunity to find some time to discuss these topics with your child/children.

SPORTS PHYS/ED NEWS

Inter House Cross Country
The write up and results for the inter house cross country will be in the next newsletter. We were still completing the carnival at the time of this newsletter being compiled.

Swimming (Years 2 and 3)
This week was our final lesson for the term. For the last lesson, the Year 3’s played beginners water polo whilst the Year 2’s played a variety of water games including relays. Thank you for your support with the swimming program. It has been a pleasure to watch the improvement in the students’ water safety and swimming ability.

Swimming (Year 4-6)
Years 4-6 swim in Term 4. Information will be provided closer to the time.

Swimming (Year 1)
Year 1’s will be having four introductory swimming lessons towards the end of the year. More information will be provided closer to the time.

Sports Stars
AFL - Congratulations to Ben and Hamish who have been selected in the District AFL Team. Good luck at the upcoming Regional Trial!

Interschool Sport
The interschool sport competition will continue on the first Friday in Term 2. Well done to the teams thus far. Thankyou to the coaches for all your hard work with organising and coaching the sporting teams.

Alison Pegg – HPE

INTERSCHOOL SPORTS RESULTS

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Thanks to all parents and students who supported the banking program this term. We have been going from strength to strength, and have had record numbers banking. Thank you. We will be back week one of next term.

A special thank you today to Joann C. and Sally W. who came and helped us process the deposits this week so we could make it down to watch our kids run in the cross country. You two are legends!

Banker of the Week: Eloise F.
Sarah & Sachiko - School Banking Coordinators

P&C NEWS
Working Bee
Sunday 17th April from 8 am – 11 am. Please bring along some gardening equipment and help keep our school looking great! We will be preparing the memorial for ANZAC day, planting at the top of the school to have it looking good for the school’s 50th Anniversary next year, tackling the vegie garden ready for winter planting, hedge clipping, and for the non-gardeners there are some painting jobs on the list.

Lost Property
There are at least 40 lunchboxes in the lunchbox lost property wheelie bin at the other end of D block to OSHC. Please check and rescue yours. Also up for grabs are loads of waterbottles and a fine assortment of random garments and hats (mostly not uniform).

P&C Executives

CHAPLAINCY SERVICE
You Can Do It!
This week, “Connie Confidence” visited three of our Prep classes! Connie wasn’t always confident, she had to practice! This is what confidence looks like:
- Use your clear medium voice so people can hear you.
- Stand or sit straight and tall.
- Look at people who are talking to you.
- Not being afraid to try new things or make mistakes.
- Talk to and play with many children at school.
- In a kind friendly voice, say what you think and what you want to do.

SU QLD EASTER MAPLETON ADVENTURE CAMP
Not long to go now! I’m so excited to be going on this camp again this year!
There is an SU QLD holiday camp offered during the Easter holidays for children in our area. This camp is for years 5-7 (co-ed) and will run the first week of holidays, from 29 March-1 April 2016. The cost is $300 (including transport costs) and is held at Mapleton QCCC. There are great activities on offer such as rock climbing, canoeing, giant swing and flying fox. It is a wonderful fun-packed week! If you are interested and would like more information, visit: http://www.sucamps.org.au/eastermapleton or email: easternmapleton@sucamps.org.au.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!
I wanted to take the opportunity to wish you all a happy and blessed Easter. I hope you have a wonderful, relaxing school holiday time.
I will be on leave for the first 3 weeks of next Term. My first day back at school will be Thursday 5 May. I will look forward to catching up with the students when I return!

I can’t wait to tell you the exciting activities we have planned! Stay tuned! Happy Easter and see you next Term!

Jilanna Craig – Chaplain

R.I. EASTER ASSEMBLY
Thursday 24th March at 2:15pm - Years 1-6
The R.I. program will finish term one with an Easter Assembly in the hall at 2:15 on Thursday 24th March. Parents are welcome to attend.

Jcraig112@eq.edu.au
Kenmore South State School

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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<td>Leo R</td>
<td>Enthusiastically joining in with all our Warm Ups!</td>
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<td>Joanna Z</td>
<td>Remembering to use her inside voice during rotations.</td>
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<td>PJ</td>
<td>Ava K</td>
<td>For trying her best in class and being a happy and helpful classmate. You are awesome Ava!</td>
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<td>PM</td>
<td>William L</td>
<td>For great creativity and being so focused when completing his Easter bonnet. Way to Go!</td>
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<td>1F</td>
<td>Jayden F</td>
<td>For being pro-active when witnessing a bullying incident and informing staff.</td>
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<td>Ruby S</td>
<td>For improved organisational skills and being ready to start class activities. Keep up the good work Ruby.</td>
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<td>Michael L</td>
<td>For planning and performing an outstanding persuasive oral presentation on global warming.</td>
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<td>3L</td>
<td>Bao-Lac A</td>
<td>For an excellent work ethic at all times and making great progress in swimming lessons.</td>
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<td>3S</td>
<td>Lottie W</td>
<td>For great listening and understanding in History to have an understanding of commemorations and celebrations around the world.</td>
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<td>4G</td>
<td>Neha S</td>
<td>For showing amazing persistence when learning and using the split strategy to solve multiplication problems. Well done, Neha!</td>
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<td>Minami G</td>
<td>For working well towards achieving her Writing Goal. Great work, Minami. Your writing has definitely benefited from the adverbs that you have been including in your sentences.</td>
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<td>5L</td>
<td>Luca B</td>
<td>For improving your confidence and achievement in Mathematics. And defining what is area. Well done. Keep up the effort!</td>
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<td>5N</td>
<td>Jack B</td>
<td>For being very attentive during our class excursion to St Helena Island, demonstrating excellent knowledge about different prisoner’s daily life and hardships experienced.</td>
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<td>6L</td>
<td>Riley M</td>
<td>For outstanding results in his Imagination reading comprehension assessment. Well done Riley!</td>
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COMMUNITY NOTICES/PAID ADVERTISING

Please note that the following paid advertisements are not indorsed by Kenmore South State School.

Thank you very much to Keyewest for organizing yet another fantastic disco and to all our volunteers for making the evening a huge success.

A big shout out for Susan Riby from Bank West for the $200 grant for the jumping castle.

P&C PostCard

join us : 7:30 pm
2nd Tuesday of the month
Kenmore South staffroom

pando@kenmoresouthss.eq.edu.au
A big thank you to all those who participated in the Year 6 Bake Sale Fundraiser. From the people who baked goodies, to those who sold them on the day, our efforts have raised just over $640. What a great result. It was a sweltering day and the students who volunteered worked the crowd selling trays of refreshing drinks up and down the voting queue. A great effort in the heat.

Fun, Friends and Adventure!

Kenmore Gumnut Guides currently have spaces available.

Gumnut Guides take part in age appropriate indoor and outdoor games and activities, that challenge them to do their best while having fun and building confidence.

If your daughter is aged 5-7, and would like to join, please contact Inez on 0414 552 974 or email kenmoreegg.membership@gmail.com

Free Assessment and Treatment for Children with Depression, Sadness, Fear and/or Anxiety at Griffith University

Parents, are you concerned about depression or anxiety problems for your child? At the Griffith University Childhood Anxiety Disorders Research Program, we are conducting a large-scale study that includes a thorough depression/anxiety assessment and a new tri-component intervention that aims to improve mood and reduce anxiety by helping children overcome unhelpful thinking patterns, increase use of positive imagery and encourage engagement in enjoyable activities. These services are provided at no cost to families. If your child is between 7 and 13 years of age, please contact our research team on 07-3735 3349.

INDOOROOLY STATE HIGH SCHOOL
A community of forward thinkers

INDRO TOURS
*Receive information *Talk to students and teachers *See our school in action
WHEN: Tuesday 24 May 9.30am-11.00am
WHERE: The Peter Doherty Theatre (car parking available at Ward Street entrance)

YEAR 7 SPECIAL PROGRAMS EVENING
Come along and receive in-depth information about our innovative Year 7 programs: Maths and Engineering Acceleration, Spanish Immersion, Chinese Acceleration and Arts KLA. Talk with current students and parents about their experiences.
WHEN: Tuesday 31 May 6.00pm-7.30pm
WHERE: The Peter Doherty Theatre (car parking available at Ward Street entrance)

Education Queensland International CRICOS Provider Number: 00606A

Clothing Alteration Specialist

Be like the KARATE KID
Children's Self Defense Classes at YOUR SCHOOL

Venue: Activities Hall
When: Tuesday Afternoons
Time: 3:10pm – 4:10pm
Phone: (07) 3255 8930

BRISBANE MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY
BOOK NOW TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT
Limited spaces available