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Newsletter 39, Term 4, Week 10

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CALENDAR of EVENTS

December	
Fri 9 th	Last day of Term
January 2017	
Wed- Fri 18 th	Admin opens 8:30am-4pm
Fri 20 th	12pm-2pm Book pack drop off
Mon 23 rd	First day of Term

NEWS FROM THE ADMIN TEAM

What a privilege it has been to be the Principal of our school throughout 2016. At our school our Staff and Students enact our motto, "Do your best" on a daily basis.

As Principal I am extremely proud of the amazing work that has been achieved. It has been a year of successes, challenges and learning. These are the characteristics of a school community like ours.

Throughout 2016, our staff have been committed to giving our students the foundations of being lifelong learners. The classrooms have allowed our students to experience the thrill of discovery and to spark their intellectual curiosity for their own learning.

Our teachers have taken up the challenge to set high expectations in the classroom to nurture, challenge and support our students to achieve to their very best potential. Our students have undertaken personal learning goals in Literacy and Numeracy and have persisted to achieve outstanding results.

This year we have celebrated our student's success not only in the classroom but also through our weekly 'Student of the Week', 'You Can Do It' awards, our end of year Awards and our Musical performances and evenings, what an amazing year we have had.

Parental support is a vital element of any school's identity, and we are fortunate to enjoy a strong and close working relationship with the community, thank you to all of our families who have worked in our classrooms, playgrounds and supported our Parents and Citizens Associations in our school.

I would like to thank the staff for their outstanding efforts and dedication to our students throughout this year. Your contribution to our school has made a difference for the students that you teach and work with on a daily basis.

It is also the time to say goodbye and farewell to some of our well-loved staff, from the office Jordyne Davies, our teachers Natalie Rolfe, Jacob Clyburn, Stephanie Pedley, Maria Hogan, our support team Sally Martin - STL&N, Meta Van Hemert and Jo Nehmer our Guidance officers and Mrs Fiona Lougheed - Strings.

Their dedication to our school and students has been greatly appreciated.



We will also be welcoming some new teachers to our school. I know that these staff members are very excited about being a part of our school community in 2017. Welcome to Mrs Georgina Allardice - Deputy Principal, Mrs Genevieve Dransfield - Prep, Miss Gemma Goicoechea - Prep replacing Mrs Jan Pearce who will be on leave during term one, Rebecca Connor - Year 1, Elyse Hayes - Year 2, Olivia Lake - Year 2, Emmanuel Robert - Year 3, Suzanne Cilento - Year 4 and Michael Allardice - Year 5. Ms Robyn Cooney will continue as part of leadership team as our Pedagogy Coach and Deputy Principal. Mrs Caitlin Donaghey - STL&N, Kate Keddie - SEP working alongside Bernadette Pease, Karen Luck - Early Years PE working alongside Alison Pegg and Mrs Robyn Harmer - Early Years Music will work alongside Margaret Mitchell. We have two more teaching positions to fill over the coming weeks. I know we will get the right people for our school. If students haven't had the chance to meet their teachers they will have the time on Friday the 20th of January.

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School commences on Monday 23rd January, 2017. Classrooms will be open on Friday the 20th of January from 12pm - 2pm for parents and students to drop off book packs and meet their teacher. Our school office will be open from Wednesday the 18th of January from 8:30am.

The uniform shop will be open in the week before school resumes in January 2017. You will need to make an appointment for a fitting or any uniform purchases.

The dates and times:

Wednesday	18 th January	10am-3pm
Thursday	19 th January	9am-2pm
Friday	20 th January	9am-2pm

To make a booking, please go to the following website and use the event code: kwxy7 and click on **GO**.

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Then follow the steps indicated. You will receive an email confirming your time.

Bookings are and close Friday 13th January 2017 at 3pm

Any queries, please contact Lyndel Blencowe, Uniform Shop Convener, on 0438480437.

Have a wonderful Christmas break with your families, enjoy the time, keep safe, and I look forward to working with you all in 2017.

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

BANKING NEWS

Merry Christmas & Thank you to all of our School Bankers in 2016!

You have helped our school raise some great commissions this year - Congratulations! We look forward to seeing you with your deposit books on **February 2, Thursday**. Yes, not Tuesday. It'll be Thursday! What will the exciting new theme & rewards will be in 2017??

For any parents interested in signing their children up with a fee free account for next year, please register your interest on

<https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/schoolbanking.html>

This will allow you to complete your account opening online, even if you are not a CBA customer. Alternatively you may wish to visit any Commonwealth Bank branch in Australia to set this up. Our school currently earns 5% commission (up to a Maximum \$10 p/child per week). Not only kids can learn how to do banking but also it's a great way to contribute to school.

Thank you again. Hope everyone will have a lovely holiday!

Sarah, Sachiko and Jo – KSSS Banking Coordinators
Email: pipermail22@yahoo.com.au

SPORTS PHYS/ED NEWS

Swimming Carnival (Year 4-6) and invited guests

Thankyou to all the hard working staff who did a wonderful job at the carnival by keeping it running smoothly so that all the students had a great day out. I very much appreciated your help. Thankyou to all the Parents, Grandparents and friends who came to support. It was lovely having you there. Well done to all the students who swam brilliantly! We were all very proud of how far everyone has come this term.

If you have not already heard, the winning house was Keda (434 points), followed by Kama (425 points), followed by Kutha (419 points). A very very very close contest indeed!

The Age Champions and Runner Ups are as follows:

9 Year Girls: Lillian and Rosie
9 Year Boys: Mitchell and Fraser
10 Year Girls: Nadia and Ayla
10 Year Boys: Christopher and Harrison
11 Year Girls: Megan and Sophia
11 Year Boys: Reilly and Liam
12 Year Girls: Sophie and Emily
12 Year Boys: Jamie and Sasha

Two records (which had stood for 13 years) were broken by Megan. She now holds the 50m Freestyle record (31.2 sec) and the 50m Butterfly record (36.2 seconds). Congratulations, Megan!

In the Parents and Teachers verses students 12x50m FS Relay, the PnT's started with speed and power! Unfortunately for us, we faded a little, then a little more and a little more. Despite a last minute comeback we could not hold out the students and they beat us to the finish.....convincingly! Thank you to the brave parents who came and swam with the brave teachers. Congratulations to the students.

Following the carnival, there are 24 swimmers who have qualified for the District Carnival which will be held in February next year. They are; Zoe A, Lillian M, Rosie Mc, Grace D, Nadia W, Ayla J, Kaizen S, Millie L, Jaime A, Arianna S, Jessica D, Mattea P, Sophia S, Sophie M, Keegan J, Regan M, Mitchell A, Fraser H, Christopher W, Harrison A, Will S, Riley M, Liam D and Hamish H. Congratulations swimmers. (If you have not collected a letter from me, please do so before holidays).

Swimming 2017 Heads Up

In 2017, the Year 2's and 3's will be swimming for 7 weeks in Term 1 (from week 2-8). A letter will be sent home when we return to school next year. The Year 4's, 5's and 6's will be swimming in term 4.

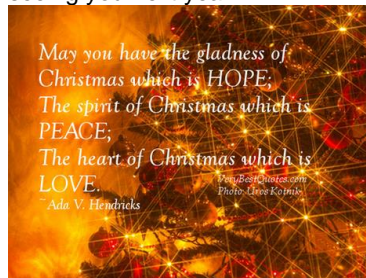
Safe, active and Happy Holidays

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday with some sort of activity in between the relaxation times! Enjoy!

Alison Pegg & Kate Gates – Phys Ed Teacher

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

It's been a great year! I want to wish you all a wonderful and safe Christmas holiday season. I hope you enjoy some refreshing time with loved ones, and I look forward to seeing you next year!



Jilanna Craig – Chaplain W/Th/F
jcrai112@eq.edu.au

MUSIC NEWS

Music and Recreation Camp

Monday 12th Friday – 16th December 2016 Indooroopilly State High School

Bel Canto Music host a day camp for children 5-18 years. The cost is \$260 /290.

For more information please contact Mrs Carlisle-Mitchell
mcarl16@eq.edu.au

The year finishes with a Whole School Concert on Tuesday 6th December 9-11am with performances selected from the class concerts. Look forward to seeing you all here.

Margaret Carlisle-Mitchell – Music Teacher

TENNIS NEWS

Lexie Crooke would like to thank all pupils and parents whom supported her during 2016.

As I will be at the Aussie Open, coaching forms will be distributed on the first week of school.

First term commences Monday the 6th and Wednesday the 8th of FEB. Please return forms to the office as soon as possible.

I wish you all a very merry Xmas and I look forward to more tennis in 2017. Enjoy the Aussie Open and have a relaxing break.

Lexie Crooke – Tennis Coach

P&C SCHOOL DISCO

Hi all.

On last Friday the 2nd December we had the last P&C School disco for the year and from all accounts a good time was had by all! We had a fantastic team of about 30 volunteers helping on the night. All of whom did a great job for the kids.

The Jumping Castle was popular as ever as was the Lolly stall. Due to the hot weather the Bar was also popular (with the grownups).

A special thanks to those who came early to help with setting up and those who stayed till the end (we locked up at about 9pm) to help pack up, clean and count money.

So how did we do?

One the Night I counted approximately \$5300 and after costs estimate we made a profit of about \$3000 which is an excellent result!

On the class lists from the door we have 211 children recorded as being in attendance which is a little down on numbers but I suspect we had a few more parents than past discos. A big than you to all those who came to join in. The kids were all well behaved as always.

Just on a serious note for a moment.... I noticed there were a few children attending who had been dropped off and whose parents did not stay. I understand how it can be very difficult to juggle kids activities however the Disco is not a supervised event so could I ask that parents please remain at the venue for the entire duration for future events. Thanks.

Finally... This is my last Disco so could I strongly encourage one of our parents to consider taking over organising the Disco's for 2017? I have set up good processes and relationships with suppliers so the actual organising is not too difficult. The main task that takes time are arranging the food and organising the volunteers. It would be a shame for the Disco to not run next year. Please let me or the P&C executive know if you are interested as early as possible as we will need to lock in the DJ for next year.

Thanks again for everyone's support and I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas, a relaxing school break and a great New Year ahead.

Warm regards,

Keywest Mason – Disco Coordinator

ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP NEWS

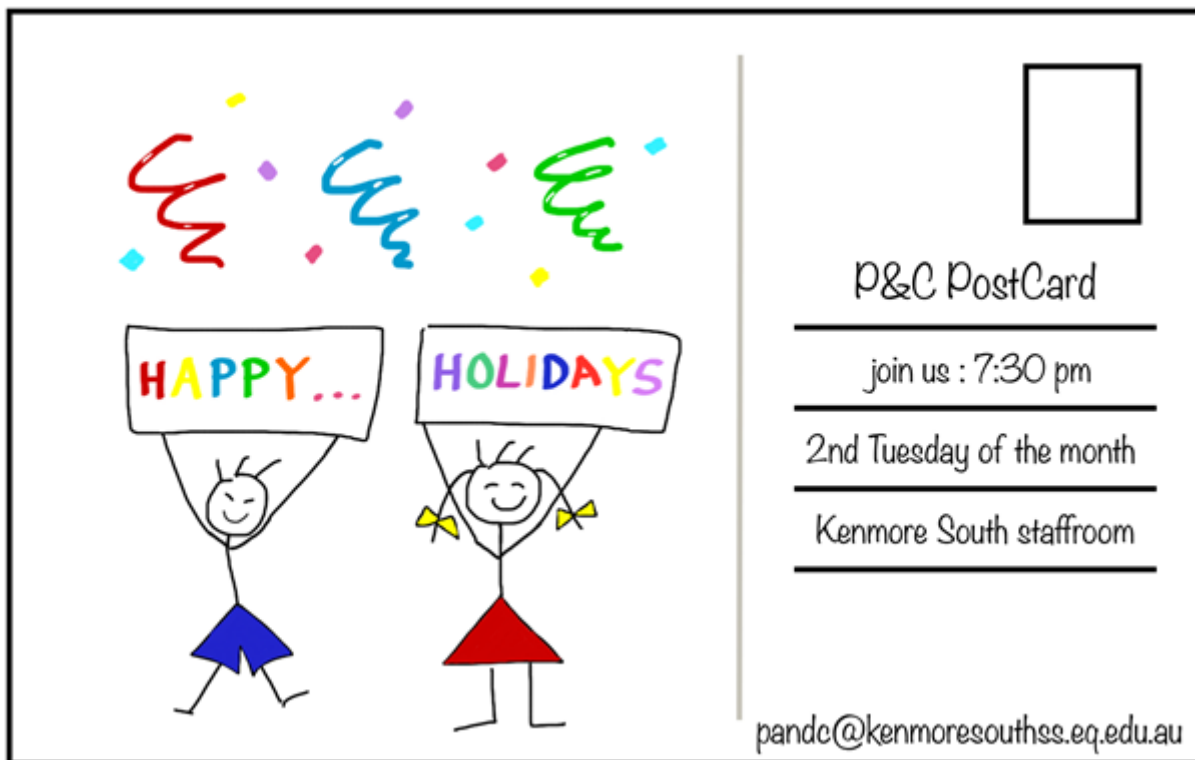
Our student gardeners enjoyed adding a bit of festive cheer to our vege patch this week in our last session of EHC for 2016. We now have a 'Mystery Citrus Christmas Tree' - try saying that three times fast!

We would like to thank our 2016 environmental captains, Rachel and Belicia, and wish them all the best for high school next year.

Mrs Lenane and I are really looking forward to more EHC with our enthusiastic student gardeners in the new year! We hope to see you in the vege patch too, because as the children say: "Every Hand Counts!"



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