News Letter 11: 1st May 2014

Thought for the Week: A Change is as good as a holiday!

Welcome to a new term, and to our new look Newsletter! We hope you enjoy reading it. As you can see we have an EXTREMELY BUSY term coming up!

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

02 May Friday Sport begins for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare
Mrs Patterson @ meeting 7.30-8.30

06 May Nude Food Day
Choir singing at Eisteddfod 9.45am-12.00pm
Support-A-Reader course in library 12.30pm-2.30pm
Cross Country @ St Luke’s for selected students 3.30 pm
Mrs Patterson @ meeting 1.00pm-3.00pm
Active After School Sport-Soccer begins
Staff at iPad PD Kepnock SHS 3.30pm-4.30pm

07 May P&C Hot Food Day
P&C Mothers’ Day Stall before school
Active After School Sport-Basketball begins

08 May P&C Mothers’ Day Stall before school
Parent meeting: Responsible Behaviour Plan 9.00-10.00am

09 May P&C Mothers’ Day Stall before school
Friday Sport for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare

13 May NAPLAN Grades 3, 5 & 7
Active After School Sport-Soccer

14 May NAPLAN Grades 3, 5 & 7
P&C Meeting 9.30am in the library
Active After School Sport-Basketball

15 May NAPLAN Grades 3, 5 & 7

16 May Friday Sport for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare

19 May Chappy Week begins

20 May Mayor’s Chaplaincy Breakfast; Captains attending
Mrs Patterson & Principals’ meeting; Mrs Shield replacing
Active After School Sport-Soccer

20 May Kepnock SHS Year 7 Information evening for Grade 6 parents

21 May Life Education Van (Harold)
P&C Food Day: Wraps
Active After School Sport-Basketball

22 May Life Education Van (Harold)

23 May Friday Sport for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare
Disco 5.30-7.30pm

26 May Kepnock SHS Science ACES program for selected Grade 6-7 students

27 May Active After School Sport-Soccer

28 May Active After School Sport-Basketball

29 May Show Holiday

30 May Friday Sport for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare

03 Jun Active After School Sport-Soccer

04 Jun Active After School Sport-Basketball

06 Jun Friday Sport for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare

10 Jun Active After School Sport-Soccer

11 Jun Active After School Sport-Basketball

13 Jun Friday Sport for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare

17 Jun Active After School Sport-Soccer

1st Enrolment Evening for 2015 Kepnock SHS 3.45-5.30pm

18 Jun Athletics Carnival (No After School Sport)

20 Jun Friday Sport for Grades 4-7; $5 bus fare

25 Jun Active After School Sport-Basketball

27 Jun Reports come home

OUR STUDENTS DO US PROUD

Congratulations to ALL our students for their behaviour last week during ANZAC Day services, but special thanks go to our Captains for the great job they did in both our school and community ANZAC Day services, and to our Choir who sang so beautifully. We received many positive comments about our students’ participation in the community events. Thank you parents for your efforts in getting your children to the services. It is very much appreciated. We were able to take a lovely photo of all students at the 11.00am service, who were dressed in their school uniform, with the banner in the foreground and the ocean in the background. It replaces one taken 6 years ago, that has always been my favourite school photo. We’ll put it up soon!

Safety, Responsibility, Respect and Learning

Great state. Great opportunity.
Next meeting: Wednesday, 14th May, at 9.30 a.m., in the library. All are most welcome to come along.
Our email address: p&c@endlesspassion.anu.edu.au

President: Amanda Hamzat  Vice-President: Sarah Patience
Secretary: Monica Ale  Treasurer: Belinda Biggs
FACEBOOK PAGE: Elliott Heads Parents and Staff
Please ask to join. It’s a great way for us to keep in touch with you!

JAKES CANDY FUNDRAISER:
Thanks to all those who supported us by placing an order for our Jake’s Candy Fundraiser before the holidays. Orders will arrive on 5 May and should be distributed on the same day, or 6th May.

MOTHERS’ DAY STALL:
Thanks to Dee Marshall and Trudy Brock for their generous donations of items for the Mothers’ Day Stall. Much appreciated ladies!

Next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday we will be holding a Mother’s Day Stall before school. Gifts will range from $1-$5. Hopefully, when possible, all the Dads out there will provide their children with a few dollars to buy a nice gift for Mum.

P&C HOT FOOD DAY:
Next Wednesday, 7th May, will be our first Hot Food Day for this term. It will be a pies, sausage rolls and chicken nuggets day. There is an order form attached to the newsletter. Please return it by next TUESDAY at the latest.

DISCO:
Our next disco is planned for Friday evening 23rd May from 5.30-7.30pm. An order for will come home soon, for food orders on the night. The Student Council will meet soon to set a theme for the night! Put the date on your calendar.

2014 FUNDRAISING PLAN:
- Next week: Mothers’ Day Stall
- Mid Term 2: Pie Drive-Chic’s Pies
- Early Term 3: Walkathon
- Mid Term 3: Bush Dance Food Stall
- Late Term 3: Fathers’ Day Stall
- Early Term 4: Family Portraits

FRIDAY SPORT:
Interschool Sport for Term 2 starts tomorrow. Notes and invoices for Friday Sport went home on Monday. Bus fares are $40 for the season or $5 per week. This term the sports will be:
- 8/7 Girls-Netball@Kendalls Flats with Mrs Patterson
- 9/8 Boys-Soccer@Kendalls Flats with Mrs Gollshewsky
- 4/5 Girls-Soccer@Kendalls Flats with Mrs Taske
- 4/5 Boys-Touch@Bundabergh Touch Grounds with Mrs Brown

CHOIR SINGING @ EISTEDDFOD:
Next Tuesday our choir will be competing against other schools at the Bundaberg District Eisteddfod. It will be held in the Bundaberg Civic Centre. The bus will leave school at 9.45am and students will return by 12.15pm. For those parents who wish to attend, we advise you to be there for the whole session as doors are locked once a session starts and it is difficult to pinpoint the exact time our choir will be singing.
Good luck Choir! We know you’ll do your best!

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY:
Will be held at St Luke’s next Tuesday afternoon. Congratulations to the following students who qualified for the event. This year we have 9 entries, compared to 3 last year. Well done, kids!

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ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT:
Active After School Sport for Term 2, organised by Tracey Gollshewsky, begins next Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, from 3.15-4.15pm. On Tuesday afternoons we will have Soccer and on Wednesday afternoons, Basketball. It would be great if our 4/5 girls and 6/7 boys could come along, as they are playing Soccer this term for Interschool Sport and it would give them an extra training session each week. Forms for Active After School Sport will come home today. Providing you get your form in early, preference is given to those who missed out last term.

RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOUR PLAN FOR STUDENTS:
Our Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students was first written 7 years ago, and while it was reviewed and approved by the P&C every two years, staff have decided that it was time for a complete overhaul. We have been working steadily on it over the last term and we are now ready to take it to a special meeting of the P&C, called for only this purpose, NEXT THURSDAY 7th May, at 9.15am in the Library.

All parents get a copy of the Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students upon enrolment. A new copy is sent out each time there are changes. At this meeting, I will present to parents only what is DIFFERENT in this version of the plan. If you are interested in seeing what the changes are, or getting a better understanding of how Behaviour Management works at the school, please come along and have your say.
I have been discussing changes along the way, at P&C Meetings, so at the conclusion of this meeting a Motion will be put that the P&C approves the new Responsible Behaviour Plan, and a vote will be taken on the motion. I hope to see you there.

NUDE FOOD DAY:
Next Tuesday is our first Nude Food Day for Term 2. Nude Food Day is a day when we ask parents and students to be more aware of the damage high levels of packaging does to our environment. We ask students to leave ALL packaging at home (except for poppers that are recyclable). This means sandwiches in a sandwich box without gladwrap, chips, popcorn etc. in a plastic container rather than a chip packet, fruit in its skin or cut up in a container. Students bringing completely Nude Food on the day go into a draw for a Nude Food container, drawn at next week’s Assembly.

NAPLAN TESTS:
On 13th, 14th and 15th May, NAPLAN tests will take place for all students in Grades 3, 5 and 7. This is a national testing program in Reading, Language. Spelling, Punctuation, Writing and Numeracy administered annually to all students across Australia in these year levels.

We ask parents to try and ensure their children are at school on these days. Although the tests can be made up on the Friday, if necessary, children doing a make-up test rarely do as well as those who do it on the proper day.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS:
Assembly is held at 2.30 p.m. each Wednesday.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:
PREP/1: Callum
Excellent efforts in Reading and Comprehension
YEAR 2/3: Keenan
Completing work independently
YEAR 4/5: Kaleb
Doing a great job in his reading support lessons
YEAR 5/6/7: Olivia
Great effort in Spelling

CLASSES OF THE WEEK:
PE: 2/3
MUSIC: 5/6/7 & 4/5
LOTE: Liam
PLAYGROUND AWARDS: Luca, Tyler, Sahara and Grace
NEWSLETTER READER: None this week
ATTENDANCE AWARD: Zoe, who Doubted knows that Every Day Counts! (This is the second time Zoe has been drawn out!)

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATES:
Congratulations to the following students who received 100% attendance certificates for Term 1 at yesterday’s assembly. They are all in the running for a special award at the end of the year, if they continue to maintain their unbroken record! Last year we only awarded 2 students. How many will there be this year out of these 24 students?
Prep: Jaden, Callum, Slade
Year 1: Caleb, Mitchel, Charlee
Year 2: Adara
Year 3: Tim, Joel, Blake
Year 4: Tyler, Bella H
Year 5: Mitchel, Jordan O, Kyle, Sarah, Kailah
Year 6: Rohan, Claire, Toby, Aimee
Year 7: Olivia, Dylan, Curtis
Congratulations also to our students who have only missed a few days and received certificates for 99% or better attendance in Term 1. They are right on target with the school’s goal of getting EVERYONE to at least 96% attendance rate.

Prep: Dylan, Jake, Lily, Jayce, Lewis, Ashton  
Year 1: Luca, Noah, Konna, Jordan, Elexis, Aryahna, Grace  
Year 2: Sam, Leo, Zoe, Nikita, Riley, Chloe, Kiah, Kaenan  
Year 3: Mitchell, Tyson, Jessy, Libby  
Year 4: Sahara, Lachlan, Brooke, Lilly, Ashanti, Kyla, Bella K  
Year 5: Taleah, Kaleb, Toby I, Kody, Rebecca  
Year 6: Caitlin, Faison, Liam, Seth, Arisa

CLASS NEWS

PREP/ONE

It is great to see everyone safely back from holidays and P/1 students quickly remembering classroom routines and expected behaviour. We have had a busy few days starting our new units for Term 2.

In English this term we are conducting two modified Year 1 units Explaining how a story works and Engaging with poetry. So far we have revised plot sections of beginning, middle and end.

In Maths we are revising number recognition, number formation, counting and one to one correspondence.

We are enjoying hands on investigations in Geography while studying the unit What is my place like?

We all participated well in the ANZAC day service and enjoyed trialling a sample of Little Athletics on Tuesday.

WHAT’S THE SCOOP FROM YEAR 2/3?

Welcome back to Term 2. We have definitely hit the ground running.

In English we are starting our new unit “Matty Forever.” This is the first chapter book for our class and we are all excited to see what Matty and Bill will get up to. We are also exploring the noun and verb groups the author has used to make the story more interesting.

In Maths the Year 2s and 3s are reviewing and extending their knowledge of partitioning 2 and 3 digit numbers.

In Science, we are starting our new unit on living things. This week we explored the school environment to see if we could spot any living animals in their habitat.

In Geography we have been mapping continents, oceans and lines of longitude. It has been very interesting and very new to most of the students.

Pip

THE BUZZ FROM YEAR 4/5

We have had a great start to the new term. Everyone has come to school with their ‘thinking caps’ on and ready for work.

In English we have been working on our reading comprehension and identifying features and details of a newspaper article.

In Maths we have been working on identifying the unknown number in a number sentence.

In Science we are experimenting with natural ochre and have been using different binders to check for water resistance or smudge resistance.

We are looking forward to starting our new term on interschool sport tomorrow. Most of our boys are off to touch football, with a couple heading to soccer. Our girls are off to soccer and a couple to netball.

Good luck to all of our teams.

Kelly

We have started exploring the wonderful world of Geography. So far we have learnt the continents of the world and we are now taking a closer look at the natural and managed features of Africa.

HOT GOSS FROM YEAR 5/6/7

We are extremely proud of the good example set by our senior students, and especially our school leaders at the recent ANZAC Day services. Well done everyone!

In English we are continuing our Unit from Term 1 on Ned Kelly. Based on the book ‘Black Snake’. This week we looked at how various characters viewed the same incident through different eyes. We have also been identifying features of a recount, such as Orientation, sequence of events, character detail and the use of juxtaposition and contrast to add interest to a story.

In Maths, Grade 7 have been looking at Mean, Median and Mode in the Chance and Data strand. Grade 6 have been revising addition, subtraction and division algorithms and Grade 5 have been flipping, sliding and rotating (mathematical shapes, that is!) and calculating volume.

It is week two of term two and our students have already launched into completing Part B assessment tasks for both History and Geography. For this reason, it is imperative that students are at school. As you can understand, catching up those students who are absent is quite a difficult task as we need to continue learning the following content of the unit for the final piece of assessment. In Science, we will be starting a new unit titled: ‘Earth, Moon and Sun Systems’ as well as a unit on ‘The Seasons’. Lots of work to get through!

Looking forward to another fabulous term of learning!

TEENY & LIZ

COMMUNITY NEWS

BUNDABERG STATE HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENT

If your wish your Grade 6 or 7 child to enrol at Bundaberg State High School you need to write to the Principal seeking an exemption from the Enrolment Management Plan detailing clear reasons why it is necessary for your child to attend Bundaberg State High School as opposed to other high schools closer in proximity to your residential address along with a copy of the student’s most recent academic report. To apply for special consideration enrolment or for further information please e-mail the Principal, Mrs Karen McCord at the.principal@bundaberg.qld.edu.au or phone 4154 5333.

DATE CLAIMER

Kepnock State High School will be celebrating their Golden Jubilee on Saturday 07 June 2014. All past students welcome.

BUNDABERG JUVENILE DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Come and enjoy a night of fine dining, great music from the Electric Bananas and a Silent Auction on Saturday 24 May at the Brothers Sports Club, $95 per ticket. (Strictly formal attire) Phone 4154 3223 for further information.