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## King Street Public School

Our Best Always

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## **Sharing Our News**

#### Assessments and Reporting

Thank you so much to all the parents that support us at this time of the year. At the moment most assessments are over but the staff are still busy putting finishing touches to reports and coordinating end of year activities as well as planning for 2013.

This is a time of year when students are often out of routine and sensing that change is afoot. Many of our students are responding positively to our rewards system which features Kind, Safe, Proud and Supportive awards in line with our school rules. Please reinforce positive behaviour with your children and encourage them to be supportive of others: friends, casual teachers and staff as our school year draws to a close.

Due to the 'death' of our Sentral server the Saturday before last and its failure to back up any student reports during that night, many of our teachers are <u>re-writing</u> parts of their students' reports. For this reason, class reports may not be all distributed on the same day. Class teachers will keep their classes in the loop about when they have completed this task and had them checked/signed by me. Again - thank you for your understanding.

## Staff Changes

So far I have welcomed Ms Shari Merta and Ms Abby-Lee Honeysett to our school for 2013. They will take the places of Sue Gilmore and John Kember. Wendy Tan will begin her permanency in 2013 in the position made vacant by Marg Beal

We will also farewell Sue Winsor who has been successful in gaining a transfer to Singleton Heights Public School. She has been at King Street for 18 years and we thank her for an incredible contribution during that time. She will begin duty at SHPS in 2013.

#### P&C, School Council Thanks

These two groups had their combined Christmas dinner on Monday evening. I would like to thank them so much for their active and enthusiastic support of our school. They are incredibly supportive of the students, staff and the community of our school and we very much appreciate the time they put aside for us in their busy lives. We would love to welcome new parents to our P&C in 2013. Just enquire at the front office.

Cath Larkman Principal

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS** Friday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup> Gold/Silver Card Assembly 9.30am WEEK 10 Tuesday, Dec 11th Storytime 2.30pm Library Wednesday, Dec 12th Xmas Concert 6.00pm Reports Sent Home Friday, Dec 14th Presentation Day Assembly 9.30am Hall Monday, Dec 17th Year 6 Farewell Tuesday, Dec 18th Class Party Day Wednesday, Dec 19th Last Day for Students Thurs - Friday, Dec 20th -21st Staff Development Days



#### Year 6 Farewell 2012

This year we are having our Year 6 Farewell and Graduation in the hall at KSPS. All year 5 and year 6 students, teaching staff, office staff and SLSO's are invited. It will be on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December. We will start at 6pm and finish around 8:30pm. Year 6 parents are invited to return, after dropping their children off at 6pm, at 8pm, to be part of our final activities of dancing and certificate presentations. We are looking forward to a great night incorporating food, drinks, cake, dancing, games and some formalities of speeches (by our outgoing and incoming captains).

Please do not send foods or containers to school that contain nut or fish products.

### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

10/12 Michelle Newton

11/12 Sandy Thirkell, Sharee McLoughlin

12/12 Amy Upcroft, Cynthia Korff

13/12 Sharon Cameron, Kylie Donehue

14/12 Cheryl Holz, Nicky Jones

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

14/12 Donna Williams, Simone Hanson

## **School Assemblies**

Infants Thursday at 2.30pm in the Hall

Stage 2 Thursday at 2.30pm in the CAPA Room

13<sup>th</sup> December 3M

Stage 3 Friday at 2.30pm in Hall 14<sup>th</sup> December

### **Infants Assembly Awards** Term 4 Week 8



#### Merit Cards:

KB: Lachlan B, Reid S, Shae G. KP: Charlie R, Jordan E, Jessica J. KR: Alyssa B, John P, Marcus W.

1F: Porsha C, Noah P.

**1S**: Kyra T, Kamrann H, Tahi D. Tyler C, Georgia S, Jack T. 1T: 2G: Blayden B, Kye C, Rochelle F.

#### **Star Cards:**

KB: Lotus R. KP: Jack F. KR: Hayden H. 1F: Joseph L. 1S: Mikayla E. 1T: Reilly A. 2G: Jackson M.

#### King Street is a Nut & Fish Free School

This is a reminder for all families that some of our students have serious reactions to products containing nuts and fish. We ask families to carefully consider the danger that others could face if they touch or eat these products.

### Gifted & Talented Writing Workshop hosted by KSPS.

On Wednesday, 21st November, a Gifted and Talented Writing workshop was hosted by King Street Public School. Four students from our school were selected to participate along with year 4 students from Singleton Heights, Branxton, Aberdeen, Muswellbrook South, Cessnock East, Muswellbrook and Gresford schools, totalling 30 students. Our facilitator was Mr Stewart McGowan, an English teacher from the Performing Arts High He provided activities for children in persuasive and creative writing. All the children had commented what a lovely day they had learning new ways to improve their writing skills. Our school participants were Amber P, Piper F, Jude M and Ella S.

Other teachers commented on what a beautiful library we have and how nicely it had been set up. On Thursday, 6th December, there will be a Science/Maths Gifted & Talented workshop held at Singleton Heights Public School. Four year 5 students from our school have been nominated to attend. They are: Harlan D, Tristin P, Dylan O and Zac H. I know they'll have a great time at the "Skellybones" workshop.

Trish Maher

### Stage 3 Assembly Awards - Term 4 Week 8



#### Merit Cards:

6W: Adrienne E, Nando F, Jayla G. Zac W, Chelsea F, Lexi S. 6G:

5/6H: Kyal M, Connor W, Joel R, Abbie W. Sophie-May R, Ethan H, Chris W. 5B· 5F: Jai N, Brodie R, Bradley B.

#### Star Cards:

6W: Rachel C. 6G: Havley G. 5/6H: Taneesha B. 5B: Tamara D. 5F: Amy P.

Star Cards: Blake B, Phoebe S.

Sports Awards: Ashleigh W, Chloe M, Hayley G, Harlan D.

## **CANTEEN NEWS**

For those of you who don't know last Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> November was Angela's last official day with us as the KSPS Canteen Supervisor. We had a lovely farewell dinner with her and our wonderful canteen volunteers last Friday night where we talked about all the different and funny things that Angela has experienced whilst working in the canteen at King Street. Angela said she has really enjoyed working at our school and will take away with her some very special memories.

Thank you to all those who attended the dinner and I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season and look forward to working with our new Canteen Supervisors Lorraine and Brook in the coming weeks ahead. Please be patient with them as they learn the ropes. We wish Angela and her family all the best with their move to Townsville. If you didn't get a chance to say goodbye to Angela she will be doing one last day for us on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup> December so call in to the canteen if you get a chance.

Cheryl Holz Canteen Committee Convener KSPS P&C Association.

# Storytime •

Storytime and Play sessions will continue in our new Library. These sessions are for parents and their children who will start Kindergarten in 2013. They will take place each Tuesday afternoon commencing at 2.30pm till the end of the year.

#### STUDENT INVOICES Handwriting book

Each year Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 are given a handwriting book at school to learn and develop their handwriting skills.

The children are able to use the books from early in the year before they have been paid for, however, we do ask that families pay for their child's handwriting book. At this stage we still have a considerable number who have not yet paid. Last week invoices were mailed home to those families who still have outstanding monies. The handwriting book cost is \$12.00.

It would be appreciated, if you have received an invoice that you give this matter your immediate attention. Thank you.

Tony Old

School Administrative Manager

## BUS PASSES 2013 (STSS)



Parents are reminded that ALL students in Kinder, Yr 1 & Yr 2 are entitled to free bus travel.

If your child is starting Yr 3 you need to re-apply for a bus pass. All other students with a current bus pass need

not apply, unless the student's address has changed Students who live outside that 1.6km radius will continue to receive free travel as long as they continue to attend school. Any students inside this radius will need to pay for travel.

#### Year 3 students need to reapply for a bus pass if they are eligible, i.e. they live outside the 1.6km radius from school.

If your child is going to use free travel in 2013, please contact the office for an application form.



#### LIBRARY BOOKS NEED TO BE RETURNED

As the year's coming to an end all Library books need to be returned for stock take. Prompt returns will be appreciated.

ALL BOOKS NEED TO BE RETURNED NOW

**Mrs Hawkins** 



#### YOUTH VENUE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY **OPERATING HOURS**

Singleton Youth Venue is closing at 6.00pm on 20/12/2012 and reopening at 9.00am on 05/01/2013. Business will commence as usual at the start of school term. Youth workers will be available to see young people during the school holiday period.

Phone: (02) 6571 4687

Sahasra's Hope Yoga Studio Is running fun holiday activities for kids Monday to Friday afternoons 2pm - 4pm: \$15 craft, yoga, acrobatics Or bring your kids to a morning yoga class with you 120a John St (behind the chemist) For more information Contact Sarah Hope 042 7777 611 sahasras.hope@yahoo.com www.sahasrashope.com.au

#### AT ALLAN BULL RESERVE STARTS AT 5.30PM



CAROLS AT 8PM FREE JUMPING **CASTLES** 

FIREWORKS, MUSIC & FAMILY FUN



FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE & DRINK

IF WET - HELD AT SINGLETON **BAPTIST CHURCH** 





## **COMMUNITY CAROLS** @ the HEIGHTS

SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER





SUMMER CAMPS 2012/13

#### Who are we?

Sport and Recreation Centres are government-run facilities that offe overnight school holiday programs in beautiful Australian bush and coastline locations for kids aged 7 to 16.

With over 60 years' experience in running School and Kids' Camps, we are industry leaders in using traditional camp values to provide kids with positive life-changing experiences.

Everyone employed at our Centres – from the manager to the clean – has undergone a background check for working with children. All program staff are trained in first aid, resuscitation and child protection guidelines.

#### See your child blossom

Our programs use challenging adventurous activities to help kids developindependence, self-esteem and social skills.

Inder the supervision of friendly and qualified staff, conquering these ge-appropriate challenges can help children to develop confidence as hey master new skills and make new friends.

Our affordable school holiday packages include all activities, accommodation, nutritious meals and 24-hour supervision. Supervised transport is also available to and from most camps.



Location	Camp name	Code	Date	Age		ost	Transport
1-DAY CAMPS					12 years and under	13 years and over	
Berry	Kids' Club (day only)	61231 61241 59729 59731 59732	3 January 15 January 22 January 23 January 24 January	7-12 years	\$46.20		No
3-DAY CAMPS							
Berry	Adventure Camp	59716 59710	21 – 23 December 14 – 16 January	7-9 years	\$182.10 \$235.20		No
	Campout 4 Boys	59712	14 – 16 January	10-12 years	\$255.20		
	Mission Adrenalin	59713	14 – 16 January	10-12 years	\$235.20		
4-DAY CAMPS	Adventure Comm	50533		7.12	£200.70		V
Milson Island 5-DAY CAMPS	Adventure Camp	59633	1 – 4 January	7-12 years	\$299.70		Yes
Berry	Surf's Up	59705	2 – 6 January	9-12 years	\$501.50		Yes
вену	Adventure Camp	59708	2 – 6 January	7-12 years	\$311.50		ies
	Adventure Camp	61265	14 – 18 January	7-12 years	\$257.00		Yes
Borambola	Sports Crazy	61502	14 – 18 January	10-13 years	\$295.00	\$295.00	No
Broken Bay	Endeavour (boys only)	59709	7 – 11 January	13-15 years		\$401.40	Yes
blokeli bay	Make a Splash	59711	14 – 18 January	7-12 years	\$311.50		
	Sky High	59715	21 – 25 January	12-15 years	\$311.50	\$351.40	
	Hooked on Fishing	59720	21 – 25 January	12-15 years	\$367.50	\$407.40	
Jindabyne	Horse Riders (girls only)	60950	7 – 11 January	7-12 years	Day only \$331.00		No
,					Residential \$431.80		Yes
	Campout 4 Boys	60951	7 – 11 January	7-12 years	\$321.60		Yes
	Adventure Camp	60953	7 – 11 January	7-12 years	Day only \$218.50		No
					Residential \$319.30		Yes
	Mission Adrenalin	60955	21 – 25 January	13-15 years		\$360.20	Yes
	Alpine Adventure	60954	14 - 18 January	13-15 years		\$415.65	Yes
Lake Ainsworth	Adventure Camp	59651	21 – 25 January	7-12 years	\$311.50		No
Lake Burrendong	Girls Empowerment	59635	14 – 18 January	13-16 years		\$289.90	Yes
Lake Keepit	Cooking 4 Kids	59616	7 – 11 January	7-12 years	\$297.00		No
	Hooked on Fishing	59621	7 – 11 January	7-12 years	\$297.00		
	Set Sail	59622	7 – 11 January	7-12 years	\$297.00		
Milson Island	Kreative Kids	59634 59645	7 – 11 January 14 – 18 January	7-12 years	\$349.30		Yes
	Cooking 4 Kids	59636 59644 59647	7 – 11 January 14 – 18 January 21 – 25 January	7-12 years	\$349.30		
	Make a Splash	59637 59646	7 – 11 January 21 – 25 January	7-12 years	\$319.30		
	Adventure Camp	59643	14 – 18 January	7-12 years	\$319.30		
Myuna Bay	Adventure Camp	59033 59048	7 – 11 January 21 – 25 January	7-12 years	\$319.30		Yes
	Kreative Kids (girls only)	59049	7 – 11 January	7-12 years	\$352.30		
	Water Wings	59034	14 – 18 January	7-12 years	\$394.30		
	Surf's Up (boys only)	59050	7 – 11 January	10-14 years	\$579.30	\$620.20	
	Cooking 4 Kids	59051	14 – 18 January	9-12 years	\$352.30		
	Surf's Up (girls only)	59052	21 – 25 January	10-14 years	\$579.30	\$620.20	
	Hooked on Fishing	59053	14 – 18 January	9-12 years	\$379.30		
	Horse Riders	59054	21 – 25 January	9-12 years	\$489.30		
Sydney Academy	Kid's Club (day only)	59746 59747 59749	7 – 11 January 14 – 18 January 21 – 25 January	8-12 years	\$267.50		No
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you have. We recor Tel: 13 13 02 Lan	re always ready to help yo mmend you book as early guage assistance phone: mmunities.nsw.gov.au	as you o	an to ensure your o	child doesn't r		Office of Commun Sport & Re	ities

## **Canteen Volunteers**

## **New Volunteers!!!**

Name:								
Phone Number:								
Mobile:								
Work on: (Please Circle)	Monday	Tuesd	ay W	ednesday	Thursday	Friday		
How Often: (Please Circle)	Weekly	Fortnig	htly N	Monthly				
Shift: (Please Circle)	Breakfa	st Lun	ıch	Recess				

As little or as often as you like will be greatly appreciated, we need volunteers to keep the doors open. The canteen opens for breakfast from 8.45 with lunch finishing at around 11.45am. Recess is finished by 1.20pm.

All proceeds from the canteen directly benefit the children of KSPS. The canteen is currently funding the computers in the library. Please drop completed form to the canteen.

Regards, **Brook Harris and Lorraine Evans** Canteen Supervisors