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Week 6 – 17th November 2016 Sharing Our News

Apologies for our newsletter being a little bit later than usual this week. I have included a special message from Mrs Cath Larkman below.

*"Hello to the KSPS community,
I have accepted an offer to relieve as Principal at Edgeworth PS for 2017.
I am looking to get some experience in larger schools in the Maitland or Newcastle area. This is both for professional and personal reasons.
I am confident that King Street Public School is clearly self-assessing, evaluating and meeting the needs of the students in these interesting times.
Thank you to all the staff, students and community members for your ongoing dedication to the school and all the new learning we have invested in. Your engagement with all our new initiatives has been so rewarding even as I watch from some distance!
I would like to thank both Cameron Upcroft and Ashleigh Blayden for the important roles they have played in taking the school forward over the last 18 months. It is indeed a time of great challenge for all our schools across the state as we prepare our students for their roles in an ever-changing society.
Ashleigh has agreed to continue in the Principal role in 2017.
I wish you all the best for the Christmas holiday season and hope you enjoy your time with your children. They grow up so quickly!"
Cath Larkman*

I would like to thank Mrs Larkman for her excellent leadership of KSPS. We wish her all the best in her new role. I am very excited to continue to lead this wonderful school in 2017.

PBL Focus- Safety- Keeping me to me

This week we have been revisiting our PBL focus of Keeping me to me. All children have been involved in lessons explicitly teaching our focus.

Leadership Speeches

Yesterday Years 2 to 6 had the pleasure of listening to our 12 candidates for 2017 School Captain deliver their speeches. All 12 students did an outstanding job. I wish them all the best in the leader elections. A special assembly will be held on Monday afternoon, at 3:00pm in the quad, to announce our 2017 leaders. All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend this assembly. The leaders will be formally recognised at our Presentation Day on Friday 9th December.

*Thank you for your continued support,
Ashleigh Blayden*

UPCOMING EVENTS 2016

Term 4

WEEK 6

Thurs 17 th Nov	Kindergarten Orientation Grandparents Afternoon 1.30pm PBL Reward Procedure Parent Forum 3.30pm
Fri 18 th Nov	'Case for Discovery' Stage 2 & 3 (Science Workshop)

WEEK 7

Mon 21 st Nov	School Captains Announced (3pm)
Tues 22 nd Nov	Transition to School Program
Wed 23 rd November	Canteen Treat Day
Fri 25 th Nov	House Captains Elected and Announced

WEEK 8

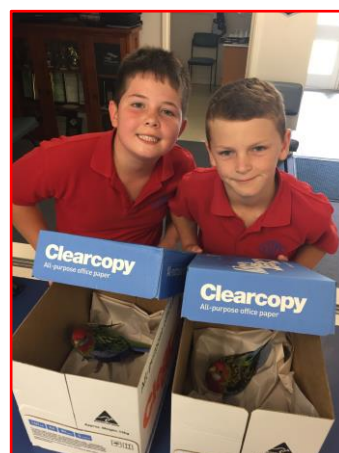
Mon 28 th Nov	Book Club Orders Due
Tues 29 th Nov	Final Transition to School
Fri 2 nd Dec	Gold/Silver Card Assembly Movie Ticket Orders Due

WEEK 9

Tues 6 th Dec	Year 6 Singleton High School Orientation
Fri 9 th Dec	Presentation Day

WEEK 10

Mon 12 th Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Tues 13 th Dec	Stage 2 Party Day
Wed 14 th Dec	End of Year Concert Night Nursing Home Visits
Thurs 15 th Dec	Infants and Stage 3 Party Day
Fri 16 th Dec	Last Day for Students



We have some Wildlife Warriors at our school! Paris and Jacob found these beautiful birds struggling during the week and alerted our staff. They were taken to the vets where they were given the best of care.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Term 4

Week 6

17/11/16 Jackie S
18/11/16 Victoria P

Week 7

21/11/16 Cynthia K, Debbie H
22/11/16 Kate B, Amy G
23/11/16 Max H
24/11/16 Emma K
25/11/16 Victoria P

Week 8

28/11/16 Lauren B
29/11/16 Tanya B
30/11/16 HELP NEEDED
1/12/16 HELP NEEDED
2/12/16 Victoria P

Week 9

5/12/16 Amanda T
6/12/16 Mel P
7/12/16 Ros K, Tracey F
8/12/16 Lisa M
9/12/16 Victoria P

Canteen Contact Number- 65 721497

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS:
Thursday 9-10am

Term 4 Canteen News

Summer Specials are back term 4- Just \$5!

Quiche and salad
Chicken Caesar, Wrap or Tub
Chicken Noodle Salad, Wrap or Tub

Still Available!

Fried Rice and Spring Roll \$4
Chilli Chicken Wrap \$5

Tuesdays Only!

Popcorn only 50c a bag

Wednesday Only!

Chocolate Chip Cookies only 50c

Thursdays Only!

Pikelets 50c

MOVIE TICKET FUNDRAISER

Due back 2nd December. Order forms went home this week.

Canteen Treat Day Coming Up

The Canteen will be holding a treat day on Wednesday 23rd November. Treats and Glee drinks will be available. Any donations of cakes/slices would be greatly appreciated. Other treats will be available on the day also.

Canteen Committee

Showing Positive Behaviour for Learning

Thank you to our students for displaying our King Street Values of **Kind**, **Safe**, **Proud** and **Supportive**.

Thank you also for showing **CLASS** in the classroom: **Co-operating**, **Listening**, having a positive **Attitude**, being **Sensible** and **Studious**.



Our Week 5 PBL Winners

Stage Assemblies-Term 4

Infants (Wednesday of even weeks, 2.30pm in the Hall)

16th Nov 1B

30th Nov Parliamentarians

Stage 2 (Thursday of even weeks, 1.00pm in the Hall)

17th Nov S2N

1st Dec S21

Do You Have an Old Remote at Home?

Many of our students have had the opportunity to work with Ms Garven and her 'robots' in our Collaboration Space.

Ms Garven was very excited recently to learn we may be able to program them with old remote controls. Like our students, she is always learning something as well! To put this in to practice we are asking for donations of any unused remote controls you may have at home.

Please deliver to the office-all donations will be very much appreciated.

Important Notice Regarding EFTPOS

Please note that EFTPOS will not be available in the office from Monday 28th November - Thursday 1st December.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Changes to School Leader Announcements

After consultation with various stakeholders, King Street Public School has decided that this year our leadership election process will vary slightly from previous years. Our aim in making these changes is to improve student support, in what can be an anxious and stressful time for our young leaders.

The changes will be as follows:

- On Wednesday 16th November, our leadership speeches will commence at 9.30am.
- Students will vote at the conclusion of the speeches.
- Nominated leaders will be informed of the outcome of the voting on Monday 21st November at 2.30pm in a private meeting. At 3pm, an afternoon assembly will be held to announce the successful Captains Elect for 2017-all parents and carers are welcome.
- On Friday the 25th November the House Captains will be elected and announced.
- On Presentation Day, Friday 9th December, School Captains and House Captains will be officially recognised through formal process.

We aim to make this a fair, supportive and transparent process. We appreciate your support for our school and our students.

Ashleigh Blayden and Phil Lindsell



REMINDER At King Street School we have a policy endorsed by the WHS Committee (Work, Health, and Safety) that no animals are to be on school grounds.

The only exception would be if they are brought in for "Show & Tell" and taken home immediately after by parents. It has been noted that some parents are bringing dogs to school with them when dropping off and collecting children. We would ask that these parents cease this practice for the safety of the children at our school.

*Thank you
K Kermode
WHS Committee*

Samantha's Outstanding Success

We are extremely proud of the result that Year 5 student Samantha M has attained in this year's Newcastle Permanent Mathematics Competition. Last week Samantha attended a special presentation where she was awarded the District award for the Hunter Region. Samantha was ranked 57th amongst the 9500 students that sat the exam. Her mark was in the 99.13 percentile. This is an outstanding achievement from a dedicated all round student.

Congratulations Samantha.



Remembrance Day Commemorations



We would like to commend all our students for the respectful manner in which they commemorated Remembrance Day last Friday.

It was wonderful to hold this special event in the Cola and have our student's part of the wreath laying. We are an extremely fortunate school to have a significant memorial to commemorate such occasions.

Party Day Reminder

It's that time of year again where we start to count down to our end of year party days. Party day is a special day to celebrate the end of a year where our students have successfully worked together as a class and formed some special friendships.

Stage 2: Tues 13th December (Springloaded)

Stage 3: Thurs 15th December (Laser Tag)

Infants: Thurs 15th December (Fun Day at School)

Please assist our staff by returning notes (Stage 2 and 3) to school as soon as possible.

Stage 1 are 'Hands On' in Science

Last week our Stage 1 students took part in some 'hands on' science rotations. They conducted experiments involving mixing various substances together (such as oil and water, cocoa and icing sugar) and observing the results. Their teachers have been very impressed with the descriptive words they used as they shared their observations with their classmates and teachers. It is great to see such enthusiasm Stage 1!



Table Tennis Talent on Display

Many of our students are excited that Mr Ingram has initiated table tennis as an activity that will be available at lunch times on Mondays. There was quite a bit of talent (and competitiveness!) on display this week.



KSPS Values Bus Safety

As parents/caregivers your support in keeping our students safe on the road is invaluable. You can help us keep following the road rules around our school, particularly in our bus bay area.

We have had reports from our bus drivers that parents are parking in the bus bay when dropping their children off at school. This is making it very hard for the drivers to drop our children off safely. Please take note of the 'No Parking' signs to ensure all of our children are kept safe.

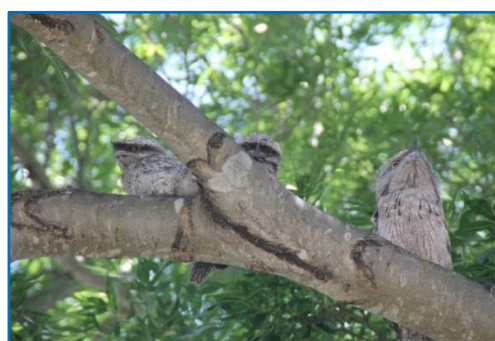
Abbott Takes on Rep Cricket

Congratulations to Abbott S who has been chosen to be a representative in the Hunter Valley Under 12's Cricket Team. We look forward to hearing results in the coming weeks.

New Members of the 'Family'

We are so happy to see that our beautiful Tawny Frogmouth's are continuing to breed at our school. 1F were thrilled to spot the new babies in the tree outside their classroom on Monday.

It is nice to know our beautiful school environment provides a home for these lovely creatures.



Learning Centre Still Available for Students

Our Learning Centre has been a great place all year for our students to spend valuable time catching up on homework, getting assistance with projects, or enhancing social skills through playing games and interacting with their fellow students. It is rewarding to see so many students still taking advantage of this resource. This week a spirited game of Uno was enjoyed by all!



Wellbeing of our Students Valued

Please be aware that we have two immune-suppressed students at our school. If your child develops a contagious disease or rash please let the school know ASAP so we can act accordingly.

Thank you.

More from the Collaborative Learning Space

Stage 2N have been learning about how Growth Mindset and Positive Talk can help learning. Please click (or follow) the link and enjoy their video.

<http://bit.ly/S2Nmindset>

It's Time to Plan for 2017

It is that time of year again when we are busy starting to think about the 2017 school year.

If you know that your circumstances will be changing next year, particularly if you are moving, could you please let our office staff know as soon as possible. Accurate planning will help a smooth transition into 2017 for both our students and our staff.

Students Look Forward to Nursing Home Visits

Once again our School Band and members of our choir will be visiting local nursing homes to spread some Christmas cheer to residents. This is an annual event that is looked forward to each year by our students and residents alike.

These visits will be taking place on Wednesday 14th December.

Do you Need to Update Your Opal Card?

We would like to remind all students of the importance of using their Opal Cards. It is extremely important that they tap their cards on and off correctly.

Please note that the following students will need to update their student details on the Opal Card website to allow them to continue travelling in 2017:

- Students moving from year 2 to 3
- Students moving from year 6 to 7

A new application is required if you are:

- Enrolling in Kindergarten
- Will be commencing bus travel for the first time
- Requesting an additional card as a result of a shared parental responsibility situation

Visit the following website and follow the prompts:
www.transportnsw.info/school-students

Jai Impresses with his Writing

Last week Mrs Fishpool was very proud to bring to our attention some writing by Jai in 2M. Jai had completed all his set work and decided to write about Rock Climbing, as the class had been looking at Extreme Sports.

It is our pleasure to share his writing with you!

"Rock climbing is my favourite thing to do because it is fun and you get to climb steep mountains that you have wanted to climb for years. Rock climbing is fun because you might get rid of your fear of heights and realise that heights are very beautiful."

Rock climbing is fun for me because you can see long distances, the valleys, the mountains, the different roads and the different shapes of land.

There are some bad accidents in rock climbing like rocks falling or scraping your knee or arm but rock climbing is fun most of the time."



Book Club

The last book club order forms for 2017 were distributed last Thursday. Orders are due back to school on Monday 28th November.

King Street is an Allergy Aware School

This is a reminder for all families that some of our students have serious reactions to products containing nuts and fish.

We ask that you please do not send foods or containers to school that contain nut or fish products. This includes nutella and peanut butter spread.

McNamara's Fruit & Vegetables

McNamara's Fruit & Vegetable Store is open Fridays & Saturdays over the Railway Bridge on Glenridding Road.

THE SALVATION ARMY

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Family Fun Night

23rd November 2016

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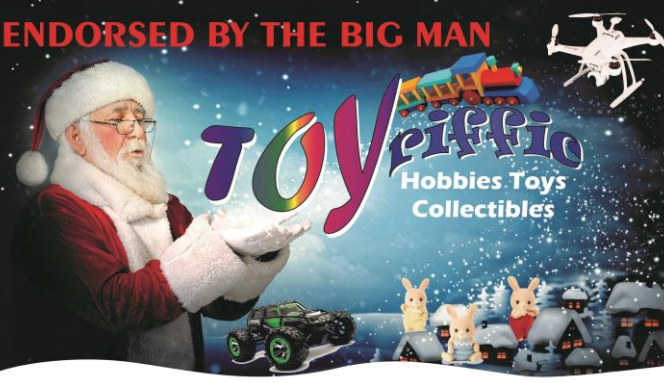
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Beat the Heat

Heatwaves or long periods of extreme heat can have serious impacts on your health. They are a major cause of health problems every summer in Australia.

You can Beat the Heat by following four easy steps



DRINK PLENTY OF WATER
and avoid alcoholic, hot or sugary drinks



KEEP COOL
do less and avoid being outside during the hottest part of the day



CHECK ON
elderly friends, neighbours and relatives, especially if they live alone



HAVE A PLAN
for how to stay cool when it heats up

Know the early signs of heat related illness

- dizziness, fainting
- tiredness
- thirst
- bright or dark yellow urine

Take steps to prevent it reaching dangerous levels. Move somewhere **cool** and **drink water**. If you start to feel unwell, seek medical advice.


Learn more about how to Beat the Heat this summer at
www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/beattheheat








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Come and join **Wheeling & Able** on our annual 'no bus' shopping trip in Singleton. All proceeds help buy equipment for children with physical disabilities in our local area.

Saturday, 26th November from 8.30am – 1.00pm* (depending on store opening hours)

* Tickets available for use on Friday 25th November at the Friday Night Markets in participating stores from 4 – 6pm as well as Saturday 26th November.

A \$30 ticket enables you to get discounts at the following shops. The ticket price includes Coffee and Cake at Poppy's.

* 30% off at Poppy's	* 10% Singleton Hi Fi (Toys & Jaycar Products)
* 30% off at Ali 4 U.	* 30% off at Evidence
* 30% off at Sports Power	* 20% off at Hunter Jewellers (for Jewellery up to \$1,000)
* 30% off at Johnston's Shoes	* 30% off at Worn Out Wares
* 30% off at Singleton Photo Centre	* 20% off at Moss & Twine
* 10% Redbournberry Clothing	* Please note: some exclusions apply

Tickets can be booked at **Moss & Twine, 127a John Street Singleton, and collected on the day at Poppy's.**

All tickets go in the draw for a lucky 'ticket' prize. Further information is available from Jeannie Hicks on 65733893.

CAPA Groups 2016

Dance



Drama



Cooking

We are so excited for the opportunity to welcome our grandparents to our CAPA Groups this afternoon.

Construction



ART



Sewing / Crochet



Woodwork



Music



Circus



Poster designed by Jacelyn M