Dates to remember

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From the Principal’s Desk...

There has been much excitement around Kurrajong North over the last few weeks. On Wednesday our new Kindergarten students for 2016 arrived as part of their transition to school. It was wonderful to see them all so keen and eager to begin their learning journey. It was also lovely to meet so many of our new parents and introduce them to the Kurrajong North Community. It is really heart-warming to see the commitment and dedication our P&C members put into promoting our school at events such as this. One of our new mums who has recently moved into our community commented that she was impressed by the positive ‘vibe’ of our school. I had to agree with her that overwhelmingly this is a positive and supportive community; it is an honour to be a part of it.

Grandparent’s Day

Thank you so much to all of the parents and grandparents who attended our Grandparent’s Reading morning last Tuesday! We were overwhelmed with the amazing turn out of family members and look forward to making this an annual event.

The students had a fantastic time showing their grandparents their rooms, and sharing some reading together. This was followed by a lavish morning tea which was provided by our P&C.

There are more photos towards the end of this newsletter.
Fire Safety Day

Bushfire procedures were discussed at last month’s P&C meeting, with some questions around what we as a school would do in the event of a local bushfire.

In this type of event, where significant smoke in the area was present, our school would go into lockdown, meaning students would be taken inside classrooms and doors closed.

Our school would then rely on the advice of the fire authorities to advise of any necessary steps to take. Public schools are a priority for fire authorities and we would be advised as early as possible should our students be in any danger posed by a bushfire. As in previous years in other districts, wherever there is perceived risk to students, the school would be advised and closed if necessary.

Based on such advice, community messages would be posted on ‘Tiqbiz’ and the school website with directions on level of risk, and whether or not the school required students to be picked up from school.

Our school utilises the ‘Fires Near Me’ app updated by the RFS. Parents should also add this app to their smartphones as a way to help guide their decision making in such an event. This has the latest information regarding the nature of local fires and the level of risk.

Should an evacuation of the school site be necessary, the school would again be guided by the authorities as to where and how the school would be evacuated.

The discussion at P&C regarding fire safety resulted in the school developing its first ‘Fire Safety’ Day which was held last Thursday.

The day was incredibly informative and was supported by representatives of the NSW Fire Brigade and the Kurrajong Heights Rural Fire Service.

Our four classes rotated around four groups of activities. Mr Jones & Mr Graham gave us a close inspection of a Fire truck; showing us how the RFS protected themselves and their truck when they were in the middle of fighting a bushfire.

Detective Tim and his partner Earl taught us what it was like to investigate the cause of fires. Mrs Baronowski helped us to develop a ‘Fire Plan’ for our own homes and Super Intendant Fewtrell taught us how to ‘get down low and go, go, go’- if there was a fire in our homes.

A huge thank you to all of our ‘fire’ visitors who gave up their time on Thursday, to prepare us all for an emergency we hope we never have to face.
Year 5 Leadership

On Wednesday of this week year five students from seven schools around the Hawkesbury district attended a fun and informative day developing their leadership skills at Grose View Public School. The day began with students being broken up into groups of around 17 students, where they could mix and get to know some of their peers from around the Hawkesbury. A select group of high school students lead the groups in teams of two with a variety of activities to stimulate ideas around what makes a good leader. Our children all commented on what a great day they had, how much they learnt and how wonderful the Colo High leaders were. A fantastic day was had by all!

School Swimming Scheme

The School Swimming Scheme run by the Department of Education will be occurring from Monday 16th November till Friday 27th November for students in Year 1 through to Year 6.

We strongly urge you to carefully consider your child’s swimming skills and enrol them in the 2015 School Swimming Scheme. Please remember that this is your decision as a parent, not your child’s.

If you need a permission note please see Mrs Cobcroft as soon as possible. Notes need to be returned to school by Wednesday 11th November, together with your payment. Payment can be made by using the Parent Online Payment option (POP) on the school website: - www.kurrajongn-p.school.nsw.edu.au

Enrolments 2016

At present we are in the process of planning for 2016. If you know of a child that was intending to enrol next year that has not yet done so, can you please let the office know. If you happen to be leaving next year but have not yet notified any staff member, please notify the office as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Mathletics Weeks 3 & 4

This fortnight our students in 3/4 continued to impress. Scores were very close but I’m happy to announce Leila took the trophy this week. Well Done Leila!

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NUDE FOOD DAY

Yesterday KNPS held its very first Nude Food day. Students were encouraged to bring their lunch in containers rather than wrapping. There was a class competition and the student from each class who had the least amount of food wrappings won a lunchbox. Nude Food Day is a part of our Live Life Well@School initiative and aims to promote healthy eating and sustainability. Thank you to Miss Malcolm for organising this wonderful day.

The 4 winners of the Nude Food lunch boxes were: K: James 1/2: Jaden 3/4 Stella 4/5/6: Jake

Music: Count Us In

Music: Count Us In (MCUI) is Australia’s biggest school initiative, with more than 500,000 participating students from over 2,100 schools nationwide. Yesterday Kurrajong North students joined these 500,000 students to sing in unison the song for this year which was ‘Gold’. The students joined together via a simultaneous video link. From all accounts it was quite an emotional event. Thanks to Mrs Robinson and Miss Malcolm for their efforts in this event.

Finally, thank you to everyone who supported our amazing P&C last weekend at the Bunnings BBQ. It was wonderful to see so many parents and teachers there supporting our great little school!

Have a great fortnight Kurrajong North!
Kind regards,

Rosemary Richardson
GRANDPARENT'S DAY 2015

Friday 30 October, 2015

Term 4 Week 4
Award Winners From Assembly Week 4

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Chess Awards
Super Prize & Medallion
KURRAJONG NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION
NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

16 NOVEMBER at 7.00pm
Kinder Classroom

The 2015 Annual General Meeting of the Kurrajong North Public School Parents and Citizens’ Association will be held on Monday 16 November commencing at 7pm.

Following acceptance of the minutes from the previous AGM and the tabling of the Audit Report, all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following positions:

• President
• Vice Presidents
• Secretary
• Treasurer

Nominations will also be sought for membership of the following P&C Sub-Committees:
• Social & Fundraising
• Grounds
• Environment
• Canteen

All current financial P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions on the executive and sub-committees.

For more information concerning any aspects of the P&C including the conduct of the AGM, and the roles of executives and sub-committees, please go to the NSW P&C Federation website: http://www.pandc.org.au/faq.seo

The AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only financial members are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.

At the completion of the AGM the November general meeting will be held.
Child and Family Support Services
Based in Kurrang & Richmond

Contact: Kerrie Carr (Co-ordinator)
PH: 4573 2922
Who is eligible?
Anyone residing in the Hawkesbury local government area who has dependent children within the 0-11 age group (families with children 12-18yrs are supported by our Youth Service)

Cost? FREE

How can a Family Support Worker assist my Family?
Family support programs provide each family with a package of support, tailored to their specific strengths and needs.
Families have access to one-time or ongoing, client-focussed case management, support and referrals to other services.

HCOs Family Support current programs:
- Parenting Skills Program: Strength & Resilience based therapeutic art group for women, girls & children, W&A
- Parenting Skills Program: Strength & relationship, COS
- DRUMBEAT: Fun Djembe drumming & relationship building.

Check out: Hawkesbury Community Outreach Services Inc Website & face book to learn more about HCOs.