Parent Teacher Evening: Tuesday 26th February 2013.

Just a reminder about tonight’s Welcome BBQ. We will be providing a free sausage sizzle for all who attend, plus you can purchase drinks as well.

6:00 Sausage Sizzle.
6:30 A welcome parent talk with Mr Windred in the hall, plus an overview of RFF and Library with Mr Lyon.
6:50 Parents head into the classroom with their teacher.
6:50 Any children present at school will be supervised in the hall and watch a video. Parents are to pick their children up from the hall after they have finished their interviews.
7:30 The commencement of the second teacher session for parents that have more than one child at school.
8:00 Finish

Note: If you have more than two children at school, I would advise you to attend two class sessions on the night, then make an interview for a later date with the teacher that you have missed.

Adamriginal Performance

The school provided our students a cultural performance today. We invited aboriginal entertainer, Adamriginal to come to our school as a means to highlight our aboriginal culture. I asked ‘roving reporter’ Luke Baldo to report on the performance ...

‘Adamriginal was a good and entertaining show. He played the didgeridoo, he sung some bush songs and he worked with puppets. He was really funny because he made funny sounds and he did some really cool tricks with a basketball. Some students did some puppeteering. I can’t remember them all except for Hailey Vering and Brett Seymour. He wore a kangaroo skin and he showed us a map of Australia that had the Aboriginal Nations on it. He showed us where his family came from.’ Luke Baldo.

Regional Swimming

We would like to congratulate our Nash Porter, Jayden Barr, Mia Constable and Chloe Symington who are heading to Armidale for the Regional Swimming Carnival. Best wishes. We know that you will do your best. We are very proud of you.

Label clothing

We are unfortunately getting a lot of lost property. Please label your child’s clothes so that we can return any lost clothes to their rightful owner.

Together we make a difference
Mr Michael Windred
Principal
KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten
This is my first week with Kinder full time and I am really looking forward to it. Miss Childs and I had worked out routines etc so that the children won’t really notice any difference. Home reading is going really well—some children read every night (including the weekend)-last week. There are still a few children without reading folders, so Home Reading Won’t start for them until their folders are in.

Sounds this week are ‘s’ and ‘m’ and our sentence starter is ‘I can ……’.

In Maths we are doing counting to 30, doubles, days of the week and recognising dots on the dice. We are also looking at 2D shapes—look for them around the house (circle, square, rectangle, triangle).

Hope to see you at the parent/teacher evening.

Mrs Windsor

YEAR K/1/2

This week K / 1 / 2 are continuing to write narratives. The story we will be looking at is called "In the Dark, Dark Wood."

In Mathematics we are looking at friends of Ten and using them with addition sums. During this time we will also be using money to calculate problems as well. Aussie Day is on Friday the 1st of March so don’t forget to have your permission notes in by Thursday so that you are able to go to the pool.

Mrs Roser-Whitney

YEAR 2/3

This week in maths we will be focusing on place value, addition, subtraction, time and coordinates. We are writing a letter to our local Member for State Parliament, Mr Kevin Anderson, in an attempt to persuade him to lobby parliament to put a pedestrian crossing in Single Street. In reading we are concentrating on inferential comprehension and in grammar we are still concentrating on Nouns, Adjectives, Articles, Verbs and Prepositions. We are also editing mistakes in sentences. Homework: Home Reading, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation.

Congratulations to Nash Porter (2/3) on breaking a record at the PSSA Zone Swimming carnival held on Friday 15.02.13.

I am looking forward to catching up with you at next weeks Parent Teacher Interviews.

Mr Windred
YEARS 4/5

This week Year 4/5 will commence work on The British Colonisation of Australia. This will include worksheets with internet research questions from Lake Munmorah Public School. Spelling City is set up and running, featuring students’ weekly spelling lists and associated games and activities. Students are now putting into practice a technique of self-improvement where they review their work and compare it to previous days/weeks work.

Year 5 Students from 4/5 and 5/6 have commenced NAPLAN practice each Thursday. Students in Year 4 and Year 6 will alternate with Music and Visual Arts activities during this period. These students have commenced a unit on World Music.

T. Munday

YEARS 5/6

Year 5/6

We are working hard on persuasive writing at present. We, together with some other classes, have even sent a letter off to our local member, Mr Anderson, to encourage him to put a pedestrian crossing in Single St.

Thursday afternoon Year 5 will be working hard revising past NAPLAN tests and learning the clerical skills which will enable them to put all their focus on the content in the actual test. Year 6 will be alternating art and music on these afternoons.

As you know I will be unable to attend tonight’s ‘Meet the Teacher’ BBQ. You would have received my information letter by now and don’t hesitate to contact me for a meeting for any reason.

Aussie Day is this Friday. It has been loads of fun in the past and we do hope you will join us.

Regards
Catherine Anderson

LIBRARY

In library this week we are continuing to develop research skills and author studies.

In Science all the classes have been preparing and planting their class gardens. There has been a lot of discussion about layouts and the components of plants.

I am looking forward to chatting to parents tonight and the library will be available for you to look around tonight at the ‘Meet the Teacher’ night.

See you there!

Chris Lyon
**Cross Country Training**

X country training next week - Tuesday 5th March. Days are:

- Tuesdays - 3.45pm at the Quirindi golf course
- Wednesdays - 3.00pm at Spring Ridge school
- Thursdays - 3.45pm at the Quirindi No 1 oval

All sessions will be for 1 hour. Please bring plenty of water.

Any queries ring Abs on 0427473816

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**Home Reading Nights**

- 25 Nights—
- 50 Nights—
- 75 Nights—
- 100 Nights—

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**Uniform Draw**

The following people were wearing their sports uniform with pride and have been rewarded with an icy mony from the canteen:

- Thomas Bizant; Montanna Bright; Sienna McBeath; Sam Baldo.

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**School Magazine**

The School Magazine showcases events throughout the year, class pages and class photos. It is a lovely keepsake for all students. As it has been given a new look (printed in colour) the cost is now $10.00.

If you missed out on purchasing a copy last year and would like one please complete the form and return it to school with payment. When the Magazine is available it will be forwarded home with your child.

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**Encore Dance Studio Quirindi**

Quirindi's funkiest dance school for kids is now taking enrolments for Saturday morning classes.

Your child will learn to dance in a safe, fun & non-intimidating environment. They will learn coordination, social skills, confidence and more. Call Roxanne Galloway on 0429674681 or Erica Lawrence on 0458 606248 for more information.

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**P. & C. News**

### CANTEEN NEWS

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**P. & C. Meeting**

Another reminder of the P. & C. meeting on Thursday, 28.02.13 at 1:00 pm in the hall. All are welcome.

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**Easter Raffle**

Tickets will be going out next week for our Easter Raffle which will be drawn at the Easter Hat Parade on 28.03.13. Donations of Easter eggs can be brought in to the office from now until 27.03.13.

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**Aussie Day**

Lunch order forms are due back tomorrow for catering purposes.

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**Canteen**

The canteen will only be open for morning tea on Friday, 1.03.13, as the whole school will be going to the pool for lunch.

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**Street Stall**

Thank you to everyone who helped at the street stall in whatever way it may have been.

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**Shark Visit**

The Cronulla Sharks visited our school last Friday. It was lovely to have the students from Walhallow at our school for the visit as well. Ben Pomeroy and Sosaia Feki talked to us about where they came from, when their next game would be, what type of healthy food they eat and how to stay healthy.

*We would like to thank Zac Russ from the NRL for arranging this visit for us.*

*Written by Imogen Lyon and Levi Allen*

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**Captains Induction**

I would like to thank the P&C for providing a wonderful morning tea yesterday. It was terrific to see so many parents join us for this very important event in our school leaders’ lives. I thought it was a lovely ceremony.