If you choose to help, can you please either email the survey students/student at:

This committee will be meeting every Thursday fortnight in March. We need all hands on deck to plan a monster fete!

Miss Abbie Stone will be 2K class teacher until Judy’s return. Please make her very welcome. The biggest change though, is to our kindergarten staff. Mrs Lisa Wicks has been deployed to the DEC to be an L3 trainer for both kindergarten and Stage One. This was unexpected, but very necessary to meet the training requirements of a number of schools including our own.

However, we have worked hard to place the most qualified and most permanent teachers in the vacancies left by Mrs Wicks’ move. From term 2, Mrs Jodi Hardy, who is currently 1H teacher, will assume responsibility for KW as she is a qualified L3 and Reading Recovery teacher and Mrs Belinda Griffiths will assume responsibility for 1H and undertake L3 Stage One training. As part of Mrs Wicks position, she is required to be attached to a class and undertake some teaching responsibilities and she will do this on 1H. It’s complicated but we have done our best to fill the vacancies appropriately with the most qualified, permanent staff we have. For the remaining three weeks of this term, a qualified L3 kindergarten teacher, Ms Renee McConaghey, will take responsibility for KW until the permanent changes begin in term 2. Mrs Wicks will send out a separate letter to KW families. Please talk to Lisa Wicks, Sue Groom or me if you have any questions

P & C AGM
At last Monday’s P & C AGM, a new executive team was elected. Welcome on board:
• President – Cherie Castaing
• Vice Presidents – Janine Roberts & Megan Cranney
• Treasurer – Michelle Foreshew
• Secretary – Di Twomey
• Fundraising Coordinator – Janine Roberts
• Uniform Shop Coordinator – Tracy Townsend
• Uniform Shop Treasurer elect – Yolande Donovan

Congratulations to the newly elected team and all our best for a successful year that includes the upcoming bush dance on 5 April and a fete later in the year.

Many thanks to outgoing President, John Milne, who has been a great support to the school and P & C. There will not be an April but come along for the meeting in may where we will need all hands on deck to plan a monster fete!
Bush Dance on 5 April

The P & C will be hosting a bush dance on 5 April at school under the COLA from 4pm—7 pm. There is no cost to participate but you must have a ticket to gain entry. The P & C will have food and drinks for sale. This will be a fun family night out with the chance to meet other families and teachers informally. See the P & C flyer that will be sent home today.

Bring chairs, a picnic rug, picnic food (but no alcohol) and make the most of the last day of daylight saving and come and dance with your kids.

Harmony Day

This Friday is Harmony Day and the reason we have booked the in-school performance—Buddies. Harmony Day is all about “getting along” - one of the five You Can Do It keys to success.

Hope you had a great week at our great school!

Trish Peters
Principal

Class Item by 2K

In 2K we are creating and using musical instruments made from recycled and repurposed materials to create a Junkyard Orchestra. The students have brought in all types of materials from home including milk bottles, cardboard boxes, aluminium cans.

Here are some creative ideas from the students in 2K.

- I am going to make a rain stick instrument made out of paper towel rolls and plastic bottles. I will decorate it with lots of colours like a rain stick. **Emily**
- I am making a guitar with a milk carton and elastic. I will also make a drum with a milo can, elastic and paper I got from home. **Ben**
- I will be making drums with tuna cans for symbols; a milo can for the base kit and a coffee tin for the mid drums. **Alex**
- I am making a shaker. I will collect a collect with lots of rocks to make the shakers. **Alicia G**
- I will be making maracas for my junk instrument. I will be using bottles and putting rice inside so when you shake it a noise comes out. **Alicia**
- I’m making a bongo drum out of paper cups and a cylinder. **Jessie**

Parenting Tips

This week, check out a collection of helpful tips from KPS teachers to help you increase your child’s capacity to learn:

- **Kids bedrooms are for sleeping and reading** – keep Xboxes, play stations, iPods, iPads, iPhones, smartphones, tablets, computers, laptops, DVD players, TVs, Wii out of children’s bedrooms and in the lounge room where parents can supervise the appropriateness and safety of online activity.

- **Read** to your child and read with your child – at least 20 minutes every single day.

- Make sure your child has a quiet, well-lit place to do homework and that the materials your child needs, such as paper, pencils and a dictionary, are available.

- **Stay informed.** Talk with your child’s teacher and make sure you know the purpose of homework and what your child’s class rules are.

- We encourage you to **get involved** with your child’s education and stay involved throughout school. Talk with your child’s teacher about additional ways you can support your child’s educational journey.

  “We do not learn from experience... we learn from reflecting on experience.”– John Dewey

  As a parent, you can ask your child what they did today, and reflect on how that can be used to improve.
Fleximeals Raffle

Fleximeals is an on-line ordering service offered by the school. Parents can order lunches, recess and uniforms using this service. If you have any questions regarding ordering on-line, see Linda in the Canteen.

Prize—a fantastic paddle board (on show in Canteen) kindly donated by Linda our canteen super star!

How to enter—every time you place an order for your child’s lunch or recess through “Fleximeals” www.fleximeals.com.au you receive 1 ticket.

Drawn at the end of term 1. The more times you order, the more chances you have to win! GOOD LUCK

ENVIRONMENTAL
AUSTRALIAN MOBILE RECYCLING

Mobile phones, Ipads and/or tablets can be left at the school office for collection.

Please bring in by 28/3/14. The school receives $3.00 per phone. Please support this cause and fundraising opportunity for our school.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS
MOBILE BLOOD SERVICE visiting:

KFC Kincumber
Avoca Drive, Kincumber
Tuesday 1 April 1.00pm—6.30pm

Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

Eat! Have a good sized breakfast or lunch

Please bring photo I.D. with you

Call 139596 or visit donateblood.com.au

STUDENT BANKING
WESTPAC BANK

Student banking has commenced. Please send bank books to the office first thing on Thursday mornings. Bank books are returned to students on Friday.

If your child does not have a bank account and you would like them to start banking, please visit the Westpac Bank at Kincumber to open an account. You will need provide a birth certificate to open an account. Thank you to Wendy Shadbolt who will be collecting and processing the bank books. Students are asked to bring their books to the school office.

Fleximeals on line: www.fleximeals.com.au
If you would like information on how Fleximeals works please call Linda the school’s canteen manager.

OCEAN & COASTAL CARE INITIATIVES

ROCK POOL RAMBLES ON CENTRAL COAST BEACHES

FREE walks during the April school holidays. These walks are best suited to kids 8yrs and over, and to adults. Please note that shoes MUST be worn on all walks and that children must be accompanied by an adult. Bookings are essential.

DATES AND SITES:

Monday 14th April Norah Head
Thursday 17th April Toowoon Bay
Thursday 24th April Terrigal Haven
Sunday 27th April Terrigal Haven

BOOKINGS: Please phone OCCI 0450 990 995

‘KINTEEN’- CANTEEN ROSTER
TERM 1 - WEEK 9

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Don’t forget to use our online ordering, a great way to order your children’s recess and lunch.
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