From the Principal

This week:

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On Tuesday morning when it was really wet and you were dropping your children off by car:

- Did you ignore the traffic signs?
- Did you hold up traffic by stopping to let your child out at the front gate when it says "No Stopping"?
- Did you park across a neighbour’s driveway because it was only for a short while?
- Did you stop in the disability access zone even though you don’t have a permit to do so?
- Did you stop in the bus zone because there wasn’t a minibus dropping children off?
- Did you think I wouldn’t notice?

When the neighbours or parents complain to me about irresponsible parent parking behaviour and ask me to write something in the newsletter, I write polite reminders and hope I don’t come across as a nagging principal. However, on Tuesday morning when I was standing out in the rain under my umbrella trying to direct traffic and move cars along that were breaking the law and putting children at risk, I decided to risk nagging.

On wet days, every child should be equipped with a raincoat and umbrella (and maybe gum boots) so that if they have to walk a short distance to get inside the school gate they don’t get wet. Breaking the law and stopping where you shouldn’t so that your children don’t get wet is not okay.

No child ever risked injury or death from getting rained on, but being hit by a car when roads are wet and slippery and visibility is poor is a real possibility when adults break the law and do not use commonsense or consideration.

I encourage every person who feels as upset as I do at the moment to start taking note of registrations and car makes and models and report law-breaking behaviour to the police when you see it. Please take the utmost care with our kids.

The Junkyard Orchestra

Last Thursday night it was our turn to perform in the Junkyard Orchestra Challenge at Erina Fair. Many thanks to the Lendlease organisation for initiating this fun learning experience. Most schools had a class or grade entered in the challenge. The over-achievers at Kincumber had almost 150 students (all of Stage 2) entered and performing.

It was a great night and the children performed fantastically, waited patiently and respectfully for other performers and schools and made us really proud of our school. Thank you to the parents for getting them to Erina Fair to perform and a huge vote of thanks from me to the amazing Stage 2 teachers whose musical talents were inspiring.

My awesome staff

I am so lucky to have the best teaching staff on the planet. This year has been a year of massive change including curriculum, social/behavioural learning and new approaches to teaching. Despite all this, the extra stress it causes, and the impact on their already depleted personal time, they still give 100% in all they do to provide extra-curricular activities such as chess, sport, dance, music and a host of other things.

School support staff are also without peer – they make the teachers look good with their admin support and great customer service approach.

Thank you teachers and admin staff – you are the best!

Hope you had a great week at our great school.

Trish Peters
Principal
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

It is very exciting to know that notes will be going home very soon for our school’s athletics carnival. It will be held at Adcock Park on Friday 18th July (Term 3, week 1) and the backup date if needed will be Wednesday 23rd July (Term 3, week 2). It is important to know that all students are expected to attend on the day. There will not be any teachers supervising at school.

All students need to arrive at school first to have their name marked off as attending and travel on the bus to the oval and not by private transport. Otherwise they will be marked as absent for the day and not be able to enter in events.

Please make sure if your child is racing in the 800m race that they are not late to school as their bus will be leaving first.

Parents are welcome to take their child/ren home with them after the carnival. If you are going to do this you will need to let your child’s teacher know by filling out the permission slip and returning it to school. This is very important as we need to know how many buses we need at the end of the day.

I am looking forward to another great year of athletics.

Mrs Kyle Heymans
Sport Coordinator

Parenting Tips

The benefits of team sports

Team sports teach things that go well beyond scoring, batting, shooting and winning.

Lauren Griffiths in Year 5 said she plays team sports to stay fit and healthy, to be part of a school team and represent the school and, best of all, to have fun! Tom Deakin in Year 6 said that being part of a sports team drives him to always try his best “the more I do the better I get – it pushes me to try harder”.

Involvement in sport is one way children can develop self-confidence and high self esteem. Sport provides bonding and a sense of belonging. It also challenges children to work in a group, and encourages them to think of others. Kids like to feel part of a team and with sport they can feed off the energy and enthusiasm of their team mates. When your kids take part in team sports they will also develop:

- friendship and camaraderie
- appreciation of different abilities
- respect for team mates/officials
- self discipline, patience and persistence
- resilience through sharing positive and negative experiences

For more information on this topic go to http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/fitness/benefits-of-team-sports

For a lot of kids sport is their chance to shine, but others can get demoralised. So remember to make sure the sport your child plays is the one to which they’re best suited so that they can maximise their own potential.

Open Day for a Healthier Community 14/6/2014

THE HEALTH CONNECTION

A new, free “family well-being event” with entertainment and activities for all ages is happening at Kincumber on Saturday, 14th June, from 10am to 2pm.

Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre and Lend Lease have teamed up with Fixx Events to present “The Health Connection,” at Brentwood Village, Scaysbrook Drive, Kincumber. Activities for the children will include a kids’ zoo, face painting, magician and a jumping castle whilst the live music, yummy food and lifestyle talks can be enjoyed by all. Roving circus performers and market stalls will help create a festive atmosphere, but there will also be quiet spaces where patrons may take the opportunity to sample a natural therapies treatment or movement class.

“It should be a great atmosphere,” Nicole Turner, Co-Manager of the Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre, said. “It’s a beautiful venue with superb gardens and a fabulous auditorium that can accommodate the whole event in the case of rain, so it’s an all-weather, as well as an all-ages event.”

Local wellness practitioners will present reflexology, massage, Bowen Therapy, naturapathy, orthodoxpatics, herbalism, organic skincare, yoga, tai chi and pilates for patrons to try, or perhaps simply to chat and discover more about them.

Sponsors also include 2GO FM 107.7 and Lend Lease. For more information contact Fixx Events 0416 923 655, info@fixxevents.com.au or Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre 4363 2908.

KINDERGARTEN 2015

Do you have a child starting school at Kincumber Public School next year? If so, please call in at the front office to collect an enrolment package. Kindy Start will be run in the same format this year—Tuesday or Thursday mornings from 9.00–11.00am, beginning on Tuesday 14th October (term 4). If you have neighbours, friends, etc., who are intending to enrol their child in Kindergarten at KPS next year, please ask them to contact the school on 4369 1544.

CHESS TEAM A

Do you have a child at school?
**KINTEEN - CANTEEN ROSTER**

**TERM 2 - WEEK 8**

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

Fleximeals on line: www.fleximeals.com.au

If you would like information on how Fleximeals works please call Linda the school’s canteen manager

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**UNIFORM SHOP HOURS**

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**FUN WITH HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

- **AFL (AUKIE)** - The program is designed for kids who are not skilled yet. The kids can be trained through the rules of AFL, play some of the games including AFL and then all have fun to play and have learnt the skills when they have fun in some new games of AFL. Coaches complete an AFL coaching course, aikie FNL and much more. Term 2 is from 9.30am - 11.30am

- **ARCHERY (BROCK)** - Set to target challenge the kids with the great archery over 1 hour at 9.30am

- **CARBS CYCLE SAFETY** - Offered by cycling clubs and delivered by Council. This program will deliver a modified bike roll which will be a great start to the foundation of safe cycling. Tickets may need to be pre-arranged through the council when they are ready. Bicycles and helmets are provided. Participants can use their own bicycles subject to a safety inspection from NRSB. Tickets are $2 each. For more details, visit www.cyclepathstaxonomy.com

- **CIRCUS SKILLS** - The program focuses on circus skills. The kids can enjoy these activities by spinning a bar, use clubs, use acrobatics on a pole, use a flower stick and much more. Usually held over 1 hour, with 2 tickets (9.30am - 11.30am)

- **CIRCUS AERIAL WORKSHOP** - These skills are great for fun and to add to the workshops you can have to go on the best show. The format is separate to the Kids Circus Workshop and the kids enjoy a balanced show and learn about the fun behind the scenes and then get to be part of a workshop and help perform in the same skills - 2 tickets (9.30am - 11.30am)

- **GAMER’S INTRODUCTION** - 1 hour. This introductory program includes basic techniques, movement and strategic skills and will be delivered by volunteers who work with the participants, ensuring safety. A fun, exciting and interactive show. Term 2 is from 9.30am - 11.30am

- **KIDS MULTI-SPORTS** - A program for starting sports and activities. Central Coast Rovers Clubs host this program and activities range from soccer, swimming, tennis, basketball, mini-golf, archery, gymnastics, dance, water-based activities and much more. Each session has a different focus and all are for free. Term 2 is from 9.30am - 11.30am

- **TENNIS BLUE HAVEN** - 1 hour. Offers a fun, relaxed, and enjoyable environment for kids to learn tennis. Term 2 is from 9.30am - 11.30am

- **TENNIS COOPABANGA** - 1 hour. Offers a fun, relaxed, and enjoyable environment for kids to learn tennis. Term 2 is from 9.30am - 11.30am

- **TENNIS WYONG** - 1 hour. Offers a fun, relaxed, and enjoyable environment for kids to learn tennis. Term 2 is from 9.30am - 11.30am

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**AVOCA BEACHSIDE MARKETS**

- **SUNDAY 27TH JUNE**
  - **10.00am - 12.30pm**
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**HUNTER VALLEY ELECTRIC VEHICLE FESTIVAL**

The Tom Farrell Institute for the Environment Presents … Hunter Valley EV FEST 2014 16-17th August, gates open 10am-4pm. FREE ENTRY. For more information go to www.huntereyfestival.net

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NSW Winner 1998
NSW Finalist 1999-2000
National 2002 and 2005
Regional Award 2009

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