Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all the parents that have made the time to attend Parent Teacher Interviews with their child’s classroom teacher over the past 2 weeks. If you have missed the opportunity to meet with their teacher please contact the teacher early Term 4 to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet. Parents should be mindful that every Tuesday afternoon staff are involved in professional development sessions and some have work commitments on other afternoons.

The Prep teachers, Emily and Penny have worked tirelessly over this term to provide a series of quality Pre–Prep “Come and Try Sessions” for our potential Prep students from Little Kooka’s and those in other childcare arrangements. The children who attended these days got to meet and work with our Prep staff. Currently we only have 15 Prep students intending to enrol in 2017. Obviously this is less than 2016 and as such, unless we get an influx of prep enrolments we will only be forming one Prep class in 2017. The parents that have completed an enrolment form for 2017 or have left their details at the front desk will be sent a letter detailing the time they, and their child will be required to attend the Prep Induction Day on Thursday 20th October. The package will also include information on the Parent/Child interview that will be held in either Week 5 or Week 6 of Term 4. If you have any friends or relatives who intend enrolling their child in Prep in 2017 and haven’t informed the school please advise them to do so immediately so that they can be accommodated in the interview schedule.

I am aware that some parents are starting to enquire about the composition of classes for 2017. As always, it will be dependant on student enrolment. It is impossible to publish classes and class compositions with any certainty until we have an idea of enrolment. Parents will be informed of 2017 classroom arrangements as soon as we are confident of the number of students we will have at Kingsthorpe.

Kim Turner will be returning to Kingsthorpe School in a part time capacity in Term 4. In order to minimize any impact on the students with another change of teacher, Kirra O’Brien will stay on at the school (in a full time capacity) for the remainder of the year. Kim and Kirra will work together to plan and implement the Year 1 Curriculum in Year 1 A. Kim will be working every Monday and Friday.

Please have a wonderful and safe Spring vacation. School resumes on Tuesday 4th October as Monday 3rd October is a Public Holiday.

Regards

Leonie
Principal

Guest of Honour on Parade
DanneiKa Early— Prep A
Students of the Week, Term 3 Week 9

Congratulations to students recognised by their teachers and classmates with Student of the Week Certificates on 9th September 2016

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PBL
(Positive Behaviour for Learning)
Expectation for Term 4 Week 1

Be Safe, Be Respectful & Be Responsible

- Revision of all routines

  *Classroom winner of the Super Cup*
  Yr. 2 Mrs Earixson & Mrs Kmita’s class

  *Golden Brush and Pan winning area*
  Yr. 1B—Miss Single’s class

  *Music Award*
  n/a

  *Physical Education Award*
  Prep A—Mrs Helverskov’s class

What’s On

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<td>School Resumes Swimming day for all students please bring $6:00 each</td>
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<td>Tentative Date for a possible P&amp;C organised ‘Red’ Disco.</td>
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<td>Year 5/6 LOTE Chinatown excursion in Brisbane</td>
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Prep Amaroo excursion ……..
‘A camping we will go”

We had damper and learnt how to ‘pitch a tent’.
It was so much fun.
Chappy’s Chatters.

Wow! Term 3 done and dusted; can you believe it? For me, it only feels like last week that I started here as Chaplain… I was absolutely terrified. Even though it was stepping through the same gates as I have for the last 5 years as a parent, this was a totally new thing for me.

Everyone has been great though. This is a great school, inside and out. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know everyone better; you all have something significant to bring to this school community and are valuable and important. In this short time so far, I have witnessed beautiful acts of friendship and compassion, selflessness, perseverance, humility, and lots of joy and laughter.

It is such a privilege to be here, and I love the many opportunities I get to connect with and encourage the students, staff and parents.

Just a few of the things we’ve been doing this term:

Year 6 girls completed the Bella Girl program with ladies from City Women, focusing on their innate value and worth as young women.

The Year 6 boys have enjoyed the Strength program with my husband Luke and I, focusing on developing their unique identity, courage and resilience.

Boys from Year 4 have also completed the Rock & Water program with Wayne Cooling from the PCYC, focusing on centring oneself, conflict resolution and resilience.

Breakfast Club is a great initiative that provides a lovely breakfast for the kids every Wednesday morning, thanks to our wonderful volunteers and generous donations from parents and local organisations.

Looking forward to great things we have planned for the kids next term. Enjoy the break…

Warmest regards

Chappy Sarah

At the end of each term it is always amazing to look back and see what the School has been able to achieve. During the past 10 weeks we have experienced some very high ‘highs’ and some very low ‘lows’. I am going to promote the ‘highs’ with the school community in this segment and address the ‘lows’ through ongoing reflection, actioning of plans, staff professional development, solution focussed conversations with staff, parents, students and other agencies, in addition to maintaining the belief that TOGETHER we can make the education at Kingsthorpe School exemplary.

Class events

- Peasant Prince Excursion
- Year 4—Photography Workshop
- Year Prep—‘A Camping we will go’ Amaroo excursion
- Pre-Prep Come and Try Days X 5
- Yr.3/4 Exhibition Afternoon

These are only some of the great things that have happened in our school over the past 10 weeks. More is planned for Term 4. Please refer to school website for more events and reasons to celebrate.

School events

- P & C fundraising Super Hero Stampede
- Sports Carnivals x 2 and Zone Sports participation
- Gymnastics Coaching with PCYC
- Social skillings programs—Rock & Water, Strength & Bella Girls- (see Chappy Chatters)
- NAI/DOC week activities
- Big Samba—Arts Council
- Book week—dress up parade
- Kingsthorpe Capers
- Blue Ribbon—Canvas Art
- PBL Celebration day—Jumping Castles
- PBL spirit Days e.g. Moustache and Bling

Whoo Hoo!

- Parent participation in volunteering—e.g. basketball training, Book Fair, Breakfast Club, Groundscare, Pie Drive distribution
- NAPLAN results—particularly Upper 2 bands and Spelling
- Oval seats installed—kids love them
- PBL—Tier 2 training started and gaining momentum
- Great RIP it Up Reading results
- Great gains with Oral Language (POLLEY) Program implemented in Prep over Term 1 & 2
As part of the Tier 2 Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) we have been offered the opportunity to have Ms Braidy Connor attend Kingsthorpe State School to speak to interested parents about the philosophy behind PBL. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear from a behaviour expert. As many ‘long-term’ parents would be aware Kingsthorpe State School embarked on the PBL framework (formally known as SWPBS) in Semester 1, 2014). The decision to engage in the PBL framework and associated professional development was endorsed by the P & C and school staff during that semester.

Since that time the evolving PBL team has completed Tier 1 and Tier 2 training and are working through the framework towards Tier 3. Currently the PBL Tier 2 team are being in-serviced on Functional Behaviour Analysis.

The actual launch of Kingsthorpe’s PBL will be conducted on Friday 21st October from 1:30 p.m. Each year level will be presenting an aspect of how the PBL concepts are addressed at Kingsthorpe. These two information sessions will provide parents with an exceptional opportunity to really understand the philosophy behind our behaviour program.

It is important that parents register for Ms Connor’s information session by emailing Ms Connor at bocon104@eq.edu.au before Tuesday 4th October—the first day of Term 4.