Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been a wonderful week for celebrating the achievements of students, staff and the school in general.

The success for students can be measured by

- The successful athletics carnival and the number of records that were broken, in addition to the large number of students that qualified to go on to represent our school in the Zone Sports Carnival next Tuesday.
- Kingsthorpe's NAPLAN results for 2016 - for some students their individual results were simply astounding.

The success for staff can be measured by

- The unsolicited anecdotal comments from parents about how their children are enjoying school and the engaging learning opportunities
- The great 2016 NAPLAN results—(see page 6).

The success for the wider school community can be measured by

- The school improvement levels in NAPLAN, particularly the percentage above minimum standards and Upper 2 Band data for the year 3 students
- The participation level for the Parent School Opinion Survey (Kingsthorpe State School has recorded its highest number of parent responses since surveys were first introduced in 1998). This success may be attributed to the increased engagement of families through the positive interactions of the Class Parent Liaison members and/or engagement with the schools communication methods—School Facebook page, weekly newsletters etc.
- High level of parental attendance at School Parades, athletics carnival and other school events.
- Support for the Kingsthorpe P & C through increased P & C membership, active participation at P & C meetings, 'Coffee and Conversation' mornings, participation in the fundraising events such as—Kingsthorpe Stampede, Pie Drive and Kingsthorpe Recipe Book contributions.

As a school community it is important that the celebrate the successes of all students, staff and the parent groups. Kingsthorpe is a GREAT school.

Regards

Leonie
Principal
Students of the Week, Term 3 Week 3

Congratulations to students recognised by their teachers and classmates with Student of the Week Certificates on 29th July 2016

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Well done

PBL

(Positive Behaviour for Learning)

Expectation for Term 3 Week 5

Be Responsible

*Wear approved uniform & only approved jewellery*

*Classroom winner of the Super Cup*

Yr. 1a Ms O’Brien’s class

*Golden Brush and Pan winning area*

Yr. 6 Mrs Chapman’s class

What’s On

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<td>Thursday 11th</td>
<td>Prep transition Come and Try Day 4 1–3 p.m</td>
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<td>Friday 12th</td>
<td>PBL prize purchased—School Spirit Day—Moustache and Bling—All students</td>
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<td>Tuesday 16th</td>
<td>6:00—P &amp; C Constitution Update—Special meeting P &amp; C followed by general meeting.</td>
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Mitch Wormald will be conducting training sessions for Interschool basketball starting next Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. In term 4, the Kingsthorpe Team will play in the competition on a Friday evening. If you are interested in training then please be at the hall at 8:00. Any queries should be directed to Mitch. Please note that only students attending training have permission to be at school before 8:30. Thank you.

Don’t forget Book Week Dress Up parade on Friday 19th August.

Dress up as your favourite book character. (Please bring the book that your character is in). There will be a book prize awarded in each class for what the judges perceive to be the ‘best costume’. Please start thinking about your costume.
Chappy’s Chatters.

Growing up, as the Olympic Games rolled around every 4 years, it was pretty significant... our house went into complete lockdown.

I liked the sports, but I’d be lying if I didn’t say that I really enjoyed the added bonus of getting to stay up late, eating breakfast, lunch and dinner in front of the telly... and homework was considered, well... optional.

But there’s a lot of cool stuff that happens around the Olympics. Like, did you know that there is meant to be a ceasefire in all countries while the Olympics are on?

It’s called the Olympic Truce and it dates back to ancient times when the Games first started for the purpose of protecting the athletes so that this amazing event could happen.

The word “truce” means a “laying down of arms.” It doesn’t necessarily mean that we “forgive and forget,” “let’s be friends,” or “let’s just get over it.”

But it does mean, “I will lay down my weapons, as you lay down yours.”

We all find ourselves in some form of conflict somewhere in our lives. We use weapons of all kinds, maybe not weapons of war, but they are weapons all the same when they are used to hurt one another.

The Olympic Games is an amazing event for our world that was only made possible through the principle of this “truce.” I wonder what might happen if we applied a similar “truce” in certain areas in our own lives? What might be possible if we made that choice to lay down our weapons today?

Warmest regards
Chappy Sarah

The Stampede prizes were distributed on Tuesday. Some prizes are on backorder and will be distributed to your child/ren as soon as they arrive. Thank you for allowing your child to participate in the event.

**Wanted—Needed**

Please send washed 100grams yoghurt containers to Prep A to be used as glue pots. Thank you MRS H.

In PE this week all classes participated in skipping activities.

One challenge was to see how long we could skip for without stopping. These were our results.

- Yr 6 Tamika 2 mins 46 secs
- Yr 5 Lexi 2 mins 26 secs
- Yr4 Taliah 4 mins 10 secs
- Yr 3/4 Lara 2 mins 25 secs
- Yr 2/3 Jasynta 2 mins 10 secs
Athletics Carnival 2016
Isaacs 551  Hughes 528
Ball Games
Isaacs 28  Hughes 12

Qualifiers Inner Downs – Tuesday 9th August
O’Quinn Street Oval

Age Champions

Girls
9yrs  Erika Dallinger
10yrs  Ellie Gale
11yrs  Aleesha Hartley
12yrs  Jade Griffiths

Boys
9yrs  Ryan Hartley
10yrs  Brayden Beyer
11yrs  Connor Milne
12yrs  Blake Beyer

Kingsthorpe State School

2015 & 2016 Athletics Carnival
Track and Field
Records Broken

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Currently we have some staff absent from school on sick leave.
Kim Turner will remain on sick leave until the first week of September
Jamal Abawi is absent—ill until next Tuesday 9th August
Emily Middleton will be absent—ill until at least Monday 8th August
While these staff are away we endeavour to replace them with known, competent relief staff who understand our school context and are capable and willing to implement our school based programs, policy and procedures.

P & C NEWS
The P & C would like to welcome and congratulate our new Secretary, Jasmine Rodigherio. We would like to acknowledge and thank Kate Young for all her efforts as Acting Secretary over the past 6 months. Kate will still maintain her position of Vice President.
On behalf of the school community, we would like to acknowledge and thank outgoing Treasurer, Karen Hartley, for her tireless work and dedication to the school, its parents, staff and students over the past 4 years. We appreciate your effort and commitment.

STAMPEDE NEWS
A HUGE thank you to everyone who raised money, participated and helped out on the day, your support is very much appreciated and we couldn’t have these events without you. Together we raised $3412.80 – a fantastic effort for our first year!
The majority of prizes arrived this week and these were handed out to students on Tuesday. Unfortunately Squish Balls, Spy Glasses and Hand Controlled UFO’s are on backorder, but we have been told they should arrive next week. As soon as they’re here we will hand them out to students.
We would love to hear your feedback on the Stampede – you can do this by talking to a P & C or Parent Liaison member, dropping a note in the P & C Mailbox at the office or contacting Amanda on 0413 855 065. We are already thinking about next year’s event, so if you have any suggestions, we would love to hear them!
On Parade on Friday we will be announcing who the highest fundraiser was and which class won the pizza party – who do you think it will be?

FATHER’S DAY RAFFLE
We are currently seeking donations in the form of goods or vouchers for our Father’s Day Raffle, to be drawn on Friday, 2nd September 2016. In return for your generous donation, your business will be publicly acknowledged in the school newsletter, on our Facebook page, in the information accompanying the raffle tickets, on parade when the raffle is drawn and with the prize itself. The proceeds raised from this raffle will assist us in achieving our current fundraising goals which include a communication noticeboard, replacement of sand toys and storage cover, Ipad and Laptops for curriculum use and grounds beautification. Donations can be left at the school office or alternatively, you can contact Amanda on 0413 855 065.

BOOKCLUB
When you purchase books from Book club, we receive credits to a dollar value which are then used to purchase Library and Literacy resources, as well as prizes that we use throughout the year for events such as Book Week. From the last issue of Book club sales we received $88.50 in credits to use towards resources, bringing the total credits we have received for the year to $449.50. Thank you to everyone who places Book club orders, we appreciate your support. You can place your Book club orders by returning the order form and money to the school office or online using LOOP.

BOOK FAIR
Book Fair is coming!
Friday 19th August after Parade – 10.30am and Monday 22nd August 3pm – 5.30pm.

Thank you – P & C Executive
Dear colleagues

This morning the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) released the 2016 NAPLAN results, which show that Queensland has continued to achieve some of its best results across all year levels since NAPLAN began.

These results confirm what we have seen across many other local and state-wide indicators — the hard work of Queensland teachers and students is paying off.

Our strongest results were in the Year 3 and Year 5 cohorts, where Queensland achieved some of its highest ever rankings against the national minimum standards (NMS). Highlights of Queensland's NAPLAN results include:

- ranking first nationally in Year 3 Grammar and Punctuation (the first time that Queensland has ever ranked first in a test area)
- ranking second nationally in Year 3 Reading and Numeracy
- ranking second nationally in Year 5 Grammar and Punctuation
- ranking second nationally in Year 7 Spelling.

There are a wide range of views about the role and purpose of national assessment, but without doubt it provides educational leaders, and society more broadly, with an idea of what effect our efforts are having on each student’s performance in skills necessary for everyday life: reading, writing, spelling and numeracy.

What NAPLAN tells us is that the leadership of principals, the dedication and perseverance of teachers and the hard work of Queensland students has been rewarded with performance gains relative to our peers around the country. Since Queensland's relatively low baseline performance when NAPLAN began in 2008, we have travelled a steady and continuing improvement journey that now sees us as the most rapidly improving jurisdiction in the country.

I congratulate all staff and students on another year of significant and sustained improvement, which has been demonstrated not only in NAPLAN results but in many other achievements throughout the year.

Warm regards
Dr Jim Watterston
Director-General

Wow look at Kingsthorpe’s improvement!

This is a ‘snapshot’ of the improvement data for Kingsthorpe State School. It demonstrates that what is happening in the classrooms is having positive results.
The Kingsthorpe State School P & C are producing a cookbook showcasing the all-time favorite recipes of the families and community members who share a connection with our school. This Cookbook will be a compilation of recipes and artwork that capture the essence of our school and community.

Our aim is to collect **at least one recipe per family** from our school as well as recipes from past students, their families and the wider community. We would love for you to share the recipes that your family enjoy the most. Is it your Grandma’s famous chocolate cake? Your mum’s lasagne? Perhaps it’s one of dad’s BBQ recipes or your Aunt’s strawberry jam? They don’t need to be fancy, just a recipe you think people would love.

Please include the following in your recipe;

- **Recipe title**
- **Recipe Category**
- **Ingredients**
- **Method**
- **Tips/Recommendations**

The proceeds raised from these cookbooks will assist us in achieving our current fundraising goals which include seating around the oval; outfitting the school hall with fans, a PA system, safety padding on poles and a digital scoreboard and a combined new school sign/digital noticeboard.

To assist in the production of this cookbook we are offering families the opportunity to sponsor a page of the cookbook for $10. In return for your sponsorship your family will be acknowledged in print on a page of the cookbook. We look forward to receiving your recipes!

Please sign the following permission slip and return it to the office to allow us to print your recipes, names and children’s artwork in the recipe book.

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I give permission for the Kingsthorpe State School P & C Association to use my recipe and family name, my children’s first names and artwork.

**Parent/Guardian Name:__________________________**

**Contact Phone Number:________________________**

Children/s Name/s and Class:

- Name:___________ Class:______________
- Name:___________ Class:______________
- Name:___________ Class:______________
- Name:___________ Class:______________
- Name:___________ Class:______________

Signed:_____________________________________

My family would like to sponsor a page in the Kingsthorpe Recipe Book

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No

(Please find $10 enclosed)

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We are thinking of getting the school polo in a long sleeve for the children to wear on cool days & to add to the winter uniform. Please indicate below if you would be interested in buying this item & return the form to the office by Friday 12th August

**Thank you**

**Tammie Mathies**

**Uniform Convenor**

- [ ] Yes I would be interested in buying a long sleeve polo.
- [ ] No I would not be interested in buying a long sleeve polo.

The shirts would be available for sale in 2017 and would cost approximately $28 - $30. This expression of interest is not a commitment to buy.