Dear Parents and Carers,

It is unusual to quote another school in a school newsletter however I can’t resist sharing this letter a Kingsthorpe parent shared with me. The letter is written by the A/Deputy principal of Walkervale State School in Bundaberg.

The reason it is being shared is that it encapsulated what every educator believes about the students. Participating in NAPLAN is necessary but it does not define a student. Please read the letter on page 6.

NAPLAN testing is occurring next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. As a consideration to our participating NAPLAN students the Yr.3 & Yr.5 students will be offered a Breakfast Club breakfast on Tuesday and Thursday. Please note the breakfasts offered on Tuesday and Thursday are only for the Yr.3 & Yr.5 students. Wednesday’s breakfast Club will still be conducted as scheduled and is available for all Kingsthorpe students. Sincere thanks must go to the volunteer parents that have made themselves available to prepare the breakfasts for the 50+ undertaking the NAPLAN Tests.

Recently a number of Kingsthorpe teaching staff have volunteered to run extra curricula activities in their lunchtimes. These programs are in addition to their regular classroom and school responsibilities. There is no obligation for any student to participate in these activities, however, if your child does nominate to be in the program there is an expectation that they will honour their commitment to attend. Please discuss with your child whether they are really committed to the activity before signing off on their permission form. Once a student has been accepted into a program it is expected that they see their commitment through. Currently extra-curricula activities include Drama Club and Choir.

There was also an opportunity for students to enrol in a basketball clinic conducted by Pop Dickinson during Wednesday lunchtimes. This is not a school run activity and all questions regarding the clinic should be directed to Pop Dickinson. It is advisable that all students eat the bulk of their lunch at first break and take a small snack to the hall at lunchtimes on a Wednesday.

Currently, the P & C fundraising group have 40 outstanding raffle tickets books. There is still time to return these tickets to the Fundraising Coordinator tomorrow morning before parade. The raffle will be drawn on parade. Please ring Amanda Evans immediately on 0413855065 to ensure that she has time to include them in the draw.

Regards

Leonie
Principal
Students of the Week, Term 2 Week 3

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

Students of the Week:

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PBL

(Positive Behaviour for Learning)

Expectation for Term 2 week 5

Be Safe Be Respectful

- follow staff directions
- use kind words, manners and actions
- keep hands, feet and objects to yourself.

Term 2 Week 4

classroom winner of the Super Cup

Yr. 6 Mrs Chapman’s class

Golden Brush and Pan winning area

Yr. 6 Mrs Chapman’s class

What’s On

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| Friday 6th May | Mother’s Day’s Stall  
Mother’s Day Morning Tea  
Prep Mum’s Pamper afternoon 2:00 |
| Tue 10th May  | Writing /Language Conventions NAPLAN  
Yr. 3 & Yr. 5 |
| Wed 11th May  | Reading  
NAPLAN Yr.3 & Yr. 5 |
| Thur12th May  | Numeracy NAPLAN  
Yr. 3 & Yr.5 |
| Friday 13th May | Kingaroy Moon and Planet Excursion  
Yr.2/3 & Yr. 3/4 |
| Wednesday 25th May | National Simultaneous Story Telling 11:30 a.m. |
| Wednesday 1st June | Whole School Pyjama Day (purchased by students from Super store) |

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

God could not be everywhere, and therefore he made mothers.  
Rudyard Kipling

Happy Mother’s Day to all our Kingsthorpe Mums
Overview

- National Simultaneous Story time is an important annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books.
- Now in its 16th successful year it is a colourful, vibrant and fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy using an Australian children's book that explores age appropriate themes and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum.

More information about at: https://www.alia.org.au/nss

Did you know that the P & C Mother’s Day Raffle has already raised more than $1,000? Great effort everyone and thank you.
Hi Everyone, Welcome to this week’s Chappy Chatter’s. I have a little illustration for you all. ’A psychologist at Stanford University tried to show that we live for productive results, or fruit. This researcher hired a man, a logger. He said, “I'll pay you double what you get paid in the logging camp, if you’ll take the blunt end of this axe and just pound this log all day. You never have to cut one piece of wood. Just take the end that is blunt and hit it as hard as you can, just as you would if you were logging.” The man worked for half a day and quit. The psychologist asked, “Why did you quit?” The logger replied, “Because every time I move an axe, I have to see the chips fly. If I don’t see the chips fly, it’s no fun.”

In life we like to see results, no matter what we do we like to see results. At school the students like to see how successful they are in the subjects they do. Parents like to see how well their child is developing. Bosses like to see how productive their employees are. Coaches like to see their team being successful. We are all inspired to achieve results/fruit in our lives. Let’s put a twist into this;

People are drawn to others with a positive attitude. I haven’t met anyone who wants to hang out with someone who is putting them down all the time. So we reap what we sow. If you want to see the ‘chips fly’ in your life; live a life with a positive attitude. Live a fruitful life, influence others in the right way and then watch the results. I always tell students here at school that if they want friends then they must be friendly first. Give it a go and see what happens,

Have an awesome week,
Justin

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Chappy Justin

The P & C Fundraising effort has been given a huge boost through the family and community support of the recent Kingsthorpe P & C Mother’s Day Raffle. Sincere thanks must go to the parents and businesses that donated raffle prizes and also to all the people that sold and returned the raffle tickets. Amanda Evans, the P & C Fundraising co-ordinator has organised yet another amazing fundraiser.

THANK YOU TO ALL INVOLVED & GOOD LUCK

The P & C is currently focusing their fundraising efforts on raising enough money to purchase seating for the oval sandpit toys and a P.A system for the school hall. Thank you for your support.

Local Government Election BBQ and cake stall $ 510

Mother’s Day Raffle has raised over $1,000

2016

Goal!
National Collection of Data on School Students with Disability

Dear parents/carers,

Collecting data on school students with disability helps teachers, principals and education authorities support the participation of students with disability in schooling on the same basis as students without disability.

All Australian Governments have agreed to work together on the annual collection of data on school students with disability.

In 2013, 10% of Queensland state schools participated in the first year of implementation. In 2014, two thirds of Queensland schools participated and all schools will collect data from 2015.

Please be reassured that the Department will not pass on to another organisation any data that can identify an individual student. The only data being collected at the school level to be reported nationally is the:

- number of students in the school who are provided with an adjustment to address a disability;
- level of adjustments we provide for those students; and a broad category of disability.

Consultation with parents is important not only for the data collection but also to ensure you are aware of the adjustments being provided to support your child. We will therefore continue to consult with you through Individual Learning Plans, Support Provisions and Management Plans.

Information and fact sheets are available to help you make a decision from the:


if you do not wish for your child’s details to be included, please let me know

Alternatively, if you have any queries about the collection or use of this data I encourage you to contact me directly.

Leonie Hultgren
Principal

HEADLICE ALERT

Could all parents please check their child/ren’s hair for head lice? Head lice have been detected in the hair of some students in a few classes however, as they are highly contagious it is advisable that every child’s hair is checked.

Thank you
Please don’t forget the Mother’s Day Stall being held tomorrow immediately after parade. This service, provided by the P & C ensures that all students can purchase their mother a small gift on her special day...the best bit is she doesn’t have to buy it for herself! All classes will visit the stall, in order, starting with Prep A and finishing with the Yr. 6 students. If possible, please provide your child with a $5 note as ‘change’ is often lost. Remember ‘no peeking’!

Cross Country

Yesterday, Mrs McCusker, Lexi, Connor, Tristan and Bradley attended the Cross Country trials at Highfields. All of the student performed very well with Lexi and Bradley both achieving 4th place. Well done to all the competitors— you have made us all very proud.

Webpage—www.kingsthorpess.eq.edu.au

The school web page has an updated calendar of events for the remainder of Term 2. Please check the webpage regularly so as to be kept up to date.

All the class teachers have uploaded a copy of the curriculum for Term 2onto the webpage As you will be able to see it is a very busy term with lots of work needing to be covered. Unless your child is ill please ensure they are in attendance everyday. Thank you
21 April 2016

Dear Year 3 and 5 Students

Soon, you will sit the NAPLAN test. Before you take this test there is something very important for you to know:

This test does not assess all of what makes each of you exceptional and unique.

The people who score these tests don’t know that some of you love to sing, are good at drawing or can teach others how to use a computer program. They have not seen the way that some of you can dance with grace or speak confidently to a large group. They do not know that your friends count on you to be there for them when that are sad. They do not know that you participate in sports, help your Mum and Dad or that you play with your little brother, sister or cousins. They do not know that you are caring, thoughtful and that every day you do your best. Because these attributes cannot be tested.

The scores you get from this test will tell you how you did on that day, but they will not tell you everything. They can’t tell you that you have improved on something you once found difficult. They can’t tell you that you brighten up your teacher’s day. They can’t tell you how amazingly special you are.

So come to school ready to do your best for the NAPLAN test and remember there is no one way to ‘test’ all of the wonderful things that make you, YOU!

Kind regards

Mrs Shield
A/Deputy Principal

Mr Young
Principal

Yrs 3 and 5 Teachers