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Play, Learn and Grow.....Together!

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope that all our special ladies had a wonderful Mother's Day on Sunday. What a fantastic turn out we had on Friday to celebrate. We appreciate you taking the time out of your day to be there.

On Friday we have Crazy Sock Day, please make sure that our students are only wearing crazy socks. The rest of our clothes should be full school uniform. Please remember to bring your gold coin donation for this.

In Week 5 we will be beginning our whole school Premiers Sporting Challenge, the purpose of this challenge is to encourage students to participate in physical activity and sport. This will run for ten weeks .

In Term 3 there will be a change in Staff Development Days. Monday 22nd July will be a normal school day and Thursday 19th August will be the Staff Development Day. There will be minimal supervision at school for those who need it.

Included in this newsletter are two notes coming home. One is about revamping our "Friends of Kitchener" and the other is about our 100 year celebration. We want these things to work for you, please when you get the survey let us know your thoughts.

Please make sure that all children, whether they be students or not, are inside the gate at drop off and pick up time. With cars reverse parking it is important that all children are accounted for.

Thank you again for making my first weeks here so welcoming and enjoyable. I look forward to meeting more of you as the weeks progress.

Cat Boorer (Relieving Principal)

Upcoming Events:

14/5-16/5 Naplan Years 3 & 5

17/5 Crazy Sock day (gold coin donation)

24/5 Small School Athletics Carnival

27/5 Premier's Sporting Challenge begins

29/5 Rebecca Young Girls Rugby League
Gala Day

19/6 Jump Rope for Heart Jump off—
details in this newsletter

As a part of ensuring we are providing the best for our students our teachers are also committed to furthering their skills and knowledge. Some upcoming dates are:

17/5 Mrs Power L3 training

31/5 Mrs Couper LAST conference

ZONE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Friday 3rd May saw many of our students competing at Zone Cross Country at Cessnock Racecourse. The morning started with a lot of nervous smiles but they soon disappeared to be replaced with smiles of pride. We had some fantastic results with all our children doing their best & representing our school with outstanding sportsmanship. *Mrs Osland*





MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Year 6's walked into class to prepare for the Mother's Day stall. There were gifts from 50c to \$10. Then classes kinder, 1/2, 3/4 & year 5 came in.

They could only buy one thing at a time. But if they had any spare change they could come around again and again and again until they had no money left. Then later in the day we had the Mother's Day afternoon tea. There were lots of lollies and treats, oh and coffee. Then our lovely school choir sang out the front of everyone "This is me". I hope everyone had a great Mother's day! Bethany S & Scarlett C



PSSA TENNIS REPRESENTATIVE



Me and my Mum travelled all the way to Inverell it was 5 and a half hours to get up there. When we finally got there we had a training day and I saw all of my team for the first time well.....our new team. We went back to the cabin and slept. We woke up about 7 o'clock . Mum and me went to the tennis courts , we lost to all the Sydney teams.

Hunter came 10th overall and one of my friends made it through to the State team. We all went out for a team dinner. *Evie O*

5/6 Great Aussie Bush Camp 2019



Just a reminder that expression of interest and \$20 deposit are due by Friday 31st May to secure your child's position.

We have been notified by Pig Out that Mac & Cheese will NOT be available to order for lunch on Friday anymore!



CRAZY SOCK DAY—FRIDAY 17 MAY

This Friday 17 May we have a fundraiser to support Cri du Chat (also known as 5p minus syndrome). Please wear your craziest socks and bring along a gold coin for a kind donation.

Jump Rope for Heart kicks off this term!

Jump Rope for Heart is a fantastic physical activity and fundraising program that has been run by the Heart Foundation for over 35 years. It's a great way for your child to keep fit and learn new skills, but it also helps raise funds for vital heart research and education programs.

Since Jump Rope for Heart started in 1983, schools like ours have raised more than \$75 million for the Heart Foundation's lifesaving work.

It's important you <u>register your child online</u>, so they can receive the full benefits of the program and participate in online fundraising, simply follow the link below to get started. <u>www.jumprope.org.au/parents</u>

Students will be skipping throughout the term in PE lessons and during lunch and recess breaks, during this time you can share their online fundraising page with family and friends to help raise money for this great cause.

We will hold our school Jump Off Day on 19/6/19 this will mark the end of the program and is a chance for everyone to come together to skip and show off their newly learned skills.

Thank you for supporting the Jump Rope for Heart program!

"ADOPT A FARMER" DAY

Kitchener PS successfully raised **\$151.60** towards Rural Aid for "Adopt a Farmer" day held last Wednesday.

Our many thanks to all students for their wonderful efforts dressing up as farmers and raising funds for Rural Aid.

NSW PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENGE



Dear Parents/Carers

This year our school has registered to participate in the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge.

The purpose of the Challenge is to encourage students to participate in sport and physical activity to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Over a ten week period Term 1 Week 5 27/5 to Term 1 Week 9 28/6 and then continuing Term 3 Week 2 29/7 to Term 3 Week 6 30/8, our Kinder to 6 students will be monitoring physical activity levels during class time, at recess and lunch as well as during sport lessons. Physical activity outside school hours will also count towards the Challenge award. The aim is to work towards an average at least 60 minutes of activity a day for ten weeks.

Our school will be working towards a class-based award at the conclusion of the Challenge.

We would like to invite families to support us in encouraging students' healthy use of leisure time and to experience the joy of being active together.

For primary students: Each student in years 3-6 will be issued with a logbook to record their daily physical activity. Whilst K-2 students will work towards a Gold class award level.

Students completing the Challenge will receive a personalised certificate (Diamond, Gold, Silver or Bronze), signed by the Premier of New South Wales.

Physical activity is valued for its physical, social and emotional benefits. It also helps young people to develop communication skills, confidence and resilience.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the Challenge, please contact Miss Boorer who will be pleased to talk further with you.

Yours sincerely Miss Boorer Principal