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★ Newsletter

Message From the Relieving Principal

Hello everyone

Since last week Years 3 and 5 have had the NAPLAN testing. The three girls who did the test were very fortunate to have a quiet, comfortable and peaceful space with no interruptions. They all seemed to weather the process with no fuss whatsoever. It was lovely to hear the boys wishing them 'Good Luck' every morning.

During this week we have had two after school athletics training sessions with Graydon Leonard and Chelsea Payne. Last Friday the children did shotput and this Wednesday they practised relays and baton changes.

It is a great way to fill the time waiting for the buses, the children are loving the sessions. They are showing respect and co-operation. So thank you Graydon and Chelsea ! Our next session is Wed June 4th.

We will also have a couple of afternoon sessions training for athletics with Mr Condon at The Risk School. It is always an advantage to get together with children from local schools..

Talking of sport, we have continued training Harry and Deagan for the Zone Cross Country, which is next Friday. Hopefully they are gradually building stamina and endurance. Everyone from the 3-6 room is walking or running every day.



Next Week we start the **Premier's Sporting Challenge**. The whole school is participating.

I am looking forward to the P&C meeting next week. Please read the message from the Department regarding reform to the NSW Federation of P&C Associations.

Anne Goss
Relieving Principal



Whole School Excursion to "The Laurels" Nursery

On Tuesday 27th May K-6 will be visiting "The Laurels" nursery in Old Grevillia to view the nursery and its workings.

This is part of our ongoing Ecology Centre/Environmental Studies. The students will have recess at "The Laurels" and will have lunch at Moore Park. Travel will be teachers' cars.

Afterwards we will go straight to The Risk for one of our Sports Sessions.

Please complete the permission note attached.



Athletics Training at The Risk

Along with our Athletics Training with Graydon and Chelsea we have been invited to join The Risk school for the next two Tuesdays to be coached by Mr Larry Condon. We will travel to The Risk school at lunchtime for the afternoon session of training.

Please complete the permission note. Travel will be by teachers' cars.

Weekly Awards!

Congratulations to the following students this week:-

Rhys Ryan for his keen research and recall of information

Kimberley Hoskins for excellent attitude to her work.

Harry Crawler for persistence doing his best in training.

P & C NEWS

Please join us **Wednesday** evening, **21st May** at 6 pm for our P & C Meeting.

Playing an active role in your child's education is important and rewarding.

All welcome. Hope to see you there.

Sue Leonard, Vice President

Reforms to P & C Federation

The NSW Parliament has introduced legislation to reform the NSW Federation of Parent and Citizens Associations, which has suspended operation pending Supreme Court action. While these reforms will not affect the day-to-day operation of individual school P&Cs, they will introduce a new executive structure which will ensure the Federation operates as a modern and representative body on behalf of school P&C Associations.

Each school's P&C Association will be asked to vote for councillors and delegates who will represent their electorate at the Federation's Annual General Meeting and councillors who will serve on the Federation's Board of Management. More information will be available on the Department's website at:
<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/a-z/involvement.php>.

Term 2

Tuesday 20th May: Newspapers in Education Published; ICAS Computer; Athletics Training

Wednesday 21st May: P & C Meeting; KEEP; National Simultaneous Storytime

Friday 23rd May: Zone Cross Country; Mobile Library

Tuesday 27th May: Laurels Nursery; The Risk Athletics training

Friday 30th May: Tuckshop

Friday 6th June: P&C Street Stall

12th/13th June: Year 6 camp at Collins Creek PS

Premier's Sporting Challenge

The purpose of the challenge is to encourage students to participate in sport, games and physical activity. Over a 10-week period Rukenvale will monitor physical activity we do during the day. Physical activity is valued for its physical, social and emotional benefits. It also helps young people to develop communication skills, confidence and resilience while having fun with family and friends. This year is International Year of the Family so we'd like to encourage all our families to support us in encouraging students' healthy use of leisure time and to experience the joy of being active together.

Community News

Kyogle Public School

HOLLYWOOD MUSIC & Music Trivia Night

Friday 16th May 7pm-11pm

Kyogle Public School Hall. Join us for a night of fun and entertainment. Dress in your celebrity best - BYO drinks and nibbles. Strictly 18yrs & over. Tickets \$10 per person - or book a table of 8. Bookings taken at the office - 66321200 - and pay on the night.