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STATE SCHOOL

eNewsletter

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From The Principal

A big hello to all staff, parents and students and welcome to our week 8 edition of the Kairi Newsletter.

Last Saturday night was a very special night as our Kairi students took part in the annual Maize festival. Being it was my first Maize festival I was amazed at how many people there were along the main streets of Atherton. We had a terrific turnout with what I would imagine to have been around three quarters of our student population arriving to take part on our float. Our float looked incredible and all have told me that they had an amazing time on the back of the truck.

Last week was our pre-prep open day and I was delighted to meet some of our new families and children who came along for the day. Both sessions went very well with Mrs Alford, Ms Tomo, our P&C and some parent volunteers making it a day to remember.

This Friday is our school photo day. I have asked our students to make sure that they are wearing their best school uniform and to look their sharpest for the event. School photos are very special and items that are kept for many, many years. Irvinebank school will be joining us for the day to get their school photos, as well as enjoying a day at our wonderful school.

With only three weeks to go until the end of term we will be entering a busy period of assessment and reporting. Please ensure that your child/ren are well rested and raring to go over the weeks ahead. You will also be receiving letters that will be sent home regarding parent teacher interviews. The interviews are an extremely important aspect of your child's education so please ensure that you return the notes promptly and attend the meetings. Please talk to your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions regarding this process.

Have a terrific week

Regards,

Matt Andrews

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Every Tuesday

Tuckshop

Every Wednesday

Library Borrowing

2nd Wed's of month

*P & C General Meeting
(6pm in library)*

Sept 1 st (Fri)	School Photo Day
Sept 1st (Fri)	Prep / Yr 1 Excursion to Park
Sept 15th (Fri)	Last Day of School Term 3
Oct 2nd (Mon)	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Oct 3rd (Tues)	First Day of School Term 4
Oct 16th (Mon)	Pupil Free Day
Oct 18th to 20th	Yr 5 & 6 Camp Paterson
Oct 30th (Mon)	Swimming Program - first day
Nov 1st (Wed)	Swimming Sessions
Nov 3rd (Fri)	Swimming Sessions
Nov 6th (Mon)	Swimming Sessions
Nov 8th (Wed)	Swimming Sessions
Nov 10th (Fri)	Swimming Sessions
Nov 13th (Mon)	Swimming Sessions
Nov 15th (Wed)	Swimming Program - last day
Dec 8th (Fri)	Last Day of School for 2017
Jan 22nd (Mon)	First Day of School for 2018!

Quote Of The Day

"Oh, magic hour, when a child first knows he or she can read printed words!"
A Tree Grows In Brooklyn 1943

CELEBRATION TIME!



Congratulations to the Kairi P&C Association for their successful grant application through the Gambling Community Benefit Fund. This \$25,000 grant will help fund a much needed new playground and the removal of the tired old playground equipment currently in use. A HUGE thank you to Judy Pitcher for her invaluable assistance with the grant application.

**WELL DONE P&C VOLUNTEERS ~
YOUR HARD WORK IS APPRECIATED!**

School Photo Day: Is happening THIS Friday September 1st!

Individualised photo ordering packs went home two weeks ago. Sibling order packs and spare regular order packs available at the office. All changes / additions / cancellations of photo orders must happen directly with the photography company. Their details are on every ordering pack. Completed and sealed order envelopes may be returned to the school office prior to photo day, or you may hand them directly to the photographer on the day. The photographers are usually here early and are ready to start taking photos at 9am sharp.

They will not be able to wait for any late-comers, so please ensure your child is here on time.

***Year 6 students - please wear your school uniform but bring your year 6 shirts along for the year 6 photo.**

Woolies Earn & Learn - TIME IS RUNNING OUT!: If you need any more sheets they are available at the school office. Sticker sheets may be left in the Kairi Earn & Learn box at Woolies, or in the Earn & Learn box in the school reception office. Last year we received some fantastic resources for the school, so it is worth collecting these stickers to help support your child's school :)

Year 5 & 6 Camp: Will be happening from the 18th to the 20th of October at Camp Paterson (situated near Emerald Creek). More information (and invoices) will be coming home asap.

School Swimming: Swimming program invoices and permission notes have come home in school bags. Thank you to those that have already paid :) Don't forget, for families that are eligible for Centrelink allowances such as Family Tax Benefit - you can easily arrange a direct debit from Centrelink through to the school to assist with any school invoices. Some families are using this method (with great success) to get their childrens accounts into a credit status so that there is less financial pain when invoicing for events happen. Any credit left on a students account by the end of the year automatically rolls into the next school year - which means you can be ahead of the game from day 1!

Prep / Yr One Class News

We are nearly at the end of another term and as we have been testing and finishing assessments, it is very pleasing to see the progress every student has made and it is wonderful to see them feeling proud of their achievements.

In Geography this term, we have been learning about natural, manmade and managed features of environments. This Friday we are going for a walk to the Kairi Park to look at its features and have a play on the new playground. Before we go, we will be making our own afternoon tea at school using fresh produce grown in our vegetable garden.

The Kairi float at the Maize Festival on Saturday night was a great success and the children who rode on the float had a great time. Thank you to everyone who helped and came along to make it such a good night.

Emily Alford

Yr 2 / 3 Class News

In Year 2/3, students are writing letters to the editor to express their opinion about matters of a local nature. Students will be making use of their knowledge of good paragraph structure, persuasive devices including questions, commands, high modality words, information from experts and appealing to emotions of readers. We will be writing on the topics of bats and crocodiles in the local area and the Maize Festival. We might publish some in our next newsletter!

In Maths we are working on mass and volume, particularly the units of measurement and real life uses of them. Year 2 students are working on the concept of multiplication as repeated addition and Year 3 students are applying their computation skills in a variety of problem-solving situations devised by their peers. They like to set challenging tasks for each other and many worthwhile discussions and demonstrations around problem-solving strategies have arisen from the students' problems.

In Geography we are moving on to the study of the world climate zones and how the temperature and rainfall patterns of a place can be predicted by the climatic zone in which it is located. Students are learning about the polar, temperate and tropical climate zones and relating them to their own experiences with travelling and holidays in different parts of Australia and even overseas.

The improvement in participation in home reading in the 2/3 class is tremendous. Well done to all students and parents for your increased commitment to improving reading! Year 2/3 students are also making a commitment to improving their spelling by completing and handing in DIPL homework. Students are invited to do homework in the classroom before school when it is not possible to do homework at home. All students must now also complete their current DIPL homework sheet to participate in Fun Friday. Students who do not hand in complete homework will do it before joining in with games, movies, craft or sport on Friday afternoons. Keep in mind that Jordan is coming for the next two Fridays to play NRL football and he has take-home goodies for participants!

Students are completing assessment tasks in all subjects over the next two weeks so that the most up to date information can be presented to parents at interviews. Although it is difficult to ensure attendance with such debilitating flu in the school community, students who are frequently absent are disadvantaged by missing out on revision and practice which develops confidence leading up to assessment. Sometimes students also miss assessment tasks and must then catch up at a time when the rest of the class is engaged in further learning, setting them further behind. Please support your student to achieve the best attendance he or she is able to.

Janet Jennings

Month Of September Birthdays

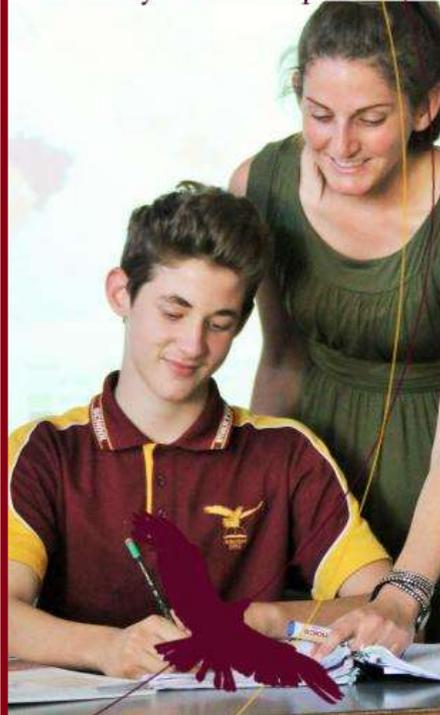
Happy Birthday Everyone!



Nate E	1st
Lily G	7th
Logan	7th
Thomas	17th
Ryan	29th

**Atherton
State High School
Transition Evening**

Student Services
6:30pm School Auditorium
Thursday 7th of September



For 2018 Year 7 Students
and their Parents
<http://athertonshs.eq.edu.au>

Well Women's Clinics

(These clinics are available to Medicare eligible clients)

Atherton Health Centre Monday 11th & Monday 25th Sept Ph: 4091 0263

Malanda Health Centre Wed 13th & Tuesday 19th Sept Ph: 4096 5339

Service includes Pap Smears, Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, Bowel Health, Domestic Violence, etc. All services are provided by a specially trained Women's Health Nurse.

For appointments phone 4091 0263

