Upcoming Dates:

Every Friday  
Tuckshop
Every Wed  
Library borrowing
2nd Wed of the month – P & C meeting  
(2pm at the Library)

Book Fair In the library  
Last Chance tomorrow!  
Wednesday 30th October

8.30 - 8.50am
11.20 - 11.40am
3.00 - 3.20pm

Nov 5  
Last Prep Open Day 2-3pm
Nov 6  
Arts Council at 9am
Dec 7  
Family Xmas BBQ
Dec 9  
Awards Night
Dec 13  
Last school Day of 2013
Dec 13  
NO TUCKHOP LAST FRIDAY
Jan 28 (Tues)  
First school Day of 2014

Presentation / Awards Night:

(Tentative Schedule—Confirmation Closer to Date)

The Formal Presentation Ceremony for the whole school will be held on Monday, the 9th of December from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. All families & friends are invited to come along to this ceremony. Join us for a (free) cuppa after the formalities are over.

The ceremony will take place under E Block, and the order of events are as follows (may change slightly nearer the date - tba):

◊ Band & Choir performances
◊ Class Performances
◊ School Leaders Reports
◊ 2013 Graduates performance
◊ Whole School Awards & Graduation Presentations
◊ 2014 School Leaders ceremony

The formalising of our Presentation night ceremony means that Santa’s visit is booked for a separate earlier event! ~ Check It Out

Family Christmas BBQ:

(Tentative program—Confirmation Closer to Date)

Hosted by your P & C, being held on Saturday, the 7th Dec starting at 3pm in the park area at Tinaroo foreshore.

Food & soft drinks will be provided, and Santa has promised to visit!

This will be a really fun family event, taking place in a lovely setting—come along and enjoy!

BYO

◊ chairs,
◊ nibblies (& cold beverages of your choice 😊),
◊ bikes / scooters / balls / toys if you wish, &
◊ swimming gear (if you and your child wish to go for a swim)

Parents—this is not a school run event—you will be responsible for supervising your own children.
Wow! Week 4 already, term 4 seems to rush by so quickly with all the events happening around the Tablelands and the school.

Congratulations to the P&C for their efforts on the Beach Party – by all student accounts the night was a huge success.

Being that we will be mid term soon it is a good idea that we have a think about a couple of small points for our children:

**Hats** – It is that time of year again on the Tablelands where we really start to feel the heat setting in, which is a great reminder for the importance of sun safety. Please remind your children to bring their hats to school and apply sunscreen if that’s what you have asked your child to do. Our policy here at Kairi is “No hat no play.”

**Food** – Parents please make sure you are monitoring your children’s lunchboxes – all the expended energy from learning and playing means some students can have increased appetites – have a chat and see if your child may want a little more in their lunchbox.

I would also like to congratulate our students on their fantastic behaviour and attitudes during the NQ Sports tour. Feedback from the organisers was that our students displayed excellent participation, sportsmanship and behaviour for the whole day.

**From the Principal**

This week I am introducing a new reward system called MEOW – maths enriches our world. It is in the students’ homework folders. The students attempt the sheet of problems and bring it in by Friday.

If I think answers are clear and neat, there is a prize similar to the ones I am giving for the RIBIT program. I am strongly encouraging students to attempt maths problem solving. Parents and Guardians help their child by asking questions and giving prompts. Here is a list of prompts.

“Can you see what the problem is?”; “Put the problem into your own words”; “Here are some ways of working it out: estimate what you think the answer will be, draw a picture or pictures, use simpler numbers, use a calculator, write down the important numbers, act out the problem with materials, try plus minus, times or divide”

Please remember that maths is all about a child’s confidence.

Here’s an example:

**Find the pattern and fill in the blanks**

(a) 0, 3, 6, 9, __, 15, __

(b) 64, 55, 46, 37, __, __, 10

**Update from the P/1 class**

Our Prep Open Days have been very positive and we are excited to have some new enrolments for next year. Thank you to the parents who have been helping with these days. We all wore red on Friday for Daniel’s Day which was a great success. We are holding a calendar fundraiser in our class. If you wish to order a calendar, cards or diary please come and see us for a template and order form.

As it is getting towards the end of the year some of our class supplies are running low. Please check with your child if they need new pencils, an eraser or books. Book Fair is visiting our school this week in the Library and we have already had a sneak peek at some of the exciting things for sale.

Book Fair’s last day is tomorrow, Wednesday before school, after school and during first break if you would like to purchase anything.

**Update from the 2/3 class**

**PARENT:** What is it you have to do?

**STUDENT:** Put numbers on the lines that make a pattern. (If the child cannot “see” the problem here, take time in understanding simpler patterns eg 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, __, __, __ is add two to get the next number)

**PARENT:** What is next? How can we solve this?

**STUDENT:** Put in odd numbers because they are all odd. (This is obviously wrong but reward your child for being brave and attempting the answer. Proceed to write in the answers and discuss the “look” of the pattern. Point out that you can see a pattern happening using +, -, x or divide to each of the numbers.

**PARENT:** Good, you have an answer, let’s check again to see if there are any mistakes.

**AVOID!!!** Telling your child “how” the problem should be done. Rather tell him or her that they learn from their own mistakes. They must find an answer and see how well it fits into the question.

If you are having battles with your child – STOP and play Snakes and Ladders, Chess or Monopoly or bake a cake together. Cut the cake into fractions afterwards. Happy maths.
The 4/5 class are using persuasive language features and visual images to create advertisements for Lego toys this week. Our Coco Pops ads will soon be on display and are sure to convince you to make a purchase today!

We will be commencing our assessment tasks about advertising this week.

Year 5 students conducted a survey about breakfast cereals to determine the reasons people selected various cereals and the influence of sugar content. All Kairi SS students participated in the survey on Friday and the following results were collected. I wonder if results would be different had the parents been surveyed, rather than the children?

Reasons for Breakfast Cereal Choices in KSS families

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Torsten reported that people are not concerned about their health or the cost of the food. Most people choose high sugar cereals, going for taste! The least people chose according to price or no sugar content.

Milly reported similar findings. Most people chose cereals because they liked them. Not many people chose the healthy, no sugar cereals. Not many people chose the cereals that are cheap. Lots of people like the really sugary cereals and they don’t care if it is high in sugar and they don’t care about the price!

We have created a dark room in our classroom for our new science unit about Light. So far we have enjoyed looking at laser lights and Christmas lights, but we will soon be experimenting with shadows and reflecting, reflecting and absorbing light.

Week 4 is here and we are well into the swing of things. The students have nearly completed their first pieces of assessment for the term and are all working hard.

Thursday sees us heading off to Atherton State High School for an introduction / transition day which I’m sure will be appreciated by our students and will be a great eye opener for what some of them will be engaged in next year.

During their History lessons, the students have been learning about the different theories regarding the migration of ancient peoples around the world. They have also been examining the interesting archaeological discoveries at Lake Mungo in south-western New South Wales and what they reveal about Australia's ancient past and the life of the original inhabitants.

Over the past two weeks, the students have also enjoyed making and painting their clay sculptures.

Calendar / Diary orders:
Children's art work, or a photo can be inserted into a calendar or diary cover.
Cost is $12 each. Orders MUST be in by this Friday (1st Dec) lunch time in order for us to place our bulk order before cut-off time.
Visit the Prep / Yr 1 room and ask Mrs Tomo to order, or if you need more info or wish to see an example of what is available.

2014 Start of Year:
P & C volunteers will be manning the P & C office at the school on the following dates & times. Textbooks listed on your child’s booklist will be available for sale; along with uniform shirts, hats & library bags. (cash or cheque only please)

January 21 (Tuesday) through until January 24th (Friday), from 8am till 10am each day.

Please try and time your purchases within the time frame above. Donna is always happy to help you out with uniform & textbook purchases, but with approximately 60 families in the school all needing help, it can really impact on whether she gets her required ‘start of year’ EQ administration work done on time.

We will remind you again before the end of the year, and confirm the prices and times for your convenience.
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Student Council

Scholastic Book Fair—LAST CHANCE TO BUY!

Date: Wednesday 30 October

Time: Before school 8.30 – 8.50am
       After school 3.00 – 3.20pm
       1st break  11.20 - 11.40am

Proceeds from sales benefit the whole school. You might like to consider buying some books as Christmas and/or birthday presents. There will also be pencils, biros, rubbers, etc. for sale. Hope to see you there.

Kim Kirkman (Teacher-Librarian)

Admin Reminders:

Arts Council will be performing here at the school next Wednesday, Nov 6th. Please make sure you return your child’s entry fee of $6 per child, or $15 for a family of 3 or more school age children. (under-school age siblings & parents are free)

Senior Students & School Leader photo ordering will soon close. If you wish to look at the selection of photos available for order they are on the inside of the office door. Order forms are on the bench in the office. Photos are $17 each.

Receipts from school payments:

A reminder that all family receipts are held in a folder here at school until the end of each term.

This eliminates the issue of receipts being lost when sent home individually in student’s bags and saves a goodly amount of admin time ……

You are, however, most welcome to call into the office at any time through the term and collect any of your accumulated receipts.

Library News

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October Birthdays

Paige 2nd
Jake 4th
Mark 10th
Michael 26th
Tahnee 26th
Arthur 26th

Happy Birthday Everyone!
News From Chappie Sharon

Chappie Sharon is currently on sick-leave, but sends her blessings to all Kairi families and students. We will let you know when Chappie Sharon is able to visit our school again, and until then we are sending her get well soon wishes from us all.

Tablelands Wildlife Rescue is holding a bird workshop on Sunday the 10th November from 10am until 2pm at the Tolga Race Course.
As the storm season approaches they desperately need more bird carers,
Cost for the workshop is a gold coin donation. This will be their last workshop for the year.
Tea & coffee provided please bring a plate to share.
If you would like to learn how to care for injured & orphaned birds please ring the 24 hour hotline on 4091 7767 to reserve a seat.
You must have a permit with DEHM or be a member of a group to care for native wildlife.
Regards
Jean Housley
Media & Promotion
TWR Inc.

FREE Well Women’s Clinics –October & November 2013
Service includes Pap Smears, Sexual Health Screening, Breast Awareness, also info on Contraception, Continence, Menopause, Lifestyle Issues, Bowel Health, Domestic Violence, etc.

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