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Message from Paul

It is great to be back at Kingsford Smith School having been on leave for the first two weeks of this term. I thank Simon Barker for all his work while I was away and Karen Murray for filling in Simon's role while he acted in mine.

There has been lots to celebrate again with both our staff and student because of their achievements over the last couple of weeks.

Bob Crisp took our choir to the Music Engagement Program's Big Gigs at the Llewellyn Hall where our choir performed (see photo). The whole show was recorded and can be viewed here http://livestream.com/accounts/5867449/BigGig. Thanks to Bob for giving our students this opportunity and the choir for representing the school with pride.

Our senior students have once again been involved in the Alan Tongue ASPIRE Program. Alan has recently been named ACT Australian of the Year for 2017 because of his work in creating this mentoring program through fitness. A huge thanks to Josh White for giving our students this opportunity.

I was fortunate enough to watch our two teams compete in the Primary Girls OzTag competition this week at Woden playing fields. Our teams played extremely well and one of our groups has made it through to the final. A big thank you to Leigh Andreatta for organising the teams and to our senior student's for coaching the girls.

Our school also took part in the Music Count Us In performance of “Let It Play”. We joined with 600,000 students across Australia to sing the 2016 version. Thanks again to Bob Crisp for...
involving our school in this great chance to join in an Australia wide event in the performing arts.

Children's Week last week was another celebration last week and I thank Angela Myerscough, Michelle Sheville and others in their work in coordinating all the activities for the week.

On Friday was World Teachers' Day. We celebrated the day by providing badges, food and prizes for staff. I would particularly like to thank the P and C for their small gift to each of the staff that meant so much. Thank you for being so thoughtful on the day.

This week we had two staff nominated for Teacher Excellence Awards. Congratulations to Angela Myerscough for the recognition of her work in the preschool and across our school as well as Josh White for his active role as youth worker and the programs he provides for our students.

We also have two staff who have ACEL (Australian Council of Educational Leaders) award nominations for Meaghan Adamson and Jenna Matheson for leading programs across our school. Good luck with these nominations!

The Fete is coming up quickly (Saturday November 12) but we still desperately need volunteers to sign up for many of the jobs that need doing. If you have been holding off up till now this is the time to click on the link below to get involved. This is a significant event in building our school community and we need your support. [www.volunteersignup.org/37K47](http://www.volunteersignup.org/37K47)

You may have noticed a number of staff (myself included) sporting facial hair this month. This is part of the Mo-vember campaign to raise awareness and funds for men's health issues. If you want to get involved or make a donation speak to Josh White who is coordinating events and activities.

Lots coming up in the near future including the Remembrance Day Assembly next week for the whole school with more details to follow.

Thanks again for your support in building our school community.

**Message from Primary School Deputy Principal**

In primary school, we are beginning to think about class placements for 2017. Last week, a note was sent home asking if your child/ren will be returning to KSS in 2017 and if you have any special requests for placement in 2017. If you did not receive this note you can also provide the information online by visiting [http://bit.ly/kssstudents2017](http://bit.ly/kssstudents2017). We would appreciate this information by 10 November.

If you haven't already noticed, Pokemon cards are the "in thing" right now. We have many children in primary school who enjoy bringing their Pokemon cards to school to share with friends. At this week's assembly, I spoke to the children about ensuring that they use their Pokemon cards safely at school. We ask that if your child wishes to bring Pokemon cards to school that they are given to the classroom teacher during learning times and only be taken outside during play break times. We ask that children do not play for keeps and avoid trading cards as this can cause upset for some children.

We also run a Pokemon Club at school at Break 2 every Thursday. This is facilitated by Mr Woods and provides children with a safe environment to enjoy their Pokemon cards. As with any valuable brought to school from home, please remind your children that they do so at their own risk.

Simon Barker

**Save The Date!**

**What:** 2017 Middle School (Year 6, 7, 8) Information Night.

**When:** 6:00pm, Wednesday, 23 November.

**Where:** KSS Library.

**Who is it for?** For students new to KSS in Year 6, 7, 8 and for current KSS students going into Year 6 and Year 7 for 2017.
Library News
The big news is...we are nearing the end of the year! Please support your children, those in the primary and secondary schools, to return ALL their books in preparation for the stocktake.

P/K News
In P/K we are bringing in Term 4 with high expectations and engaging learning experiences and lessons that provide children opportunities to develop or extend their learning. The preschool and kindergarten children have been working on their learning goals following their Learning Journeys with families. Learning Journeys were a success and children demonstrated a range of academic skills and confidence. Recently we celebrated Children’s Week by completing a self-portrait with year 6 buddies and attending an author visit from Leone Rogers. During this term the children are looking forward to completing another self-portrait which they will donate to the KSS Fete which families are able to buy to help raise money for our school. Over the next couple of weeks preschool and kindergarten children will be working together to practise their KSS Spectacular performance piece, it’s going to be a hit! All children will be participating in transitions experiences which will commence in Week 6.

1/2 News
Our year 1/2 students have been busy looking into how we can take care of our world both now and in the future. The classes have buddied up and are looking at the following: Canaries and Falcons are investigating how to save electricity, the Bluebirds and Eagles are investigating ‘hug’ foods (those without wrappings) and the Robins and Penguins are investigating rubbish and recycling. Each buddy class will start a campaign on their topic to share their findings and ideas around the school. They will hopefully also bring the things they have learnt into their homes.

This topic is the reason for our excursion to the waste and recycling centre so please remember to get those notes back ASAP.

Year 3
Students have been exploring mental computation strategies and word problems with a focus on multiplication during LINK sessions. We have been revising our knowledge of fractions during regular maths sessions, identifying and ordering fractions and investigating what a quarter and half of various amounts are. Students are beginning their preparation for their procedure presentation, writing drafts of a procedure based on a topic of choice. These presentations will be held during week 6. In our unit on Celebrations, we have been researching various celebrations and beginning to explore misconceptions with celebrations, such as Halloween.

Year 4
Students in year 4 have been writing information reports on the food different countries eat. They have been using their research skills to locate important information for their selected country. During in flight maths sessions there has been a focus on mental computation and using a variety of strategies to solve problems. LINK sessions this week have seen the conclusion of chance, with a new topic starting next week. During unit of inquiry lessons students have worked in groups to perform an experiment on making their own landforms using sand/rocks and water. Students have continued their learning of healthy foods as part of Fresh Tastes and make some delicious rice paper rolls.

Year 5
Year 5 Students in year 5 are beginning a unit of inquiry on the topics of bushfires and floods. They will be learning what areas are at risk of these natural disasters, how they occur and how they can prepare for these disasters in an emergency. In English they have been writing poetry, having recently completed cinquain and haiku poems focusing on rhythm and using syllables in poetry. In Health students have been learning about healthy eating choices and
student are designing their own healthy smoothie which they will make and consume next week. The band will also be performing on the 4th of November at a combined band session.

**Middle School News**

**Year 7 National Zoo and Arboretum Excursion**

As part of the Year 7 Unit – The Circle of Life, our Year 7 students had the opportunity to participate in a fun-filled educational day at the National Zoo and Aquarium. The students and teachers had a fantastic day where they each had the chance to get up close and personal with a variety of animals including: deer, reptiles, giraffe, penguins, wombats, dingos, emus and tigers. After lunch the students and teachers all made the walk up to the Arboretum. At the Arboretum the students enjoyed the sunshine and fresh air and were able to play on the fantastic equipment with a number of them completing a range of physical challenges set.

Mr Ben Cook

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**Senior School News**

Hospitality Students Chloe Long and Brittany Smith represented KSS at the Belconnen Region Trade Skills Centre official opening at Lake Ginninderra College on Thursday 3 November. Students spent the day learning from industry chefs and preparing afternoon tea for the official opening.

**Year 6-10 Book Packs for 2017**

If your child will be in Middle or Senior School next year, the classroom equipment they will need can now be purchased from Officemax. This is a direct to parent service where you go online to order your child's equipment and it can be delivered to your home. We will be emailing all parents (that we have an email for) an ordering guide with website links. If you do not receive this email there will be paper copies at the front office and you can also get the information from the school website.
The FETE has 1 week to GO!

Raffle Tickets
If you are unable to sell or use these we ask that they are returned to school for those that can. It also saves on resources and costs.

Tickets are all due back in by Week 5 Friday 11th November, at the latest.

Return books and money to the Front Office or class teacher.

More books are available from the Front Office for those who want to sell more.

Sell raffle tickets to WIN a Chromebook!
All ticket books sold gives you a chance to win a Chromebook.

Just write your name and contact details on the inside of the front cover and return attached with your money to the Front Office.

The more you sell the better the chances are to win.

Spare raffle ticket books are available from the front office.

Can you help your Fete!? 
www.volunteersignup.org/37K47

to register your chosen times and stalls, or contact us direct and we can assist.

Desperate need for volunteers on the day!
Without people rostered on to set up or run a stall they will not exist on the day!

We are at the stage of the Fete, if the roster is not filled we will either continue to cancel stalls or we will have to make the decision to cancel the Fete.

Class Raffle Hampers Donations
Donations so far are very low. Compared to last years amazing effort, this year it is going to be very difficult to make Raffle Hampers as appealing.

Raffle Donation Collection
Collection period continues until the end of week 4 (Friday 4th November). Raffle items can be donated through classes, Front Office or Hub.

48 out of 500 raffle books returned.
Cake Stall Donations

The Fete has just one week to go and it's time to start planning what to make or bake for the cake stall. The cake stall has a reputation within the wider community of people who rave over the selection and quality.

Sadly, the donations have dropped and the Election BBQs cake stall resulted in no donations. Please look for how you can contribute. Cakes, slices, muffins, fudge, brownies, biscuits, toffees, preserves, etc.

Pre Sale Wristbands and Passports

Wristbands are cheaper this year for only $20! However wait until Fete day to get one and you'll have to pay $30.

All the big rides are back! Plus a couple of new rides for the little kids with a Mini Ferris Wheel and a Maze.

You only have to ride 3-4 times to make a wristband worthwhile.

The Passport will be in action again too. With ten items for only $10 it's the best way to travel the Fete.

Wristbands and Passports for sale:
At the Front Office
Mon. 7th Nov. 2:30pm-3:30pm
Tue. 8th Nov. 2:30pm-3:30pm
Wed. 9th Nov. 2:30pm-3:30pm
Thurs 10th Nov. 8:30am-9:30am
Thurs 10th Nov. 2:30pm-6:30pm

The Senior Gym
Friday 11th Nov. 8:30am-6:30pm

Cake Decorating Competition

This year’s Theme for the cake decorating competition is LEGO!

Both childrens and Adults categories for the judging.

Details can be found in the cake plate information pack.

White Elephant and Books Donations

Drop off times below or outside of these times by arrangement.

Sunday 6th Nov. 11am - 2pm
Monday 7th Nov. 2:30pm-3:30pm
Tuesday 8th Nov. 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Wednesday 9th Nov. 2:30pm-3:30pm

Delivery to the Senior Gym
(best parking in Hardwick Cres car park).
Thursday 10th Nov. 2:30pm - 6:30pm
Friday 11th Nov. 9:30am - 6:30pm

WANT TO KNOW MORE?!

Check out our website

www.kingsfordsmithschoolpandc.com

Recently updated with all the information for this year’s Fete, inc.
Games Explained
What to do at the Fete and Fete Photos.
KINGSFORD SMITH SCHOOL FETE 2016
SATURDAY 12 NOVEMBER 10am ~ 2pm

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
TWILIGHT FETE

AT CHARNOULD DUNLOP SCHOOL
11TH NOVEMBER 4.30PM -7.30PM

COME JOIN THE FUN

- Nerfball Arena, Jumping castle, Fairy Floss, Popcorn, BBQ, Pad Thai, Coffee, Children’s Art Stall, White Elephant, and Handmade Items
- Guessing Competitions, Fire Engines Visit, Kerry Korda and more.
- This is a P&C fundraiser for the school.

For more information contact Janine Robinson
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MEMBERS MONDAY MADNESS

$8 Lunch & Dinner

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HOLT ACT 2615  E-Mail: info@kss.act.edu.au  Facsimile: (02) 6142 3428
Belconnen Primary Introductory English Centre

BPIC INFORMATION SESSION FOR PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES AND STUDENTS

When: Thursday November 10, 2016
Time: 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Where: Belconnen Primary Introductory English Centre, Charnwood District School

Parents, teachers and other family members are welcome to drop in to meet the teachers and see the BPIC in action. Our executive teacher will be available to give a tour of the unit and to explain our intensive English program, as well as to arrange further enrolment interviews if required. Our teachers will also be available after 3pm to have an informal chat about the program.

A school information pack will be available and afternoon tea will be provided.

If you are able to attend please call the school on 6205 7322.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Regards,
BPIC Team

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