



16 October 2008

Website: www.kinrossps.det.wa.edu.au

Important Phone Numbers: Kinross Primary 9305 6022

Term 4 (Issue 2)

Kinross College: 9306 6000

Message from the Principal

Staffing and Class Placements for 2008

Although classes for 2009 will not be settled completely until the beginning of the year, parents requesting special placement considerations, are asked to submit a letter to the office or complete the form available at the back of the newsletter. Teacher requests will not be considered unless educational reasons are substantiated. Please address these to the attention of Kevin Brennan and Chris Byrne. Requests need to be received no later than Friday 21st November, 2008. Please note there will be no guarantees of placements and in all cases the classroom teachers are often the best judge of which class will best suit your child's learning style. Teachers collaboratively create these class lists with each child's individual needs and placements with friendship groups as their guide.

Parents are also asked to inform the school if they know of any students who will be starting at Kinross in the 2009 school year. Likewise if your child will not be attending in 2009 we would appreciate a brief note stating this so that we can more accurately adjust our numbers/staffing for the coming year.

School Car park

Once again I am seeking the cooperation of parents and request that they do not use the school car park for dropping off or picking up students unless it is during the day for an appointment. It was very disturbing to hear from a parent this week that her child had been hit by a car driven by a parent in the school car park and the parent did not stop. Firstly the child should not have been crossing the car park where he did but, if the parent did not enter the car park the child would not have been hit. The child sustained bruising to the nose after being hit by the wing mirror on the car. He was very lucky.

Kiss and Drive

This facility has proven itself to be an excellent means of moving a lot of students away from school in a very short period. However it will only work if parents **do not park** in the bays reserved for the Kiss and Drive. It is most frustrating to have some parents who are thinking only of themselves and not the safety of the children, parking in these bays. What is even more annoying is that when I "stand guard" at the Kiss and Drive parents do not park there which means they are aware of the rules regarding this facility.

Halloween

This is not an activity the school supports as it places children at risk and particularly in recent years has led to anti social behaviour resulting in property damage from egging and other forms of vandalism. It was for this reason that our free dress day scheduled for Friday the 31 October has now been moved to Friday the 14th November as we do not wish to be seen to be supporting Halloween

Kinross PP Pink Tea

Three mums from PP1 hosted an afternoon tea in the Pre Primary area this Wednesday 29 October in support of breast cancer research. The afternoon was well attended and we thank the co-ordinators for their efforts. Should parents wish to make donations by credit card please visit www.pinkribbonbreakfast.org.au Go to Donate to a friends breakfast then enter either Host Name (Taia Rae) or Event Name (Kinross PP Pink Tea).

Kevin Brennan
Principal



Road Wise Update

DON' T FORGET

To encourage your children to leave the car Kerb Side



DON' T FORGET

o Use the Cross Walk at All Times



DON' T FORGET

Children are not allowed to walk through the staff car park.



Kindy & Pre-Primary Vacancies

We presently have positions available for Kindergarten and Pre-Primary in 2009. Please tell your friends & neighbours and if interested please call into the School Office for more information.

2009 PRE-PRIMARY STUDENTS

An information meeting will take place on **THURSDAY 20TH NOVEMBER 2008 @2.15PM** IN THE Pre-Primary area for all Pre-Primary children who are enrolled at Kinross Primary for 2009.

Year 2 - Sci-Tech Excursion



DIGGING FOR FOSSILS! Science: Week 2 Term 4

During week 2 we learnt about fossils and paleontologists! Scientists need to be very careful when they are uncovering fossils – they don't want to damage them because fossils can tell us so much about the past. We did our own 'dig' and used toothpick 'tools' to dig for choc-chip 'fossils'. We had to try not to damage the 'fossils' as we uncovered them! When we had finished our dig the students decided that the fossils should be placed in their 'stomach' museum.



What's on for Next Week – Monday 3rd November to Friday 14th November 2008

Monday 3 rd	Tuesday 4 th	Wednesday 5 th	Thursday 6 th	Friday 7 th
Monday 10 th	Tuesday 11 th	Wednesday 12 th	Thursday 13 th Newsletter	Friday 14 th Free Dress Day

DON' T FORGET
EARLY CLOSE EVERY
MONDAY @ 2.00PM



Some children get quite upset so can you please ensure you are on time.

Thank You

DON' T FORGET
FREE DRESS
FRIDAY
14TH
NOVEMBER



DON' T FORGET
TERM DATES
Term 4
Tuesday 16th October –
Thursday 18th December
LAST DAY FOR TERM 4
THURSDAY 18TH DECEMBER



Child Safety Reminder - Sun Smart/Car Safety

The warmer weather is with us and it provides a timely reminder of the need to be sun smart. We encourage students to slip slop slap and wrap. Hats are required for all outside play and lessons. The warmer weather provides dangers for youngsters left in vehicles. Cars turn into 'ovens' very quickly, even on cool or overcast days. Leaving your child alone in a car is not only extremely dangerous; it's illegal in every State and Territory in Australia. On a hot day, the temperature inside a parked car can be as much as 40°C hotter than it is outside. Even on a day in the mid 20's, the temperature inside a car can soar to dangerous levels within 15 minutes. Overheated cars can cause children to suffer rapid dehydration, hyperthermia (heatstroke), suffocation and death.

- Winding the window down five centimetres or so has little effect on rising heat.
- The colour of the seats and interior has no effect on rising heat
- Large cars heat up just as fast as small cars
- The younger the child, the greater their sensitivity to heatstroke.
- The younger the child, the faster they dehydrate.

To avoid any potential risk, we encourage parents to never leave youngsters in cars.



Magpies at School

We actively discourage students from teasing the nesting magpies on the oval. We also report incidents to CALM and on occasions, they remove the magpies. Please discuss this with your children so they know how to protect themselves.

P & C NEWS



Salvation Army Christmas Appeal

Kinross Primary School community will be participating in the Salvation Army Annual Christmas Appeal this year. This is a worthwhile cause to help those less privileged than ourselves and we encourage all who can, to contribute by bringing along non perishable food items (cans, pasta, noodles, biscuits, etc.). These may be brought to school or handed to the class teacher. Please ensure none of the items are out of date.



P&C Association Disco

On Friday 12 December 2008 the P&C Assn will hold the Christmas Discos. The event provides a fun way for students to wind up the P&C year. More info to follow.

What's on for Next Week – Monday 3rd November to Friday 14th November 2008

Monday 3 rd	Tuesday 4 th	Wednesday 5 th	Thursday 6 th	Friday 7 th
Monday 10 th	Tuesday 11 th	Wednesday 12 th	Thursday 13 th Newsletter	Friday 14 th Free Dress Day

**Kinross Primary School
2009 Teacher / Class Request**

Please indicate below your placement request for 2009.
Teacher requests will not be considered unless educational reasons are substantiated.

Student Name _____ Current TA _____

Request Details:- _____

✂-----

STARTING KINROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2009?

My Child (Print Name) _____

will be attending Kinross Primary School in 2009.

Signed _____

PLEASE RETURN THE SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE
THANK YOU

✂-----

LEAVING KINROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL at the end of 2008?

My Child (Print Name) _____ TA _____

will not be attending Kinross Primary School in 2009.

They will be going to _____

Signed _____

PLEASE RETURN THE SLIP TO YOUR CHILDS TEACHER OR SCHOOL OFFICE
THANK YOU