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Term 1 (Issue 2)

Important Phone Numbers: Kinross Primary 9305 6022

Kinross College: 9306 6000

Message from the Principal

Well Done Parents

Congratulations to parents for the way that you have presented your children for the 2009 school year. It is very pleasing to see the children dressed in their school uniform and showing pride in their school - a direct result of the effort parents have made to have them ready for school. Thank you and well done parents.

Talented Teacher

Congratulations to Lauren Danker (Teacher TA 21 Year 5) who recently won the Fogarty Foundation Prize awarded by Edith Cowan University for the student with the highest course average in the graduate Certificate Of Education (Learning Difficulties). Lauren is working towards her Masters in Education. An excellent effort Lauren, very well done.

SMS Absence Messages

We have now started sending SMS messages to parents when children are absent from school for no identified reason. Therefore, it is important that parents update their personal details if they have changed during the school holidays. If your child is going to be away from school please contact the school or inform the classroom teacher if you know beforehand that your child is going to be absent.

Kiss and Drive

It was disappointing to have to send a note out last week asking for parents not to park in the Kiss and Drive. For this to work effectively, parents must not park in these bays as it only takes one person to ruin a very effective means of removing a large group of students from school in a very short time. This then has a compounding effect around the school which creates traffic blockages and illegal parking. Please consider the needs of others before considering parking in the Kiss and Drive bays.

Parents Night

Thank you to all the parents who were able to take advantage of the opportunity to meet their child's teacher and hear about the processes that will be used in their classroom in 2009. Should there be concerns at anytime in the future parents should feel confident to approach the classroom teacher to arrange a meeting to sort the concerns. Remember if we are not aware of issues/concerns then we can't fix them.

P&C AGM

Congratulations to the P&C members who were selected/volunteered to take on positions in this years P&C executive (see the back page for a list of executive members). The P&C has always been an element of strength at Kinross Primary School and I look forward to working with them to continue the good work of the past.

I would also like to pass on my thanks to Joe Romano who very efficiently managed the role of P&C president for the last 4 years. Joe did a marvellous job and his presence will be missed. I would also like to pass on my thanks to Caryn - Lee Fagan who managed the very difficult job of treasurer last year with great efficiency and effort. Well done Caryn. Finally I would also like to thank Amanda Groombridge who has been a school council member for a number of years and has worked tirelessly for the benefit of the school

Kevin Brennan
Principal



Victorian Fires Fund Raiser

Thank you to all parents and students for your effort in donating money towards the Victorian Fires Appeal being organised by the Australian Red Cross. The students raised over \$1,000.



Vacancies - KINROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL 2009

We currently have some vacancies in Kinross Primary School for 2009 particularly Kindy and Pre-Primary. Please notify family/friends if they are interested.



Calling all Volunteers - Support - A - Reader

Support-A-Reader program supports the classroom reading program and enhances reading development in students needing extra help. The effectiveness of this program is reliant upon volunteers. If you have some spare time to volunteer please contact Marie Peters, teacher TA5. Thank you.

PARTNERSHIPS WITH PARENTS

Due to the overwhelming success and positive feedback regarding last year's parent workshops, we have decided to continue with the sessions this year. All parents are invited to attend the 1 hour, fortnightly workshops to discuss current parenting issues. The topics for discussion are determined by the parents involved. The first workshop will be held on **TUESDAY 24th FEBRUARY at 2.00pm** in the conference room, located next to the staffroom. During this session we will decide our topics for this term and the most suitable day to conduct our workshops. You can register your attendance through the school office or direct any enquiries to Helen Demiris by email Helen.demiris@det.wa.edu.au or 9305 6022. We hope to see you there.

Library News

We hope Term 1 has started well. borrowing has started. Please books. Children borrow books on



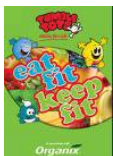
welcome to borrow before school, lunchtime or after school - opening times are posted on the library door. Our first Bookfair is during week 6. This is a great way to purchase high quality books for your children and help the school purchase more resources for the children. The library has also purchased a licence for World Book online. This is a fantastic resource suitable for all ages. It is divided into World Book Kids, World Book Discover, World Book student and World Book Advanced. Other features include access to The Australian Newspaper and the Sydney Morning Herald. However, the best feature is that it is available to the school community as well as the school itself. To access, simply type in www.worldbookonline.com.au. The user id is kinrossps and the password is school. I am sure that everyone will benefit from this great product. **Mrs**

Dearle, Teacher Librarian



School Volunteer Program

More volunteers are required to meet the needs of our students! Mentors in this program are not teachers. The mentor's role is to help, encourage and through friendship, raise the self-worth of the child they are matched with. If you or someone you know can give up on hour a week of your time, then please phone the School Volunteer Program Head Office. Please see advertisement at back of this newsletter. Thank you. Natalie Beck, Teacher TA12



Kinross Primary School - Keep Fit Sessions

Keep Fit at Kinross Primary School every second Wednesday between 8.00am - 8.35am. Why not join in with your child/children and run/walk/skip a few laps around the school oval. All welcome

What's on for Next Week - Monday 9th February to Friday 20th February 2009

Monday 23 rd	Tuesday 24 th	Wednesday 25 th	Thursday 26 th	Friday 27 th
Monday 2 nd LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Tuesday 3 rd	Wednesday 4 th Keep Fit Session Kinross Primary 08.00am-08.35am	Thursday 5 th Newsletter	Friday 6 th Assembly TA7 & TA8

School Contribution

Sincere thanks to all the parents who responded to our request to pay the school contribution for this year. The school receives an annual grant for standard provision of learning and teaching programs. Your voluntary contribution allows us to provide your child with an enhanced learning program above the standard provision. If you want more for your child, then we need your support by paying the amount endorsed by the School Council. Contributions for 2009 are \$60 for the first child, \$50 for a second child & \$40 for a third child. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or eftpos available at the front office.

School Term 2009

Term 1	Monday 2 nd February 2009 - Thursday 9 th April 2009
Term 2	Wednesday 29 th April 2009 - Friday 3 rd July 2009
Term 3	Tuesday 21 st July 2009 - Friday 25 th September 2009
Term 4	Tuesday 13 th October 2009 - Thursday 17 th December 2009

DON'T FORGET **EARLY CLOSE EVERY** **WEDNESDAY 2:30PM**



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

Thank You



SCHOOL CANTEN

A big welcome back to all the students and Hello to all the new faces who have visited the canteen already. Thank you also to the volunteers from previous years that are still helping out in the kitchen, but we do need a few more. Thursday and Fridays are our busiest days and at present need help to cover the morning recess as a lot of children are missing out by not being served. If you have a spare hour on these mornings or at lunchtime please come along and see Linda in the canteen, any time helping out is greatly appreciated and of course your children love to see you in their school. Linda Cooper

P & C NEWS

P&C 2009

Congratulations to the following who were elected to the Kinross P&C at the AGM on Monday. **President:** Margaret Patullo, **Vice President:** Kelly Galvin & Fiona Van Dijk, **Secretary:** Debbie Gray, **Treasurer:** Maggie Dansie.

Fundraising Meeting - Wednesday 25th February at 7.00pm, Staff Room, Kinross Primary School. All welcome, looking for new ideas!

P & C Uniform Shop - Uniform shop opening hours: Tues 8.15am - 9.00am & Thurs 2.30pm - 3.15pm



Community News

Kinross Dental Therapy Van - The Dental Therapy Van will be based at Kinross Primary School for Term 1 only. (located near the Pre-Primary Car Park) Contact No. 9304 8695.

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Become a School Volunteer Mentor



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Growing the Young



The School Volunteer Program invites you to be a volunteer mentor and a role model in a school near you.

All we ask of our volunteers is they *gift* one hour per week.

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KINROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL

“It takes a village to raise a child”



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