Kurri Kurri Public School

Learning, caring and respect for all
Kurri Kurri Public School is a Positive Behaviour for Learning school where Kids Matter

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SUPPORT UNIT NEWS
The support unit has had a great term, the scholars settled in quickly to the school routines after a wet and windy start. This term the children consolidated and extended their understanding of 'Zones of Regulation’ the students are using the skills they are learning to identify and self-regulate their behaviours.

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We have had a very small response to the request from our scholars to submit a piece of their art work to be considered to put forward for this year’s Weston Art Show. This is the first year that organisers of the Art Show have opened an invitation to local schools in the area to participate in the show. Each school will only be able to submit two entries to represent their school, our scholars who have had their art work selected are Tieshea A - 5/6MO and Adelaide S - 6N. Congratulations and Good Luck!

TERM 2
Every Thursday until Term 4
Little Learners – Children Starting Kindergarten 2016
2.00pm–3.00pm

Friday 12th June
Pie Drive Order Form and Monies Due

Tuesday 16th June
Aboriginal students and families PPU sausage sizzle and sign off and cultural performance, 3.30pm

Wednesday 17th June
Year 6-7 Kurri Kurri High School Orientation Day
11.30am-1.30pm

Wednesday 24th June
Intereate has The Answers! Session 1-Years 3-6
6.00pm Sharp
Session 2-Year 5-6
7.15pm Sharp
Pie Drive Orders to be collected from School Hall 9.00am-3.15pm

Friday 26th June
Last day of term 2

TERM 3
Tuesday 14th July
School resumes for students

Tuesday 28th July
Edfest

Friday 31st July
Education Week Open Day

Monday 10th August
Zone Public Speaking Competition Nulkaba Public School

Tuesday 11th August
Ready and Set for Kindergarten 2016 Story and Craft Afternoon
2.15pm-3.00pm
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Monday 21st August
Ready and Set for Kindergarten 2016 Computer Morning
9.15am-10.00am

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LITTLE LEARNERS STORY & CRAFT AFTERNOON

On Tuesday 9th June, we held our first Story & Craft afternoon for our Little Learners that will start Kindergarten in 2016. The children and their parents listened to a story and then created a craft activity based on the story. The children created some amazing creatures during these activities.

ATHLETES CARNIVAL

Thank you to all of the scholars for making our Athletics Carnival such a successful day. All scholars showed great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. We greatly appreciated all of the parent helpers, without their support the carnival would not be possible. Ribbons and trophies will be announced and presented at a later date.

THREE WAY CONFERENCE BOOKING

TERM 3, WEEKS 1 – 3

Three-way conferences are an important part of our school's reporting process. They are designed to involve scholars, parents and teachers in a constructive, positive discussion about scholar achievement, progress and the next teaching focus. As part of this process, scholars will reflect on their learning. All daytime conferences will be held between 8.20am - 3.40pm. Each conference will take 15 minutes. Booking can be made once again using the Sentral Parental Portal.

Tuesday 23rd June - Class 6A
   Friday 17th July - Stage 3 - (5-M, 5-M6O, 5G, 5K, 6N)
   Tuesday 21st July - K-H 8.20am-10.40am - Support Class K-6PV 1.30pm-3.30pm
   Tuesday 21st July - K-6 evening appointments for all classes 3.40pm-6.40pm. As evening interview times are necessarily limited, please only use these times if you are completely unable to attend during the day.

Wednesday 22nd July -Stage 2 - (3A, 3H, 3T, 4H, 4M, 4Y)
   Tuesday 28th July - Kindergarten - (KB, KE, KF, KG)
   Wednesday 29th July -Year 2 - (2M, 2B, 2K, 2R)
   Thursday 30th July - Year 1 - (1H, 1J, 1K, 1T, 1W)

CANCER COUNCIL - EAT IT TO BEAT IT

For information on the below Nutrition Snippets please visit www.eatitbeatit.com.au or phone 4923 0714. By using the information and the healthy eating sessions, parents can really help improve the health of their families, and as a result improve the health of our school community. Nutrition Snippets Fact Sheets include:

The simplest way … to eat well and prevent disease
The simplest way … to get your kids eating more fruit and veg
The simplest way … to pack a creative lunch box
The simplest way … to make healthy chicken nuggets + chips
The simplest way … to wear the right clothes

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Just a reminder when we are setting up for our whole school assembly could parents attending please remain outside the hall until the roller door is open to allow students and staff time to organise chairs etc.

P&C NEWS

Pie Drive orders can be collected from the school hall on Wednesday 24th June between 9.00am-3.15pm.

Email: kurrirkurricschool@pandacaffeine.org.au or find us on Facebook

CANTERBURY NEWS

Kurri Kurri and Cessnock Library July Holiday Activities

For information on July Holiday Activities at the Town Library please call Kurri Kurri on 4937 1638 or Cessnock on 4993 4999

Kurri Kurri Tennis Club Inc - Tennis Camp

During the school holidays on Tuesday 30th June drop your kids off for a fun friendly hot shots tennis camp. Starting at 1.00pm-3.00pm. Loads of games, modified equipment, mini nets, tennis activities and prizes. Cost $10.00 per child. For more information please call Sonya on 0410 448 936.

Kurri Kurri Tennis Club Inc - Cardio Challenge

On Tuesday 30th June at 3.00pm-4.00pm - for parents, grandparents, or anyone who would love to have some fun and get fit. Challenge yourself to music and see how many steps you can do while wearing a supplied pedometer and learn new skills. Cost $10.00 per person. For more information please call 0410 448 936

Hunter Dental Group - Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Bulk billed no out of pocket dental treatment. For eligibility phone Medicare on 1300 011. Oral health is strongly related to general health. Poor oral health can have significant impact on children’s ability to concentrate and progress at school therefore it is important that we work in a close relationship with schools to encourage regular dental visits. If there is anything that you believe we could do as a surgery to assist your school in implementing the key messages regarding good oral health then please don’t hesitate to contact our surgery on 4934 7877 or 4990 1279 and make enquiries.

Think Club Australia is offering an exciting range of extension workshops including Drama, Mathematics, Science, Zoo Keeping and Engineering in the July School holidays. The one day workshops on Thursday 9th July are held at Sydney Boys High School and are for students in Years 1-6. See http://www.thinkclubaustralia.com for further details. Closing date for registrations is Friday 19th June, but get in quick to secure your spot as workshops are expected to fill prior to this date.

Barney’s Love God. Grow Together - Barney’s Church Family’s Service and BBQ at 4.00pm on Sunday 14th June at St Paul’s Anglican Church, Kurri Kurri. Musicians and singers welcome! For more information please call Fr Chris on 0401 717 686 or visit www.kurriranglican.com

Kids in the Park - Sydney’s largest school holiday program returns this winter school holidays! There are 50+ fun-filled activities to keep kids active, outdoors and entertained. A range of activities are free or under $25.00. For more information visit www.kidsinthepark.com.au