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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DATES TO REMEMBER

TERM 2

Every Thursday until Term 4
Little Learners – Children Starting
Kindergarten 2016
2.00pm–3.30pm

Tuesday 23rd June
P&C Meeting – School Library at 9.30am
Canteen Freddo Frog and Caramello Koala Day
Order Form and Money Due

Wednesday 24th June
Interrelate has The Answers! Session 1 – Years 3-6
5.00pm-6.00pm

Canteen Freddo Frog and Caramello Koala Day
Order Form and Money Due

Tuesday 28th 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
Zone Public Speaking Competition
Nulkaba Public School

Monday 31st August
Ready and Set for Kindergarten
2016 Computer Morning
9.15am-10.00am

PRINCIPAL NEWS

We welcome parents into our playground at the end of the day, as it is easy for you to see teachers and meet up with your friends for a chat. We do ask for your assistance, by not entering until 2.55pm and be mindful of lessons being taught right up until the bell at 3.08pm. Often teachers use outside areas for their teaching, so we ask you to move away from those areas so as not to distract students from their learning.

It is not appropriate for parents to intervene with student behaviour as our staff are trained in this area and are aware of student’s special needs. Raw Art lessons finish this week and I’m sure the students gained a lot of knowledge in working creatively. I have been impressed with the quality of art works on display in the classrooms.

If you have not booked your three way interview session, please do quickly to ensure you will be able to have a time that suits you.

Regards
Lesley Doran

ASTHMA VENTOLIN Puffers

To ensure the effective management of Ventolin Puffers across the school, we ask for all our parents to have puffers in their child’s school bag. Teacher’s desks can be untidy at times and there is limited access to these areas during recess and lunchtime. By having puffers in student’s bags, all staff will be able to direct students to the correct place if needed urgently. They will also be easily accessible if needed when going to and from school. The office has several spares in case of an emergency as well.

PLP AFTERNOON

On Tuesday 16th June we hosted our first PLP signing afternoon at Kurri Kurri Public School. Aboriginal students and parents attended the session to discuss and create the Personalised Learning Plans (PLPs) which are compulsory for all Aboriginal students in the NSWDEC. While discussing learning goals and strategies, everyone enjoyed some afternoon tea. We celebrated the session with a performance from our Aboriginal students and Bareki, Brad, Barega and Taine from the Wakagetti Dance Company. It was a great afternoon, thank you to all of those parents who took time out of their day to attend. Thanks also to Paul and Darryn from Kurri Kurri Rotary Club for cooking our BBQ.

RFF NEWS

The Relief from Face to Face (RFF) teachers have been pleased with the consistency in Positive Behaviours for Learning (PBL) clearly on display in the varied classrooms that we teach across the school.

As a team, we work very closely with classroom teachers to support a wide range of curriculum content from Science, Maths, HSIE, PD/Health/PE, Creative Arts, Library, Technology and Visual Literacy.

We have been very privileged to have the opportunity to get to know most students in our large school, teaching across all stages from Kindergarten to Year 6 and the Support Unit.

We certainly do have a wonderful school, with exciting opportunities for everyone and great students.

RFF Teachers

DISCOVER UNI DAY

On Friday 12th June Year 6 students and teachers along with their parents and carers travelled to the University of Newcastle for the Discover Uni Day. The aim of the day was to get students and parents thinking about some options available for their future study and careers. Throughout the day, students got to participate in many hands-on information sessions about psychology, graphic design and engineering. They answered questions about lots of different things that are available for students at the University such as a 24 hour library, huge lecture theatres, the best equipment and resources and of course the shops and food places (many were excited that the University even has its own Subway Restaurant!). It was a fabulous day and all students represented Kurri Kurri Public School extremely well. A big thank you to all parents and carers who attended a great day was had by all.

CONGRATULATIONS YEAR 5 DEBATING TEAM

On Wednesday 17th June our Year 5 Debating team competed against Millfield Public School in the second round of the Premier’s Debating Challenge. The topic for the debate was “We Should Ban Primary School Children From Playing Computer Games”. As the affirmative team, they successfully argued that, yes, computer games should be banned, and they were awarded the win. Well Done Girls! On Thursday 25th June we will be hosting 2 debates against Bellbird Public School in our Assembly Hall parents/carers are welcome to attend to watch these debates.
PSSA TOUCH FOOTBALL KNOCKOUT
On Friday 5th June, Mr McInroy and Miss Allport took the boys and girls touch football teams to Maitland Park to compete in the first round of the PSSA Knockout Competition against Maitland Public School. The boys played first and had a brilliant game winning 7/3 and will progress to the next round. The girls played straight after with only 6 players and an injured sub, they kept up the chase the whole time and had an outstanding game. Unfortunately, they lost with a very close score of 3/4. Both teams displayed outstanding sportsmanship and represented Kurri Kurri Public School with pride and excellence. Congratulations goes to both teams!

COLOURING-IN COMPETITION
Our school has been made aware that this month celebrates the 100 year anniversary of Women in Policing. We have supplied a copy of the Colouring Competition to all scholars to give the opportunity to acknowledge this important event. Entries close Wednesday 24th June, anyone wishing to enter are welcome to complete their works and leave at the office and we will submit them to the local police station.

FUTURE LEADERS 2015
Miss Allport had the pleasure of taking the school leadership team to Myuna Bay from 17th to 19th May. The aim of the camp was to encourage and inspire future leaders and get them started on making plans to implement change in their schools. The leaders participated in many team activities including night time archery lessons, rock climbing and canoeing without a paddle or blindfolded! All students involved were keenly engaged and participated enthusiastically in all tasks and challenges they were presented. They worked cohesively together and it is quite obvious that our school leaders are well on their way to making a difference in their communities.

EDUCATION WEEK
Term 3 Week 3 will be Education Week with the focus for this year being Celebrating Local Heroes. On Tuesday 28th July the Edfest Celebrations will be held at Kurri Kurri High School where we will have works of art on display. Our choir and dance groups will be performing.
On Friday 31st July we will have our Annual School Open Day.
K-2 Open Classrooms from 9.30am–11.00am.
An Assembly at 11.45am.
Years 3-6 Open Classrooms from 12.30pm–1.30pm.
This day is a great opportunity to see the magnificent achievements of our scholars. Further details will be made available early next term.

P&C NEWS
The next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 23rd June at 9.30am in the School Library. All are welcome.

CACTEASE NEWS
Freddo Frog / Caramello Koala Day on Wednesday 24th June. Cost $2.00. Money and Order handed into the Canteen by Tuesday 23rd June – No refunds will be given.

CACTEASE ROSTER
Week commencing Monday 22nd June

MON
Janene Straker
Leanne Bloomfield

TUES
Naomi Henry
Alana Henry

WED
Julie Herbert
Melissa Vadas

THIRSDAY
Lydia Carr
Madelin Butler

LEAVES
Kim Stoddart
Leah Cooperthwaite

FRI
Julie Herbert
Sallyann Coffey

Lisa Purkiss

Please let Jodie know if you are unable to attend or are no longer able to volunteer.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Community Women’s Shed Kurri Kurri - is for local women of all ages and backgrounds to meet in a safe and accepting environment. If you’d like to make new friends or get involved in a community project, we would love to have you come along! Kids are welcome! At 119-121 Alexandra Street, Kurri Kurri. For more information please call Tina on 0401 868 357 or Mishelle 4905 0723 or visit communitywomenshed.kurrikurri@gmail.com

Winter Holiday Camps –Sport and Recreation has some great holiday options for kids and families this winter. Our Kids’ Camps provide 7-16 year olds with the chance to branch out and be their own person while trying lots of fun activities. There is all-inclusive Family Camps, which give parents and guardians a well-earned rest with accommodation, meals and instructor-led activities included in the price. With over 40 outdoor activities to choose from, including skiing, mountain biking, kayaking, abseiling and rock climbing, there’s plenty to do to keep everyone entertained. For further information please call 13 13 02 or visit drs.nsw.gov.au/camps

Maitland Basketball Holiday Fun - Maitland Basketball Association Inc – Home of the Maitland Mustangs! Day One Basketball Fun Day - Day Two Multisport Fun Day on Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th June from 9.30am–3.00pm at Maitland Federation Centre. Open to Infant and Primary School children 5 years and over. Cost is $50.00 for the two days or $30.00 for one day. No Basketball experience required – It’s a Fun Day of Learning and Games. For more information phone 4934 3503 or visit www.maitlandbasketball.net.au for a registration form

Maitland TAFE Pathways Programs are running a Certificate 2 - Skills for Work and Training Course and a Certificate 3 – Employment and Training Course, starting Monday 13th July. These courses are designed to assist people with confidence building and career information, to enter or re-enter the workforce or further study. For more information please call Donna on 4930 2926 or Raelene on 4930 2827.

Kurri Kurri Dental Surgery - Dr Helen McNaughton
155 Lang Street Kurri Kurri. For all your dental needs. We will check to see if your children are eligible for the Government $1000 child dental benefit scheme. For more information please call 4937 1627.