Walk 4 William
On Saturday, Kinchela Public School students and community members decided to participate in Walk for William. It was a fantastic day with the sun shining and a cool breeze blowing. We left the Hat Head BBQ area around 10:30am and walked to the vehicle entrance onto the beach. People stopped us as we went along and asked us why we were walking in such a large group. We responded that we were walking to support not only William Tyrrell but also the many other people that go missing in Australia every year.

It was a very successful morning and the community spirit was alive and well. We would like to thank all those who participated and helped with the morning tea we all shared. Kempsey TAFE and the Smithtown Pre-school provided the use of their urns, Crusty’s Bakery and Christine Brown donated some scrumptious cakes, while our knitting ladies provided coffee, tea and juice.

Thank you to everyone.

Welcome
We welcome new student Kyle and his family to Kinchela Public School. Kyle joins the Year 2/3/4 class.

School Photograph Orders
The last day to order any additional photos is this Thursday 17th September. Order forms are still available at the school office.

See inside for more Bookweek Parade photos.
Silver Awards Assembly
Parents and friends are welcome to attend our Silver Awards Assembly to be held this Thursday, 17th September, commencing 2pm.

Rhythm Connect African Drumming Friday, 18th September - $5 per student
All permission notes and $5 must be returned by Thursday. The full cost of the program is being subsidised by the school from its CAPA (Creative & Practical Arts) budget.

Out of Uniform this Friday, 18th September
Come OUT OF UNIFORM this Friday, the theme is TRIBAL. Please donate a gold coin for a very good cause, Breast Cancer Research.

Book Week Parade
Last Thursday afternoon, Kinchela Public School had our Book parade. The theme this year was “Books Light up our World”.

All the children dessed up as Book characters and looked absolutely amazing. Thank you to all those that helped in getting costumes organised so all children could participate in the afternoon parade. Prizes were given out to the competition winners and what a great job everyone did who entered. We had a good attendance which made for a fantastic afternoon. Thank you everyone as you helped to make the afternoon a great success.

Mrs Ironfield
Teacher/Librarian

AROUND THE ROOMS

Class K/1
Last week K/1/2 students enjoyed the `Amazing Ants` connected classroom learning experience. They connected with the Botany Bay Environmental Education Centre and other NSW schools to learn lots of exciting information about ants. As part of the learning experience we are conducting an experiment about the food preferences of ants at our school.

K/1 students have been enjoying the Spring weather with outdoor, hands on literacy and numeracy learning experiences.

As we get closer to the end of the term we are working through assessments in literacy and numeracy.

In Mathematics, kindergarten students have been working on strategies for solving addition and subtraction problems using concrete materials, drawings and counting on.

The year one students are looking at initial blends. The current spelling focus is alternative ways of spelling the `long o` sound. They have also been working on interpreting calendars and working with money.

Photo above: K/1 Classroom display

Cooking and Gardening
In cooking, we have prepared a delicious healthy fruit salad and sweet potato and salmon patties with dill and cucumber yoghurt. Delicious!

Ms Foulkes, Teacher

Class 2/3/4
The 2/3/4 students have worked well in all areas this term and I am sure they are looking forward to the upcoming holidays.

We have been working hard on our paper-mache model of the Solar System and the planets are almost ready for painting. The students are all keen to learn more about our place in the Solar System and were especially interested in the current space exploration of the new KEPLER planet in another solar system.
The 3-6 students have started to cement their mosaic designs onto pavers which will be placed as stepping stones in the sensory garden. The students have done an excellent job designing their pavers and these will look amazing when placed in the garden.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all for another busy term.

Mrs. Kerrigan, Teacher

Above: Mae’s winning entry in the poetry competition for Book Week

Class 5/6
We are coming to the end of Term 3 and everyone is busy completing unfinished work. We have been working hard on our mathematics to complete all our units of work and have today finalised the Diagnostic Test.

We have completed our units of spelling for the term and have today started the SA Spelling test to assess the student’s knowledge. All students have been working very well and achieving good results. In CAPA the students have been making mosaic tiles to place in the garden at school. These are looking wonderful. They are very creative and showing some interesting and individual style of the students.

This is the last Around the Rooms for the term and I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. Please enjoy the sunshine and we will look forward to seeing you all back for term 4.

Mrs Nicholson, Principal / Teacher

NRL
Over the past 3 weeks all students have been participating in NRL skills training for Friday sports. The students have worked hard to improve their ball handling, running, weaving and tackling skills and enjoyed the activities immensely. I would like to say a big thank-you to Jess, Beau and Gary for giving the students this valuable opportunity at NRL skills training.

Mrs. Kerrigan

Photo above: AusTag – in full flight

Sculpture at the Gaol
The Year 5/6 class contributed a wonderful tribal sculpture at the 2015 Sculpture in the Gaol Exhibition held recently at Trial Bay Gaol. The students received a Highly Commended Certificate for their efforts. Thank you to Karina Brien for assisting the students with their sculpture.

Pictured below is Mrs Nicholson at the closing ceremony receiving the Award from the Mayor.

School Holiday Disco’s – major P & C fundraiser
Discos will be held at the Hat Head Bowling Club on Wednesday 23rd and Wednesday 30th September, 2015, commencing at 6pm. Please come along to support the event. If you are able to assist in any way, ie manning the stall, selling raffle tickets etc, your help would be much appreciated.

All money raised will go to our P & C, with a view to assisting parents/carers with the cost of the end of year Intensive Swimming Program.

Winning poem entry by Mikayla

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Congratulations to Indie-Bella, Evie, Abby, Tayla, Ruby and Lachlan (pictured below) who had perfect attendance at school for Term 1 and Term 2.

The students were acknowledged at a recent school assembly for this achievement as well as quite a few other students who only had one or two absences for the whole semester. Well done!

What if my child has to be away from school?
If your child has to be absent from school because they are sick or not feeling well, have a medical appointment or for personal family reasons, you must tell the school and provide a reason for your child’s absence. To explain an absence parents and carers can:
- Telephone the school
- Visit the school
- Send a note to the school

COMMMUNITY NEWS

Uniting Care Burnside: Women Can/Kids Can Working together to prevent abuse.
When Thursdays from 8 Oct to 26th Nov at Uniting Care Burnside Playgroup Room, 7 Sherwood Road, Port Macquarie. Time 1-3pm for women; 3.30-5.30pm for kids. Contact Regina on 6581 6600 to register.

Glamour Puss-in Boots, 26 Belgrave Street, Kempsey. Halloween Sale. Lots of costumes for sale or hire. Open Monday to Fri 9-5pm, Saturdays by appointment. Ph 0432 116 829 or 0497 169 607

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