



KAHIBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL

POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS FOR POSITIVE LEARNING.

18th February 2020

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Principal's Report

Quality Work

What a pleasure it has been to visit some of the students busily working in their new classes. At Kahibah PS, not only do we have quality students, but we also have quality teachers.

Kindergarten students have been enjoying their lessons in the STEM lab with Mrs Cook. Students are investigating a range of different materials in the playground and in their everyday world and identifying their properties. They design and draw a superhero costume of their choice. The superhero is required to perform a variety of superhero activities and must have clothing that will help them perform these activities. Students are to choose materials to make these clothes, create a collage of their superhero with the materials chosen, and explain why the materials are appropriate for the task.

Sporting Achievements

Well done to all students for their sporting spirit to compete or just even "have a go" at our school swimming carnival. Thank you to Mr Finlay for his outstanding organisation of the day, and a "big thank you" to the teachers and parents who kindly stepped up to assist with the many roles and responsibilities that help a carnival to run smoothly.

The manner in which the day unfolded is a true credit to the community spirit of Kahibah PS.

Good luck to our representative swimmers who will be competing at the East Lake Macquarie Zone Swimming Carnival this week.

Parent Information Sessions

Classes are scheduled to have their Parent Information Session this week, so be sure to get along to meet the teacher. We hope parents and carers find these sessions insightful. Just a reminder;

Monday (yesterday) – KN, KT, 1S & 2F

Tuesday (today) – 1/2B, 4/5K, 5/6B, 5/6D & 5/6F

Wednesday – 2D, 3/4A, 3/4H & 3/4L

Thursday – 1N

2020 School Leaders

Our 2020 Captains and Prefects will be featured in The Newcastle Herald on Friday 28th February to more widely recognise our student leadership team. Keep an eye out for their photo!

Congratulations also to the class representatives elected from each class to form the semester one Student Representative Council, who will work closely with our Captains and Prefects towards further school improvements.

Scripture / Non-Scripture & Ethics

The 2020 Scripture and Ethics programs commence this week during the Wednesday afternoon session. Students have been sorted into groups, based on information provided at time of enrolment or the preference indicated more recently by parents. As volunteer teachers are not always available, students will complete quiet activities in their assigned groups each Wednesday until all volunteer teachers are finalised.

School Bus Travel

Just a reminder that all students catching buses to and from school are required to have an opal bus pass. To report a lost, stolen or damaged School Opal card, please to go to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/reportPass>. If a student proceeds with replacing their School Opal card, it will be cancelled immediately and a new card will be sent within 8 to 10 working days.

WEEKLY PROGRAM.....

Classes Begin - 9am and finish 3pm

Assemblies fortnightly on Monday

K-2 1-1.40pm

Yrs 3-6 - 2-3pm

Wednesday - Student Banking

Wednesday - Drum Lessons

Thursday - Band & Music Lessons

Thursday - Guitar Lessons

Friday - Band & Music Lessons

Friday - School Sport

Friday - **Uniform Shop 8.30-9.00am**

3rd Tuesday of each month - P&C Meeting

WHAT'S AHEAD.....

⇒ **Tues 18th Feb** - P&C Meeting

⇒ **Thurs 25th & Fri 26th Feb** - Zone Swimming Carnival

⇒ **Fri 28th Feb** - Clean up Australia Day

CURRENT NOTES....

⇒ Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

Quality Behaviour

The following students have been recognised by a teacher for;

| CLASS | RESPECT | RESPONSIBILITY | EXCELLENCE |
|-------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| KN | Sophie D-B | Jaxon M | Josie W |
| KT | Tahlia M | Daisy M | Ari A, Cain S |
| 1N | Eadie I | Hamish L | Charlie B, Mack R |
| 1/2B | Beau R | William B | Archie H |
| 2F | Chase L | Nischay M | Thomas C |
| 3/4A | Maggie G-S, Tallis P | Ashley C-M, Abby M | Joseph M, Emily M |
| 3/4L | Jame B, Jack C, Mollie L , Meg P | Stella I, Marley G, Eamon G, Jake M | Harrison D, Niamh McG, Milla May M, Oliver S |
| 5/6B | Jaiah B, Zac D | Wateen A, Blye C | Isabelle M, Evelyn S |
| 5/6D | Phoenix P, Ava W | Amihan E, Tallis K | Alexis B, Eden P |
| 5/6F | Jai B, Leah C, Marnie C, Dylan O'D | Noah F, Jai H, Ada J, Angus T | Lulu B, Anabelle H, Lani S, Kevin T, |

School Attendance

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children. Did you know arriving at school and class on time;

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day;
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine;
- Gives students time to greet their friends before class; and
- Reduces classroom disruption.

Interesting Fact: If a student misses as little as 8 days each school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Transporting Students in Private Vehicles for School Activities

Throughout the year students require parent transport for special events. On each note requiring parent transport we ask for your licence number and registration details as well as, that you present these documents in hard copy to the office for validation.

We realise this is an onerous task and that when you are transporting only your own child it seems unnecessary. However, it is a legal requirement from the Department of Education that:

§ The driver must be licensed.

§ The motor vehicle must be registered.

§ The number of passengers in the vehicle must not exceed the number of seat belts or in the case of larger vehicles, the number of passengers that the vehicle may be licensed to carry.

§ Current driver's license and car registration details must be sighted prior to giving permission for students to be transported in the vehicle. Comprehensive car insurance of any kind is not required.

The reason for this is that when your child is at one of these events they are marked on the roll as being on "school business" which means they are legally our responsibility (even if you are in attendance). We realise that other schools may not be doing this however, we are acting on legal advice from the Department of Education and acting in your child's best interest. We ask for your cooperation in this matter to assist us in being able to continue to attend these events.

Anaphylaxis

Anaphylaxis is a potentially life threatening medical condition. It is a severe and sudden allergic reaction, which occurs when a person is exposed to an allergen, (such as a food product or an insect bite). We do have students at Kahibah Public School that are susceptible to anaphylactic reactions. In an attempt to keep our students safe and minimise the risk of exposure, we request that all parents clearly label lunch boxes, bottles and other drinks with the name of the child for whom they are intended. We ask that parents remind their children about the importance of washing hands, eating their own food, and not sharing food, food utensils or food containers. We are also asking parents not to send Nutella or peanut butter on sandwiches, or nut products in school lunches, but rather save these food preferences for home and for weekends.

School Development Day

Thursday 17th and Friday 18th December are designated School Development Days for teacher professional learning. Please be advised that Kahibah Public School has rescheduled these School Development Day dates to four afternoon / evening sessions spread across Terms 1 and 3 with the first two scheduled for Tuesday 25th February and Wednesday 26th February, with a focus on Visible Learning. Please contact the school in person by Monday 24th March, if you have any concerns about this change in dates.

Mrs Honi Faasisila
Kahibah Public School
Principal

Augmented Reality (AR) at Kahibah Public School

Q: What is AR?

A: Digital objects overlaid on the current environment

On Friday I had the pleasure in welcoming over 60 plus students into the inaugural STEM Lab lunchtime Augmented Reality Exploration Session which will continue every Friday of Term 1.

I was overwhelmed with the interest and engagement of so many students from across all stages of the school. Thanks to Adelaide University I have been able to borrow for Term 1 an Augmenting Reality kit which includes ipads, and associated AR apps and resources to allow us to begin our learning journey into this new field within the education sector in such areas including Space- where we can explore deep space and see planets, black holes and beautiful nebulae up close, the wonderful world of Micromonsters and the Human Brain. Future learning opportunities for students throughout the year will also include becoming not only consumers of AR apps but also developing skills to become producers of their very own AR apps. Stay tuned for further updates.



Mrs Cook
STEM Teacher



Library News

Your child would have brought home a coloured brochure with this commercial logo on it.

These brochures, sent home several times each year, are Scholastic Book Club order forms. Scholastic Book Clubs provide parents and children with frequent access to age-appropriate choices at affordable prices. Book Clubs are a trusted and convenient way to continuously feed your readers and help families build home libraries. They also work on an order reward system with credit points being spent on resources for our school Library.



Kahibah Public School uses the LOOP (Linked Online Ordering and Payment) platform, where you order online via the website or app. Go to the link <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Register.aspx> to register.

Our school is very fortunate to have the help of Mrs Claire Barker, one of our mums, who volunteers many hours to sort, distribute and collect orders for Book Club. Thank you for volunteering Claire. Book Club orders are due ONLINE only via LOOP by Tuesday 18th February.

The EASIEST way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!

Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform

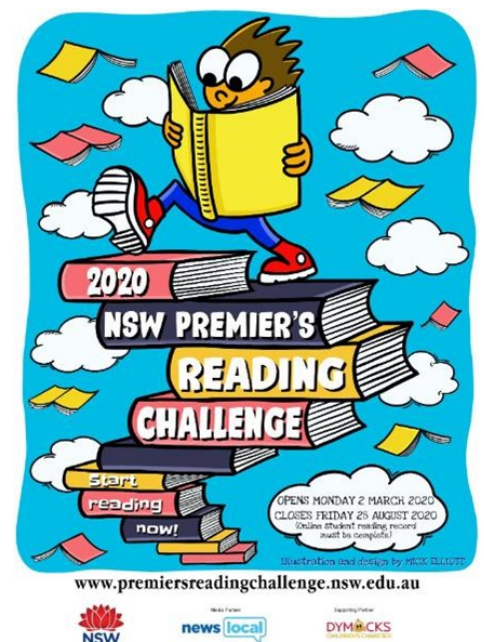
It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. Your order will electronically be linked to your school when you order and pay by LOOP.

Also available as an app:



The 2020 NSW PREMIER's READING Challenge kicks off Monday 2nd March (Term 1, Wk 6) and closes Wednesday 26th August (Term 3, Wk 6).

Miss Bull
Teacher Librarian



Leadership Assembly

During our infants and primary assemblies yesterday parents and community were invited to share in our inaugural school leader prefect and class representative inductions. Leadership is an essential component of Kahibah Public School that is highly valued both within the school and in our extended community. To be a leader it takes an ordinary person who has an ambition to encourage and guide others toward their full potential. Congratulations to our fourteen 2020 school leaders.

Captains – Riley B, Ava R

Prefects – Ada J, Alanna L, Fynn W, Isabella F, Jai H, Jeremy C, Koda C, Leah C, Mia T, Noah F, Phoenix P, Willow W.

We look forward to sharing your leadership journey.

Class representatives were also presented their badges and inducted as part of our leadership assembly.

Congratulations to the following students.

| Class | Student 1 | Student 2 |
|-------|-----------|-------------|
| 56D | Ava W | Oliver D |
| 56F | Samarah W | Iziah L |
| 56B | Matilda W | Christian S |
| 45K | Maya K | Taylan R |
| 34L | Nixon W | Matilda G |
| 34A | Polly H | Renni C |
| 34H | Lola S | Sunny H |
| 2F | Brax C | Delilah N |
| 2D | Conor H | Macy L |
| 1N | Spencer C | Mack R |
| 1S | Kalani P | Madeleine H |
| KN | Oliver M | Rose S |
| KT | Ari A | Fleur I |
| 1/2B | Isaac W | Harry I |

Zone Swimming

This Thursday and Friday, 33 Kahibah students have qualified to compete in the annual East Lake Macquarie Zone Swimming Carnival at Charlestown Pool.

Day 1 Events – Open 100m Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke, Butterfly heats, Medley.

Day 2 Events – Breaststroke finals, Freestyle heats, Backstroke finals, Butterfly finals, Freestyle finals, Relays.

Good luck to the following students who will be competing over the 2 days of swimming against our local 23 schools: Eli B, Taj B, Brax C, Billy M, Ella S, Sunny H, Grace C, James B, Marley G, Flynn T, Indiana R, Renni C, Lennox H, Vanessa T, Lincoln G, Sonny K, Serena E, Eliza B, Tayla B, Isabelle M, Callum B, Zac D, Liam R, Charlie W, Christian S, Fynn W, Amihan E, Lulu B, Leah C, Ava R, Lani S, Dylan O, Kevin T

Rising Sports Star Awards

On Saturday the 8th of February, Ava R went to the Lake Macquarie City Awards. These awards are for creative arts, sport, volunteering and environment. Ava was a finalist for the rising sports star award for her achievements in the field of athletics.

The rising sports star awards were for any sport and any age.

All of the finalists were nominated by a teacher or a sports coach.

Congratulations Ava!



P&C NEWS

Canteen News

Hello from the Canteen

We've had a fantastic start to the year at the canteen. Thank you to all the volunteers who have put their name down on the roster. We still have some spaces left which we'd love to fill early in the term. Please have a look over the roster and let me know if you could help out, or be available as a back up on any days that are already filled such as Friday, which is the busiest day by far.

Some suggestions for healthy options:

Fried rice for \$3.50

Macaroni cheese for \$3.00

Fresh bbq chicken salad on a wrap, sandwich or roll for \$3.00

Ham, tomato and cheese toasties for \$2.50

Chicken, avocado and cheese toasties for \$2.50.

Pizza roll : pizza sauce, ham, cheese and olive (optional) for \$2.50

Fresh fruits for 50c

Custard for 50c

Carrots or cucumbers sticks with hummus or avocado dip for 80c

Thank you

Kura Donnelly

Canteen supervisor

P&C Meeting

This Tuesday evening 18th February is our first P&C Meeting for the year. Commencing at 7pm in the library, our monthly meetings usually conclude around 8.30pm. We have a great, friendly bunch of members and newcomers are always welcome. Mrs Honi Faasisila always provides a detailed update on all things KPS. Our AGM will be held next month on Tuesday 17th March. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of every month (with the exception of school holidays). We'd love to see some new faces and new ideas again this year. Please contact our P&C Secretary, Michelle Hill, on 0421 664 451 if you have any questions or feel free to just turn up this evening

| Kahibah PS Canteen Roster - Term 1, 2020 | | | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
| Feb - Wk 4 | 17 Amanda | 18 Nathan | 19 Shani | 20 Chrissy | 21 Claire Peta Chloe |
| Feb - Wk 5 | 24 Shani | 25 Mary | 26 Tanglia | 27 Jodie? | 28 Kim S Merissa HELP NEEDED |
| Mar - Wk 6 | 2 Jill | 3 Jodie? | 4 Shani | 5 Chrissy | 6 Katelin HELP NEEDED HELP NEEDED |
| If you are able to fill a spot in TERM 1 please call into the canteen or contact Kura on 0466 308 893 | | | | | |





Cancer Council
Healthy Lunch Box

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

... to cook with kids.

Providing lots of opportunities for kids to be involved in the kitchen is a great way to raise healthy eaters, teach them life skills and boost their development.



Young kids can:

- Wash fruit and vegies
- Tear foods like lettuce or bread
- Use scissors to trim vegies
- Add premeasured ingredients
- Stir and sprinkle

Older kids can:

- Use measuring cups, spoons and scales
- Use equipment like salad spinners, and blenders under supervision
- Prep easy to chop foods with kid's knives
- Be in charge of preparing simple recipes

healthylunchbox.com.au

Good for Kids good for life

NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY

Walk, bike ride, skate or scooter to school on March 13th, to celebrate active travel.



Children under 16 years of age (and adults supervising them) are allowed to ride on a footpath in NSW.

Encourage your kids to follow these tips for safer riding:

- Always wear an approved bicycle helmet, properly fitted and fastened.
- Always obey road rules, including traffic lights, stop signs and give way signs.
- Turn your head when passing driveways
- Keep left when riding on the footpath and give way to pedestrians
- Travel at a speed that is safe for you and others
- Wear bright clothing to make yourself visible

Sources: The Bicycle Network & Transport for Road Safety NSW



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

HNELHD-GoodForKids@health.nsw.gov.au
<http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au/>

Play Rugby League at



DUDLEY-REDHEAD MAGPIES JRLFC
2020 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Under 6 – 17s Boys & Girls

Log onto

playrugbyleague.com

Registration will include our 50 year Anniversary playing shorts, socks & commemorative playing jersey which will be yours to keep!

www.dudleymagpies.com.au



2020 REGISTRATION
OPEN NOW!



Does your child want to play football (soccer) this year? Kahibah Football Club is still accepting registrations in all age groups from U6 to U11 until Friday 21 February. Please register online at www.playfootball.com.au

Call Teresa for your free
Market Appraisal today!

Ray White.

Sell your property with Teresa Heighington and \$200 will be donated to Kahibah Public School.

0438 637 513
teresa.heighington@raywhite.com



CALLING ALL DADS OF PRIMARY SCHOOL GIRLS



**The world-first Daughters & Dads Cricket Program
is coming to Newcastle!**

DO YOU WANT TO...

- Improve your daughter's cricket skills?
- Participate in a fun program together to improve your daughter's enjoyment and engagement in cricket?
- Help your daughter improve her social-emotional well-being?

WHAT IS THE DAUGHTERS & DADS CRICKET PROGRAM?

- Consists of 8 x 90 minute sessions including:
 - 1 x dads-only workshop.
 - 7 x daughters and dads sessions.
- Daughters and Dads attend weekly sessions together, focusing on:
 - Cricket skill development (e.g., batting, bowling, fielding).
 - Well-being education aimed at developing your daughter's self-esteem, emotional regulation, confidence and resilience.
 - Rough and Tumble Play.
 - Cricket games and fitness.
- Targets primary school girls aged 7-12 years old and their dads (or father figure).



Date: Tues 18th February - 7th April, 2020

Location: Kotara High School
Lexington Parade, Adamstown

Time: 5:45 - 7:15pm

Cost: \$110 (per Daughter and Dad pair)

Book online: <https://daddknotaraschool.eventbrite.com.au>

Need more details?

Contact: Emma Pollock
Project Manager
University of Newcastle:
DaughtersAndDads@newcastle.edu.au
4921 6884

There are limited
spaces available.
BOOK ONLINE



FREE KIDS DISCOS 2020

2pm-5pm

| | |
|---------------|----------------|
| January 19th | July 19th |
| February 16th | August 16th |
| March 15th | September 20th |
| April 19th | October 18th |
| May 17th | November 15th |
| June 21st | December 13th |

63 Kenilbae Avenue, Kahibah P: 4943 2987



Atuka Netball Club

WE HAVE A FEW PLACES IN THE
FOLLOWING AGE GROUPS
9/10/11, 14/15, 16/17

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLAY
PLEASE CONTACT TAMMY ON
0448806926 OR RACHAEL ON 0401600827

let's play netball