Principal's Message

Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to our competitors who swam at Kempsey, you did very well. Don’t forget to thank your mother or father or whoever drove you down, so you were able enjoy this life experience.

School Social
A big thank you to all the parents for organising prompt pick up after the terrific social, allowing teachers to return to their own families in good time.

Emergency Procedures
Good rehearsal last week allowing us to be ready if need be.

AFL Trails
Kalhani Spargo travelled to Yamba for the first Aussie Rules trials to create a North Coast Team. He has been selected to move on to a second trial day. Well done and good luck.

Harmony Day
Don’t forget Harmony Day parade at 10am on Tuesday, 22 March.

Each class at KPS has chosen a country and will be learning all about their chosen culture over the next few weeks. Children will dress up for a Harmony Day parade in their countries cultural costume.

Countries chosen:

Parent and carer help at home and in the classroom is greatly appreciated. All are warmly invited to the celebrations.

Easter Raffle
This year Kyogle Public School dance group will be having an Easter raffle to support our amazing dancers. This money will go towards travel costs and costumes.

There will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize of delicious Easter goodies. The tickets are $2 each. Each family will be sent home a book of tickets. It would be great if you could help out our dance team by selling them. If you cannot sell the tickets, please return them to school as soon as possible. All tickets need to be returned by Wednesday, 23 March, sold or unsold. The raffle will be drawn at the Easter hat parade on Thursday, 24 March, just in time for the Easter break.
Values: Integrity, Excellence, Respect, Responsibility, Cooperation, Participation, Care, Fairness, Belonging, Pride

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**School Photos - Friday 18 March**

Please remember all students are to be in full school uniform on Friday for school photos. Stage 1 are to wear their school uniform not their sports uniform.

Each child is to return their own envelope, even if payment is enclosed in a siblings envelope. If you wish to get a sibling photo these envelopes can be picked up from the office. Once you have filled out the envelope and enclosed the correct money it can be dropped into the office any day up until the day of the photos.

**Moving Into Year 7**

Expression of Interest forms for Year 7 need to be handed back into the office by Friday, 18 March. By returning this information it allows for High Schools to begin planning for your child’s secondary education.

**Book Club Orders**

Please make sure you put your child’s name on the book club order forms. We have had two orders this week with no name.

**P & C News**

If you're new to KPS, I'd like to take this opportunity to say welcome, it's great to have you as part of our school. The P&C acts as a representative group of parents who operate as a sounding board to the school executive and support the school by raising funds that can be used to purchase new resources, subsidise some activities and even contribute to infrastructure needs.

Last year we were able to help our sporting groups, get new readers for Stage 1, maths boxes for Stage 2, new sporting equipment for all Stages and the new colourful interactive play area. The P&C is always stronger and more productive with more parents. Tomorrow we will be having a meet and greet at 5pm followed by our AGM at 5:30pm looking forward to seeing new and old faces.

2015 P&C team

**Easter Hat Parade**

The Easter Hat Parade is Week 9, Thursday, 24 March starting at 10am in the Stage 1 playground.

Everyone should start thinking about starting to design your Easter hat for our parade. The Easter bunny will hopefully be making a special appearance to look at all the wonderful work and effort all students put in. All parents and carers are welcome so please keep this date open to come to school and watch the parade.
Car Seats
Did you know that all children must be safely fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size? A child who is properly secured in an approved child car seat is less likely to be injured or killed in a car crash than one who is not.
By law, all children under 7 years of age must be secured in the correct child car seat for their age and size.
• Children aged from four years old but under seven years old must be secured in a forward facing approved child restraint with an inbuilt harness or an approved booster seat.
• Children aged from four years old but under seven years old cannot travel in the front seat of a vehicle with two or more rows. (unless all other back seats are occupied by children younger than seven years in an approved child restraint or booster seat)
• Children aged from seven years old and above need to be 145cm or taller before they can use a normal sash seatbelt without a car seat. If they are under 145cm it is strongly recommended to use an approved booster seat.
For more information visit childcarseats.com.au

Stage 3 Gold Reward  this term will be a pool party. Students will need to pay for the cost of entry to the pool $2.60. Date to be advised this week.

Stage 3 Excursion
Expression of interest notes should now have been returned to school. They were due back to school on Monday, 7 March. Any students returning late Expression of Interest notes to school will now go on a waiting list if a place on the excursion opens up. Final numbers need to be made so planning can go ahead.

Regional PSSA Swimming Championships
Last Wednesday, thirteen students and their parents travelled to Kempsey for the Regional PSSA Swimming Championships. In spite of the many ailments, such as dealing with severe soreness from the previous day’s footy game, tiredness and in one case illness, the students still managed to perform admirably with many achieving personal best times. The students’ behaviour was of the highest standard and represented KPS in a very honourable manner. Congratulations goes to all of the participants for their efforts and especially to Kalahni Spargo for gaining selection into the North Coast Team and who will now compete at the State Swimming Championships in Sydney.
What's happening

KPS Rocking Horse
Can anyone help us find the history of the old rocking horse. Grandparents may remember it when they were here at Kyogle Public. It was here in 1958. We would like to know how it got to the Kindergarten room. Please contact the office if you can help.

Jenny, Jas and Lyn, staff members at KPS, all remember the horse being in the kindergarten classroom when they started here.

My First Year 2016
Photos of our kindergarten students will be in a special liftout in the Northern Star on Wednesday, 23 March.

Junior Netball
Sign on
Net Set Go packs available
WHAT: Sign on for Junior Netball
WHERE: Kyogle Netball Courts
WHEN: 30th March & 6th April
TIME: 4 - 6pm

Netball Starts:
27th April
4 - 5pm