15 July 2014

From the Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to Semester Two for 2014. I would like to take the opportunity to welcome in particular the new families who have joined the Kirwan community this term. I trust that you will enjoy a positive experience with your child’s education.

STAFFING FOR TERM 3

Please note that Mr John Kratzmann (Deputy Senior School) is currently on leave. Mrs Trish McEvey is replacing Mr K for the main part of this term. Miss Carolyn Hallam is acting as Head of Curriculum for the term replacing Mrs McEvey.

I would also like to welcome some new teachers to our school:

- Mrs Julie White on Year 5B
- Miss Lee Jones on Year 3A
- Ms Jenny Gardiner on 2A

BUSY TERM

Every term is a busy one at Kirwan and this one promises to be no exception. As a heads up...here are some important dates to remember:

- Tonight at 7:00pm is our first P&C meeting for Semester Two. As a special guest, we welcome Mr John Livingstone, Executive Principal of Kirwan State High School. All parents, both new and “old”, are very welcome to attend.
- Next week and in Week 3, we welcome back our long standing Author in Residence, Mr Boori Pryor. Boori will be working with a number of year levels focusing on deep comprehension of texts. I know that our students are very much looking forward to having Boori back in our school.
- 31 July will see us once again welcoming our Japanese friends from the Kokagakuin school. Year 6 and 7 students will serve as ambassadors in this truly multicultural event.
- 11 August begins Year 6 and 7 camp week.
- 15 August is Red Track Athletics day.
- 6 September is a special whole school concert with Iron and Clay. Our instrumental music students will also benefit from an intensive workshop with the band.
- 18 September is NAIDOC Celebrations Day.

I would also like to remind parents of CURRENT YEAR 6 AND CURRENT YEAR 7 STUDENTS about the information sessions to be held at Kirwan State High School. Please note:

- Monday 21 July – Year 7 into 8 Information Night
- Tuesday 22 July – Year 6 into 7 Information Night

These will be held at 7:00pm in the Kirwan State High School Performing Arts Centre.

I am looking forward to a busy, fun-filled and productive term.

Until next week ... Kind regards

Melissa Jackson
Principal
From the Deputy Principal – Tony Woodhouse

QSchools App

School details – QSchools Version 2.0 for Windows 8.0, Windows 8.1 and YouTube channel ‘DETE TV’. Through the department’s integrated Facebook and Twitter feeds, learn more about state-wide initiatives, projects and events. Other related information. View school details including contact numbers, web address and your current location. Find schools using text search, postcode, school name, suburb or other related information. Access the latest information from your school. News, events and newsletters – natural disasters. Departmental alerts – receive real-time notifications about state school closures and natural disasters. News, events and newsletters – Access the latest information from your school. School search – Find schools using text search, postcode, school name, suburb or your current location. School details – View school details including contact numbers, web address and other related information. Departmental social media – Learn more about state-wide initiatives, projects and events through the department’s integrated Facebook and Twitter feeds and YouTube channel ‘DETE TV’. The QSchools App can be found at:
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Kirwan Morning Reminder
In the mornings, all students who arrive at school before 8:30am will need to sit and wait in the shed area. We have some students who wait near and around CPA3 and the classrooms. If you could remind your child that they should make their way to the shed area when they arrive at school, and wait to be released by the staff member on duty at 8.30am. Thank you for your support with this.

Tony Woodhouse – Deputy Principal

Kirwan’s Achievers
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3E: Rachel Browning

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The senior team had two pool games against Holy Spirit College and Ingham. Our numbers were affected by the loss of Courtney Reynolds who suffered a concussion at a league game on the previous Wednesday. While she was very disappointed not to play she supported both teams during their games (true sportsmanship). The team played in a semi-final against Kelso but unfortunately came second in that match. Again all the players had a great experience with one student signing up to play with a local club.

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Next P&C Meeting TONIGHT
Tuesday 15 July
7:00pm in the Staffroom

When walking around the school grounds please use the designated pathways. This is part of our school’s Workplace Health and Safety Policy.

From the Deputy Principal – Trish McEvey

In the absence of John Kratzmann, who is currently on Long Service Leave, I will be stepping in as Acting Deputy until his return. We have a lot on this term including Year 6/7 Camps in Week 5 and our Author/Artist in Residence, Boori Pryor, visiting in Weeks 2 and 3. This year Boori will be working intensively with our Year 5 students on his award winning book, Shake-a-Leg. We have planned a range of reading and writing activities, including cooking and artwork. Our Year 5 students are very much looking forward to his visit. Our Year 4 students will also have a session with Boori and be involved in some storytelling, performance and dance.

In Term 4, our current Year 6 and 7 students will study two of Boori’s other books, and appreciate author style in My Girragundji and Binna Binna Man. A quiz session with Boori will culminate this event. Students in Years P-3 will also participate in a storytelling and dance workshop with Boori in Term 4.

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Kirwan Kindergarten - 2015 Enrolments

C&K Kirwan Kindergarten, located on the Kirwan State School grounds, will be offering positions shortly for kindergarten next year. If you have a child who is eligible for Pre-Prep by turning 4 by 30 June, you are welcome to drop in to fill out a waiting list form, or you can fill out the form on the C&K website. C&K Kindergartens have qualified teachers who provide an amazing learning environment for your child in the year before formal schooling. Our parents have been very happy with their child's kindergarten year. We look forward to seeing you.

Miss Julie & Miss Judi (Co-Directors/Teachers)

Important Dates - Prep Enrolments 2015

21 July------------------------------- 2015 Prep Bookings Open
1-19 September .......................... Prep Interviews with Admin
30 October............................. Prep Information Sessions – 9:30am & 6:30pm
31 October............................ Prep Come and Try Day – 9:15-10:50am
8 December ............................ Whole School Transition (Preppies 9:15-10:50am)

New Quarterly List (NQ) Selection

Congratulations to Jett Manning on his selection in the NQ Touch Football team. Well done Jett and good luck at the State Trials!

Kirwan Age Champions

Age Champions from our Champions Day held in Term 2:

10 Year Boys

10 Year Girls
1. Apryl Noseda --------- 2. Jessica------------------------------- 3. Lauren Bennie

11 Year Boys

11 Year Girls

12 Year Boys

12 Year Girls
1. Holly Doran---------- 2. Isabella Sawyer-------- 3. Courtney Reynolds

13 Year Boys
1. Dean Paterson ------- 2. Andrew Hilleary------- 3. Shy Tully

13 Year Girls

Tuckshop Talk

Jul 16 Sandra, Carol, Michelle (½ day), Brett
Jul 17 Brett, Leanne, Leah, Emma (½ day)
Jul 18 Jo, Bellinda, Brett
Jul 21 Helen
Jul 22 Jenni, Fiona

• There are no Stitches or Playwears until further notice.
• Tuckshop does not accept foreign currency – Orders may be substituted.

Kirwan State High School

Year 7 & 8 2015 Information Nights

The following information nights will be held at 7:00pm each night in the Kirwan High School Performing Arts Centre:

- Monday 21 July – Year 7 into 8 Information Night
- Tuesday 22 July – Year 6 into 7 Information Night

Year 6/7 Parent Committee

Our next Parent meeting will be held on Thursday 17 July at 2:00pm in the Staffroom.

Chocolate money is due back THIS WEEK. If you are unable to sell your chocolates please return them to the tuckshop. If you would like to sell more chocolates please see Kim in the tuckshop.

Defence News

Hi everyone... Welcome back to 3rd Term and an especially big welcome to our new families who have started this term. Just a reminder to all of our families that if you have any school or defence queries please come in and see us at the defence room. See you all out and about...

Jenny & Leigh - DSTAs

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OFFICE HOURS STRICTLY 8:00AM - 3:30PM