A Message from the Principal, Alan Watt

School & Community Expectations:  
We all like to be treated with respect where ever we are and by everyone we come in contact with. The school is strengthening the teaching of mutual respect and the importance of treating and speaking to others in a respectful manner. If we all model this behaviour and encourage it in all aspects of life our children will learn the morals, values and behaviours that make a positive impact on our society.

Breakfast Club:  
Please ensure children that need to attend Breakfast Club do so from 8.25am to 8.45am. This allows children to be finished prior to the morning bell.

Regional Athletics Success:  
A very special “well done” to Hannah Nguyen who competed at the at the Regional Athletics Carnival last Friday. The school is very proud of your achievement Hannah!

Staffing Update:  
Mr Blyth has extended his leave for the rest of this term. Mr Samuel Tassell will be continuing on the class. Mrs Thompson will be job sharing the position of Principal (every Thursday and Friday) for the rest of the year. A big thank you to our wonderful interns that have ensured that all classes have gained additional assistance.

The school would like to welcome Mrs Vella to KH. As you are aware Mrs Hipwell has left to have her baby and we welcome Mrs Vella to our school community. Mrs Vella has been working closely with Mrs Hipwell over the past weeks to learn the way the class is organised and how lessons are run. The students should have an easy transition due to the sharing of teaching structure and knowledge about each student.

If you have any concerns about staffing changes at the school please contact the office to make an appointment to speak with me about your concerns.

Outstanding Fees:  
It would be appreciated if parent/carers would finalise any outstanding amounts for book packs as soon as possible.

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Thank you to all the families who have made payments on the Great Aussie Bush Camp recently. Please keep making payments as we need this excursion finalised early next term.

Enrolments for 2015:  
A reminder that enrolments for 2015 are limited. We are already in the early planning stage for classes and staffing. To assist the school we request that you enrol your child for next year as soon as possible. Enrolment applications are available at the office.

School Attendance Expectations:  
The Department of Education & Communities has a very clear policy in regard to attendance at school. We are all aware that there are a number of reasons why students have leave. However, it is important that these reasons are communicated to the school so they can be recorded against any leave taken. Please send a note to your child’s teacher as soon as they return to school. Attendance issues can cause a significant loss of learning for students that may over a period of time result in difficulties with literacy, numeracy and social skill development.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

WEEK 8:  
Wed 3rd  NAIDOC Day  
Fri 5th  Father’s Day Breakfast 7.45am in kitchen  
P&C Father’s Day Stall

WEEK 9:  
Mon 8th  Living Streets  
Tues 9th  Living Streets  
Thurs 11th  Wood Fired Pizza Night 4:30pm  
Sat 13th  Working Bee 2pm to 5pm
NAIDOC Celebrations

When: Wed 3rd September
Time: All Day
Who: Kindergarten to Year 6

All students will be participating in various activities during the day.

There will also be an art competition for students in K-2 and 3-6. There will be a prize for one winner in each section. If you wish to be in the art competition, please see Mrs Whyman for an entry form.

Students will be supplied with a special ‘Bush Tucker Lunch’ of a Kangaroo Rissole on a damper roll, and a Lemon Myrtle drink.

Volunteer Ethics Teacher Needed

Are you interested in volunteering at the school? Why not become a volunteer Ethics teacher? From this term Ethics classes will finally be available for all classes, Kindy to Year 6, alongside SRE classes and we need more volunteer teachers for some of the classes.

To become an Ethics teacher all you need to do is:
- Complete Police and Working with Children check
- Undertake 2 days free training in Primary Ethics curriculum delivery

To find out more about the Primary Ethics program visit www.primaryethics.com.au or contact Carla Cowles, the Ethics Coordinator for MEPS on m: 0404 899 231 or e: cowles.carla@gmail.com

P &C News

Trivia Night – For the second year running the Trivia Night was a huge success and we managed to raise a total of $872 in profits.

Thank you to everyone who attended and made it such a fun night, but a special thank you to Bronwyn Kanitz who again did a brilliant job organising and hosting the whole event!

Thank you also to Alethea Parkinson, Kallie Newman, Stephen Clarke and Liz Liddell for all their help leading up to the event and on the night. And thank you also to Brett Purcell for organising the major prize for the winning team.

Father’s Day Stall – 4 days to go!
The Father’s day stall is this Friday 5 September and we still need donations. We like to offer a range of gifts that students can purchase for their fathers, grandfathers or significant males in their life. Any donations we could use for gifts will be greatly appreciated. Please bring them to the office or contact Melissa Cooper, Fundraising Coordinator on 0432 482 410.

Next P&C Fundraising Event:
Fun Run, Fri Nov 14th - more info to come.

Thanks
Carla Cowles, P&C President
cowles.carla@gmail.com
Wood Fired Pizza Night

When? Thursday, 11th September 2014
Time? 4:30pm
Where? Mayfield East Public School, under the COLA.

We are holding a special pizza night at the school during week 9. We will be selling homemade wood fired pizzas by the slice, warming hot chocolates, tea and coffee. Bring along your picnic rug or camping chair for a fun night sharing pizzas made with fresh ingredients from our school kitchen garden.

If you are able to be a parent helper on the night to assist making the pizzas and serving them out please let Mrs Lendich know.

Mrs Claire Lendich
Kitchen Teacher

Working Bee
Saturday 13th September
**New Time**
2pm—5pm

We need some help to set up our new greenhouse and extend our chicken coop as part of the Orica Community Investment Grant. We will also be redeveloping the compost area. So there’s lots in our garden to do!

We will have some construction type jobs to do on the day, so if you could help or know someone who could help it would be really appreciated!

This week is Financial Literacy Week

Children need to be taught how to manage money and how to save for goals from an early age. Here are a few ideas to help:

- Start giving them an allowance every week
- Help with management and goal setting
- Teach them how to budget

More tips and information about pocket money is available at:
