BRONZE & SILVER AWARDS

It was my pleasure to present a record number of Principal’s Awards on Friday. Well done to Jessica (K), Alex (K), Breanne (Y4), Liam (Y1), Charli (K), Max (K), Molly (K), Elodie (K), Oliver (K), Lachlan (Y6) and Jay (K) who received Bronze Awards. Special congratulations to Joshua (Y4), Lawson (Y2), Jacinda (Y2), Kyra (Y2) and Maeve (Y2) who received Silver Awards. ‘Hats off’ to all recipients for working hard to achieve in true Kotara South style.

MUSIC UPDATE

Mr Eldridge met today with primary students who wish to participate in a series of lunchtime music workshops (guitar, keyboard and drum kit) between now and the end of term (similar to those held in previous terms that culminated with the Stars On Stage ensemble); or who are interested in joining next year. The school may offer primary students the opportunity to learn the ukulele in 2015. Last week I met with Jane Jelbart who teaches ukulele at a number of local schools. Jane will be available to meet with interested parents in the KSPS library at 7pm next Wednesday to provide information. She will also visit the school in Week 9 (on or around 3 December) to perform for students. More information is available at: http://www.thesumoftheparts.com.au/jukestra.

Guitar lessons are currently available on Monday afternoon at the school through Newcastle Music Academy (Ph Gianni 0434 827 058) and lunchtime keyboard with Geri Rea’s tutors (www.gerirea.com Ph 0404 905 401). Music options through the school will be discussed at the P&C meeting tomorrow night and further information will be provided in newsletters.

FOR THE DIARY

The school is aware that many students missed out on the Week 4 newsletter due to the Canberra Excursion. Here are some dates for your diary:

**Wed 26 Nov.** Kotara High School Parent Information evening (Y6) 6:30-7:30pm
**Thurs 27 Nov.** Kindy Orientation (final) Session 3
**Year 6 Mini Fete**

**Fri 28 Nov.** Y6 Public Speaking Final – 10:15am
**Tues 2 Dec.** Y5 Student Leadership speeches & voting
**Thurs 4 Dec.** Christmas BBQ & COLA Opening – (tentatively 5pm)
**Tues 9 Dec.** Volunteers’ Afternoon Tea 1:30pm
**Wed. 10 Dec.** K-6 Awards Assembly 9am
**Semester 2 Student Reports sent home**
**P&C Meeting**
**Thurs 11 Dec.** Y6 student visit to Kotara High 9:30am-2:30pm
**Fri 12 Dec.** Year 6 Farewell
**Mon 15 Dec.** Presentation Day at MPC Kotara High 10am
**Wed 17 Dec.** Class picnic day

**STUDENTS’ END OF TERM**

*Invitation from Kotara Bowling Club–Barefoot bowls & disco 5pm
*This is not a school event.
YOUR HELP IS REQUIRED
We are so lucky to have a supervisor willing to deliver such good fresh food BUT due to the lack of volunteers in our canteen, especially Friday’s, the canteen will not be serving fresh BBQ chicken this week. The preparation of this menu option is time consuming and without the support of volunteers, Mrs Best is unfortunately unable to offer your children this fresh product this week. Your help in the canteen would be very much appreciated.

THANK YOU
A big thank you to Sarah Smith for the donation from the shopping trip she organised recently. The donation will be gifted to update our wonderful canteen.

MARTIN FROHLICH - PRINCIPAL

CANTEEN BANDANNA DAY
Thank you for the wonderful support last Friday in supporting the Canteen Bandanna Day. Once again it was overwhelming support. We raised $674.00!

WORLD BLUE DIABETES DAY
This Friday our school will support World Blue Diabetes Day. As this is a cause very close to one of our students, we hope the students will get behind this great day. Students are asked to wear out of uniform in the colour blue and bring a $2 gold coin donation.

YEAR 6 FARWELL MEETING
Many thanks to the parents who were able to attend the rescheduled Year 6 meeting. Again apologies for the last minute change. Plans are well underway and Year 5 students will receive numerous notes over coming weeks.

MR JOHN - ORGANISER

MERIT AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who received awards at last week’s assembly.

KC
Poppy, Cooper, Oscar
KF
Adam, Linnea, Matilda
1W
Madeleine, Isaac, Leo
IG
Luke, Chloe, Rosie
1/2G
Kyann, Jayden, Jacinda
2G
Jake, Ruby, Nate
2/3E
Charli, Cohen, Noah
3/4T
Melati, Melissa, Breanne
4/5E
Josephine, Emily, Ethan

5/6J
Emrah, Jasmine, Callan, Charlie
5/6W
Cameron, Molly, Holly
HSUB
Benjamin, Lachlan
PH/PD Anna-Rose 3/4T

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION PLAY SESSION
Our first Kindergarten 2015 Orientation Play session will take place this Thursday November 13 from 10.00am to 11.00am. The session will commence in the school hall. Please sign in at the front of the hall and collect your child’s badge. Looking forward to meeting you.

MRS COX - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

OOSH 2015
Just a friendly reminder that 2015 OOSH enrolments forms are available and we are currently placing families for next year. If you haven’t already done so, please remember to return your form ASAP. Not doing so may result in the loss of a permanent booking.

OWEN TODHUNTER - KOTARA SOUTH OOSH CO-ORDINATOR

CANBERRA EXCUSION
In Canberra, our favourite attraction was the Australian War Memorial because it showed us what it was like back in WW1 and WW2. The ceremony let us remember the soldiers that fought in the war.

Sophia and Pia
Stage 3 travelled to Canberra, we visited many places such as: AIS, Dinosaur Museum, Parliament House, War Memorial, Cockington Green, CSIRO, Questacon and so much more. Stage 3 enjoyed Questacon the most because there were so many hands on activities. It was AMAZE BALLS, as the bus driver would say!!

Charli and Emrah
The Canberra excursion was AMAZE BALLS (The Year 6 bus driver’s favourite word) we visited lots of amazing places with lots of hands on activities, Stage 3 had such a great time at the Motel - Gold Creek and every place we visited.

Arwen and Lana
Canberra, Was an amazing trip and was filled with fun and excitement we believe that Questacon was by far the top attraction but we enjoyed all of it. We also give a big thanks to our bus driver James who loaded us up with fun facts and stories. He also took us to all our amazing destinations. We would happily go back.

Chelsea and Lucinda
In Canberra, Stage 3 had an amazing time going to all the exiting places. We went to places such as Questacon, A.I.S, National Museum, Dinosaur Museum and many more.

Hamish and Callan
Hello from the canteen for another great week! Wow last week we went through 8 BBQ chickens! We are so lucky to have a supervisor willing to deliver such good fresh food! This week is all about Christmas Leg Ham off the bone. I am handing over $1,000 to our P&C. Thank you everyone for your on-going support.

This week’s specials are:

**Eat Fresh Deal Bonanza**
- Ham sandwich $1.50
- Ham, cheese roll, wrap/sandwich (warm or cold) $1.50
- Ham salad wrap $2.00
- Ham, cheese, tomato sandwich, wrap or roll $1.50
- Ham and pickles $1.50
- Ham relish $1.50
- Wholemeal or white bread, white or wholemeal rolls

**Chippy Wrappin’** $3-50
- 1 chicken chippy wrap with salad and mayo
- 1 ice mony
- 1 pkt chips (any)

FIONA BEST - CANTEEN SUPERVISOR

**P&C NEWS**

**Uniform Shop**
The uniform shop will be opened on **Wednesday 12th** and **Thursday 13th** November 8.30am to 9.00am.

**P&C Meeting**
The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th November at 7.00pm in the school library.

**Friday Funday Update**
Friday Funday was an amazing day enjoyed by all who attended. We currently have a **profit figure of $12,000**, pending Wednesday night’s P&C meeting to finalise all outstanding invoices. What a phenomenal effort from a wonderful school community. **To quote Mrs Best ‘We Rock’ !!!!!**

Thank you again to everyone who was involved in making the day such a huge success.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

Christmas is coming…
People were frantic, some felt a bit down
Oh dear what to do?
Their shopping isn’t done
They still need more gifts,
some need more than one
No need to panic, no need to fear,
Just look outside..
The AVON Lady is here!
I’ve got clothes, I’ve got toys,
Bags and Shoes too
and beautiful jewelry
you know what to do!
Just look through the book,
then give me a call
NO Parking, NO Crowds,
NO Need for the Mall!
Personal service, AVON’s guarantee;
and best of all- FREE Home delivery
An AVON Christmas will please everyone
and you can RELAX knowing you’re done!
Don’t delay, contact Kate today:
0410 086 556.

**Nutrition Snippet**

*The simplest way to food shop on a budget*

1. Create a weekly menu plan
2. Write a shopping list according to the menu plan + stick to it!
3. Compare unit pricing - often you will be able to save a lot of money this way
4. Buy fruit and vegetables that are in season- this can save you up to 35% than other times of the year- or buy canned/frozen where fresh is not available
5. Limit your purchases of processed snacks/meals - these are often unhealthy and expensive

**Contact**
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