TO CANBERRA AND BACK

Congratulations to our 70 Stage 3 students for their outstanding participation throughout the Canberra Excursion last Tuesday to Friday. Their engagement in this jam-packed experience was exemplary. Special thanks to staff (Mrs Vogt, Mrs Keyes, Mrs Ward and Mr John) who gave their time to provide this opportunity. A big job, though we enjoyed the special time with the students and an excellent program of learning and fun. We also appreciated the positive feedback and appreciation expressed by parents. The students are bound to remember the excursion for many years to come.

COUNT US IN!

Thanks to Ms Garrett for organising our students involvement in Count Us In 2015 on Thursday. The specially written song ‘Let Me Paint You A Song’ is an inspiration, and will feature at Presentation Day on Monday 15 December. Although there were problems with the video link, it was a worthwhile experience for all involved.

LOST PROPERTY – YOUR HELP PLEASE!

The school has an increasing pile of lost property in the area adjacent to the office. Please feel free to check out for items belonging to your child. Also, could you please check the labelled names on items your child brings home. Several parents have reported that their child’s labelled items have not returned home and are not among the lost property collection or elsewhere in the school.

MARTIN FROHLICH - PRINCIPAL

P&C OCTOBER MEETING
Next WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER
7pm in the KSPS LIBRARY

The monthly meeting will provide an opportunity to discuss recent activities such as Friday Funday and the Bi-election Stall; calendar events for the remainder of Term 4; and an update on the school evaluation and planning project that is currently underway.

A meeting of the Parent Evaluation & Planning Team will be held at 6:15pm. All interested parents and carers are welcome to attend either or both meetings…

MARTIN FROHLICH - PRINCIPAL
NEWCASTLE PERMANENT PRIMARY MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

Last term all Stage 3 students participated in the Newcastle Permanent Primary Mathematics Competition. Our school received 15 merit certificates, 8 distinction certificates and 1 High Distinction in the Year 5 Division and 7 merit certificates and 4 distinction certificates in the Year 6 division.

Congratulations to the following students:
Year 5 Merit – Corey, Cooper, Rishi, Pia, Lily, Talitha, Sabine, Bridie, Elise, Will, Campbell, Ethan, Lucinda, Charlie, Rylan (Year 4)
Year 5 Distinction – Josie (Year 4), Jack, Zach, Ben, Bailey, Grace, Callum (Year 4), Ben
Year 5 High Distinction – George
Year 6 Merit – Charli, Jack, Abbie, Olivia, Alex, Ewan, Tenzin
Year 6 Distinction – Hamish, Aurora, Ellie, Luka

Congratulations to all our award winners! Certificates will be presented to these students at assembly on Friday.

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION PLAY SESSION

Our first Kindergarten 2015 Orientation Play session will take place on Thursday November 13 from 10.00am to 11.00am. The session will commence in the school hall. Our new Kindergarten students will be taken on a short tour of our school followed by a play session in the KC classroom. I’m sure the students and teachers will have an enjoyable time.

Looking forward to meeting you.

KC FRIDAY GROUPS

Due to a change in the time we have sport on Fridays, groups in KC will now take place from 2.10 – 2.50pm on Friday afternoons commencing this Friday November 7. Feel free to come along and help. Please ensure you sign in and out at the office.

MRS V COX
Assistant Principal

BANDANNA DAY – FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2014

This Friday is Bandanna Day at Kotara South Public School. Our Ministers for Welfare will be selling bandannas for $4.00. They will sell them before school and at lunchtime. Every year, another 23,000 young people have to deal with the challenge of cancer - whether it's their own diagnosis or that of their parent, brother or sister. CanTeen believes that no young person should face cancer alone. That's why we need you to get involved with National Bandanna Day.

WORLD DIABETES DAY – BLUE DAY 14 NOVEMBER 2014

World Diabetes Day (WDD) is celebrated every year on November 14. We are asking students to come out of uniform and wear blue as it is the colour of choice by the International Diabetes Foundation. Students at Kotara South are asked to make a $2 donation to this great cause and support one of their fellow students.

Mr P JOHN - ORGANISER

P & C NEWS

Uniform Shop
The uniform shop will be opened on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th 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.

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 EXCURSION

Students are currently preparing reports on their excursion to Canberra last week. These reports, when completed will be uploaded to the school website.

PACER REBATE

Stage 3 students from our school recently undertook an educational tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of $20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards these costs. This amount has already been accounted for in the total cost of the excursion. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

MRS C WARD & MR P JOHN - EXCURSION COORDINATORS
**CANTEEN NEWS**
Hello from the canteen for another great week! I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for your help. I am still in need of urgent help, especially on Friday’s. I want to maintain the standard of ‘FRESH is BEST’ at our canteen and need your help to achieve this outcome.

This week's special is 'FRESH ROAST CHICKEN PROMO' the specials are:

- **Eat Fresh Deal Bonanza**
  - Fresh Roast Chicken sandwiches/roll-wrap $1.50
  - Fresh Roast Chicken sandwiches/roll-wrap with cheese and lettuce $1.80
  - Fresh Roast Chicken salad sandwiches/roll-wrap $2.00
  - Fresh Roast Warm chicken and cheese roll $1.50

- **Salty Chip** $3-50
  - 6 chicken chips
  - 1 pkt Salt n Vinegar chips (no change)
  - 1 Ice Mony

- **Pie in the Sky** $3-00
  - 1 party pie or sausage roll
  - 2 yogurt Billikens
  - 1 Sour Pop

FIONA BEST - CANTEEN SUPERVISOR

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**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.

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From $10 for 1 hour class - $100 for 10 visit card - Casual visit $12
Call or text Heidi on 0417 456 083

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**SunSmart Snippet**

The simplest way

to protect your face, neck and ears!

Did you know that when it comes to sun protection, not all hats are equal?
We all know that hats help protect against skin cancer and eye damage. But did you know that baseball caps do not provide adequate protection? There is now very clear evidence that baseball caps leave the cheeks, ears, chin and back of the neck exposed to ultraviolet radiation, increasing your child’s risk of skin cancer later in life.

- **Bucket hat**
  - Bucket or surfer-style hats should have a deep crown and sit low on the head. The angled brim should be at least 5cm for children (6cm for adults) and shade the face, ears and back of neck.

- **Broad brimmed hat**
  - Brims should be at least 8cm for children (7.5cm for adults). The brim should be proportional to the size of the child’s head and provide shade for the whole face.

- **Legionnaire hat**
  - Legionnaire-style hats should have a flap that covers the neck. The side flap and front peak (brim) should meet to protect the sides of the face.

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