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Kolan South Established in 1878



Kolan South State School strives for a Quality Education for All Students ~ Respect ~ Responsibility ~ Safety

Principal's Messages ~ We can achieve great results for all students if we work together. READ, READ, READ....

Student Leaders' Induction

The investiture of student leaders will occur at this Thursday's Assembly. Our special presenter this Thursday is Mr Rob Cook, a new parent of our school community. All parents and school community members are welcome to attend the assembly. There will be a light morning tea provided for parents and guests following the ceremony.

School Captains ~ Lara Benecke and Simran Prasad
School Vice-Captains ~ Jane Arnott and Dane Myers
House Captains ~
 Mitchell Duffy and Riley Hammelswang (Beatty)
 Bailee Taylor and Kai Edwards (Gibson)
 Desiree Christen and Britani Jones (Thompson)

READING is essential for Learning

The table to the right reminds us, as parents, of the absolute importance of encouraging our children to read as much as possible. Reading is the key to learning.

Interschool Sport

Interschool sport for Year 4 to 7 in softball and netball commences this Friday, 28 February. Our first match-up is an away game versus Gin Gin. Families are requested to contribute \$2 per student for bus travel when we have away games. The cost of travel is subsidised by the school and P&C. Thanks for your continued support.

Interhouse Cross Country

Training starts this week for our interhouse cross country event which will be held on the last day of term. All students, Prep to Year 7, compete in age-appropriate distances. House teams were listed, last week.

Students wear a t-shirt in their house colours at the interhouse cross country (Fri, 4 April) and on Sports Day, which is held in June.

Class News

This week, we hear about what's happening in Year 4/5. Thank-you to Deb Romans and her students.

P&C Sausage Sizzle

Thanks to everybody for supporting today's Sausage Sizzle fundraiser for the P&C. Special thanks to the mums who volunteered their time to do the work.

Jeff Searle

Sausage sizzle mums -Tonia Stokes, Tamara Gathercole, Sherry Wilson, Cathy Simpson, Colleen Mann and Jan Watson



Which student would you expect to read better?
 Which student would you expect to know more?
 Which student would you expect to write better?
 Which student would you expect to have a better vocabulary?
 Which student would you expect to be more successful in life?
 How do you think each student will feel about himself or herself as a learner?

EVERY MINUTE OF READING COUNTS!

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Feb 27 (Thur) Student Leaders Induction 9.00—9.30
 Feb 28 (Fri) Interschool Sport vs Gin Gin (away game)
 Mar 11 (Tue) P&C Meeting 5.00pm
 Mar 17 (Mon) Artslink Performance - 'The Box'
 Mar 24—28 Parent / Teacher Meetings
 April 3 (Thur) School Disco (6.00—8.00pm)
 April 4 (Fri) Last day of term / Interhouse Cross Country

Weekly Assembly

This week's Assembly on Thursday morning will be the Student Leaders' induction ceremony. All parents are very welcome to attend.

BIRTHDAYS

February

24 Indyelle Z, 27 Isobel M
27 Laura M, 28 William M

March

3 Braxton C, Joshua G, Nicholas G
4 Ethan P, 5 Abbie P, Jaeken G, 7 Finn M
10 Billie-Jo P, 11 Zahli S, 17 Kody O
18 McKenzie F, 23 Lawson C, 24 Tamrin W
25 Bethany P, Emily D, 29 Paige M, Eliza P

CLASS AWARDS

- Arlea B:** Settling well into your new class.
Brooke H: Always participating in class discussions.
Laura M: Always thinking deeply.
Matthew W: Using great vocabulary in a retell.
Emerson P: Completing fantastic sentences in Spelling.
Leelyn D: Working hard with his handwriting.
Lachlan S: Working conscientiously on all tasks.
Jaxon J: Impressive behaviour and work ethic.
Amber B: Being an excellent role model.
Corban B: Fantastic effort in all areas.
Jane A: A well-presented Science report.
Simran P: A well-presented Science report.



ICE CUPS ON FRIDAYS

Frozen cordial cups will be on sale each Friday for 50 cents. Funds raised go towards end of year excursions. Your support is very much appreciated.



Let us know...

Please send along a note to school if your child has a noteworthy effort or achievement. We would love to celebrate these achievements in the Informer.

CITIES HOCKEY CLUB

"Come and Try"

Looking for a new sport this year—hook into hockey. Cities Hockey club is looking for new players 6 to 16 years old to join our club. If you would like to try a game of hockey, come along to our "Come and Try" afternoon and learn some hockey skills from our coaches.

When: Tuesday 4th March, 4pm—5.30pm
Where: Hinkler Park
Cnr Thornhill St & Hinkler Ave
(Just off the northern end of the Tallon Bridge)
What to Bring: Hat, long socks and water bottle
(Hockey sticks and shin pads available)

For more information, please email our Club Secretary — Brendan:
citieshockey@hotmail.com

GAMES ARE GREAT FOR LEARNING AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

Technology has been entangling with our lives recently so much that we sometimes sacrifice parenting for convenience. For some parents it has gotten to the point where they text their kids up in their rooms, when it is time to come down for the family dinner.

For many of us, parenting has not strayed that far off course, but don't we all feel like the evenings are spent too much in isolation? One parent is reading, and the other might be working on a laptop. One kid is at the iPad, and another is busy at the video game console. There are many reasons on why you should consider changing your routine with technology and begin playing board games with your kids. Below are some reasons why you must.

- Relationships - A family that plays together stays together.
- Games develop literacy and numeracy skills, and general knowledge.
- Save money on entertainment - Many will last for years, and you'll be playing them with your grandchildren.

Some Favourites

Yahtzee, Cards, Upwords or Scrabble, Monopoly, Checkers or Chess

Year 4&5 Class News

Science

Amber and Zahli

For the past few weeks we have been learning about the melting point of different things.

We experimented with ice, chocolate, wax and butter. The chocolate melted first then the ice and butter. The wax didn't melt because it wasn't hot enough. The experiment didn't go as expected because we expected the ice to melt first but the chocolate melted first.

We had groups of four and had objects of about 500g. We covered the containers in foil to attract more heat. The chocolate melted in 4 minutes and 31 seconds.

The experiment was fun but we also had to work responsibly together.



ice



butter



Art

Some drawings of what we visualised when we read the sentence, 'Lily quickly put on her coat and packed some of her favourite things'.



Lily



Lucy



Amber



Tamrin

We have also been creating alien pictures using overlapping, position, size and colour.

English

Our class have been doing a lot of writing on different topics for five minutes.

We had to write a list of qualities a confident musician who worked with explosives would need.

We have also been looking at the features of short stories. In reading groups we are learning how to use our five senses to visualise to help us become more involved in the text.

Maths

In maths we have been comparing and ordering decimals and fractions. We cut out pizza shapes to make our work easier.



History

In History we are talking about the events that led to the Federation of Australia.

Did you know Australia became a Federation in 1901. Queensland became a colony in 1859.

This week's Class Awards go to ...



Simran Prasad and Corban Bruce, our Double Bass duo



Ms Romans and Year 4/5