## KULNURA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

14 December 2016 Week 10 Term 4

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## **Diary Dates**

#### **Thursday 8 December**

Presentation Night

#### Tuesday 13 December

P&C Meeting

#### Wednesday 14 December

Last school banking day for Term 4

#### Thursday 15 December

> Year 6 Day Out

#### Friday 16 December

Last day Term 4 for all students

#### 2017

#### Monday 30 January

➤ First day school for Years 1-6

#### Wednesday 1 February

First day school for Kindergarten



#### **Presentation Night**

Thank you all for attending our Presentation Evening last Thursday. Congratulations to all the students for their achievements this year and particularly to those who received special awards for the efforts throughout 2016.

#### Staffing Update

As communicated last Friday afternoon, Mr Steven Collins will be commencing Term 1, 2017 as the Acting Principal of Kulnura PS while the Merit Selection process continues for the Substantive Principal's position. Mr Collins comes to the school with many years of educational leadership experience and is very much looking forward to working in this community.

#### Parent Helpers Breakfast

Thankyou to all the parent helpers who were able to attend our special breakfast this morning. While the breakfast itself was only a very small token of our appreciation, I'd like to reiterate how lucky this school is to have such friendly, understanding and supportive parents and community members. Each job fulfilled by the parents and community directly contributes to this school being a great place to learn and work.

#### **KMHS Visit**

Today our students were visited by a group of gifted performers from Kariong Mountains High School. It was great for our kids to witness some of the talent and skills that can be developed further during the years to come at high school.



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#### Yr 6 Day Out

On Thursday this week our Year 6 students will have their end of Primary School day out. The girls are firstly off to Ten Pin Bowling, followed by a swim at Mingara and lunch. Have a great day out girls and all the very best for the years to come at high school.

#### Last Day of School & Dates for Return 2017

As you will all be aware the final day for students to attend school this year is this coming Friday December 16. The first day back for 2017 for all students in years 1–6 will be Monday, January 30. Kindergarten will commence school by having their Best Start Assessment sessions the following morning on Tuesday, January 31, then have their first official full day of school on Wednesday, February 1. We will all be looking forward to welcoming our 9 new Kindergarten students to Kulnura.

#### **Thankyou**

As this is the final newsletter for 2016, I'd like to take this opportunity to again thank everyone for their support in my short stay at the school. This is a great school full of kind and caring people in a beautiful setting – it comes as no surprise to me that it has such great history and tradition. I have thoroughly enjoyed every minute of my time here and I look forward to maintaining my links with you all through the local community. Thankyou for a great year. I'd like to wish you all a merry Christmas and a safe and happy new year.



### Canteen

This Friday there will be a limited canteen menu available for lunch. Your children can order the following items **ONLY**:-

Sausage on a roll **OR**Ham & cheese toastie roll

Ice block & a drink

\$5.00

Please write your order on a brown paper bag

Thank you to all of our canteen volunteers

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Kind regards,

Matt Barr RELIEVING PRINCIPAL







# P&C 2016

Kulnura Public Schools Parents and Citizens Association would like to take this moment to say thank you to everyone that helped in making this year great.

Firstly we would like to say thank you and farewell to Mrs Dwyer. Your captivating personality and unique outlook on life is a true blessing to this school and we will truly miss you.

Mr Barr, we are very grateful for you coming to help our school. In such a short time you made such a big impression. I am continuously hearing 'give nice get nice' everywhere and that proves that you have made a great impression on the kids at Kulnura PS.

We wish you both all the best in the future and hope you come back to visit us in the new year.

All of our great teachers, thank you for making school a place of enthusiasm for learning, appreciation for growing and room for making mistakes along the way. We will always be grateful to you for all of your support and kindness.

Thank you also to Cathy Jager, Darlene Lumby, Kate Wilson and Anthony Jager for all you do for the school and students we are thankful for your hard work and dedication.

2016 was a very busy year at Kulnura PS. P&C with the help of families and community were able to fundraise on special days, including:~

Athletics Carnival, Olympics Day, and our big day at Country Fair.

We ran Easter raffle, Cake stalls each term & a Christmas Raffle.

There was also the every week running of canteen & uniform shop.

For all help with running events, special lunch orders and barbequing, donations and baking.

From these we were able to support:

Kitchen upgrade in the Canteen/BASC room, buses to and from Aladdin and Swimming Scheme, the printing cost of year 6 shirts, Year 6 day out, SAKGF for years 2&3 and also Mother's and Father's Day Breakfast.

Thank you all volunteers that helped make these happen, without all of your efforts this year wouldn't have been so successful.

In the kitchen upgrade we would like to thank all of P&C for your collaboration and planning. Also to the businesses and people:

Keith Hickson, John Leccas, Peter Draper, Five Star Flooring, The Good Guys Tuggerah, Bunnings Gosford and MBASC and Kulnura PS volunteers.

The kitchen just needs the range hood installed and a fresh coat of paint and it will be finished.

Finally I would like to thank all the members of P&C 2016:

Kathy Doorman, Sasha Butler, Shelley Luci – Canteen Coordinator, Kylie Hickson – Uniform Shop Coordinator, Melissa Zylmans – Treasurer, Lisa Starkey – Secretary & Pauline Shoebridge – Vice President.

In 2017 we would love to have some new people in the committee. Please let us know if you're interested.

Again thank you, have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.

Rachael Jackson – President.





## Message from Mrs Dwyer

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the children, staff and community for the farewell events last week. The assembly was fantastic and I will always cherish the children's writing that was presented to me in a folder. The song was a real hoot and to top it off the tap-dancing was a real treat. My feet were itching to join them. Thank you also for the lovely gifts and wishes.

I have appreciated the hands of friendship offered and the wonderful support of the staff and community during my time at KPS. The children have been a delight and have managed to stay great country kids (though I expect families have a lot to do with that).

I will not miss the early mornings, long days and stresses that come with the territory however I will miss the daily chats. Yes, I know you are thinking "lucky Garry!!"

I would like to thank Matt Barr for a great job over the past 6 months. New school, new trainings and new people all of which he has handled professionally. I wish him well at Woy Woy South next year.

Finally, I wish you all a happy and safe Christmas and New Year and hope that 2017 is a wonderful year for you all.

















## **PRESENTATION NIGHT PHOTOS**











































































