# KULNURA PUBLIC SCHOOL <sup>3</sup> August 2022 Wook 3 Torm NEWSLETTER

Week 3 Term 3



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# **Diary Dates**

## Thursday 4 August

- NO recess Canteen today
- School Photo Day
- Book club orders due
- Education Week Open Day & afternoon tea from 1pm

## Friday 5 August

> Permission notes and lunch orders for the Small Schools Athletics Carnival due

## **Tuesday 9 August**

Lunch Canteen Available

## Thursday 11 August

Recess Canteen available

## Friday 12 August

Small Schools Athletics Carnival at Mingara - parents/carers are welcome to attend

## **Tuesday 23 August**

> CAPA Day/Musica Viva performance at PRPS

# **Principal's Message**

This week is Education Week - celebrating the theme: Creating futures - education changes lives.

Education Week is an annual celebration of NSW Public Education and the achievements of our schools, students and education system.

We will be having an open day tomorrow commencing at 1pm. Hopefully the weather is fine, so our students can demonstrate their skills on the track and field for athletics. Our students will enjoy high jump, long jump and running, as

an active body keeps an active mind for learning. We are looking forward to afternoon tea (2:30pm) regardless of the weather for all students, families and staff to enjoy.

The Small Schools Athletics is on Friday 12 August and our school is planning to be competitive in all events from Kindergarten to Year 6. Please ensure all permission notes and lunch orders are returned to the office by Friday 5 August.

Do you have a child who will be starting Kindergarten in 2023 or do you know someone with a child due to start school next year? If so, please encourage them to drop into the school and pick up an enrolment package or go online to enrol their child via the school website. It is important that we are aware of all students who will be starting school in order to effectively plan transition for the students and organise for the year ahead. Please contact the school office for further information if required. Our parent information session will be held on Thursday 1 September for new enrolments for 2023. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Our school's vegetable gardens are slowly coming back to producing vegies for use by our classes. If you would like to assist with our gardens, please contact the school to discuss times so we can ensure our students are outdoors ready for learning to gain valuable knowledge around growing your own produce for the kitchen.

To enhance access to the curriculum, each year the Federal Government collects information on the number of students who require adjustments at school. Data provided includes the number of students and the level of adjustment required. This term this information is being collected from all schools including Kulnura Public School. If you would like to know more about this process, please contact Mr Collins.



**Wellbeing in schools** is for all students. A focus on wellbeing goes beyond just welfare needs of a few individual students and aims for all students to be healthy, happy, successful, and productive individuals who are active and positive contributors to the school and the community in which they live.

Schools play a very important role in supporting, enhancing, and building the wellbeing of every child. Every staff member contributes to the wellbeing of children and young people in their school and have a duty of care to ensure the safety and welfare of all students.

As a part of their *Duty of Care*, teachers and staff support the NSW Department of Education Attendance Policy, to encourage regular school attendance.

Parents and carers are legally responsible to ensure that their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at and attend school every day it is open for instruction.

We ask families to contact the school should they be experiencing difficulties with getting their children to schools so we can identify and implement strategies to promote their regular attendance.

As a part of our attendance policy, when students are absent from school parents/carers are asked to notify the school prior to 9:30am on the day. If no contact has been made with the school an email will then be forwarded to families for an explanation of the absence.

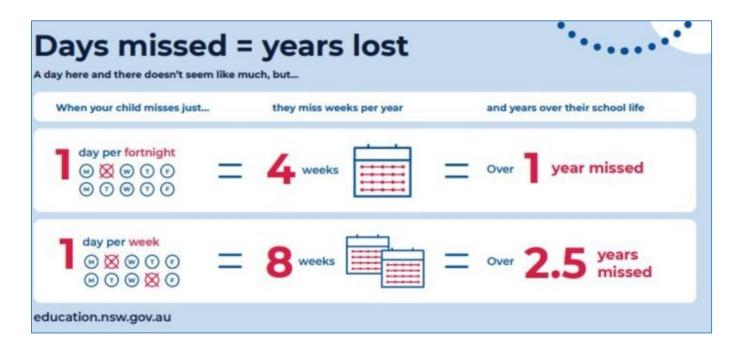
If no explanation is received within 7 days, the absence is recorded as an "unjustified" absence.



We understand that in this new world of Covid, regular attendance can be difficult however we are still required to report excessive absences and patterns to the department and notify these to the Home School Liaison Officer.

KPS attendance data for the first half of 2022 has not been above the state average, therefore the Home School Liaison Officer will be visiting our school this week to assess students' attendance and address concerns of regular absences and patterns. Letters will be sent home this week for students who have had excessive absences this year.

Information regarding compulsory school attendance will be forwarded to families via email and a copy sent home with students. Should you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.





# **PSSA Basketball Knockout**

**Congratulations** to the Stage 3 boys who recently competed in the PSSA Basketball knockout. The boys started off the day in round 1 against Kariong Public School with a comprehensive 38 - 2 victory.

In the second round the boys played Point Clare and again won 40 - 14. This victory put us into the third round of the competition against a strong Niagra Park team.

It was a very close game that with both teams trading the lead multiple times throughout the game. Unfortunately, our boys lost 34-26 but it was an amazing game that could have gone either way. **Well done Stage 3 boys** on representing the school proudly and displaying great sportsmanship throughout the day.

A big thank you to Dave Baxter for his outstanding coaching skills and supporting our team along the way.





#### Scott Webster Classroom Teacher











Congratulations to our library prize winners: Term 3, Week 1 & 2 – Owen, Katie, Leni & Aster.

Reminder..... Book Club orders close tomorrow Thursday 4 August 2022

Jess Freestone TEACHER/LIBRARIAN







# Kulnura Public School Mums & Dads Facebook Group



# Did you know??

Kulnura PS mums & dads have a **closed Facebook group** to pass on information via this very popular means of communication. This group is only available for families who currently have a child enrolled at KPS. If you are not a member and would like to join this group, please click on the link below and ask to join.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/418258404 956410/

# Nutrition Snippet

# PEAR AND YOGHURT CAKE



#### Ingredients 1 egg

125gm margarine ½ cup raw sugar ¾ cup natural Greek yoghurt 1 tbsp vanilla essence ½ cup reduced-fat milk 1 cup self-raising flour ½ cup wholemeal self-raising flour ½ cup desiccated coconut 1 400g tin pear slices in natural juice, drained

## Method

Preheat the oven to 180°C. Grease and line a 20cm x 20cm square baking tin.

Place the first six ingredients into the bowl of a food processor, blender or stand mixer and mix until combined. Add the flours and coconut and mix until just combined. Dice half of the pear slices, add to the batter and mix through.

Spoon into the baking tin. Arrange the remaining pear slices on top to decorate. Bake for 25 minutes until golden and cake bounces back when touched. Allow to cool and then slice.

For more recipes visit: healthylunchbox.com.au





# **KPS1 - Responding to Text** Sail Away by Mem Fox. Artwork by Dominic R and Jack S.

