

NEWSLETTER

TERM 2 WEEK 2: TUESDAY 7 MAY 2024

OUR WAITING TREE MAKEOVER HAS STARTED

Well-known chainsaw artist Matt George has started creating our sculpture from the trunk of the Waiting Tree. It's fascinating to watch the process – so if you're in the area, stop by and have a look!



PARENT/TEACHER MEETINGS

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended the parent / teacher meetings at the end of last term. We trialled a new approach, with a more structured conversation and key points for discussion. Teachers and parents also worked together to set goals for each child. Every single parent who attended the meetings gave the new format 5/5 on our feedback sheet. If you couldn't make it at the end of the term, it's not too late! You are able to arrange a time to meet with your child's teacher at any time – just call the school office, or ask for a meeting through your child's class SeeSaw. Communication between home and school is so important and we highly value the conversations we have with parents.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE SCHOOL SIGN?



WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL THIS COMING FRIDAY



Our annual 'Walk Safely to School' event will take place this coming Friday 10 May. For those who would like to walk as a group (including parents, grandparents, siblings, other family members and friendly dogs on a lead), we'll meet at Sweetnam Park at 8:15am, ready to walk together to school, arriving before the bell. Teachers will meet everyone at the park, but there will also be some staff members remaining at school to supervise students who are not able to join the walk. We'll take the opportunity during the week to remind students of pedestrian rules and road safety.



It's only the beginning of Term 2, but these clever Kindy kids are already writing a full sentence all by themselves!

AWARDS IN WEEK 1

Congratulations to students who received merit and/or class awards in the first week of term. Well done! Special congratulations to Mak, Hamish, Avril and Faye who earned their Bronze EKIDNA Award. Keep up the excellent work.



PD/H/PE AND CHILD PROTECTION LESSONS AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR CURRICULUM

Every year, all students are involved in the mandatory subject 'Personal Development, Health and Physical Education' (PD/H/PE). This subject prepares and supports students to lead and contribute to healthy, safe and meaningful lives which promote respect, responsibility, enjoyment, inclusion and social justice for self and others.

Our school's PDHPE program is taught throughout each week – for example, through fitness, sport, classroom lessons and activities such as assemblies, Peer Support Groups, 'Super Me' and 'Healthy Harold'. The program covers a wide range of education matter, including fundamental movement skill development, physical activity, road and sun safety, nutrition, respectful relationships and child protection.

The school recognises the sensitive nature of some content by teaching about these issues within the context of a developmentally appropriate program and by providing information to you about the program. Some of the content of the mandatory Child Protection program deals with sensitive issues, such as the correct naming of male and female body parts.

Before a class implements the lesson about the correct naming of body parts, you will receive a note, so that you'll be able to make an informed decision about your child's involvement in the lesson.

For more information about the PD/H/PE syllabus, please go to:

<https://syllabus.nesa.nsw.edu.au/pdhpe/>

For more information about the mandatory Child Protection Program, please go to:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/pdhpe/child-protection-and-respectful-relationships-education>

Our school program aims to encourage students to make informed decisions about their lifestyle, taking into account the values of the family and culture to which they belong. The program will be implemented in a manner that supports the role of parents and carers and reflects the ethos of the school community.

If you have questions or would like more information about any aspect of the PD/H/PE program, please contact me at the school. I'll be very happy to have a chat.

Rachel Watkins, Principal



PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENGE

The 10 Week Challenge logbooks will be sent home with children next Monday 13 May. This will be regarded as Week 1 of the challenge.

LINK TO SCHOOL BYTES CALENDAR

https://online.schoolbytes.education/calendar_page/938/4445/417e1028-bd54-4a9f-85ad-b12a85b51ba4

2024 TERM 2 CALENDAR

Week 2

Wed	8 May	PSSA District Soccer Trials
Thurs	9 May	P&C Mothers Day Stall
Fri	10 May	PSSA Girls & Boys District Touch Kingscliff HS

Week 3

Fri	17 May	PSSA Dist Cross Country - Nullum St
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Week 4

Tues	21 May	PSSA Football Gala Day
Thurs	23 May	PSSA District Netball Trials

Week 5

Wed	29 May	Years 3-6 Tweed Regional Museum
Thurs	30 May	GRIP Leadership - Year 6 Leaders



UKI P&C ASSOCIATION MOTHERS DAY STALL

THIS THURSDAY 9am –11am

Please ensure your child has money at 9am when classes begin visits to the stall.

Gifts from \$5 to \$15 will be available for students to buy for their mums and carers.

Thanks to our volunteers for helping stock and staff the stall. It's great for our kids to have the opportunity to buy something for their loved ones.

Many thanks

Andrea de Smidt, P&C President

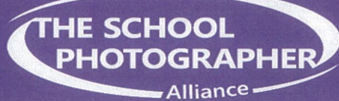


STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE

If you intend to make a donation to Stewart House, please ensure your completed envelope is returned to school by next Wednesday 15 May in order to make the mail in time for

the prize draw in Sydney on Friday 24 May.

Thank you for your support.



UKI PUBLIC SCHOOL 2024 SPECIAL PHOTOS

Please drop in to the school office if your child had a special group photo taken on school photo day and you would like to view the album before ordering online. Photos may also be viewed online on The School Photographer's website.



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TERM 2 CANTEEN ROSTER

NEW HELPERS REQUIRED!

Please call Andrea de Smidt on 0405 734 728 if you would like to learn how to help in the school canteen. It's easy and your child/ren love to see you there!

10 May	Jo/James	Vicki	Cynthia
17 May	Kellie	Kate	Sandi
24 May	Jo/James	Andrea/Don	Cynthia
31 May	Cynthia	Sandi	Kate
7 June	Burger Day Debbie	Burger Day Andrea/Don	—
14 June	No Canteen (no helper)	No Canteen (no Helper)	No Canteen (no helper)
21 June	Kellie	Kate	Jennie
28 June	No Canteen (no helper)	No Canteen (no helper)	No Canteen (no helper)
5 July	Sushi Day Alonna	Sushi Day Jo/James	—



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Saturday 25th
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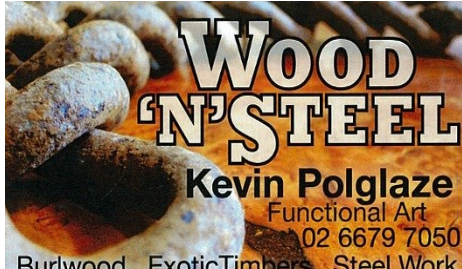



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