Principal’s Message

Swimming Carnival
Our swimming carnival which was held last Tuesday was a huge success. Many thanks to all the parent helpers who volunteered on the day and thank you to Mrs Sharkey for organising a great event.

District School Swimming Carnival
Kingswood South PS is coordinating the District Swimming Carnival that is being held on Monday the 29th February, 2016. Miss Martin, Miss Beavis, Mrs Sharkey, Mrs Ruchalski will be attending the carnival, so there will be some changes to Stage 3 classes on the day. We would like to wish all of our students who are competing at this carnival the very best of luck. Parents are welcome to attend.

Young Leaders Day
On the 29th February, our student leaders accompanied by Mrs Looker will be attending the Young Leaders Day at the All Phones Arena at Homebush.

Pulse Choir Rehearsal
Notes have gone home regarding the Pulse Choir rehearsal. The first rehearsal takes place on Wednesday the 2nd March, 2016. All permission notes need to be returned to Miss Beavis through the office. Any parents who can assist with transporting students please let Miss Beavis know.

Voluntary Contribution
This year the school will ask parents to contribute to a school voluntary contribution. We have not asked for this in the past, but due to rising costs of resources, paper and sporting equipment the school will now be asking for the contribution. The voluntary contribution will be $20.00 per student or $50.00 for a family of 3 or more. Please fill in the slip in this newsletter and return to the school office.

School Photos
School photos will be held on the 8th and 10th March this year. Information and order forms will be going home tomorrow for all families.

Updating Family Contact Details
Each year we ask families to update medical and contact information. If your contact details, address or phone numbers have changed could please let the school office know ASAP. This ensures that in the case of an emergency we can contact parents immediately.
Whole School Assembly
Our next whole school assembly will be held on Wednesday the 2nd March, 2016. We are changing the format of our assemblies this year and will be holding our Whole School Assemblies each fortnight. The first of our Aussie of the Month and Writer of the Month Awards for 2016 will be presented at this assembly. We have also invited Mr Nesbitt from Kingswood High School to attend and present some awards. Letters will be sent home to the parents of children receiving awards. It will begin at 2pm and parents are invited to attend.

P & C
The Kingswood South P & C will be holding their Annual General Meeting on the 2nd March, 2016. All parents are invited to attend the AGM at 6.30pm which will be followed by the general meeting at 7pm in the Library.

Finally, we have spent $5000.00 and purchased 560 guided reading books for our students. We would love to use them in our classrooms, however we need to contact them to ensure they last a long time. So we are inviting any parents who are able to assist us in covering the books next Wednesday the 2nd March, 2016 from 9.00am to 11.30am. We will be providing the books, contact, tea, coffee and cake. If you have some time to spare we would appreciate your assistance.

Regards

Ms Sandra Martin
Principal

Assembly Awards

Term 1 Week 4, K-6 Learner Awards

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P & C Committee will be holding their Annual General Meeting on the 2nd March 2016 in the library at 630pm. All executive positions will be available for nomination; President, 2 Vice Presidents, Treasury, and Secretary. If you are interested in filling one of these positions and would like more information please leave a note with the office staff and one of our current committee members will be in touch.

Our P&C meeting will follow the AGM at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Easter raffle tickets will be going home to families soon. First Prize is a Large Hamper, Second Prize is a Medium Hamper and Third Prize will be a Small Hamper.

Anybody wishing to volunteer with future P&C events and fund-raising within the school will need a current Working with Children Check. To apply you need to fill out an online application form at www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/check.

When you have completed the application form you will receive an application number (APP) by email. Take this application number and proof of your identity to a Service NSW office. Once your application has been processed and you are cleared, you will receive your Working With Children’s Check number (WWC) by email or post. You will then need to produce a copy to the school office.
WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

Thank you to the many parent / carer volunteers who help in our classrooms and throughout the school in various roles.

New regulations from Office of the Children’s Guardian has stated that a Working With Children Check is a required for people who work or volunteer in child-related work. It involves a national criminal history check and a review of findings of workplace misconduct.

The result of a Working With Children Check is either a clearance to work with children for five years, or a bar against working with children. Cleared applicants are subject to ongoing monitoring and relevant new records may lead to the clearance being revoked.

The Working With Children Check is only one part of keeping children safe.

It is a requirement for all parent/carers who volunteer at our school to have a Working With Children Check (WWCC), which will then be recorded at our school.

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Voluntary Contributions 2016

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