

Kananook News

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Thursday
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Christmas Concert



**The Kananook
Community enjoying
our 2015 Sausage
Sizzle and Christmas
Concert.**



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

As this will be one of our last newsletters for the year let me take this opportunity to thank all the staff at Kananook P.S. for their work throughout the year. Our grade 6 students will complete their graduation on Tuesday and I look forward to the evening's activities and I wish them all well at their new school.

Staffing for 2016 will see considerable changes at Kananook P.S. Over recent weeks all staff has been working on the process of establishing a suitable grade and specialist/support structure for 2016. Overall, the grade structure aims to accommodate the academic, social and behavioural needs of all students including those with special learning needs. There also needs to be a balance of males and females.

As our aim is to create the best possible learning environment and teaching teams, teachers are placed according to their particular skills and strengths. This means that some changes have been made regarding teacher placement. Primary school teachers are trained to teach across all grade levels and can also be expected to take up a range of Specialist/Support teaching roles. To develop a structure that suits everyone (students, staff and parents) is impossible. We believe, however, that taking all things into account, the following staff and grade structure will deliver minimum class sizes and maximum learning opportunities for your children together with strong and effective staff team work.

Parent Helpers

On Friday 11th December we will be holding an afternoon tea for our parent helpers. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their support throughout the year and look forward to their assistance again next year.

Reports

Reports will go home on the Thursday 20th December.

Staffing for 2016

Principal - Mr Michael Block
Assistant Principal - Mr Stuart Gilchrist

Grade Structure

Grade Prep - Miss Taya King
Grade One - Mrs Sarah May and Mrs Jacqui Fimister
Grade Two/ Three - Ms Amanda Russell
Grade Two/ Three - Mrs Melissa Johnstone and Mrs Sarah Brand
Grade Three/Four - Mrs Martene Matthews
Grade Four/ Five/ Six - Miss Jemma Bull
Grade Four/ Five/ Six - Mr Jonathon Crouch
Grade Four/ Five/ Six - Mrs Shannon Pavich and Mrs Sarah Fountain

Performing Arts - Mrs Jo Rich
Visual Arts - Mrs Sue Watson
Japanese (LOTE) - Mrs Jenny Armstrong

Term 4 School Finish - Our last day of school this year - Friday 18th December. Students will finish school at 1.30p.m.

SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1:30PM ON FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER

School Concert

Last night was our annual School Concert. We commend all students on their performance. Thank you to our wonderful Performing Arts teacher Mrs Jo Rich who coordinated the evening. It was great to see so many parents support the night.

Year Six Graduation

Our Year 6 graduation is being held on **Tuesday December 15**. We are all looking forward to celebrating this night with Year 6 students

School Start Date – 2016

The first day of school for 2016 Kananook Primary School children is **Friday 29th January**. All staff will be participating in Professional Development on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th January. Students are not required to be at school on these days.

2016 Book Lists

Please return your child's Booklist to the office as soon as possible.

PTF News

CHRISTMAS CONCERT, SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND RAFFLE

Thank you so much to the following people for all your help this week putting together the hampers, sorting the raffle tickets, setting up for the sausage sizzle, cooking and serving sausages, selling raffle tickets, handing out icypoles and the fun task of cleaning up afterwards. Thanks to Nadine, Nickie, Kristy, Amy, Carmen and Tara along with Mr Block, Mr Gilchrist, Mr Crouch, Mrs Fountain, Billie and Jayne. A very special thank you to Nadine and Nickie for your hours of prep work leading up to the concert.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE – FRIDAY 11 DECEMBER – TOMORROW MORNING

The final second hand uniform sale is tomorrow firstly at 9am at the oval just prior to the House Athletics. There will be another opportunity at 2:30pm during the prep transition program.

If you are after some additional uniform items for your child you may pick up a great bargain. Prices usually start from \$3 - so bring along your wallet.

If your child has had a growth spurt and their pants or tops no longer fit and they are still in good condition you can sell them on this day. Please securely attach a label to each item with: your child's name and class; size of item and your asking price. If you are present at the sale you may collect the total sale amount directly from the buying parent. If you are unable to be at the sale, the PTF will take a \$1.00 handling fee for every item sold on your behalf.

Please bring along some coins and small notes to make purchasing quick and easy.

Jenny and Trish

Term 4 Important Calendar Dates

Dec	Fri 11 th	House Sports/Parent Helpers Morning Tea
	Tue 15 th	Year 6 Graduation
	Thur 17 th	Year 6 Beach Picnic
	Fri 18 th	Final Assembly 1.30 dismissal
Jan	Fri 29 th	School resumes for all students in Year 1 to Year 6
Feb	Mon 1 st	Prep students first day

Excellent Writing Awards

Prep	Eddie
Year 1	Naeema
Year 2	Jemma
Year 3	Taya
Year 4	Rose
Year 5	Ashleigh
Year 6	Emma



☆☆ Friendly Stars ☆☆



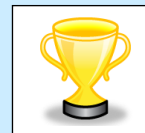
Friendly Stars this week:

Zhara, Holly, Alex & Frankie (Abs Joey)



Friendly Stars are children who have been observed in the playground helping others, playing happily and safely with their peers and voluntarily taking care of their school environment.

KAAPA CUP: 4/5/6/M
SPECIALIST CUP: P/1K



Kananook
'Sponsor
of the
Week'

