

Kendall Public School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2 — 10th May 2019



Principal's Message

It was wonderful to see the large number of parents at our 'Keeping My Child Safe Online' evening on Tuesday. I am told this was the largest attendance at such an event in memory! We hope the presentations were informative and provided you with some guidance in supporting your child/children to navigate the digital world safely. I'm sure many of you would have found some of the information to be confronting and perhaps a little overwhelming, but this would reinforce the importance of your role and responsibilities in 'starting the chat' with your children, setting clear expectations at home and monitoring online behaviour. Regular messages around online safety will be communicated through our newsletter and Facebook page as we continue to focus on this important issue.

My thanks to all those who contributed to the success of the evening, particularly:

- Snr Constable Wendy Hudson, Dr Craig Barry, Jen Barnard and Lachie Milne for sharing their expertise and experience;
- Kim Barry for coordinating the catering, information packs and Facebook reminders; and
- staff who volunteered their time making it an extra-long day.

If you have not already done so, please take a few minutes to complete the feedback sheet provided in your pack and return it to school as soon as possible. We are keen to gain your feedback to assist in our planning of any future events.

NAPLAN – Years 3 & 5

Years 3 and 5 students will complete the NAPLAN assessments commencing on Tuesday 14th May. All assessments will be completed online except for Year 3 Writing which remains a paper and pencil task.

Please ensure your child has the best opportunity to be successful in these tests by having a good night's sleep, arriving at school on time and eating a healthy breakfast to start their day. I remind parents that whilst NAPLAN is important and we want students to do their best in these assessments, we do not want them to feel anxious. They are just one component of our ongoing assessment of student achievement.

The timetable for these assessments is included on page 2. Any students who are absent on these days will catch-up those tests before the end of the assessment period on 24th May.

Opportunities to Support Your Children

Fridays are looking quite busy in coming weeks. Parents and families are welcome to join us for the following events:

- Friday 17th May - Cross Country; K-2 at 10am and Years 3-6 at 1.30pm.
- Friday 24th May - Parliament 9.15am; P&C meeting at 2pm in the library
- Friday 31st May - 3/4S Assembly 9.15am

Values and Drug Education

Throughout this term all classes will focus on our school values and drug education as part of the PD/H/PE syllabus. Each newsletter will contain information about the values so that parents have an understanding of our key messages and can support follow-up discussions at home.

Best wishes to all our mothers and grandmothers for Sunday. I hope your families make your day a very special one and that you enjoy the special hand-made gifts that your children have created for you!

Best wishes,

Leonie Cosgrove



Values Education

Focus Value—Achievement

Our school value of Achievement promotes the importance of trying our best. We are aiming to promote attitudes in students that are positive and growth minded. Successful people have an attitude of continual growth, looking at every opportunity as a learning opportunity. There is a great deal of research to support that our attitudes to learning and that our mindset can be huge assets to our learning and growth.

When focussing on this value, teachers will be asking these questions:

Is that your best work?

Is this an example of your very best behaviour?

Is this learning something for you to be proud of?

Would you be happy sharing this work with others?

Such questions engage students in self reflection and promote constant improvement and achievement at higher levels. Try it at home, is also a terrific parenting strategy!

If you would like more information on this, the following book is well worth a read: “Mindset” by Carol Dweck.

CALENDAR DATES

Week	Date	Event
3	Tuesday 14th May	NAPLAN starts—Years 3 and 5
	Thursday 16th May	Library Van Playgroup PSSA Tennis
	Friday 17th May	Cross Country K-2 10am 3-6 1.30pm
4	Tuesday 21st May	PSSA Netball
	Wednesday 22nd May	2WAYFM
	Friday 24th May	Parliament P & C meeting 2pm in the Library 3-6 sport

NAPLAN Timetable

DATE	TEST
Tuesday 14th May	Writing - Years 3 & 5
Wednesday 15th May	Reading - Years 3 & 5
Thursday 16th May	Language Conventions - Year 3
Friday 17th May	Language Conventions - Year 5
Monday 21st May	Numeracy - Years 3 & 5

CROSS COUNTRY FRIDAY 17TH

K - 2 10am, 3 - 6 1:30pm

Our annual cross country carnival will be held on Friday 17th May .

Parents are welcome to join us and cheer the kids on.

K - 2 run a short course starting and finishing on the grass area at the back of the school library. Their event is in the spirit of fun, health and wellbeing.

8 - 10 year olds run a 2km track and 11 -12 year olds run a 3km track.

Both starting and finishing on the bottom school oval.

8 - 12 years can qualify for a position in the Lower North Coast team, running at Kempsey on Monday 3rd June.

Students are welcome to wear suitable clothing in their house colours on the day.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

We hope all our Kendall Mothers, Grandmothers, Step mothers, Aunties and Carers have a very special day on Sunday and enjoy receiving the lovely gifts that your children have created for you with so much love.

We still have a few families that have not yet paid their \$5 per child for this activity, please forward your payment to school ASAP.



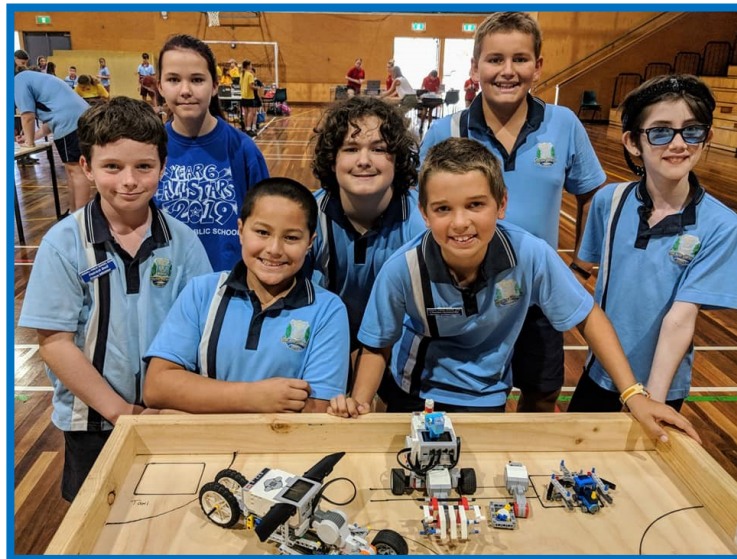
Robotics

Congratulations to our Kendall Public School Robotics team for their effort in the Camden Haven Community of Schools Rotary Junior Bots Competition.

They placed 5th out of 14 teams for overall point score and 2nd in the Board Challenge component of the competition. Every single member worked hard to be inclusive, supportive and show initiative in the face of tricky hurdles.

Their drag racer robot was rebuilt several times throughout the day with lots of different ideas and designs trialled. The team is now excited to hold their own internal drag race competition to see if they can further improve their designs. Well done, we can't wait to see what you do next!

Thank you Mrs Smith for the time and energy you put into our robotics team.



RDA

Congratulations to Shane , he is one of the 2018 winners of the RDA program.

He won Rider of the Year for the Hunter Region.



Henry Kendall Poetry Competition

Well done Sophie who won first prize in the Historical Society's Annual Poetry Competition.

2nd prize to Thomas and Tenille

Highly commended was awarded to Kurt , Halle and Eva .

This poetry is on display at Kendall Services Club.



Bookfair



thank you!

Thank you to everyone who purchased books at our book fair.

We raised \$950 which is going to Robotics.

2WAY FM

The 2WAY FM “School’s Out” program is a fantastic opportunity our Stage 3 students have had available to them for many years. Thanks to the very generous Mr Sheridan and more recently Mr Milne who help the students prepare a 2 hour radio program and take them to the station in Wauchope 3 - 4 times a term. The program airs on Wednesdays from 6pm until 8pm on frequency 103.9.

Tune in on the following dates for our shows in term 2.

Wednesday 22nd May, 12th June, 3rd July.



Thinkuknow <https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/> is a fantastic website for parents to visit and get up to date information regarding all things Cyber.



Fact sheet Staying safe

Why is it important to stay safe online?

It can help you avoid being a victim of online crime.

Learning about some of the unsafe things that can happen, and what we can do about them, will help us to look out for ourselves, family and friends.



What can happen if I'm not safe online?

★ Cyberbullying

Some people use the internet to bully others.

Cyberbullying hurts people.

In some cases it can lead to criminal charges.



How to report

Block and report the bully.

Keep proof of the bullying and report this material to the social media service.

Within 48 hours, if the content is not removed, report it to the Office of the eSafety Commissioner at

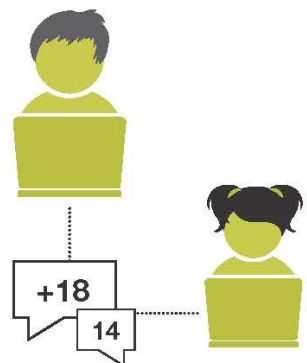
www.esafety.gov.au

★ Unwanted contact

Not everyone online is who they say they are.

It's important that you know who your children are talking to online.

Sometimes adults may pretend to be someone they're not to try and create a relationship with a child online. This is called "grooming".



How to report

You might need to get the police involved.

If you believe a child is in immediate danger call triple zero (000).

Reports can also be made via the Report Abuse button at www.thinkuknow.org.au

★ Sharing personal sexual content

Sometimes young people create naked or semi-naked photos or videos, and share them with others. This can have serious consequences for those involved and can even lead to criminal charges.



How to report

If you become aware that this behaviour is happening report it to your child's school/organisation and/or local police.

★ Inappropriate or unsafe content

Some content on the internet may be illegal, upsetting or unsuitable for some age groups. Inappropriate or unsafe content might include:



- pornography
- violence
- extremist behaviour
- sites that encourage criminal and anti-social behaviour
- offensive content such as text, photos or videos on social media
- chatrooms or blogs that encourage racism or hate.



How to report

Offensive and illegal content complaints should be made to the Office of the eSafety Commissioner at www.esafety.gov.au for investigation.

Online radicalisation and extremist material can be reported to www.reportextremism.livingsafetogether.gov.au

ThinkUKnow's top tips for staying safe online



- Only talk to people on the internet you know and trust, and never meet someone in person you've only 'met' online.
- Think before you post something on the internet about another person.
- Have respectful relationships.
- Learn how to block and report on the sites you and your children use.
- Have a list of health and wellbeing services for your children to access for further support.

Visit www.thinkuknow.org.au for more information and tips!



Kids Helpline

1800 55 1800



@ThinkUKnow_Aus



facebook.com/ThinkUKnowAustralia



www.thinkuknow.org.au

WE'D LOVE YOU TO
COME AND JOIN US AT

ROCK SOLID WEEKLY KIDS CLUB

YEAR 2 TO YEAR 5

FRIDAYS, 3:30 TO 5PM
(DURING SCHOOL TERM)

2 MISSION TCE, LAKEWOOD

\$2 PER CHILD
(INCLUDES AFTERNOON TEA)

☎ 6559 5036 ✉ info@HAVENANGLICAN.COM



Graham Street

Is getting Kendall's first Street
Library

**Take a Book
Give a Book
Share a Book**

We want to invite you to 29 Graham Street Kendall

For the Grand Opening Party

Saturday 18th between 2 – 4,

unveiling at 3 O'clock. Bring a plate to share and
we have the drinks.



Calling all Warriors years K-6! Design your own limited edition Coastal Warriors logo to WIN a t-shirt and cap with YOUR design on it!

To enter:

- you must have "Coastal Warriors Mid North Coast" on the logo somewhere, somehow.
- participants must be in years K-6
- have fun, get creative and colourful!

Entries close May 19th.

Forms can be picked up from Miss Busch or the Office.

Good luck!



PLAYGROUP



WHERE:

Kendall Public School

WHEN:

Term 2 -Thursday

16th, 30th May

13th, 27th June

TIME: 9am—10:30am

COST: Free

GET IN TOUCH:

Kendall P.S Ph: 6559 0040

or Email:

kendall-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Come along & have fun with your child.

- Meet other local families
- Enjoy a range of activities
- Play & socialise with others
- Enjoy morning tea together

Kendall Public School is providing a space and opportunity for families with young children to meet on a regular basis.

By coming to the school regularly your babies/toddlers and pre-schoolers will become familiar with, and build a sense of, belonging to our school. This will support them in making a successful transition to “big school” when that time arrives.

As parents, getting to know other families in the community is always rewarding.

Please sign in as a visitor at the school office when you arrive (this is a WHS requirement). You will then find us in the auditorium under the school library.

Please remember children are the responsibility of parents at all times whilst on the school grounds.

We hope you can make it for a fun morning. Please feel free to bring, or inform, any friends from the area with young children.

