

Bush Telegraph

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Principal's Report

What magnificent weather for our Grandparents Day. Usually it has been wet and miserable but today the weather Gods have smiled on us. It was wonderful for children to share experiences with their grandparents and to see some of the old playground games reappear - games like marbles, jacks , egg and spoon and the like. Thank you everyone for sharing in our very special day.

The other exciting event this week is our inclusion in Picasso Cow competition. Sponsored by the Dairy Industry of NSW our school is one of 6 school ' s on the Mid North Coast to be given a cow as motivation for a student research and art project that highlights the nutrients found in dairy products.

Students in Stage 3 will be required to present a journal outlining their research and their thought processes before coming up with a design for the cow.

The design will then be painted onto the

cow and judged at the end of Term 2. This weekend I have asked all students from K-6 to name our cow and our student committee will decide on its final name after considering all entries.

I see this project as a fun and exciting way to highlight the health and nutrition aspect of the syllabus. Our Picasso Project committee will keep you informed on their progress.

May I extend the school community ' s sympathy to the family of Jeanette Eggins who sadly lost her battle with cancer this week. All three children, Shaun, Daniel and Courtney were educated at Kendall School and the family were proud members and supporters of the school.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our Book Fair this week. At last, I think we have found a supplier that provides quality books at a reasonable price and at the same time gives a fair return to our library.

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Coming events

27.3 4B Assembly at 9am in the hall
28.3 Family Trivia Night
01.04 Easter Canteen Red Day

The Book Fair also allows us to promote a reading culture with students.

Trivia Night

Please keep in mind a trivia evening which is being organised by our P&C on Saturday 28th March in the school hall. This has been organised with the emphasis placed on a family social evening with costs kept to a minimum.

The Bendigo Bank has kindly sponsored the evening with all prizes. These will include Bendigo Bank accounts, umbrellas and show bags.



The evening is for parents and children with all tables being mixed with adults and children. Children will have the opportunity to answer child centred trivia in each round.

The night commences at 5.30pm with a BBQ tea. There will be a \$2 per person entry fee from the trivia quiz which should conclude by 8.30pm.

This is a great opportunity to talk with other families in a fun night out. Families should bring their own refreshments and snacks.

Dennis Burton

Principal

Rugby League Trials

Some of our students attended the Rugby League Trials in Port Macquarie yesterday to be selected in the district squad. With schools all around Port Macquarie vying for places, Kendall is very proud of 3 boys who achieved a place in the squad. Well done to Scott Laurie, James Kennedy and Zack Hanlon! Thank you to parents who transported the students.

Canteen Roster

23rd March	Sonya Hawes
25th March	Sharon Green
27th March	Sue Gow

Uniforms

The size 10 and 12 polo shirts have arrived and are now on sale from the school office. We are still waiting on the size 14 polo shirts and are hoping they will be here soon.

Easter Raffle

Kendall Public School's P&C are holding an Easter raffle and kindly request Easter related donations. A donation box will be placed in the office foyer.

Raffle tickets have been handed out today and are due back on Wednesday 8th April. The raffle will be drawn during the Easter Hat parade which is on Thursday 9th April.

Easter Hat Parade - Thursday 9th April

**BENDIGO BANK PROUDLY SUPPORTS
KENDALL PUBLIC SCHOOL**

Students it is time to get crafty. Categories are:

- Tallest
- Smallest
- Eggiest
- Most colourful
- Bunniest
- Most Australian

Please ensure your child's name and class are marked clearly on the underside of their creation.

Website News

You will be pleased to know that the school website has been uploaded with some current photographs including our new school captains. There are also some powerpoint presentations under the 56SH site for your viewing. I am currently working on the Infants Swimming Carnival photos and they should be shown soon. Next week we will be putting the photos taken on Grandparents Day up.

If you have any questions in regards to the website please speak to me in the office.

Please take the time to look at your school's website.

Cindy

Community News

For Sale

Twin pram, Valco brand, good condition \$50

Portable cot, Steelcraft brand, \$20

"Baby Essentials" potty chair, \$7

Toddlers toilet seat insert \$5

Cot sheets, blankets, quilt and bedding rolls from \$5

Bananas in pyjamas single bed quilt cover \$5

Phone Karen 6556 5464

Free

- Small set of single metal bunk beds - sturdy with no mattress
- Single bed - wrought iron and wood with no mattress

Phone Sharyn 0412 784 840

Unveiling of the Picasso Cow



KENDALL PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

Annual General Meeting - 9th March, 2009

MEETING OPENED 6.55pm

PRESENT - Caitlin Mazoudier, Shanene Matthews, Peter Nash, Eric Hiltunen, Jacqui Hallett, Sonya Hawes, Karen Kaul, Leigh Stevens, Dennis Burton

APOLOGIES - Julie Dunn, Rebecca Rogers, Robyn Flemming

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Tabled and read by Leigh Stevens. 2nd S Hawes

CORRESPONDENCE IN

Auditor's Report from Morten Smith Thompson Accountants

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

TREASURER'S REPORT

Sonya tabled a consolidated Financial Statement from January 2008 to December 2008, with supporting statements.

Sonya moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. 2nd Jacqui Hallett

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Leigh Stevens thanked all executive and committee for their support throughout the year and that it had been a successful year.

BUSINESS ARISING

The meeting was handed over to Dennis Burton. He thanked the P&C for their efforts in supporting the school throughout the year. All positions were declared vacant.

NOMINATIONS

President

Leigh Stevens by Sonya Hawes, 2nd Jacqui Hallett - accepted unopposed

Vice President

P Nash by Caitlin Mazoudier, 2nd Leigh Stevens - accepted unopposed

Jacqui Hallett by Leigh Stevens, 2nd Sonya Hawes - accepted unopposed

Secretary

No nominations put forward, position left open.

Treasurer

Sonya Hawes by Karen Kaul, 2nd Jacqui Hallett - accepted unopposed

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

Meeting Closed 7.21pm

NEXT AGM MONDAY 8/3/2010

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APOLOGIES

Julie Dunn, Rebecca Rogers

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Read and accepted by L Stevens, 2nd Caitlin Mazoudier

BUSINESS ARISING

Dennis informed the meeting that he has applied via the government grants scheme to upgrade facilities in schools across Australia to install an official 'Kiss & Drop' zone with improved surfacing, together with upgrading library facilities, playground fencing and improvements to the school sports oval.

Busways and council are auditing installations of bus stop signs.

Garden equipment will be engraved this week for identification and insurance purposes.

CORRESPONDENCE IN

Student Injury Insurance - Federation Of P & C Assoc

Various fundraising brochures

P & C Journal

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Certificates of appreciation and photos re Melbourne Cup Day sent to sponsors

Grant Application to Kendall Community Op-Shop for \$1000 for gardening equipment.

Camden Haven Golf Club re Charity Golf Day

TREASURERS REPORT

February 2009 Bank Reconciliation

Total Funds Available 31/01/09

CBA \$2,353.61

Plus

DEPOSITS

Canteen 1,970.55

Donation 500.00

2,470.55

Less: WITHDRAWALS

Canteen Supervisor 594.25

Repairs & Maintenance 30.66

624.91

Closing Balance \$4,199.25

Bendigo Bank Account \$721.00 (Garden Grant)

Canteen takings have improved \$440 compared to February, 2008 figures, however, there was 12 canteen days in 2009 compared to 11 in 2008. Unable to give a report on profitability as still waiting for supplier accounts for February. The end of March figures should give us a more accurate canteen report.

Sonya informed meeting that transfer of all P & C funds to Bendigo Bank is in progress.

S Hawes moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. 2nd Leigh Stevens

CANTEEN

Pantry wish list response has been good.

Canteen continued

Dennis spoke re Combined Schools Sport day which will be 11/9/2009. Our school is to run the canteen at the event.

Eric spoke re wastage of food and that consideration should be given to reducing the variety of foods available on the menu.

Eric commented on the sodium content of chips being sold in the canteen, and that it was of a high level and that they weren't selling so well.

FUNDRAISING

Karen asked for some ideas on menu for grandparent's day. Various finger-foods etc.

Shanene sourced art canvasses for Mothers Day and was able to secure a supply from Go-Lo at marked down prices.

Ice-cream Day was a success raising \$163.00 profit.

27th Supplementary Raffle Friday at Kendall Club - Leigh to attend.

28th Trivia Night. BBQ at 5.30, \$2 entry, prebook tables of say 10, BYO drinks.

Easter Hat Parade - Jacqui to secure 15 choc rabbits for prizes. Donations needed for raffle. Tickets need to be sold.

Golf Day - Peter following up.

Mothers Day - Shanene will co-ordinate. Suggested \$5 for a canvas.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thanks to parents who came to help out with the very wet swimming carnival. An official carnival will be held at the end of the year.

Young leader's seminar, kids commended for the behaviour on the day, was well worth attending.

BER (Building Education Revolution) application to upgrade library including replace straw ceiling, carpets and signage, provision of fencing in bottom playground and laneway to oval, formation and paving of an upgraded kiss and drop area, renewal of school oval.

New kindergarten programme monitoring kids where they are no. A Before and After assessment recording achievement throughout the year.

Orientation WILL be repeated for 2009.

Cow coming to school - fibreglass blank to be painted by a professional artist with suggestions from kids. Brainwave of Shepparton Cows to promote the dairy industry.

New promo brochures tabled for school.

Grandparents needed for share groups to discuss some history - Caitlin suggested that the kids have some questions ready for them.

Applied for \$3,000 grant from Kendall Community Op-Shop for library books.

School contributions only 26-27% parents have responded. Dennis read sample letter requesting payment of contribution. Discussion re content took place.

Karen queried the number of visiting performances and their cost and that for larger families the cost was quite considerable. Are the visiting performances necessary?

Dennis agreed that the cost was escalating, however, they do provide the children with an opportunity to learn through drama, gymnastics, music and other media outside the classroom. The performers are employed by the department and the school is provided with information on the various acts.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS

Peter mentioned kids picking fruit from the garden without permission. While it is a school garden, kids need to respect that fruit is being sold at the market and to various businesses. Funds go back into the garden.

Supervisors needed for Friday Work for the Dole.

Request for email addresses hasn't had a huge response. Suggested that the ad go back in the Newsletter.

Meeting Closed 9.24pm

NEXT MEETING

Monday 11th May, 2009 at 6.45pm.

The following tear off slips have been designed to help you in sending absence notes to the school and to ensure that we have all the necessary information for our records. We ask that a parent/guardian complete and sign all sections of the form and send it to the school on the day your child returns to school after an absent day. Thank you.

Parent/Guardian explanation for pupils absence

Pupil's name: _____ Class: _____
Date of absence: _____
Reason for absence: _____

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