



Kirkton Public School

Newsletter

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Term 4, Week 3

Achieve With Pride

23rd October 2014

Song Room Performance True Colours

The organisers of the Song Room program have put together a concert to celebrate the skills and enjoyment of music being developed in many schools in our area.

This concert will be held at the Singleton Civic Centre on Monday 27th October. Transport will be by bus which will depart from Kirkton Public School at 9:15am sharp.

STUDENTS NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL BEFORE THIS TIME AS WE WILL BE UNABLE WAIT FOR THEM DUE TO THE TIGHT SCHEDULE ON THE DAY.

Congratulations Year 5

Wednesday afternoon Yr. 5 nominees for 2015 School Captain delivered their speeches to the rest of the school.

All speeches were excellent! It's great to see our students willing and extremely able to create their arguments and to communicate them clearly, confidently and expressively to their audience.

Congratulations to all the 'speech makers' - you should be extremely proud of yourselves

Assemblies

Friday 31st October – Yrs. 4/5/6

Friday 14th November – Yrs. 1/2/3

Friday 28th November - K/1

Calendar of Events

October 27th

- Song Room Performance —Singleton Civic Centre

October 30th

- 2015 Kindergarten Orientation

October 31st

- Assembly—Yrs 4/5/6

November 1st

- Cinema Under The Stars

November 6th

- RAW Art Educational Program

November 7th

- Swimming for Sport—Branxton Pool

November 10th—21st

- Intensive Swim Program

November 11th

- P&C Meeting—6:30pm

November 14th

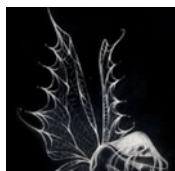
- Assembly—Yrs 1/2/3

November 28th

- Swimming for Sport—Branxton Pool
- Assembly—K/1

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FRIENDSHIP LEARNING OPPORTUNITY RESPECT ACHIEVEMENT



Fairies in the playground????



The following photographs catch sight of fairy forest and housing which appeared in our playground. Some K-1 student hold the secret!!!



FOREST



SHELTER

Survey

Coming home today with this newsletter is the School Survey developed to aid our school planning and development for the next 3 years (at least). As previously stated it would be extremely beneficial to our school planning and decision making to have as many as possible returned so that we get a clear picture of our school community's ideas and perspectives and so that all ideas can be considered.

Administration - End of Financial Year

The school's end of financial year is on 30 November. Please ensure if you are intending on making a payment to the school that they are paid before this date. There are still a few refund cheques that have not been presented to the bank—if you have one of these cheques, please present the cheque to the bank asap.

Thank you

School Uniform Order 2015

We are placing a school uniform order on Friday 7th November to ensure our order arrives on time for the new school year. If you would like place your order for 2015, please do so before this date.

Great Book Sale

Our school is holding a Great Book Sale on Thursday October 30, 2014 at lunch time to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF). We are asking students to bring along books they no longer need to donate to our sale. For a gold coin donation they can choose a "new" book. The ILF works to put books into the hands of children and families in remote Indigenous communities across Australia. In the past four years, with the support of many people including schools, they have sent more than 100,000 new, high quality books to over 230 remote communities. The ILF runs an early literacy project called Book Buzz and has published and funded, in partnerships, 37 community literacy projects. Any books you would like to donate can be sent to the library. We are looking forward to meeting your pre-loved books!

Marjorie

Key points to remember around schools

2 Driving near school buses

There is a 40km/h speed limit for traffic passing a school bus that is setting down or picking up school children.

This speed limit is for all traffic travelling in the same direction as the bus, whether the bus is stationary or moving.

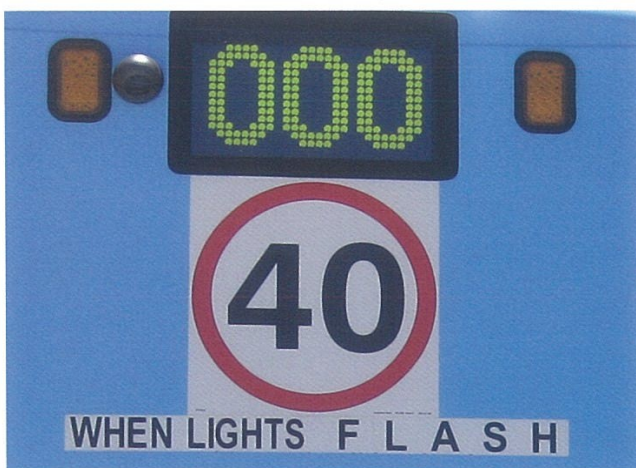
The 40km/h speed limit must be obeyed when the rear wig wag lights on the bus flash.

Flashing headlights on these buses also alert oncoming motorists that children are close by.

As a driver, remember: When the lights on the bus are flashing, you must slow down to 40 km/h.

Never park in or near a bus stop or bus zone.

For information about fines and demerit points, visit rms.nsw.gov.au



3 On and off the bus safely

Your child is most at risk in the minutes after getting off the bus. You can reduce this risk.

Meet your child (or arrange for another trusted adult to meet your child) AT the bus stop, NEVER on the opposite side of the road.

Wait until the bus has been driven away before choosing the safest place to cross the road, then follow the usual road crossing procedures with your children.

STOP! One step back from the kerb.

LOOK! For traffic to your right, left and right again.

LISTEN! For the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK! Whether it is safe to cross.

Teach your children to keep turning their head in both directions to look and listen for traffic as they cross the road.

While waiting at the bus stop, stand well away from the passing traffic. Never wait right at the kerb.

Remind your children that when a bus is fitted with seatbelts, they must buckle up.

Until they turn ten, hold hands with your child as you cross the road.



For more information visit
roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au

KIRKTON PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C NEWS

Next meeting: Tuesday 11th November @ 6.30pm

Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser - DUE NOW

Could all outstanding chocolate money please be returned as soon as possible. If anyone has any chocolates they are unable to sell could you please return them to school and we can distribute them to those able to sell more.

Cinema under the stars – The Lego Movie

Saturday 1st November. Gates open 5.30pm.

Come along for a fantastic evening.

There will be jumping castles, Forage Espresso stall, SnoCones, Kirkton Krafts stall, bbq, raffles, competitions and much more.

Come dressed as your favourite Lego character for your chance to win a prize.

Colouring competitions need to be given to Mrs Mercieca by Friday 31st October.

Model competitions also need to be at school on Friday 31st October.

Admission tickets are now available from the office.

Attached to the newsletter is a request for help from our school community. If you are able to help please return the slip to school.

Canteen dates

Don't forget there have been some changes to canteen dates for this term.

Canteen days:

Week

3	Friday 24 th October	Tomorrow
4	Friday 31 st October	
5	Monday 3 rd November	
6	No Canteen due to intensive swimming	
7	No Canteen due to intensive swimming	
8	Monday 24 th November	
9	Monday 1 st December	
10	Friday 12 th December	
11	No canteen	

Upcoming Events

October 24
Canteen

October 31
Canteen

November 1st
Cinema under the stars

November 2nd
Sacred Tree Markets

November 3
Canteen

November 11th
P&C meeting

Minutes and Agenda

P&C minutes can be found on the school website.

Agenda items can be placed in the P&C box in the office or alternatively emailed to:
carmo2228@yahoo.com.au

The agenda will go home in the newsletter prior to each meeting.



Canteen tomorrow

**NEW – Frozen Yoghurt
on a stick. Mixed
flavours. \$0.50
Chocolate Moosies are
back!!!**

**Uniform Shop
open Tuesday's
2.30-3.30pm**

Majestic Cinema Movie Tickets



**We still have some available.
\$9.00 each**

Tickets are valid til June 2015
Can be used at any sessions.
\$2 extra applies to 3D movies.

Full price tickets are \$16.00 adult and \$12.50 child. Great saving!!!!
Please return the slip below with your payment to receive your
tickets.

Majestic Cinema Movie Tickets

Name _____

Number of tickets required _____ **@ \$9.00 each.**

Total enclosed \$ _____



We need your help!!!!

Our Cinema under the stars event on Saturday 1st November is set to be a fantastic event for our school and the community.

To make this a truly successful event we need your help.

If you are able to help with something on the list below can you please complete this form and return it to the box in the office.

Please consider that all stalls will also have P&C executive members on them to assist you and start time will be 5.30pm, with movie screening at 7.30pm.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Name _____ Ph _____

Make cupcakes for the cupcake stall	
Sell cakes at the cupcake stall	
Sell raffle tickets prior to the movie screening	
Sell numbers in the 100 Club	
Sell guesses in the lolly guessing competition	
Assist with jumping castle supervision	
Assist on the novelty stall prior to movie screening (selling glow products, lucky dips...)	
Face painting (simple designs, all materials supplied)	
Supervise Lego display tables	
Other?	

CINEMA UNDER THE STARS

Featuring THE LEGO MOVIE

Presented by Kirkton P&C
Major Sponsor: Coal and Allied

SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2014
GATES OPEN 5.30PM - SCREENING AT 7.30PM
AT KIRKTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
797 STANDEN DRIVE LOWER BELFORD.

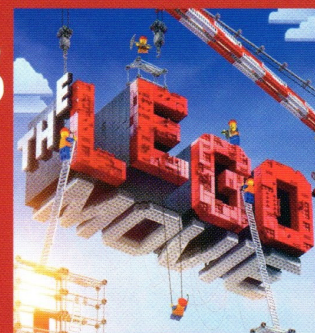
\$25 PER FAMILY OR \$8 PER PERSON.
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE GATE OR FROM KIRKTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

PRE SHOW ENTERTAINMENT BY HUNTER VALLEY PHYSIE, LEGO DISPLAY, JUMPING CASTLES, STALLS, BBQ, DRINKS, LOLLIES, AND MUCH MORE.

COME DRESSED AS YOUR FAVOURITE LEGO CHARACTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE.

BRING ALONG A PICNIC BLANKET AND ENJOY A UNIQUE MOVIE EXPERIENCE UNDER THE STARS.

For more information: School 65747152
P&C President Kristen Mercieca 0407344196



LEGO DISPLAY



JUMPING CASTLES



DRESS UP TO WIN!!



Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way

...to create a veggie garden at home

This spring all you need to start growing your own vegetable garden is a foam box!

Foam boxes are light and easy for you and your kids to manage.

Step One: Cut six drainage holes in the bottom of the foam box.

Step Two: Elevate foam box by placing it on some old bricks and fill with potting mix.

Step Three: Plant seedlings or seeds, making sure not to over plant (aim to plant around 4-6 seedlings per box).

Step Four: Water and care for your seedlings daily.

Try planting tomato, pumpkin and zucchini seedlings this spring...and watch your kids enjoy eating the results!



For more information visit
www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit

Eat It To Beat It 

Coming to Singleton Library soon

Nicole Alexander Author Talk

Nicole is the bestselling author of *The Bark Cutters*, *A Changing Land*, *Absolution Creek* and the WWI epic, *Sunset Ridge*.

In her new novel, *The Great Plains*, Nicole Alexander takes us on a captivating journey from the American Wild West to the wilds of outback Queensland, from the Civil War to the Great Depression, in an epic novel tracing one powerful but divided family.

Nicole Alexander Author Talk

Thursday 6th November 6pm – 8pm

Singleton Public Library

FREE

