



## Kirkton Public School

### *Newsletter*

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## Week 4 Term 1 2014

### **Kids Matter**

All Teaching staff and 3 very brave parents will be heading off to Newcastle on Monday 24th February to be familiarised with the Kids Matter program.

These 8 people will be responsible for the implementation of Kids Matter throughout the school.

On Tuesday 25th February, Mrs Loss and Mr Douglas return to Newcastle to undergo the "facilitators" component of the program.

We aim to benefit all our students wellbeing with this program implementation,

I greatly appreciate all the parents who "volunteered" to assist.

Two of the three casual Teachers for Monday have been at Kirkton before and know our routines.

Students will have a fresh face and exciting day on Monday.

### **Weekly Assemblies**

As our Fridays have been inundated with students going to and fro representing our school as well as staff we have decided to have a midweek assembly this coming Wednesday (26<sup>th</sup>).

As usual it will be a 3.p.m. start and the hosting class will be Yrs. 4/5/6.

Hope you can attend.

- The assembly for Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March will be hosted by Yrs. 1/2/3
- The assembly for Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April will be hosted by K/1.



## Swimming for Sport Tomorrow

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FRIENDSHIP LEARNING OPPORTUNITY RESPECT ACHIEVEMENT

## Zone Swimming Carnival

A pleasing number of our students will be representing our school at the Zone Swimming Carnival tomorrow. This is a great opportunity for them to experience competition at a higher level. We wish them all the greatest success.



Mrs. Loss will be there also for support and assistance.

Our Zone Swimming Carnival Team for 2014 is - Chloe Black, Brock Burgess, Ella Hughes, Blaik Schmidhauser, Isabella Farrelly, Nicole Searles, Jago Lambert, Codey O'Connell and Madalyn Campbell.

## Teacher Parent Information Night – Thursday 13th March

This night has been developed to enlighten parents on DET and school priorities, strategies to assist students while at school and to open up the forum for questions as well as the two way trade of information.

We hope you can join us for this session. This would be an ideal venue to raise options for further information sessions/workshops throughout the year.

## Cattle Judging

Our Cattle Judging team had its first outing last Friday at Maitland Show. Although we had no winners this time round the students fulfilled their tasks extremely well. A lot of thought and observation was being demonstrated as the students walked around the beasts they were judging. The experience of developing a report to explain their placings, in a limited amount of time, was daunting but some very good points and phrases were noted.



Some classes of cattle were mixed with ages and breeds but this also was a very valuable experience as the students now recognise more fully that they need to look for 'the best' beast rather than the biggest or prettiest. In all classes the students were not too far away from the order of placings by the 'overjudge'.

Congratulations to the students and many thanks again to the parents who were able to attend.

## Teacher/Parent interviews

These will be held on;

- Monday 24th - K/1 with Mrs Walter
- Wednesday 26th - Yrs 1/2/3 with Ms Adams and Mrs. Loss
- Thursday 27th March - Yrs 4/5/6 with Mr Douglas

## Working With Children Check

New volunteers at our school (eg our Kinder parents) need to apply for a Working With Children Check through the RTA before you can volunteer. This can be found on line at [www.kids.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/New-Working-with-Children-Check](http://www.kids.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/New-Working-with-Children-Check) where you will receive a number. Once you have your number please take this number to the RTA and the process will be completed there. The school will need to sight your certificate once you have it then it will be recorded on a register.

# The simplest way

to make a healthy brekky!

Breakfast is one of the most important meals of the day, but did you know that many Aussie families skip it?

A healthy brekky improves energy levels, alertness and concentration, plus it's an easy way to throw in an extra serve of fruit & veg.



Here are some quick brekky ideas:

- Sliced bananas or avocado on toast
- Add chopped vegies to an omelette or savoury pancake
- Create a warm porridge or cereal with canned or fresh fruit
- Top a wholemeal muffin or toast with cooked tomato, mushrooms, baked beans or creamed corn

For more information visit  
[www.eatittobeatit.com.au](http://www.eatittobeatit.com.au)  
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://facebook.com/eatittobeatit)

**Eat It To Beat It** 

## School Fees

School fees for 2014

\$20 per child

\$40 per family

Family Invoices have been sent home.

**UNIFORM SHOP  
OPEN  
EVERY TUESDAY  
FROM  
2:30PM TO 3:30PM**

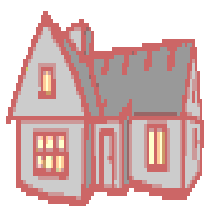
Kirkton Sustainability Group for Kirkton Public School is still selling raffle tickets \$2.00 each. Raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 26th February during our first assembly.

**Raffle prize is a DRIZA-BONE.**

Tickets are available school office.

## Dates for the diary

21/2/14	Swimming for Sport All students Zone Swimming Carnival
28/2/14	Swimming for Sport All students
7/3/14	Swimming for Sport All students Cattle Judging–Newcastle
11/3/14	P&C Meeting 6:30pm in the School Library
13/3/14	Young Teen Talk Year 6 only Parent and Teaching Information Night 5:30pm in the School Library
14/3/14	Swimming for Sport All students
21/3/14	Swimming for Sport All students <b>Welcome Disco</b>
24/3/14	Parent Teacher Interviews
26/3/14	Parent Teacher Interviews
27/3/14	Parent Teacher Interviews
28/3/14	Swimming for Sport All students
30/3/14	<b>Masters BBQ</b>
8/4/14	School Photo Day  P&C Meeting 6:30pm in the School Library



**SCHOOL OFFICE  
HOURS:**  
8.45am  
until  
3.45pm



### SWIMATHON FAMILY FUN

**WHEN:** Sunday 2nd March  
**WHERE:** YMCA Singleton Gym and Swim  
**TIME:** 10:00—3:00pm

Join us at 12:00pm for the official opening of our new pool mobility hoist!

**ACTIVITIES:**

- Sponsored swimming
- Jumping castle
- Face painting
- Grit Launch Preview
- Rowing Challenge
- Chuck a Duck
- BBQ lunch

**COST:** All pool entry fees will be donated to the Swimathon

**PLENTY OF FUN FOR EVERYONE!**

Singleton Gym and Swim  
14-18 Civic Avenue Singleton NSW 2330  
P: 6572 1359  
[www.ymcansw.org.au/singleton](http://www.ymcansw.org.au/singleton)

Singleton Council YMCA



## SINGLETON JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

### 2014 PLAYER REGISTRATIONS

Registration Day to be held at Cook Park on  
**Saturday 22nd February 2014**  
**9am till 12 Noon**

**NEW REGISTRATIONS** MUST be done in person and a copy of your child's birth certificate or passport MUST be presented at the time of registration. No registrations will be accepted without the relevant certificates.

**RE-REGISTRATIONS** for ALL players who played in 2013 need to be done via the new Online Registration program. The link for online registrations can be found on the Clubs Website or Facebook page. Payment via Visa or Credit Card and will incur a 3.9% processing fee.

<http://www.singletonjuniorrugbyleague.leaguenet.com.au/>

**It is the Clubs policy that NO PLAYER will train/play unless they are registered and registration IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL REGISTRATION IS RECEIVED AND PAID IN FULL.**

This years registration fee will be \$100 for All Players.

Any queries please contact Club Registrar  
Tracey Rapley on 0411044958

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# Kirkton Public School P&C News

**Next meeting:** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March @ 6.30pm

## Welcome New Families Disco

Preparations for our disco on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March are underway, with details to be confirmed at our next P&C meeting. Save the date for your diary, looking forward to seeing everyone there.

## Masters BBQ

We will be holding a fundraising BBQ at Masters, Rutherford on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March. A roster will be sent home as it gets closer. Any help you can give will be much appreciated.

## Easter Raffle

We will be conducting an Easter Raffle on the Easter Hat Parade day. We will be asking for donations of Easter eggs in the coming weeks.

## Uniform

There is a Rugby style jumper on display in the office. Please have a look at it so that you can share your thoughts on it with us at the next P&C meeting.

## P&C Membership

A *membership form* has been sent home to each family. If you require more there are copies on the P&C table in the Office. Please return your completed membership form and payment in an envelope and place it in the P&C box in the office. Thank you.

## P&C Levy

This is a voluntary contribution and is to remain at \$15.00 per family for 2014. Thank you to those families that have already paid. Your contribution is much appreciated.

## Upcoming Events



### March 11

P&C Meeting @ 6.30pm

### March 21

Welcome Disco

### March 30

Masters BBQ

### April 8

P&C meeting @ 6.30pm

## Minutes and Agenda

P&C minutes can be found on the school website and will also be emailed to members. Agenda items can be placed in the P&C box in the office or alternatively emailed to: [camo2228@yahoo.com.au](mailto:camo2228@yahoo.com.au). The agenda will be emailed to members prior to each meeting.

KIRKTON PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION  
11 FEBRUARY 2014

**MEETING OPENED:** 7:17pm

**PRESENT:** R Campbell, C Gallegos, J Black, N Black, K Mercieca, M Shearer, J Watkins,  
J Tonon, K Lane, S Mitchell, M Douglas, D Lambert, L Lambert, N Lambert, J  
Padgett, T Still, J Mayo, R Baird.

**APOLOGIES:** Mrs Bailey.

**WELCOME TO NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**PRESIDENT** K Mercieca

**VICE PRESIDENT** J Padgett

**SECRETARY** T Still

**TREASURER** J Tonon

**CANTEEN** To Be Advised

**UNIFORM COORDINATOR** J Black

**MINUTES** Moved R Baird Seconded T Still

**NEW BUSINESS**

**UNIFORMS**

To now run in conjunction with the school, Shelley and the P&C.

Shelley will order the uniforms and Joan will run purchases.

Old glove and beanie stocks to be donated to charity shop. Old school uniforms to be  
donated to Phillipines (via J Padgetts mum, Mrs Gates).

It has been noticed that new shirts aren't wearing very well. Parents to continue to monitor  
shirt wearing quality.

New Skorts are to be purchased and trialled for girls (current ones are too dark in colour).

A decision needs to be made whether a rugby jumper be added to new uniform for winter.

Design to be displayed in school office and parents can vote on idea at a later date.

**FUNDRAISING**

Master BBQ 30th March 2014, parent volunteers required.

Welcome Disco: No alcohol

Choose date near end of term one

Order DJ

Decision on whether to provide dinner needs to be made.

Cinema under the stars: Date needs to be confirmed

Silent auction

Easter Raffle at hat parade

Sacred Tree markets

KIRKTON PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION  
11 FEBRUARY 2014

Mothers day in March 2014

Library/Swimming bags: M Shearer to make.

**CANTEEN**

Discussions as whether the canteen shall resume trading as normal or whether a once a month prepaid theme meal day be adopted... to be decided at a later date.

**PRINCIPLES REPORT**

see attached

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

P&C meetings to be held 2nd tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Membership fees 50c

P&C levy \$15 per family

Minutes of P&C meeting in newsletter after meeting date.

Agenda of meeting to be sent home one day prior to P&C meeting to all families.

SCHOOL FEES \$20 per child, \$40 per family per year, Moved R Campbell, seconded J Mayo.

A Working Bee date for the school and list of jobs that need to be performed need to be decided.

The Sustainability group to become a sub committee under the P&C.

Mr Douglas stated Mr Bailey to now make school sign ( \$8000 quote for sign not readily achievable for P&C). Mr Douglas to decide what items P&C should aim to provide funding for.

**MEETING CLOSED 8:27PM.**