Wednesday 15th October, 2014
Term 4 Week 2

Term 4
October

Week 3
Mon 20th to Fri 24th
Thurs 23rd
Fri 24th

Kindergarten Transition
Football Clinic
‘Pete the Sheep’ at the Glasshouse K – 1

Week 4
Thurs 30th
Fri 31st

Football Clinic
School Fete

Week 5
Wed 5th
Thurs 6th

Life Education Van
Football Clinic

Week 6
Mon 10th – Fri 14th
Mon 10th – Wed 12th
Mon 10th – Wed 12th
Thurs 13th
Fri 14th

School Swimming and Water Safety program
Life Education Van
Active Education Camp – Forster Years 5 and 6
Football Clinic
Out of Uniform Day – Christmas Hamper Donation

Be Responsible
• Play by the rules
• Eat before going on the field
• Use equipment as intended
• Report to the teacher any problems

Be Respectful
• Follow instructions
• Speak politely
• Consider others
• Be a good sport

Be Safe
• Play in correct areas
• Let teachers sort out problems
• Follow all adult directions

Transition Year 2 to Year 3
Parents are welcome to come to our school hall on Monday 20th October at 9.30am to learn about Year 3. You may then visit a Primary classroom to watch a Year 3 lesson.

Kindergarten Transition
We are looking forward to welcoming to our school our 2015 Kindergarten students and parents next week. This is an exciting time for our children as they experience “BIG SCHOOL”.

You’re invited to the Kempsey West Public School

CIRCUS FETE
Friday 31st October 2014
11.30am-3pm

This year our fete will feature:

Hot Dogs Slushies Show Bags KHS Petting Zoo
White Elephant Stall Face Painting Toy Stall
Jewellery Making Jumping Castle Nerf Ducks
Best Dressed Prize Strongman Competition
Clown Rings Clown Skirts
Juggling Balls Clown Ties
Face Painting Mystery Cups
Tattoos Tin Can Alley

And LOTS more!

SCHOOL FETE WEEK 4 – FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER
This week Kindergarten has been busy creating works of art for our Fete Art Gallery. The Library will be displaying artworks which will be available for parents and families to buy on the day. Primary classes have also been learning about clowns and the history of the circus around the world.

Clown Costumes
The P&C Association will be selling clown costumes for students to wear on the day of the fete. Please see the note with this West Whispers for more information. It is very important that you hand in your order by next week so we can get busy making the costumes. There are sample outfits in the library if you would like to have a look. If you have any questions please come and see Mrs Trees or Mrs Bates.

Emma Bates, Teacher Librarian

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Please send in correct money with your child’s lunch order. Please place all hot food orders before 9.20am. We do not keep money in the Canteen overnight. We are unable to change $50, $20 and $10 notes.

Please advise Gwen if you are unable to help on your day.
Phone @ school: 6562 7044

Assembly Awards - Term 4 Week 1

Congratulations to the following students

MERIT AWARDS
KR – Tahlia P, Lillie-Rose D
KH – Michael R, Harrison G
KJ – Eli D, Daniel F
K/1E – Trevor S, Maddison F
1B – Miykah McL, Nathan E
1/2S – Alaya B, MJ B
2B – Quinton H
2/3D – Joshua R, Evan O
3M – Trinity B, Baily A
3/4F – Shylie D, Chloe D
4/5H – Lora S, Anton A
5/6P – Tori W, Cameron J
5/6S – Chloe E, Izaac F
3–6T – Michael C
SL – Haydon S, Reyon W

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK - Kaitlyn E, Will B.

LOU’S CAFÉ RESTAURANT REWARD VOUCHER - Kurt T, Paris B.

Issue 7 order forms will be sent home with students this week. Please complete order forms and place in an envelope with correct money, marked with child’s name and class and return to the canteen by 9.30am 24th October, 2014.

School Swimming and Water Safety Program – Monday 10th – Friday 21st November. Cost is $30. Years 2 to 6 can learn to swim. Notes will be going home very soon. Spaces are limited so money needs to be in by Wednesday 5th November to the front office.

This is one example of five posters from Kempsey West Public School being displayed soon at Circular Quay for “World's Biggest Classroom”.

SCHOOL FETE WEEK 4 – FRIDAY 31st OCTOBER
Out of School Activities

Junior Netball
Ages U11’s & U13’s
Cost - $15 player rego & $5 game fee each week
Term 4 and Term 1
Teams – 7 a-side
Times – from 3:45, games off a scheduled draw
To Register: call us on 6562 2225
Email us: play@macleayindoorsports.com.au

Taikoz at the Glasshouse

Last Wednesday some of the band members went to the Glasshouse with Mrs Fletcher and Georgia. When we got there we went straight inside the theatre. Our group sat really close to the stage in row I. When the performance started it was really loud—it was so loud that in parts of the performance we felt the vibrations of the Taiko drums. In some of the performances the members of Taikoz chose kids to go up on stage to play the Taiko drums. In the last section Jamika was chosen to play a part of music. My favourite part was when Taikoz played a piece about a Japanese Haiku called Dragonflies. Another part which was one of my favourites was when they played Sakura - Cherry Blossom on the Japanese bamboo flute. Seeing Taikoz was a great experience. by Cailyn 5/6S

Last Wednesday, when the band members went to Taikoz, we listened to Japanese music. It was very unique. I liked it a lot. Most of the instruments were Taiko drums. There was also a bamboo flute and a koto. The koto was made from paulownia wood and it has strings. The small koto has 13 strings and the big koto has 17 strings and it has a deeper sound than the smaller koto. The lady who played the koto had ivory picks on two fingers. She tried plastic picks but it didn't sound as good. by Quinn B 5/6S

I liked the sound of the huge Taiko drums because it was all new to me. I also liked the beautiful stringed instrument called the Koto. by Cassandra 5/6P

It was fun when I was picked to play the small Taiko drum on stage. I would recommend people of any age to go see and hear Taikoz. by Jamika 3/F

The Koto Instrument
The koto is a wooden instrument from Japan made from paulownia.
I know what a paulownia tree is now because there is one in front of our school in Marsh Street. by Brittany N 5/6S

International Science Poetry Competition Winner
Congratulations to Jordana K (formerly 6K) whose poem 'Space School' has won her a first place in the 9-11yrs division of the International Science Poetry Competition.
Many students chose a theme from the Science Challenge at Kempsey High School. 'Simple Spans' by Leisha and ‘Get Over It’ by Charntaye related to bridge building. 'Mini Catapult' was written by Sherilee.

Space School
You fly by a rocket to this funky new school
It’s out of the ordinary, different, it’s cool.
You learn about science and you learn about space
It’s so amazing that you never see a straight face.
For lunch you are served a galactic moon pie
With a gravity free Starburst to help you fly.
You fly back to class--‘Star Wars’ is showing.
The teacher, Miss Neptune is so easy going.
Space ball and freefall are our favourite sports
We always play on the floating moon courts.
In freefall I dropped and landed in my class.
The teacher said, "WAKE UP!"—No thanks, I’ll pass!

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