KEMPSEY WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL

West Whispers
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Wednesday 1st April, 2015
Term 1 Week 10

Be Responsible

2015 Term 1
APRIL
Parent/Teacher Interviews - Class 6K
Hot Dog Lunch - 11.20am
Easter Hat Parade - 12.10pm
P & C Guessing Competition Drawn (at Hat Parade)
Last Day of Term 1
Term 2
APRIL
Staff Development Day
Students commence Term 2
Macleay Netball
North Coast Soccer
Special Assembly - ANZAC Day Ceremony 9.30am
Week 1
Mon 20th
Tues 21st
Wed 22nd
Thurs 23rd
Fri 24th
Week 2
Mon 27th
Wed 29th
Week 3
Fri 8th
Week 4
Mon 11th

Be Respectful

This week in PBL – our three school rules for –
FRONT OF SCHOOL

Be Responsible
- Wait inside the gates
- Go straight to the COLA when arriving
- Walk straight home in the afternoon

Be Respectful
- Speak politely at all times

Be Safe
- Walk at all times
- Use the pedestrian crossing
- Follow road safety rules
- Play in correct areas

Easter Hat Parade – TOMORROW
THURSDAY 2nd April - On this day all students are invited to bring an Easter Hat to school to wear in the parade. Parents are asked to provide the hats for students to wear in the parade. Parents and families are most welcome to come along and join us for the Hot Dog Lunch at 11.20am and then the Hat Parade at 12.10pm.
Please remember to return your guessing competition tickets. (Competition drawn at the Easter Hat Parade)
If you wish to take your child home after the parade, please be sure to advise your child’s teacher. You do not need to sign out at the front office.

On behalf of all the staff at Kempsey West, I wish you a wonderful holiday break and look forward to seeing all the students safely back at school on Tuesday 21st April.

Cathy Korn, Assistant Principal

P & C NEWS
Did you know that the canteen is run by our Parents’ and Citizens’ Association?
We are now looking for more volunteers to help out in the canteen beginning next term.
If you can give up even a couple of hours once a month we would be very grateful.
See Gwen in the canteen or anyone in the front office.
Our new P & C Committee for 2015
President - Kellie Trees, Vice President - Rebecca Ross
Secretary - Emma Bates, Treasurer - Kim Hodge.

Easter Hat Parade
Hot dog orders have now closed - If you have ordered hot dogs for your family members they will be delivered to your child’s classroom at 11:20am. There will be no hot dogs available to buy on the day. Our school canteen will be open and operating.
Guessing Competition tickets must be brought to the library before school on Thursday. SRC will be selling cans of drink for $2 at lunchtime, and there will also be Easter Bunny Treats for $2 sold by library monitors.
**UNIVERSITY OF NSW ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS 2015**

**YEARS 3-6**

*If you would like your child to take part in any or all of these competitions, money and note need to be returned to the front office by THURSDAY 2nd April 2015.*

This week we have been busy creating a whole school display for ANZAC Day. Every student has made a poppy that will be incorporated into the school artwork.

Students have been busy making their Easter hats at lunchtime; we cannot wait to see all the students with their hats at the Parade on Thursday.

Looking ahead to Term 2, we will have a new Museum in a Box display from the Australian Museum which will be all about skeletons. Over the holidays please have a look for any library books that your child has borrowed. Overdue letters will be sent home next term along with the cost of the missing book.  

Emma Bates, Teacher Librarian

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**Library News**

The amount we ask families to pay goes **100%** towards your child’s education, buying items that we could not afford without your support. We are asking that you contribute as follows:

- **1 Child** - $15.00 for the whole year
- **2 or more children** - $20.00 for the whole year

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**SRC Fundraiser**

*“Guess the Easter Eggs in the Jar Competition”*

- 50c for 1 guess
- Years K-2
- Years 3-6

**Winners will be announced at the Easter Hat Parade tomorrow Thursday 2nd April**

The SRC will also be selling cans of drink on Thursday 2nd April.

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**Canteen Roster**

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Canteen Committee for 2015 - President - Leigh-Anne Clarke, Vice President – Mel Waters  
Secretary Leanne Ryan, Treasurer – Margaret Lewis

**Canteen WILL BE OPEN TOMORROW THURSDAY 2nd APRIL – Easter Hat Parade**

Gwen would like to wish all her lovely helpers a very Happy and Safe Holiday 😊

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**SCHOOL PHOTOS – Monday 11th May. (Term 2 Week 4)**

Information will be sent home closer to the day.

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**Responsible Pet Education**

The puppy was black and white. I liked patting the puppy. I really, really like puppies.  

* Xavier KH

I had to hold a sign up. I had to put my hand out so the puppy could sniff it before I could pat it. The puppy felt soft and I liked it.  

* Grace KJ

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I patted the puppy and it licked me. It looked like a Border Collie. It had a butterfly on its collar.  

* Imogen KJ

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On Thursday 19th March we travelled to South West Rocks for the Macleay Rugby League trials. When we got there we had to sit down and talk about the rules. After that we did a couple of drills and stretches to warm up. Then they picked the teams and we started playing. Shane played fullback, Tyrell played prop and Justin played wing. When we finished the game we had to sit down again and they told us who got selected for the next trials at Lake Cathie. We all got picked!!!!!!!!!  

* Shane 6K, Tyrell 6K, Justin 4/5H*
Congratulations to the following students

MERIT AWARDS
KH – Tobias B, Liam C
KJ – Tahlia A, Zayden D
K/1B – Harrison O’B, Cideek R
1E – Samantha L, Samuel C
1/2S – Aliarna D, Dakotah M
2B – Shkiah M, Naitwon W
2D – James F, Kirra R
3G – Lachlan M, Nicholas W

3/4M – Ruby H, Kieren W
4S – Destiny B, Jamika McA
4/5H – Rosetta R, Kyara M
6K – Kai D, Taneisha L
8-8S – Braeden H, Lincoln D
3-6T – Shylee G
2-6H – Nathaniel N, Reyon W

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK – Cooper A, Lester D, Tayah P, Tallis H, Daniel T.
ART AWARDS – Michael C, Natoya Q, Tameisha L.

Important Dates
LAST DAY OF TERM 1: Thursday 2nd April, 2015
EASTER: Friday 3rd April – Monday 6th April, 2015
STAFF RETURN: Monday 20th April, 2015 (Staff Development Day – PUPIL FREE)
FIRST DAY OF TERM 2: Tuesday 21st April, 2015 (Students Return)
ANZAC DAY: Saturday 25th April, 2015

OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:
Brainstorm Productions
The Magic Words
Wednesday 29th April – 2.05pm
(notes will be going home Term 2 Week 1)
Cost $5 or $12 for family (3 or more children)

Frederickton OSHC
After School Care & Vacation Care
Child Care Benefit & Child Care Rebate available

Please contact the Co-ordinator Kate Andrews 0447 626 387 or Kempsey Family Day Care 6562 6387

* A bus from West Kempsey Public School to the After School Care service is available

Students of the Week-Wk 9
Class 1/6S and Class SB enjoyed a day out at Westport Park. We explored a range of sensory, sound and movement activities. We took a stroll along the wharf taking in the beautiful sights of the pelicans and their natural habitat.

It was fun. I loved getting wet. **Marshall**

I loved the fast roundabout. **Braeden**

I enjoyed going for a walk along the wharf and seeing all the different boats. **Zak**

Last Thursday 3G and 3/4M went to the Kempsey Museum for the Gallipoli excursion. We learnt about the Gallipoli war 100 years ago. We had to be archaeologists and dig in the sand and we found bullets, cans, whistles, buttons, skeletons, binoculars, 1 empty rum bottle, a billy, a tin cup, a gun and a gas bottle. After that we went into an old classroom with old fashioned chairs. We also learnt how to use ink pens that were the same as they used in the war. Next we looked in a Red Cross box full of knitted socks and gloves, cans of food, bonbons, cigarettes and rum. We went and played games -
1. Simpson and his donkey.
2. The rat game.
We then dressed up as soldiers, nurses and families. We learnt a lot about Gallipoli and how people lived during that time.

**Chase and Ruby 3/4M**

We went on the Gallipoli excursion to the museum. There were four groups and we learnt that 100 years ago people went to the war and fought for our county. The Red Cross used to send a box full of supplies to each soldier which had corned beef, socks, lollies and Anzac biscuits in it. We also learnt about Simpson and his donkey, how to write with a quill and dressed up in olden day clothes. We had heaps of fun and learnt that people thought it was going to be an adventure going to war but thousands of people got shot and died and that is very sad!!!! **Joshua and Jamika 4S**