Dear Parents,

All public schools in NSW are being supported to engage more deeply with their communities under an agreement signed between the Federal and State Governments. In the agreement schools have a small amount of funding to support their local community to increase positive contributions to student learning and engagement. The initiative is supportive of parents being provided with opportunities to contribute to the development of school plans.

In today’s Newsletter, a parent survey has been included for parents to complete. Please take a few minutes to think through your ideas and give the school feedback on two keys areas of culture and engagement. Over the next couple of weeks staff will also be evaluating the practices within our school against the Schools Excellence Framework. The framework provides a clear description of the key elements of high quality practice across the domains of teaching, learning and leading.

All parents want the best for their children. In education this means a commitment to nurture, inspire and challenge students in their learning. With your input, our school plans are more able to reflect the aspirations that you have for your child. At our next P & C meeting, the scaffold of parent and staff thoughts will be presented for both insight and planning purposes.

It would be most helpful if surveys could be returned by Wednesday 11th November.

Many thanks in anticipation.

Sue Mackay
Principal
Changes in the Forest.
From this week the staff have made a few changes to the operation of the ‘Forest’ and to rules for the area. This has come about due to the dryness of the area, lack of grass and the sheer numbers of students that we have running around on it each day. There were very real concerns raised about the safety of students. Teacher’s have discussed the rules for the area with their classes and we will see how the dynamics play out.

From this week we are trying a proposal as part of these changes, that Kinders do not use the forest as a play area. They can use any other area of the school. They can still build cubbies and will be able to use the little forest / bottom duty area for this loved activity. We have allocated kinder teachers to this duty first half lunch so as to create consistency and support. Hopefully the transition to this new way of operating will be smooth and the students able to play more safely and comfortably.

Presentation Day
Please be aware that Presentation Day is on Tuesday 8th December at 10.00am at school. We look forward to seeing our parents attend this event as the culmination of our school year.

If you would like to make a donation on behalf of your business, it would be greatly appreciated. The money donated is used to purchase a gift voucher from a local bookshop which is then awarded to the students. Our data base is growing smaller each year. This donation is tax deductible.

Important Dates

Friday, 23rd October
- 3/4BY Assembly at 2.30pm

Monday, 26th October
- Performing Arts Evening at C.e.X at 7pm

Thursday, 29th October
- Kindergarten Grandparents Day at 9.30am

Friday, 30th October
- K-2 Star Worker Assembly at 11.45am
- SLF/6DD Assembly at 2.30pm

NSW PSSA Athletics
What a talented bunch of kids we have! 10 girls from Kororo competed in state athletics at Olympic Park last week. Many of them achieved personal bests and made it to finals. Our junior and senior girls relay teams were very competitive and placed 17th and 6th respectively. A big Kororo cheer to Hayley F, Jorja W, Alyssa J, Maddison G, Olissa O, Georgie K, Breah F, Summer W, Joey K and Bella M. Thank you, also to Mrs Grace for her outstanding commitment to relay training.

Mrs Hartmann - Sports Coordinator
(Summer W absent)

A BIG Thankyou
A big thank you to the Ylinen family for turning Stage 2’s Aboriginal rock art into lovely pavers that will be placed in the bush tucker garden.

WANTED - PLASTIC BOTTLE TOPS
of all SIZES and COLOURS.

We will be making spectacular artwork similar to the picture.

Please start collecting NOW. Ask your family and friends to start collecting too!

Vegemite lids, peanut butter lids, milk lids etc. etc.
Lighthouse Community of Schools
Concert
Showcasing the work of our talented performing arts students on
Monday, October 26th 2015 7pm
at C.ex Coffs
Tickets: $10.50 adult & $6.50 child
(available from C.ex Coffs)

TWILIGHT FAIR
13TH NOVEMBER 2015
JOIN our facebook page - www.facebook.com/kororotwilightfundraiser
Phone Aimee 0450 800 795
Thanks to the wonderful businesses and people who have donated prizes for our Monster Raffle!

Kororo School Fair
Monster Raffle
Tickets have gone home this week for a Monster Raffle. For every 10 tickets sold the returned envelope goes into the draw to win either a GoPro or Mini Ipad.
Extra tickets can be collected from the front office

Twilight Fair
Colouring In Competition
Make sure you colour in the owl and place in your Mum or Dad’s car to win a daily prize starting next Monday 26th October until 20th November. Try and remember your number plates and description of your families car!

2CB NEWS
2CB need to collect trash and treasure for their fair stall. We are collecting small jars, tea cups or bowls to make soy candles. Please send them to our classroom.

Second Hand Clothing Wanted
Time to clean out the cupboards of all your old unwanted clothes. Kororo School is having a second hand clothing stall at the Twilight Fair and is asking for all unwanted in good condition clothing. They can be brought into the school and left on the front verandah near the office for collection.

On Monday mornings we have a coffee van on site from 8.15am. Look out for the blue combi parked next to the canteen. Any parents looking for their morning ‘fix’ are more then welcome!

Starworkers

| Starworkers | 1JB | 1JC | 1NL | 1RC | 2CB | 2LB | 2VW | 2/3GH | 3DH | 3MW | 3/4BY | 4CA | 4LB | 4LM | 5AM | 5LF | 5RS | 6DD | 6JC | 6LS |
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