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- abusive texts and emails
- hurtful messages, images or videos
- imitating others online
- excluding others online
- humiliating others online
- nasty online gossip and chat.

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**Come along to the P&C**

**BIG BANANA FAMILY FUN NIGHT & BBQ**

this FRIDAY, 19th FEBRUARY from 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Please see last week’s newsletter for more information. If you could spare half an hour to help with the BBQ please return the slip with your name and phone number. Thanks.

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**How to report cyberbullying material**

1. Report the cyberbullying material to the school’s webmaster.
2. Collect evidence — copy URLs or save screenshots of the material.
3. If the content is not removed within 48 hours, report the material to the school’s cyberbullying committee.
4. Report the incident to the police and talk to someone you trust.

**Act Responsibly - Be Respectful - Think Smart**

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Important Dates

Wednesday, 17th February

.fft Kinder Parent Information Session

.00pm Mother/Daughter Evening

Friday, 19th February

P&C Waterslide Fundraiser and get together at the Big Banana

Monday, 22nd February

Mid North Coast Swimming

Thursday, 25th February

The Internet - Parent Info meeting

Friday, 26th February

2CB Assembly at 11.40am

4GH Assembly at 2.30pm

FROM THE OFFICE

PARENT ONLINE PAYMENTS

When making payment online please do not put more than one (1) child per transaction

You can pay for a number of items per child within the 1 payment

The student registration number is not a mandatory field

Please include your child’s name, class, amount and what it is for

Please keep in mind online payments can take up to 3 days to show up in our account.

MEDICATION - If your child requires medication i.e. antibiotics throughout the day and you wish us to administer the medication, you will need to come to the office to fill in a form giving us permission to do so. (The form is also on our website.) We are unable to administer the medication without this form. We are sorry, but a hand written note is not acceptable.

A reminder if you have changed any contact phone numbers please let us know immediately.

Thanks

SUSHI FRIDAY

Don’t forget to pre-order SUSHI on Thursday for Friday’s lunch – $2.50 per roll.

Flavours are Chicken Teriyaki, Tuna and Mayo and the Kororo Roll – (Carrot, Cucumber, Cream Cheese)

10c for soy sauce.

The FRIED RICE is popular and is available every day for $3.00.

Both of these foods are made fresh in the Canteen.

FRESH FRUIT SALAD TUBS are available for only $4.00 and FRUIT SALAD CUPS are $1.00.

Both must be ordered on the day.

Deputy’s Report

SRC REPS, HOUSE CAPTAINS AND TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANTS

Next Monday our class representatives and house captains will receive their badges at our morning assembly. Parents may wish to come and watch. Our two technology assistants will also receive their badges. A list of names and photos will be included in next week’s newsletter. Parents may wish to download the photo from our website.

June O’dell

Deputy

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THE PHONES!!!!!!!

We have had many, many emails and calls complaining that our phones are not working. YES they are! (They are ringing all the time!!!) There is a problem with the NBN and the analog phones not being compatible.

Our phone system is set up so that if our main line number is engaged it will default to the 2nd line. This is not happening for people who are using NBN lines instead a message says that the number is disconnected. It will never be disconnected. Our school is not connected to the NBN as yet.

We have had Telstra here many times over the past couple of months to try to fix the phones, this is the outcome. We continue to look to have any problems rectified as they arise.

We are told that if you use your mobile phone to call you will be connected.

If you need an urgent message to come through, it is not wise to email as the emails are not always read immediately therefore your child may miss afterschool arrangements. Thank you.
School Banking Account Opening Day

Kororo Public School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

The School Banking program provides children with an opportunity to deposit money into their Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at school each week. The program is about how often your child makes deposits, not how much they deposit.

To encourage regular savings behaviour the program offers an exciting Rewards Program. Every deposit earns your child a Dollarmites token, and once they’ve collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward.

The rewards available during 2016 are:
- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope
- Bush Fly Fan
- Wriggly Glow Worm

School Banking day is **Friday**. Each week you need to give your book to the School Banking volunteers outside the canteen/hall, before school starts.

We will be holding an Account Opening Day at our school:

**Time:** 8.30am - 9.30am  
**Date:** This Friday, 19th February  
**Location:** School Hall

If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account for your child please bring along your current driver’s licence or another form of photographic identification.

Alternatively, you can open an account at your local branch. All you need to bring is your current identification as well as your child’s birth certificate. If you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer and have NetBank, you can open an account online.

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