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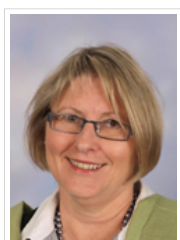
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10 May 2017

Message from the Principal, Mrs Jody Stehbens



Awesome Attendance for Term 2 Week 2 & 3

Our Attendance for Week 2 & 3

This year we are tracking the attendance by absence points rather than percentages.

½ day absence = 1 point and full day

absent is 2 points...

The least number of points a class gets wins the trophy for that week.

Week 2 & 3 Attendance

Year Level	Class	Absence Points Week 2	Absence Points Week 3
Prep	K	27	13
	R	34	25
	U	30	17
	G	18	16
	E	19	25
	S	44	27
	Year 1	K	30

Year Level	Class	Absence Points Week 2	Absence Points Week 3
	R	20	26
	U	8	9
	G	23	14
	E	23	29
	S	28	28
Year 2	K	15	9
	R	23	20
	U	8	4
	G	26	22
	E	15	24
	S	26	26
Year 3	K	26	28
	R	29	46
	U	36	30
	G	29	16
	E	20	40
	S	28	37
Year 4	K	15	30
	R	30	27

Year Level	Class	Absence Points Week 2	Absence Points Week 3
	U	38	35
	G	30	18
	E	14	20
	4/5C	33	46
Year 5	K	39	31
	R	25	31
	U	22	20
	G	14	17
	E	17	25
Year 6	K	22	33
	R	25	23
	U	39	11
	G	18	18
	E	48	49

Our Guidance Officer, Chaplain and Deputy Principals are available to talk with families if there are concerns around student's attendance.

If your child is sick and won't be attending school, please phone the absence line:

Ph: 3814 9333 and press extension 1 before 8.30am.

Every Day Counts at Kruger

Kruger has high expectations for student success in learning. Our staff works very hard to ensure that students can achieve to a high standard. This means that students need to be at school every day to give them the best opportunity to succeed. This year we will continue to focus on having every student on time and at school every day. Our weekly tracking of each student's attendance, class awards and celebrations will support this focus.

The table below shows some frightening calculations of student absence.....

If your child misses....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
1 day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years
1 day per week	20 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years
2 days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years

If you are having problems with your child attending school every day, please see your child's teacher or contact our Guidance Officer by phoning the school office.

Maths Review

During Term 2, our staff are going to be working collaboratively on a whole school maths review. A recent staff meeting was held, during which teachers were involved in a feedback session to highlight some of our school's data and to think about our Kruger Maths learner.

In the coming weeks, we will move into working on evidence-based practices and key context decisions about Maths teaching and learning.

The goal of the review is to ensure that our teachers continue to learn more about effective mathematical pedagogy and can therefore foster maximum engagement for our Kruger Maths learners.

Kruger State School – Data Conversations – Term 1

This term, all teachers will be participating in Data Conversations with their Line Manager (Principal or Deputy Principal) to discuss the progress of the students in their class over the period of Term 1, in particular in Reading, Maths and English. New goals and required adjustments will be set where necessary for this coming term.

Teachers are also having discussions with their Line Managers around their own professional development and new goal setting in the areas relating to the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers.

Potential Outside School Hours Care at Kruger

Early last week, a community survey was sent home with students to investigate possible interest in Kruger having its own on-site Outside School Hours Care/Vacation Care facility.

At this stage, this form will serve as an expression of interest only. This does not mean that Kruger will be definitely providing this service.

However, if the community responds with enough interest, this potential plan could become an exciting reality for us in the near future!

Please fill out the survey and return it to your child's teacher by Friday the 12th of May.

Central Districts Cross Country

On Thursday 4th May, 23 students competed in the Central Districts Cross-Country. All students gave their best effort with 2 students coming 8th and becoming reserves for the Central Districts team. All students had a great day and represented Kruger with pride.

Beenleigh Historical Village - Michelle Broomfield (Teacher)

The Year Two students, teachers and parents attended an excursion to Beenleigh Historical Village to explore and experience life in the past. Early Australian history came alive for

the students as they took part in demonstrations and hands-on experiences of life as it was in the past.

Students participated in a wood sawing demonstration, using an old two man cross-saw to cut a large log. Another exciting demonstration was the old fire truck. Students and teacher were able to try out the old hoses and fireman uniforms. A few lucky students fought a pretend fire, showing their water aiming skills. This was the perfect opportunity for teacher revenge, with most classes getting a little wet when the teacher took control.

The washing demonstration was very interesting and informative for our history assessment. Students got to wash clothes as it was done in the olden days. The most eye opening experience for students was the old school. Students experienced writing on slate boards and the rules and expectations in the classroom. They also got shown how a student could be hit with the cane if they were naughty or wrote with their left hand. Ouch!

The behaviour of all students was highly commended by not only teacher and parents, but also the volunteer staff from the Beenleigh Historical Village. It was an incredibly informative day, loved by all who attended.

Lunch Time Clubs – Term 2

Our popular lunch time clubs continue this term, with a couple of new clubs also being added. Thank you very much to our wonderful staff members who volunteer their time to run these clubs for our students!

Term 2 clubs starting in Week 3–

Prep students	Year 1/2	Year 3/4	Years 3-6
Captains Club ball games and activities with the schools student leaders (under staff supervision), day to be confirmed	Skipping Club Tuesdays at 1st break	Playdough Club Wednesdays at 1st break	Sketch Club Mondays at 1st break
	Year 2/3 Art Club Fridays at 1st break	Year 1 Dance Club Wednesdays at 1st break	All year levels Chappys Games Club, Thursdays at 1st break

Before and After School Drop Off/Collection- Important Message for all Kruger Families

School starts each day at 8:20am. If students arrive at school before 8:20am and are not accompanied by an adult, they need to wait in the Top Under Cover Area, near the tuckshop. Should students need assistance during this time, staff are available for students to check-in with.

Please note that there is no formal supervision of students throughout the school prior to 8:20am.

School concludes each day at **2:30pm** and students are then dismissed from the classrooms. There may be staff available to

support large numbers of students leaving the grounds via the gates and remind students about safe ways to get home.

Please note however, that there is no formal supervision of students after 2:30pm.

In the bottom car park pick up/drop off zone, there is only supervision by staff until 2:45pm. Students who remain **uncollected** in this area after 2:45pm will be escorted by staff to the **Top Under Cover Area near the Tuckshop**, to await parent arrival. Please note that again there is no formal supervision in this area, however, staff may be accessed by students who need assistance.

A message from the Kruger P&C Association

Thank you very much to the families who supported our recent Mother's Day Stall! It was a very successful event and we hope that all of our Kruger Mums and Grandmothers have a wonderful Mother's Day on Sunday the 14th of May.

Upcoming event –

Pyjama Party Disco!

Friday the 26th of May

Junior Disco (Prep – Year 2) – 4:00pm – 5:15pm
Senior Disco (Year 3 – Year 6) – 5:30pm – 6:45pm

All students must be picked up by an adult from inside the hall

Tickets - \$4.00 each

Pre-sold tickets only NO tickets sold at the door!

Tickets envelopes can be handed in near the tuckshop, **before school** from Monday 22/5/17 until Friday 26/5/17!

There will be NO FOOD sold at the Disco!

Glow sticks will be on sale priced from \$1 - \$4

Focus on – IPads (Christine Mills – ICT Specialist Teacher)

At Kruger, the purpose of our ICT classes is to ensure our students are able to develop digital capabilities to not only use available technology, but to also engage in the technologically diverse society that exists today. Kruger kids have a unique opportunity to develop digital capabilities such as basic interactive skills e.g. gesture movements and expanding these skills by merging them to create a product.



In Term One, students in

- Year 1s were engaged in learning the basic fine motor skills essential for any interactive device.
- Year 2s revised their hand gestures and applied these skills to the Keynote app (short for application) to create a short presentation about their family.
- Year 3s and 4s worked incredibly hard to develop the essential PC skill of touch typing.

In Term Two, our Kruger students are taking their skills to the next level.

- Year 1s are currently developing their cyber-safety skills by learning to protect their personal information and who they can safely share their information with (see image of student Trust Circles)
- Year 2s are learning about old technology and how it has affected our society. To support this, students have already visited our mini-museum of 'old' technology (see image of class visit) and have been in awe of what technology was really like and how it has evolved over the last four decades to ultimately produce the smart phones of today.
- Year 3s are putting their touch typing skills to good practise as they learn how to produce formatted documents using Microsoft Word.
- Year 4s are developing and refining their presentation skills with the use of Microsoft PowerPoint. By using this program, students are realising that there is more than one way to use technology to achieve their desired results.

If you wish to find out more about what your child is currently learning, I encourage you to check out the following links:

- **Year 1 – Information Privacy and Trust Circles**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ypGJTW3LRo4>

- **Year 2 – Old technology**

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uk_vV-JRZ6E

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kesMOzzNBiQ>

- **Year 3 – MS Word video tutorials**

<https://www.gcflernfree.org/word2010/>

- **Year 4 – MS PowerPoint tutorial**

<https://www.gcflernfree.org/powerpoint2010/>

26.05.2017	Pyjama Disco
02.06.2017	Gala Sport Day
07.06.2017	Senior Athletics Carnival (Yr 3-6)
09.06.2017	Gala Sport Day
12.06.2017	P&C Meeting 1.30pm in Hall
16.06.2017	Whole School Parade 1.30pm
20.06.2017	Kruger's Got Talent 2017
21.06.2017	Report Cards Go Home
23.06.2017	Celebration Day
23.06.2017	Last Day of Term 2
10.07.2017	First Day of Term 3

Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme 2017 - Prep to Year 6

The 3rd payment for 2017 is due Friday 28th April. Please contact the office if you have any questions in relation to payments.

The Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme has been approved by the P&C Association to continue in 2017.

This Scheme provides the entire package for a set fee:

\$100.00 for Prep (is not available in parts)

\$120.00 for Years 1 to 6 (is not available in parts)

In 2017, we are offering you a cost effective way to purchase textbooks, stationery and other resources for your child.

With today's curriculum, students need a large variety of textbooks and other resources. If we were to ask you to provide what is required yearly, it could be very expensive for families.

To participate in the Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme, please complete and sign the Consent Form at our office or download the attachment below.

Instalment	Due Date	Prep	Years 1-6
3rd Instalment	28 April 2017	\$25.00	\$30.00
4th Instalment	21 July 2017	\$25.00	\$30.00

Important Dates

Important Dates – Term 2

10.05.2017	NAPLAN
10.05.2017	Year 6 Moogerah Camp Returns
11.05.2017	NAPLAN
12.05.2017	Whole School Parade (1.30pm)
12.05.2017	NAPLAN Catch-up
19.05.2017	Ipswich Show Holiday
26.05.2017	Gala Sport Day

Payment:

- If you wish to negotiate a different instalment payment plan, please contact the Business Services Manager at the office.
- Instalments need to be up to date for students to receive their resources.
- If you still have outstanding monies from previous years, you will need to contact the office and negotiate a payment plan for you to be eligible for the 2017 Scheme.

- Payments can be made by cash, cheque, Bankcard, Visa, MasterCard, and Eftpos via BPOINT www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete . A current invoice or statement is required to make payment via BPOINT. If you do not have a current invoice or statement, please contact the office.
- Centrepay – the easy way to pay your bills and expenses. Centrepay is a voluntary bill-paying service which is free for Centrelink customers. Use Centrepay to arrange regular deductions from your Centrelink payment. You can start or change a deduction at any time. The quickest way to do it, is through your Centrelink account online or contact the office for a form.
- The Resource and Textbook Hire Scheme needs to be paid for in full before a student can participate in any extra curricular activities. Extra curricular activities include camps, sporting and cultural activities outside the normal curricular program.

Where there is genuine parental financial hardship, parents can discuss with the School Administration how they can meet their financial obligations by instalments throughout the school year or discuss alternative arrangements to accommodate special circumstances.

Are You Having Trouble Attending The Office To Make Payments?

We can take your Credit Card details over the phone, please contact the office on 3814 9333.

Payments can be made at the office. We accept Cash, EFTPOS, Credit Card or BPoint.

Failure to finalise payment for the Resource & Textbook Hire Scheme may result in your child/ren not receiving resources.

Parents who have outstanding monies will be contacted by the office in the next coming weeks.

BPOINT

Parents will notice a change to the way they can pay school invoices. The new payment method of BPoint is now available as an online payment system.

BPoint can be accessed via ANY Computer or Smart Phone. Payments are accepted via MasterCard or VISA and is a secured payment method.

Parents can log into the link below. Once you have logged in, you will need the information from the school invoice to complete the BPOINT payment page.

A current invoice or statement is required to make payment via BPOINT using a credit card (MasterCard or Visa). If you do not have a current invoice or statement, please contact our office.

<http://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete>

Tuckshop & Parent & Citizens Association

Tuckshop

If you have a large order, please supply two paper bags or you can purchase them from the Tuckshop for 10 cents each. All orders are to be placed before 9.30am.

If, for some reason, your child doesn't have lunch, we will supply a sandwich with the following tasty spreads (Jam/Vegemite). The Tuckshop will then send an Invoice home for the value of \$2.20.

P&C

Our fabulous Tuckshop Ladies, Nat and Kiren, returned again this year, organising and running our Tuckshop, Uniform shop and School Banking.

The Tuckshop opens from Monday to Friday first and second break.

The Uniform shop opens on Mondays and Wednesdays before school from 7.30am to 8.00am and Thursdays after school from 2.30pm to 3.00pm.

School banking has resumed, if you require a school banking information pack for your child/children, please give your details to Kiren in the Tuckshop.

If you have some free time available, Nat and Kiren are always appreciative of any volunteers, please stop by and chat to Nat.

P & C meetings are always held on the 2nd Monday of the month. Due to school holidays in April, our next P & C meeting will be held on Monday 8th May in the staff room at 6pm. Please feel free to come a little earlier from 5.30pm for a coffee and chat. All Parents, Volunteers and ideas are welcome.

Chris Roberts
P & C President

Uniform Shop

Operating Hours

Monday	7.30am to 8.00am
Wednesday	7.30am to 8.00am
Thursday	2.30pm to 3.00pm

3 month Lay-by available (payable with small deposit) account must be paid in full before uniforms are released.

Please Note: No uniforms will be sold in the mornings, so please don't get upset when we cannot serve you.

School Banking – Commonwealth Bank

For any Parents interested in signing their children up with a fee free account for this year, please apply online at the link below.

<http://www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking>

Our school currently earns 5% commission (up to a maximum of \$10 per child per week).

You may still open an account for your child online even if you are not a Commonwealth Bank customer.

Please see our school banking coordinator, Kiren, in the tuckshop if you have any further questions.

Music Virtual Classrooms – Jane McShane (Music Teacher)

Free, safe, anywhere, any Web or Mobile platform: Virtual Classroom for each year level at Kruger

CONNECT – SUPPORT LEARNING – FAMILY FUN

The Music Virtual Classrooms are in Education Queensland's Learning Place – the Departmental secure online learning site. All Kruger students are currently enrolled in their Music Virtual Classroom.

EXPLORE – DISCOVER – ENJOY

See link below for 'How to Login' instructions for Prep to Year 6's online at the link below, or via Kruger State School website – Curriculum – Music – Music Virtual Classrooms (PDF, 599 KB)

<https://elearn.eq.edu.au/>

<http://www.krugerss.eq.edu.au/>

Physical Education 2017

Some provisional date claimers for the year are as follows;

Term 2

District Rugby Union trial - May 18th
District Girls Rugby League trial - May 22nd
District Tennis- May 24th
District Softball trials - May 31st at Camira State School
Senior Athletics Carnival - June 7th (TBC) - at Kruger State School

Term 3

District Athletics July 17th and 18th at Limestone Park, Ipswich
Central District Girls AFL trials - July 24th
Central District Cricket trials - July 31st
Season 1 Sport (girls/boys rugby league, girls/boys soccer and netball)
Gala day 1 - May 26th, Gala day 2- June 2nd and Gala day 3 - June 9th
Season 2 Sport (boys and girls basketball, boys and girls touch/oz-tag and boys and girls AFL)
Week 1 – July 28th, Week 2 – August 4th, Week 3 – August 11th and Week 4 – August 18th
Junior (Prep – Year 2) Sports Day and Cross Country will be in terms 3 and 4 respectively with final dates to be arranged.
Winter Gala Days (Season 1) - Mr McMurtrie, Mr Kunitau and Mrs Fleming-Keyes will be coaching rugby league. Mr Garrard will be coaching the boys' soccer teams. Mr

Gall and I will be coaching the girls' soccer teams and Ms Johnston and Ms Wilton will be coaching netball.

As quotes for sport are yet to be finalised a rough guide to the costs are as follows:

Winter Gala Days (**Season 1**) @ \$24 to \$30, and Mid - year sport (**Season 2**) @ \$30 -\$34.

Please note that this is just an estimate at this stage and costs may change when details are finalised. To be eligible to represent our school in a sporting team, parents are reminded that a down payment for the resource scheme levy must be made prior to March 24th.

To help with organisation, district draws and bus booking etc, we need to have teams organised prior to sporting nominations being called for by sports convenors. This will determine the amount of teams we will have representing our school and hopefully prevent us having to pull teams out of competitions after draws and fixture lists have been drawn up. Therefore we will be asking that full payment for Season 1 sport be received by **March 24th** (with only students who have paid a down payment on the school resource scheme levy being eligible to play) and full payment for Season 2 sport being received by **June 16th** (with only students who have paid the full amount for the resource scheme levy being eligible to play). If you require a payment plan, please see the office as soon as possible.

Students playing rugby league this year are advised that the safety guidelines **recommend students wear a mouth guard while playing and training. We thoroughly recommend that these guidelines are followed for student safety.** Some sports that will be taught during school lessons such as hockey also suggest students wear a mouth guard. The school has a limited supply of mouth guards for sale if any student needs one. These can be purchased at the office for \$5.00 **WHILE SUPPLIES LAST.**

In physical education classes students will be learning the following;

Year 6 – European Handball, Golf, Badminton, Athletics, Volleyball and Softball

Year 5 – Badminton, Golf, Lacrosse, Athletics, Volleyball and Softball

Year 4 – Hockey, AFL, Basketball, Athletics, T-ball and Netball

Year 3 – Hockey/r, Basketball, Athletics, T- Ball and Netball

I look forward to another very productive and rewarding year.

Yours in sport

Gavin McLeod

Christian Religious Instruction (RI)

As of Friday the 17th February 2017, Kruger State School recommenced Christian Religious Instruction which covers basic beliefs in the Christian faith, in a relevant and engaging way, for Years 1, 2 and 6. Years 3 & 5 will commence RI at the start of Term 3 and Year 2 will stop due to other school commitments.

At the beginning of Term 1, families of students in Years 1, 2 and 6 received a letter to confirm or opt out of Religious Instruction Class for 2017. More places are available should you wish your child to participate.

Students who have not opted into Christian RI will complete other instruction and will be supervised in a separate learning space. Other instruction will relate to part of a subject area already covered in class and may include, but is not restricted to: personal research and assignments, independent reading, revision of class work such as literacy and numeracy activities and/or online programs currently accessed by the students.

There will be no charge for these lessons, as CRI will cover any costs through donations by the local Church communities.

Carl Howard is the RI Coordinator. If you would like more information or you would like to discuss any aspect of the program in further detail, you may contact Tracey at the school office on 3814 9333.

Head Lice

It has come to our attention that we currently have a number of cases of head lice in the school.

Some parents in each class are being very responsible by checking and treating their children regularly, but this is only effective if **EVERY** child is checked and treated, as well as other members of the family.

The Health Department advises that it is the parents' responsibility to detect and treat head lice infestations.

Teachers and Child Health Nurses are not expected to do head inspections as this is not part of their duties.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHILD AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND TREAT PROMPTLY IF YOU FIND EGGS (NITS) OR LICE.

In the event that it comes to our attention that a child has head lice, we need to act in accordance with departmental policy. This requires us to contact parents to ask for prompt attention to treatment. **Children who have head lice do not need to be excluded from school if correct treatment has been recently applied.**

Goodna Services Club – Breakfast Club

Kruger State School would like to thank the Goodna Services Club for their continued support and donation to the Chaplaincy Breakfast Club Program. The children appreciate the program as it gives them a great start to the day to **'Be Safe, Best Effort and Be Respectful'**.



School Dental Van – Kruger State School

Dental Van Service no longer at Kruger State School

West Moreton Oral Health provides a free dental service for all school aged children from the ages of four years until they complete Year Ten. This includes general dental treatment, general advice and referral letters. A team of highly trained and skilled clinicians and support staff provides this service.

The Dental Van is no longer at Kruger State School. If you have any concerns about the health of your child/ren teeth, please contact the West Moreton Oral Health Service on 1300 763 246.

Westside Bus Company – School Bus Pass

As you are aware, all students have a grace period at the beginning of every year to organise their school bus passes or go cards.

This period was extended to the end of March to allow parents to organise their children's travel. As we are almost in April, Westside Bus Company would like to ask that you make all students aware that if they do not have any form of payment for our services, they will be given a warning.

No driver will refuse entry for a child, however they will be travelling at their own risk, as there is always the chance that Transport Officers will be on board.

If students and parents are not aware of school bus passes, they are welcome to send an enquiry email through to reception@busqld.com.au or call us on 07 3288 1333 for further information.

Saver Plus Assists Parents with School Expenses

Stressed about back to school costs?

Would \$500 help pay for uniforms, books, excursions, tutoring, a laptop or tablet?

Saver Plus matches your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to \$500!

You may eligible if:

- you have a Health Care or a Pension Concession card and,
- you or your partner have some regular income from work such as full-time, part-time, casual or seasonal work.

Contact Michelle Trevino
your local Saver Plus Coordinator:
07 3282 0571/0466 474 584

Or michelle.trevino@thesmithfamily.com.au

Are you a Parent of a Child with type 1 diabetes?

Every day thousands of Australian children suffer the effects of type 1 diabetes, and families struggle with illness management and children's behavioural and emotional adjustment.



Positive Parenting for Healthy Living is an adaptation of the successful Triple P - Positive Parenting Program, offering practical ideas and support for parents of children with type 1 diabetes. This innovative group program is designed to help parents manage their child's illness, assist children in coping with their illness and emotions, and prevent and manage difficult child behaviour.

Over the next few months and for a limited time only, parents of 2-10 year old children with type 1 diabetes are able to access Positive Parenting for Healthy Living Triple P free of charge as part of a University of Queensland research project.

Contact Dr Amy Mitchell on (07) 3346 1202 or email diabetes.healthyliving@uq.edu.au or visit the link below for more information.

<https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/t1diabetes>

Trees for Mum – Landcare Australia

Plant a Tree for Mum this Mother's Day

Celebrate your mum this Mother's Day by planting a tree in her honour.

Register your interest today!

When:	Sunday May 14th 2 – 3pm
Where:	Promenade playground 253 Lakeside Ave, Springfield Lakes
Hosted by:	Springfield Lakes nature Care Inc
What to bring:	Hat sunscreen and appropriate footwear

Register on line for Free Tickets with Eventbrite

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/mothers-day-tree-planting-tickets-33712135906>