School News

SOUTHERN STARS
To all the students, parents and staff who participated in the Southern Stars production, Kemblawarra Public School would like to acknowledge the efforts made and say thank you. The students looked amazing and had a fantastic time participating in the production. It is an experience they will take away and remember for the rest of their lives. The confidence and enjoyment the students have gained from participating in the performance is unimaginable. We are very proud of all the students and the efforts of all people involved in allowing our students to be a part of such a fantastic show.

Organisers made a point of telling us how well behaved, well mannered and polite all the Kemblawarra children were. Enormous thanks to their parents who supported them throughout the many weeks of practices and at the matinee and evening performances. Special thanks and congratulations to Mrs Murray and Mr Trew who put in the massive amounts of time and effort needed to get the children’s performance to such a high standard. They did an outstanding job!

FATHER’S DAY STALL
The P&C are holding a Father’s Day stall this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. There will be a variety of gifts for purchase ranging from $2 to $5. More info inside.

CUA VOTING
What an effort from the local school community in supporting our Build-a-stage-a-star-is-born Project. Unfortunately we did not win the $5000 grand prize. However, not all is lost and thanks to all the people who supported the project and voted, we have been fortunate to be awarded with $1000 to go towards what the CUA deemed as a worthy cause and having so many votes. We could not have done it without the community support, so well done and thank you for getting on board!

LIFE EDUCATION VAN
We would like to send out a HUGE Thank You to the IMB for funding our Life Education Van this year. The van will be at our school on Tuesday 2 and 3 of September. We have been very fortunate this year and thanks to the IMB the students have access to the Happy Harold programs for free. Students were also provided with a free drink bottle and pamphlet from the IMB.

IDEA FOR LUNCHBOXES FROM PRESCHOOL TO YEAR 6
One way of making sure children eat the good, healthy foods you give them for lunch and recess is to keep everything nice and cool with an ice brick or ice pouch. This also helps to keep foods fresh and yummy so that children are less inclined to throw their food away or just throw it in their school bags to go all over their homework or treasures they bring to school.

CANTEEN HELPERS NEEDED URGENTLY
The Canteen is in urgent need of helpers who could spare half an hour in the mornings to open up the canteen and take the recess and lunch orders. Anyone who can spare 30 minutes one or more mornings per week please see Mrs Smith or Mrs Berze for further details.

Notice Board
- Life Education Van Tuesday 2 and Wednesday 3 September
- Father’s Day Stall 3, 4 and 5 September
- Fun run week 11 September
- Shoalhaven Zoo Excursion 19 September
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Fathers Day Stall will be held during school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. There are heaps of great items for sale individually from $2 to $5 and some great gift packs for $5. Any mums able to help with the stalls would be greatly appreciated. Also, the Fathers Day Raffle will be drawn on Friday in the assembly so make sure you get your tickets back before the assembly on Friday.

Also, the school is having a fun run on September 11th and the P&C are running the BBQ so make sure you come and see the kids have a great time and grab a snag sandwich and maybe even a steak sandwich.

We are now accepting donations for the Halloween Disco, any bags of chips, lollies, soft drinks or Halloween items please give to the P&C staff.

Weekly Awards

Gold Awards (left):
Sheridan, Jarwin, Jorden

Green Awards
Tahlia-Lee, Kyhresha, Mason, Mason-John, Matthew, Tristian

Infant Merit Awards
Tyrese, Hayley, Bella, Ford, Caleb, Reba, Aiden

Primary Merit Awards
Matthew, Aiden

Reading Awards
Tieka, Emily, Evan, Paige, Kyhresha, Mason-John, Makayla, Ford, Blake, Nicholas, Matthew, Jorden

Class of the Week
HB7

P&C News

By popular demand, we have been asked to have toasties back for this week. So for $5 get a cheese or cheese and tomato, or cheese and ham toastie, with a flavoured milk or small slushy and 2 packs of recreo cookies.

Thursday and Friday Canteen Special

$5.00 for toastie, milk or small slushy and 2 packs of recreo cookies

Breakfast Club

Don't forget Tuesday is toast day and Thursday is Pancake day. If any families could donate some pancake mix that would be greatly appreciated as the children love them.

Students visit Local Library for Book Week.

Last Monday all students went on a visit to our local community library to celebrate Book Week. All students enjoyed the opportunity to go for a walk in the sunshine after a week of wet weather. The staff at the Library organised engaging interactive literacy activities, including model reading several best nominated Australian children’s books.

The students enjoyed watching ‘I’m a Dirty Dinosaur’ story acted out and a game of ‘Match the number to the book title’. The students participated enthusiastically and demonstrated excellent behaviour throughout the visit.

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Preschool

**Buroo Room**

(Jo and Sarina)

This week in the Buroo room we have been very creative using arts and crafts and lots of recycled materials. With the wet weather this week we have had lots of requests for a cubby house and building snowmen. On Friday, Mary our relieving SLSO brought in lots of big boxes that the children decorated and used as a cubby house! It was a huge success!

**Wombat Room**

(Amanda and Narelle)

We love the new lounge in our room; it makes it feel more homely. We have enjoyed using it for some quiet time to read, to do puzzles or just have a chat. We all look forward to our news time in the afternoon. This week we have given a couple of children the opportunity to run the news time and ‘be the teacher’. It also shows the children’s comprehension skills as they are proving their understanding of the flow of news time and what questions can be asked.

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**FREE WORKSHOP - Growing Gorgeous Boys into Good Men!**

Celia Lashlie, an international guest speaker will be presenting “Growing Gorgeous Boys into Good Men” in Wollongong and Shellharbour on Wednesday October 29. These sessions are designed to improve communication between parents and young people, especially in regards to choices around drugs, alcohol and risk taking. While this workshop is directed to boys - all parents - regardless whether they have sons or not will benefit.

Bookings essential.

Contact Donna Forknall: (02) 4254 2700 or book directly through trybooking.com

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**Tips on Student Attendance #2 Teaching Good Habits**

It is important for parent/s or caregivers to make attending school a priority.

Allowing children days off for birthdays, to go shopping, to look after younger children or because they were tired from a late night, not only sends the wrong message but is against the law. Children who get used to having days off school for these kinds of reasons develop the attitude that attendance is not very important. This can become a big issue as the child gets older.

**Teach your children that being on time is important.** Children that are often late miss the part of the school day when the teacher explains new activities. Also many students are freshest at the start of the day and can concentrate better.

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**ATTENDANCE CLASS OF THE WEEK**

HB7 with 94% and HB5 with 93%!

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FOR THE WEEK!**

87%

Attendance Target 92%
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♦ Surf Groms (5-12yrs) – 31st August Surf Groms Spring program available online now. Held at North Gong beach and The Farm.
info@australiasurftours.com.au

♦ Father’s Day Family Night at Bunnings Warrawong Thursday 4th September 6pm-8pm. A fun night of workshops. For bookings please call 4276 0800

Safety and Security

Students, staff and school property are protected under the Inclosed Lands Act. It is an offence to verbally and physically assault any student or staff member on school premises.

School grounds are private property. No one is allowed on school grounds out of school hours unless they have permission. If anyone sees anybody they think shouldn’t be on the school grounds please contact School Security or the Police on 4232 559.

SPICY PRUNE HAMANTASCHEN BY MRS THOMPSON

Ingredients for the dough
200 grams butter (14 tablespoons, 2 tablespoons less than one cup)
100 grams sugar (1/2 cup)
1 egg
Pinch of salt
370 grams flour (3 ¾ cups)
½ packet baking powder (5 grams/½ tablespoon)
1 tsp vanilla extract

Method
Mix the butter and sugar in a mixer until blended.
Add the egg, salt, vanilla, flour and baking powder and mix only until a smooth dough is formed.
Cover in plastic wrap and place in the refrigerator for 1 hour.

Ingredients for the Prune filling
1 cup dried prunes, pitted and chopped
½ cup dry red wine
1/3 cup sugar
1 tsp cinnamon
Pinch ground ginger

Method
Cook all the ingredients for 10 minutes until the mixture reaches boiling.
Reduce the flame and cook for an additional 5 minutes.
Let cool completely before making hamantaschen.

Method for making the hamantaschen:
Roll out the dough to ½ cm (1/8 inch) thickness. Cut out 7 cm (3 inch) circles using a cup or biscuit cutter. Place ½ tsp filling in the centre of each circle, and fold the sides to form a triangle.

Cover baking sheet with parchment paper. Place the hamantaschen 2 cm (1 inch) apart. Bake at 170°C / 338°F for 13-15 minutes.

All recipes are taken from ‘Kemblawarra Gets Cooking’