This Thursday February 19 selected Kelly’s Plains Public School students will compete in the District Swimming Carnival at the Monckton Aquatic Centre. Congratulations to the students who have qualified for this carnival.

Please return your permission to publish forms ASAP. These give permission for students to have their photos published online (e.g on the school website), in newsletters and newspapers, and on television.

The P&C AGM was held last Monday February 17. Our new office bearers are: President - Kristy Chmieluk; Vice President - Virginia Robertson; Secretary - Jane Croft and Treasurer - Brooke Edwards. The next P&C meeting will be held at 3.45pm on Monday March 3 at school.

Lunch orders are available this Friday from Lynches Road Store. Lunch orders need to be brought to school by Thursday each week and placed in the foam box in the Upper Division classroom. Mrs Morley then takes them to Lynches Road Store on Thursday afternoons. We DESPERATELY require parents to collect the lunch orders from the store at 1pm and drop them to the school as a teacher cannot leave the school to collect them and leave only one other teacher present to supervise all 39 students. Please let us know if you can help with this issue. If we do not receive parent assistance we will NOT be able to continue with lunch orders each Friday. A parent roster can be organised if we get sufficient helpers.

Remember the SMASH program is running each Thursday for the entire term. Please make your payment of $30 per student (maximum $70 per family) to the office ASAP. Students are encouraged to wear their SPORTS UNIFORM each Thursday.

SUPERHERO DAY is this Friday February 21. All students are encouraged to wear a superhero outfit to school on this day. As a special treat we will have a ‘superhero’ parent (Matt Weber) landing a helicopter at the school at around 12 noon for the students to see and inspect. Matt will talk about his job as a helicopter pilot (parents are welcome to come along too). We are also asking for a gold coin donation to go towards the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Australia. Over the coming weeks other parents will be invited to attend the school and talk about their (superhero) jobs as well. Please let us know if you are particularly interested in talking to the students.

We are also planning a whole school full day excursion in March to visit the Police, Fire and Ambulance stations as well as the new Armidale Courthouse. More information will follow.

Please see the attached information regarding the roadwork occurring on Kelly’s Plains Road over the coming months. There will be some traffic delays of up to 20 minutes at a time. Please consider this as you plan your drop off and pick up times.

FOR SALE – one upright piano. $200 or nearest offer. Please see staff for further details

Group Piano and Keyboard Lessons – Please send in your expression of interest ASAP so that lessons can start soon

Book Packs – Each student is supplied with a variety of text books to be used throughout the year. The total cost per student is $60. This fee is capped at $150 per family. We
will also accept payments over a series of weeks / months. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Mrs Piddington is requesting washed and dried milk bottle tops to be brought into school for her shoe box learning centres.

We will hold an assembly this Friday February 21 in our Creative Arts Room commencing at 2.50pm.

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**CALLING ALL JUNIOR RUGBY PLAYERS!**

**Interested in playing representative rugby?**

New England Junior Rugby Union (NEJRU) is fielding teams in the Under 12s, 13s, 14s & 15s at the NSW Country Junior Rugby Union Championships coming up in May this year. Trials for representative squad selection will be held at Moran Oval in Taylor Street, Armidale on Sunday 2nd March from 1pm - 4pm.

All rugby players within these age groups are encouraged to attend. President of New England Junior Rugby Union John Beynon said that junior representative rugby is a fantastic opportunity for players to represent their region, and provides a pathway to higher level selection at country level.

The NSW Country Junior Rugby Union Championships will be held as follows:

- U12s & U13s: 10th -11th May at Nowra
- U14s & U15s: 3rd - 4th May at Newcastle

Check out the NEJRU Facebook site at [https://www.facebook.com/NewEnglandJuniorRugbyUnion](https://www.facebook.com/NewEnglandJuniorRugbyUnion)

or for more information about the trials please contact NEJRU Secretary Sarah Broadbent on 0468 846 877.
PLEASE SEND IN ART SMOCKS (OR OLD LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS) FOR STUDENTS TO USE

Mrs Piddington is collecting large plastic bottle tops from milk bottles or sports drinks. Please bring some to school.

Thank you

SUPERHERO DAY
THIS FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY FOR THE WHOLE SCHOOL K–6

Kelly’s Plains Public School has chosen to support Muscular Dystrophy Australia by hosting a Superhero Day at our school, where a gold coin donation will allow students to dress up as their favourite superhero or better yet, invent one! The dress up day will be held this Friday February 21.

Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) is the most severe form of Muscular Dystrophy, a muscle wasting disorder. Young boys are the most vulnerable. Though there are some genetic forms any child can be born with this disorder.

This event has been created to give young boys with DMD and their families hope by showing them that they are not alone and that their community is working to raise funds to help find a cure.

We are aiming to empower young minds to be more aware of those around them and what other children may be going through. This is an important life lesson and even though our focus is on Muscular Dystrophy (MD), the overall message is one of hope, acceptance and understanding. The event is a parent initiative in conjunction with Muscular Dystrophy Australia.

Funds raised will go to support research at the National Muscular Dystrophy Research Centre.

Thank you for your support and participation.

Armidale Junior cricket and Armidale’s Belgrave cinema present "BACKYARD ASHES"
A fundraiser for the McGrath Foundation
The animosity between England and Australia continues!
Thursday, 20th February @ 6pm
Adult $18, Child $14
Lucky Door Prize ...
Pink McGrath Foundation cap SIGNED BY GLENN MCGRATH!!!

Our session only...

Secure your tickets by contacting
Helen Dennis
Phone: 0428 150 748
Email: michael.and.helen13@gmail.com
Tickets also available at the door
17/2/2014

Your ref: A13/6137
Our ref:

Dear RESIDENT

Kelly Plains Rd Roadworks

Council intends to carry out major road upgrade works on Kellys Plains Rd between Translator Rd and Gentles Rd. Staff have started to establish onto site to set-up and preliminary work. Roadworks with traffic control proposed to commence Monday 17th February weather permitting.

Work will include road widening and a new pavement layer of gravel being brought in and incorporated over the existing road. This work will be carried out under traffic, with Traffic Controllers controlling the flow of traffic during the work. There will be delays to residents and road users travelling this road during working hours of 7:30am to 4:30pm week days. **A maximum delay time of 20 minutes is to be expected.** To allow us to undertake this vital work which will improve this section of road for all road users, please be patient. Our staff are there to carry out these works under traffic in a safe manner for both themselves and the travelling public. Should you require assistance during work hours contact or speak to the Site Supervisor Peter Frost 0429124841.

To avoid delays during working hours where possible residents are encouraged to use alternative route via Kellys Plains Rd, Platform Rd, Knobs Rd, Gostwyck Rd and Dangarsleigh Rd.

It is expected these works will take approximately 12 weeks to complete weather permitting.

Please contact me on (02) 6770 3875 or by email at gnelson@armidale.nsw.gov.au if I can be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Greg Nelson
Project Manager