From the Principal’s Desk...

**Autumn Festival Parade** – We would like as many students as possible to march with us this Saturday in the Armidale Autumn Festival Parade. Kelly’s Plains Public School will join with all Armidale Public Schools to march as part of the Armidale Community of Schools (ACOS). All students need to be dressed in FULL school uniform (including school hat and black shoes) and will be provided with balloons to carry in the parade. Students should meet teachers in the park opposite the TAFE in Beardy St at 12 noon. The parade begins at 12.30pm and students can be collected from the skate park from around 1pm. Please return permission forms ASAP. **Students may wear multi clothes to school on Friday** so their uniforms can be washed and ready for Saturday.

Thank you to the families who have returned their excursion notes for our school excursion on March 18 to visit the Police and Fire stations as well as the new Armidale Courthouse. The Ambulance service is also planning to visit us at the park behind the Tourist Information Centre as we enjoy our Hungry Jacks lunch. Remember that students should be dropped at McDonald Park at 9am and collected from the park behind Hungry Jacks at 3.15pm.

Lunch orders are again 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. Thank you to Donna Matheson who delivered the lunches to school last week.

Please be aware of 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 and speed limits have been reduced. 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.

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**Piano and keyboard Lessons** commenced yesterday. Group keyboard lessons only cost $5 each week and there are some spaces available. Please let the office know.

**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.

This Thursday March 13, we will be having a **welcome gathering** at school commencing at 5.30pm. All families are asked to bring a savoury finger food plate to share.

There will be an assembly this Friday March 14. The following week (March 21), Adam Marshall will be presenting the Year 6 leaders with their school ties.

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**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY MARCH**

**TODAY**
- Book Club orders due back at school
- Piano and keyboard Lessons

**Thursday 13**
- Welcome gathering at school 5.30pm SMASH
- Life Education Van

**Friday 14**
- Lunch Orders from Lynches Road Assembly 2.50pm
- Whole school excursion to town
- Doughnuts and Pies

**Saturday 15**
- Autumn Festival Parade
- Debating Day at ACPS

**Monday 17**
- SMASH

**Tuesday 18**
- School Photos

**Wednesday 19**
- Lunch orders from Lynches Road
- Adam Marshall to present Year 6 Assembly 2.45pm
- Return Photo order envelopes

**Monday 24**
- Responsible Pet Ownership
- School Photos

**Wednesday 26**
- Please return order envelopes by Friday 21

**Thursday 27**
- Zoo Mobile to visit KPPS
- SMASH
Congratulations to the KPPS Relay Team Gwynne, Max, Harriet and Nicholas who came 5th at the North West. They did a personal best time knocking 15 seconds off their previous time. WELL DONE!

Congratulations to Nicholas Weier who will be representing the North West and our school at the State Swimming Carnival on Wednesday 9 April 2014. Nicholas came first in the 50m freestyle with a personal best time of 38.19 seconds.
The students and staff who will march in the Autumn Festival on Saturday 15 March will be promoting our school motto SHARING, LEARNING, CARING.

Students need to be dressed in full school uniform.

We will meet in front of the TAFE at 12 noon.

Parents can collect their child/children near the front of the pool on Dumaresq Street at the end of the parade.

**Reminder**: No hat No play
Please check your child has a labelled hat at school.
Hats may be purchased from the school office at a cost of $8 each.

Could parents of our younger students please include spare underwear in your child’s bag?

**Excursion**

We are having a whole school, full day excursion on Tuesday March 18 to visit the Fire Station, Police Station, Hungry Jacks as well as the new Armidale Courthouse. The Ambulance Service will try to come and join us at lunchtime if they are able to.

The permission note will be included in today’s newsletter. The only expense will be the cost of your child’s lunch at Hungry Jacks. A menu will be given out to each family to choose lunch items.

On Wednesday March 19 2014 most students from Years 5 and 6 will be attending a Debating Day at Armidale City Public School. This will be a great learning opportunity for the staff and students, and help prepare us for the Debating Competitions which will be held this year.

The cost to students will be $10.00, and has been subsidised by the school.

More information to follow.

**Book Club Orders**
Due back at school by TODAY.
We came 3rd with our school artwork at the Armidale Show

Cody Matheson came 3rd with his Lego Construction.

Congratulations Cody.
The Anticipation

The Arrival

The Reaction

It has Landed
Is that Batman and Bruce Almighty?

Matt Weber
Jelly Cups for Sale.

Jelly Cups for sale every Thursday. $1.00 each with jelly snake and whipped cream. Yum.

This is to raise funds for the P&C.

DEMON KNIGHTS FOOTBALL CLUB Inc

PO Box 891, Armidale NSW 2350.

demonknightsfc@northerninlandfootball.net.au

President: David Farmer
Vice President: Matt Davis
Treasurer: Danny Karsten
& Aaron

The registration for Demon knights is now open.
If they go to the myfootballclub.com and follow the links to register our payment days are the 15th and 29th of March that the Wicklow Courtyard from 10am to 1pm

Uniform Orders

Donna Matheson will be taking orders for new school uniforms from L. W. Reid. Please see order form attached. Please return completed order form to school A.S.A.P.
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Girls Formal Uniforms are available from Struddy's Sports, 151 Rusden Street, ARMIDALE

PLEASE NOTE: Items do not include Logo unless specified. Screen Printing is available at Armidale Signs

Items can be viewed at [www.lwrec.com.au](http://www.lwrec.com.au)

PAYMENT: Please return payment with order form. Orders will not be placed unless payment has been received. Payment can be Cash or Cheque made payable to Kelly's Plains Public School.