From the Principal’s Desk…

I am extremely pleased to see our students engaged with all classroom activities. Mrs Piddington, Mrs Weier and I are extremely happy with the effort that all students are putting into their work and the great responses they have had.

In consultation with the P&C, we will continue with our German Program. This will be continued by Janelle Harding for the first semester. We are looking forward to meeting with Janelle in the weeks to come.

Tomorrow is the Small Schools’ Swimming Carnival being held at the Monckton Aquatic Centre. We ask that all students arrive at 9.30am for a 10 o’clock start. Students need to wear their school sports uniform.

Touch Football start next Thursday 12 February. The cost is $20.00 per student and this enables them to play in Term 1 and term 4 with no additional cost. Please let me know so that we will be able to enter sides in the Junior and Senior Divisions.

There will be a new school sports polo shirt. Donna Matheson will hopefully be able to have the shirt to display over the next week or so. Please don’t feel the need to replace your current shirt with the new one until it is necessary to.

The newsletter this week includes a copy of our New School Management Plan. This includes our 3 Strategic Directions. Please take the time to read this. The 5 P’s will be added to our School plan over the next few weeks;

People
Process
Practices & Products
Performance

Any absences need to be explained. You can contact the school, speak to one of the teachers or Mrs Morley in the office in person, send in a note the next day or use the tear of student absence note published in each newsletter.

A reminder that student book packs are available from Collins the Booksellers near Woolworths. The Collins staff will know which books are required for their year level and be able to assist you. Packs vary in price depending on the year level and how many text books are required. The sooner all the students have their school books, the sooner normal classroom routines can commence. (If you are unable to purchase the book pack for any reason, please see me so that an arrangement can be made).

There will be an Assembly this Friday starting at 2.50pm in the Junior School classroom (previously known as Lower Division).

Andrew Watson

Star Students

Lily Croft
Excellent Writing.

Sunita
For her improved confidence and positive attitude.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FEBRUARY

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Kelly’s Plains Public School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 2
4 Feb 2015

“SHARING LEARNING CARING”

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A member of the Armidale Community of Schools
Parents need to drop their children at the swimming pool centre between **9.30am and 9.45am**. Starting time will be 10.00am.

It is essential for all students to bring sunscreen, a hat and appropriate clothing for swimming.

Students are required to wear their School Sports uniform. Students can bring a packed recess, lunch and water bottle **OR** the pool’s canteen facilities will also be available on the day.
**School background 2015 - 2017**

**SCHOOL VISION STATEMENT**

Our vision is to provide educational experiences and opportunities that will engage and motivate all students to learn, discover and take ownership of their knowledge to equip them to become sharing, learning, caring pro-active citizens of the community.

**SCHOOL CONTEXT**

Kelly’s Plains Public School was established in 1863 and is located 10km from Armidale in a peaceful rural setting. The school has a 152 year history of providing quality educational programs and opportunities for all students. The school prides itself in differentiating the curriculum in our multi stage classrooms while encompassing a positive nurturing environment to ensure the school maintains a high standard of academic success, establishing confident and creative individuals in our modern society.

The small school context is the catalyst for great school spirit and pride among students, family and teachers. The high level of community involvement supports all aspects of school life.

**SCHOOL PLANNING PROCESS**

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**School Strategic Directions 2015 - 2017**

1. **STRATEGIC DIRECTION 1**
   - Delivering consistently high quality educational practices across our school.
   - To improve student learning and outcomes through the development and delivery of consistent high quality teaching practices.

2. **STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2**
   - Linking individual learning for all students in a secure, engaging and supportive way.
   - To establish and provide engaging learning experiences which are personalised and responsive to each student.

3. **STRATEGIC DIRECTION 3**
   - Promoting a collaborative learning culture through strong, supportive and respectful partnerships.
   - To develop and enrich positive, compassionate and trusting relationships which identify needs to support an inclusive school culture which is flexible and dynamic.
Small Schools Swimming Carnival
Thursday 5th February, 2015
Monckton Aquatic Centre - Armidale

Schedule:
10.00am Welcome - Events Commence.

1. Open Girls 4 x 50m Medley
2. Open Boys 4 x 50m Medley
3. 5 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
4. 5 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
5. 6 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
6. 6 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
7. 7 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
8. 7 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
9. 8 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
10. 8 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
11. 9 Year Girls 50m Freestyle
12. 9 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
13. 10 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
14. 10 Years Boys 50 m Freestyle
15. 11 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
16. 11 Years Boys 50m Freestyle
17. 12/13 Years Girls 50m Freestyle
18. 12/13 Years Boys 50m freestyle
19. Juv. Finals 50m Freestyle (if necessary)
20. Jun Finals 50m Freestyle (if necessary)
21. Sen Finals 50m Freestyle (if necessary)
22. Open Girls 100m Freestyle
23. Open Boys 100m Freestyle
24. Juv Breaststroke
25. Jun Breaststroke
26. Sen Breaststroke
27. Juv Backstroke
28. Jun Backstroke
29. Sen Backstroke
30. Juv Butterfly
31. Jun Butterfly
32. Sen Butterfly
33. Breaststroke Finals (if necessary)
34. Backstroke Finals (if necessary)
35. Butterfly Finals (if necessary)
36. Juv Mixed Freestyle Relays
37. Sen Mixed Freestyle Relays
38. Parent Relay
39. Presentations

*Could all schools please provide an extra teacher to assist with crowd control.

Lower Division and Non Swimmer Events to run concurrently with swimming races.
15m events will follow these in the alternate 50m pool at approx. 11.00

A lunch break will be called at an appropriate time.

Announcer — Andrew Watson
Recorder — Samantha Temoso & Anne Stace
Starter — Danny Spillane
Marshall — Donna Jewell
Marshall — Sharon Ryan
Place Judge — Jo Thornton
Place Judge — Lauren Piddington
Place Judge — Emma Bennett
Life Saver — ?
Non Swimmers/15m Events
- Fiona Uren (Co-ordinator)
- Margaret Beal
- Karin Barber/Casual
- Jane Weir
- Cindi Matthews/Casual
- Sally Castle

Divisions
Juvenile 5-7 years
Junior 8-10 years
Senior 11-12 years