From the Principal’s Desk...

We have had another productive week. Bethany, Joel and Seamus had a fantastic time at the Science and Engineering Day held at the UNE last week. You can read more about their experience later in the newsletter.

We had another great visit from Healthy Harold last week where the Junior School learnt about the body and different organs and also got to get up close and personal with Harold. The Senior students learnt about medication and how it can be both helpful and harmful. Booklets are being worked through in the classroom to reinforce the topics covered.

Harmony Day was an absolute success. Special thanks to Mrs Floyd and Mrs Weier for their preparation and work on the day. The students studied a number of countries, learnt about breakfasts around the world and even sang a song saying Hello in nine different languages. The lunch was, in one word—ENORMOUS and delicious. It was great to see the children trying new and different foods.

School Photos will be taking place on Tuesday 31 March. Monday will be Out Of Uniform to ensure uniforms and shoes are clean and tidy. Please ensure your child/children are dressed in full school uniform on Tuesday morning. Please return envelope and payment before Tuesday.

Wednesday 1 April is the Smalls Schools’ Cross Country at the Bellevue Rugby Field, UNE. At the same time, we will also have students participating in the Regional Debating Workshop. Permission slips were sent home last week, please return them as soon as possible.

This Friday the Flute Trio will perform at our school at a cost of $4 per student. Please send your note and money back as soon as possible.

The last event for the term is the Annual Easter Hat Parade. This will take place on Thursday 2 April. The parade will start at 11:30, followed by Easter dances and sport tabloid. A sausage sizzle will take place at 1pm with the End of Term Assembly starting at 2:30. If you have a special friend you would like to invite, they are more than welcome to join us for this very exciting day.

Andrew Watson

HELP REQUIRED

ANZAC Day Service at Dangarsleigh War Memorial

Please keep this morning free to assist the P&C in representing and catering for the Kelly’s Plains and Dangarsleigh Community event. KPPS has been a vital part of this service, with students in strong representation and families providing cakes and slices, while also serving tea and coffee to those before, during and after the service. Please note: The service commences at 8am. We ask students to arrive by 7:50am.

Donations for slices and biscuits are now being accepted. Please place them in the freezer in the lunch room or bring on the day.

Does anybody have something we could use to heat the water for hot drinks on the day? Please let us know if you are able to help out. Thanks

Star Students

Djembe Davy
For enthusiasm towards learning

Sarah Gardiner
For developing independent work habits

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH
FRI 27 Flute Trio NECOM 1.30pm
MON 30 Out Of Uniform Day
TUES 31 School Photos Full School Uniform

APRIL
WED 1 Small Schools Cross Country at UNE Debating Workshop
THURS 2 Easter Hat Parade 11:30 start
End of Term Assembly 2:30 start
Last day of Term 1
MON 20 Staff Development Day
TUES 21 Students Resume Term 2
Science & Engineering Day at UNE
On Tuesday March 17, we drove to Lazenby Hall and sat down at the end of the stairs and met some of the students from other schools, even Josh Turner was there! We spent some time talking and then we went inside to begin. It was a large gym like room, with chairs and tables arranged into a few sections. We sat down to do a challenge called ‘Get over it!’.

‘Get over it!’ was very fun where we had to make a strong bridge in a metal structure made from paddle pop sticks, coffee stirrers, tape, thick and thin straws, trays, scissors and a ruler. It would have to be strong enough for a heavy train to run across it. Step by step the instructors put very heavy ingots on the train and ours broke on the very heaviest ingot which weighed about 18kg. Some other people made a bridge and the train with the super heavy ingots made it across.

After Get over it! we went to recess. Then we sat down to do the ‘Mars Buggies’ challenge. We had to make a Mars Buggy that could hold a piece of wood without it falling off. That sounds easy but we had to pull the buggy across large knobs and bumps for about 2 metres. ‘Buggi’ (the name I gave to our Mars Buggy) made it to the end in 7 seconds without the block of wood falling off. At the end of the day, we got to present our buggy to all the other schools. I think we even got the record for fastest to the end.
Art Smocks
Art smocks are desperately needed for all students. In Creative Arts, the students do wear smocks while painting and care is taken not to get paint on their clothes, however accidents happen. Apparently a mixture of salt, water and vinegar can help remove paint from clothes.

Mrs Weier

2015 Easter Hat Parade

It is time to start designing, building, constructing, gluing, sticking, folding and stapling your Easter Hat for the Kelly's Plains Annual Easter Hat Parade.

Date: Thursday 2 April 2015
11:30: Easter Hat Parade and dancing
12:15: Sport Tabloids
1:15: Sausage Sizzle
2:30: End of Term Assembly

Kelly’s Plains Public School
Student Absence Note

My child ......................................... of class ................................ was absent from school on the following dates ...............................................................................................................................

For the following reason ...........................................................................................................................................................

Parent/Carer Signature: ......................................................... Date: .................................
German Egg Dyeing

The students thoroughly enjoyed dyeing eggs in the German tradition. Vielen Dank Frau Hardy for your organisation and for providing this experience for our students.

Congratulations to Mr Maclean who graduated on Saturday.