



Kindon State School

Week 1 Term 3

14th July 2009

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A big welcome back to all students, staff and parents. Term 3 promises to be a busy and exciting term, with exciting new learning topics and a range of extra-curricular activities. The Unit of work we will be focussing on is "The Space Expo". Today it was explained to the students that 2009 is the year of "Astronomy" and in conjunction with this we are going to hold a Space Expo here at school in week 9. The students are responsible for all the planning and presenting of the "Space Expo" and have chosen space topics to begin researching. This unit has a student ownership approach to it and individual students will be given opportunities to decide what they learn and how they present their understandings in relevant assessment tasks. If you have any space resources at home or consider yourself a bit of an expert in any field of astronomy, please give me a call.

Some of the extra-curricular activities occurring this term are the MacIntyre Zone Athletic Trials, PCAP Bike Education, Hansel and Gretel and Book Fair. Please consult the attached Term Calendar for relevant dates.

Jazz on the Hill

We are exactly 6 weeks away from Jazz on the Hill and although many things still need to be organised and finalised, we are definitely on our way and have the majority of big ticket items planned. The band and transport are booked and I should hopefully have the invites out this week. We will work with the same approach as last year, I will send home 10 copies of the invite to each family (to hand out to friends and family) and have Nigel do a mail drop to everybody in the community. If you require more than 10 invites please let me know. As we discussed last year, it is important that we don't miss any of the long standing community members and school supporters, so please check that people you know have received the invite and if not let me know.

Start spreading the word!

As I mentioned at the trivia night last term, we need more auction items. Please continue to hound anyone you know who may be willing to donate goods for the auction. The more the better.

ICAS Tests

The ICAS English test will be held Tuesday 4th August.

Computer Monitor

Thank you Greg for donating a computer monitor to the school.

P&C Meeting

We will have a P&C meeting in week 2, next Wednesday the 22nd July.

MacIntyre Zone Athletics Trials

Friday 31st July is the MacIntyre Zone Athletic Trials in Inglewood. The students representing the MacIntyre Small Schools will have received a nomination form and draft program today. Please return all nomination forms to school by this Friday. Parents are responsible for the transport and supervision of students on this day.

Epilepsy Australia Trivia Challenge

The students participated very well in the trivia challenge on the last Thursday of term 2. They achieved high results and had fun working in groups to test each others general knowledge. All sponsorship forms have been handed back to the students so they can collect their donations. Could all donations please be sent in to school by next Monday 20th July.

Tennis

Tennis starts next Monday morning with Connor Sloss. Students are able to bring in their own racquets if they choose or use the school racquets.

Prac Students

Thank you all for your hospitality when welcoming the prac students in the last week of term 2. They were very impressed with our school and found the community to be extra friendly. I am sure that we provided a great example of what a rural school and community can offer.

PCAP Bike Education

On Tuesday 28th July Sheldon Boland from South West PCAP will be here at Kindon SS to provide a Mobile Field Study Unit consisting of 1. Environmental Education 2. Orienteering 3. Bike Education. Sheldon is bringing 14 bikes of various sizes with him and I will organise with parents to have 5 more bikes brought to school. Students will need to bring bike helmets (only if you own one as there will be spares) on the day. **Students are not required to bring their own bikes to school unless individually asked .**



Regards, Jonathan

Dates for Your Diary

20th July—Tennis starts

23rd,24th July—Aligning With Diversity PD (Jonathan away)

28th July—PCAP Bike Educaiton

31st July—MacIntyre Zone Athletics Trials (Inglewood)