Dear Parents and Community,

Thank you to the parents who attended the P&C meeting last Thursday.

Congratulations and thank you to Jamie Swales, who is continuing as President.

Peter Stevenson - Senior Vice President
Tim Dew - Junior Vice President
Cathy Chandler - Treasurer
Dawn Dew - Secretary

Sub Committees:
Anna Stevenson and Angela Swales - Tuckshop Co-ordinator's. You will be notified when Tuckshop begins.
Tammy Armstrong - Book Club Co-ordinator.
Shaun Cassidy - Hall Representative
Jamie Swales - Cattle Convenor

Students' of the Week:

Charlotte Dew and Georgie Swales should be congratulated on their helpful manner toward others. Both students have been excellent role models in class and are very deserving of the “Kingstown Kids with Character” trophies. They actively display the qualities of politeness and respect and the “Getting Along” You can Do It key.

A highlight of our Friday Student Assembly was our School Captains receiving a congratulatory letter from our School Education Director, Jenny Murray, which they shared with us.

We would like to thank Maisy and Will for all their help over the past weeks with the younger students. They are setting a high standard for our future leaders!

Thank you also to Will Swales, who has been mentoring a Year Two student, Joe Monk on research.
skills and the presentation of slide shows. We were all very captivated by their "Dangerous Ants" slideshow topic last Friday. Enlarged ants can look very scary!

This Thursday the Zone Swimming Carnival will be held in Armidale.

We wish our Kingstown representatives the very best!


Mrs Skewes will be present as the Small School Representative.

Scripture started last week. We welcome back Reverend John and Mrs Oaksford.

Please let me know if you do not wish your child to attend.

Lower Division Sport and Sports Uniform

Mrs Skewes will be taking Lower Division Sport each Wednesday afternoon whilst I have Principal Release. Most students are at computer with Mr Lake on Friday afternoon so Lower Division sport’s uniform day will now be Wednesday.

Reminder for the performance “Adamriginal” next Friday. Please send notes and $5 in.

Thank you to the Hamilton’s for providing the venue once again for the Cross Country.

Active After School Next Term

Although we have the numbers for the program to go ahead, we still need to find someone who might be interested in running the weekly one hour sessions. Teachers would be present and there would be lots of program support for activities. This position is a paid position and would require the leader to attend an Active School Workshop and have a Working with Children Check. Please let me know if you know anyone who might be interested.

Attendance:

It has been a great start to the year with high attendance. All students from K-6 need to maintain high attendance to ensure the best possible learning outcomes.

Please continue to contact the school or send in a note if your child is absent.

Homework

Upper Division: Mr Bock will be putting a note in the newsletter next week, as he is away sick today.

KINDER

Apologies for not sending my yearly homework note home to parents.

The homework folder will be sent home each Monday and can be returned to school on Friday, if that suits (or Monday if you feel you would like to keep the folder over the weekend).

Please note that these little tasks are just reinforcing what we are doing in class, so relax and have fun together. Don't feel that your child needs to do everything in one night.

There is a little bag with the sounds students are learning -a,m,s,t,i,p Students can say the letter names and sounds; write the letters; find items around the house that start or end with these letters and combine two or three letters to make small words - am, as, at, mat, sat, it, is, if

We are working on the sight words-I, am, see, look, at, my, mum, dad, school, is, it. Next week the students will have a bag of sight words to revise and if they like, make simple sentences.

Early readers that are sent home will reinforce sight words. Encourage your child to point to the first word, looking at the start of the sentence which is a capital letter and the end, a full stop, and point to each word as they read.
Year One and Year Two

Year One and Two have a weekly spelling list, a reader and a math's sheet.
Year Two's can read their own interest books or take home readers from school.
Fifteen minutes of regular nightly reading hugely improves fluency and reading confidence.

Read along with your child to help improve fluency.
Year One students may need to look through the book for familiarity and have you read it first.
Please feel free to contact me with any concerns.

Next Monday and Tuesday I will be attending a Principal Workshop in Armidale and Mrs Skewes will be teaching Lower Division.

Community Noticeboard

Autumn SOCCER DEVELOPMENT SERIES

WHEN-Five consecutive Tuesdays starting 12th March.
   Sessions will run from 5.30pm to 7.00pm, weather permitting.
   If one session is washed out we plan to add another session.
The first two sessions will have a registration period from 5.00pm to 5.30pm.
   WHERE-Rologas fields
   WHO- Girls & boys aged 8 to 15
   BRING: Shin Pads, boots, water bottle, hat/sun screen.
   COST-$15--
   PHONE CONTACT 6772-7100

PSSA

If the Armidale Zone Carnival is going to be called off,
an announcement will be made over 2AD at 7.00am.
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