Dear Parents and Community Members,

Term one may be drawing to a close but we certainly haven’t slowed down here at school! During week 10 we celebrated Harmony Day, ventured in to UNE for the combined small schools Cross Country and somehow managed a little school work as well!

On Wednesday, Upper Division treated Lower Division students to some informative and entertaining presentations on countries throughout Asia. They dressed in costume to share interesting facts, some lovely cultural stories and even included some fun, interactive activities. The students put a great deal of effort into their presentations, worked very well in their groups and enjoyed imparting their research.

Friday’s Cross Country was well attended and a great success. Thank you to Richard Crocket for assisting with the event organisation and also to Richard Cotter from Kelly’s Plains for taking over at the last minute and running the day for us.

Kingstown students participated with enthusiasm and all successfully completed a challenging course! It was quite a hot day for running, making competitors all the more grateful for the Icy Pole Lyndie handed them as they crossed the finish line! Riley Stevenson, Isabella Tonkin, Gemma Armstrong and Ruby Armstrong all brought home a first place ribbon and trophy in their respective divisions – Well done!

Congratulations also to the other Kingstown students who collected ribbons on the day. PSSA qualifiers will be notified early next term.

Knowledge
Progress
Strength

The You Can Do It! focus this week is persistence.

We are encouraging students to put in a persistent effort in all class tasks.

Cross Country Trophy Winners!

Not deterred by this year’s change of venue, the P&C put together another wonderful
canteen. Thank you to all who contributed baked goods and their time! The P&C raised $650.00 Great Work!

Keeping things humming along with Ms Ryan away has definitely been a team effort! Mrs Barber and Mrs Hamilton have been working hard in K/1/2, as has Lyndie in the office. Miss Frazier has been assisting in Upper Division as she clocks up experience hours for her course and Mrs Skewes has spent some extra time with us this fortnight, helping to prepare for next term’s NAPLAN and Athletics carnivals. The year is certainly moving quickly but we are well placed for a productive Term 2.

Science and Technology
Thank you to all Upper-Division students who successfully completed their home tasks last week. It was great to see a large variety of ways to send messages across the field.
Welcome to Kingstown:
Maddison Mitchell & Deuter Macalos.

Kingstown Kids with Character
Abby Stevenson: For her wonderful group work during Harmony Day preparation and fantastic responses in Action again bullying tasks.
Jacob Mundy: Excellent work habits and beautiful manners.

Merit Awards
Ruby Armstrong: Caring for other students and beautiful work.

Amy White: Excellent writing and working to the best of her ability.
Angus Swales: Excellent independent work habits and assisting his peers.
Kosta Cantrill-Taylor: Good work with numbers to 20.
Shauna Cantrill-Taylor: Improved effort in spelling and homework.
Sharni Oldknow: Enthusiasm during Harmony Day presentations.
Deuter Macalos: Polite and positive attitude toward school.

Jack Danieli: Wonderful group work during Harmony Day preparations.

Alex Cantrill-Taylor: Wonderful group work during Harmony Day preparations.

Deuter Macalos

Thank you P&C
Thank you to the P&C Parents who provided materials and labour to concrete in the bell pole.

Happy Birthday
Jack Cassidy & Jacob Mundy

Active After School will commence in week two of term 2 (Tuesday, 6th May).

Reminders
Easter hat parade and hunt this Friday.

Anzac Day Parade, Friday, 25th April: Meet at the corner of Bridge & Salisbury Streets at 9.50am for a 10.00am start. Wear full school uniform.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy Easter break!

The first day of Term 2 is Tuesday, 29th April, 2014

Tuckshop—Will commence week three of Term 2 (Wednesday, 14th May).
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Who is living in your backyard?

Come and join ecologist Wendy Hawes (The Envirofactor) and bush regenerator Kate Boyd (Uralla Shire Council) for a fun family evening observing some of the native creatures and plants that call Bundarra home. Meet Barry the Yellow-bellied Sheath-tail-bat and see what else we can find using a bat detector, animal call playback and spotlighting. Learn about the work occurring around Bundarra to improve habitat for our local wildlife and find out how you can help. The evening will start with a pre-dusk walk around the Bundarra Nature Park, followed by a BBQ, and finish with spotlighting in the Park and in a nearby reserve.

**When:** Saturday 12th April. Join us from 4.00pm, with spotlighting starting after 6.00pm

**Where:** Bundarra Nature Park

**What to bring:** Closed footwear, water, a small torch (for finding your way), long pants, binoculars (if you have them)

Please RSVP (for catering) by Thursday 10th April. For more information please contact Danielle Andersson at Southern New England Landcare on 6772 9123. This event is proudly sponsored by Uralla Shire Council.

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Come Nature Rambling

These school holidays join environmental specialists on a nature ramble exploring Uralla’s special creek and bushland areas. Learn about the native plants and animals that live in our town and how we can improve their homes. Get up close with water bugs and see what they can tell us about the health of our creeks. This is a free family event with two different guided walking routes available (easy and moderate).

**When:** Wednesday 23rd April starting at 10am with a BBQ lunch from 11.30am

**Where:** Commences from the Uralla Visitor Information car park and finishes at Alma Park

**What to bring:** Closed footwear, water and a hat

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