Dear Parents and Kingstown Community,

It was a warmer start to the week after the chilly weekend conditions. Congratulations to the students and parents who braved the conditions in Armidale, Guyra and Walcha over the weekend to attend soccer and hockey games, starting the season with impressive commitment!

Kellys v Thunders School Athletic Carnival is on this Friday, commencing at 10.00am. We are hoping the weather holds out! Thank you to our P&C for organising the sausage sizzle on the day, sausages will be available to purchase at lunch for $2.50. Students are asked to bring their own morning tea, fruit, snacks and house mascot.

**NAPLAN Reminder**

Next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Year 3 and 5 will be participating in NAPLAN testing.

**Active After School** started today. Thank you Tammy and Mel for agreeing to run the program again this term.

**Upper Division Excursion Term Three**

Week 7, next term, Upper Division will have the opportunity to attend a four night excursion to Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Facility. Details of the camp will be sent home soon. The price of the camp will be $100 per student and $80 for a second student. The P&C have agreed to fund the difference (covering the bus) which will significantly reduce individual student costs. It is hoped that all Upper Division students will attend this excursion. Please contact the school if you have any concerns. Payment arrangements are flexible and there is school assistance funding available.

**Thankyou to Wayne Poss** for transferring the softfall into our playground last weekend.

**Mandarin**

Upper Division Mandarin lessons commenced yesterday and will continue weekly throughout this term. The students had a great first lesson, learning about transport. Lower Division Man-
Darin lessons will commence this Thursday.

**Lower Division Homework** has been sent home this week. Kinder students have readers and rhyming “at” words (to revise). They are learning to count backwards from 10 and 20. Year One students are learning about frogs, whales and termites this week and Year Two students are also reading factual readers and reviewing personal spelling errors. Congratulations to all students on a great start to Term Two!

I will be away tomorrow as I am attending the Armidale Community of Schools principal meeting held each term.

**Food Revolution Day**
Next Friday 16th May we will be participating in Jamie Oliver’s “Food Revolution Day”.

Children are required to bring an apron to school.

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**Thunders vs. Kelly’s Athletics Carnival**

**Lunch Menu**

- Sausage Sandwich: $2.50
- Popper / Water: $1.00
- Tea & Coffee: Donation

**Please Note:**
Children will need to bring:-
- morning tea, drink bottles & hat
- Wear house colours & running shoes

**Thunders: Red & Blue**
**Kelly’s: Green & Yellow**

**Parent helpers required please for the field events, mascot judging & ribbons**
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Minutes - General Meeting

Thursday, 1st May, 2014

Meeting Opened: 5.40 pm

Members Present: Sharon Ryan, Pete Stevenson, Jamie Swales, Cathy Chandler, Tammy Armstrong, Robyn Frazier

Apologies: Dawn Dew, Tim Danieli, Richard and Josie Tonkin

Apologies Moved: Tammy Armstrong  Seconded: Robyn Frazier  Carried

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: (20th March 2014)
Read and distributed via email, school newsletter & school web page. Confirmed as being true and correct.

Minutes Moved: Cathy Chandler  Seconded: Tammy Armstrong  Carried

Business arising from previous minutes:

- **Cross Country**
  Successful cross country, net about $600 for the day.
  Chicken skewers although tasty were probably not worth the hassle as they are fiddly to handle and cook.

- **Building Works**
  Money has been allocated to put new floor boards on the library verandah, funding will probably be available in the future to install windows in the eastern wall of the library.
  Some buildings have been painted this week

- **School Excursion**
  The school excursion will be to Lake Keepit as previously discussed.

Moved: Cathy Chandler  Seconded: Tammy Armstrong  Carried
Correspondence Out: Wisemantel Bus Letter

Correspondence In: Nil

Moved: Sharon Ryan  Seconded: Tammy Armstrong  Carried

Reports

Treasurer's Report: See Attached
Moved: Cathy Chandler  Seconded: Jamie Swales  Carried

Principals Report: See Attached
Moved: Sharon Ryan  Seconded: Cathy Chandler  Carried

General Business:

Kingstown Athletics Carnival
It was decided to have a simple sausage barbecue for lunch at the carnival, some left over drinks from P&C stocks will also be available for purchase. Students will need their own morning tea. Tea and coffee will be available on a self-serve basis for parents and staff.

J. Swales to organise sausages

Parent helpers will be required for some events.

Lake Keepit Excursion
Sharon Ryan informed the meeting that the cost of the excursion would be $4500 total. It was decided that the cost would be $150 per child for the first child and $80 per child for the second child where this applies.

Cathy Chandler moved, seconded Robyn Frazier that the P&C would make up the difference, this amount will be finalised when exact numbers are determined. The motion was carried.

Fundraising Ideas
Norma Betts (bus driver) has offered to run the street stall in Uralla on behalf of the school to raise funds. Her generosity is greatly appreciated. Possible items for sale would be a wood raffle with other suggestions welcome.
A discussion was held regarding a community fundraising event for the school in term 4 with the following points:

- The event would be based on a games night and a parent auction
- Adults only, bring your own drinks and nibbles
- We would work on 100 guests, with tickets costing around $50
- Norma Betts has offered to organise a holiday which could be raffled and drawn on the night
- Pete Stevenson has organised an auctioneer to sell parents
- Prawns, chicken and salad would be included in the ticket price, and possibly a complimentary drink on arrival
- The suggested date is Saturday the 1st November

Other items

Anna Stevenson is purchasing a new pie warmer on behalf of the P&C for a cost of $549
J. Swales is to organise a quote for shade sails over the paved area

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday, 12th June 2014

Meeting closed: 6.40 pm

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10am Start—Assembly

10.15am Age Races: Girls and Boys

5 Years—70 metres
6 Years—70 metres
7 Years—70 metres
8 Years—100 metres
9 Years—100 metres
10 Years—100 metres
11 Years—100 metres
12 Years—100 metres
(There will be a Pre schoolers race)

Division Races (Boys & Girls)

Juvenile — 70 metres
Junior—100 metres
Senior—100 metres

Distance Races (Boys & Girls)

Juvenile—400 metres (separate boys and girls)
Junior—800 metres (separate boys and girls)
Senior—800 metres (combined boys & girls)

Field events:


Lunch (P&C BBQ)

Ball Games

Juveniles—Over and Under, Hoop and Nest
Juniors—Tunnel Ball and Captain Ball
Seniors— Tunnel Ball and Captain Ball

Relays

Mascot Judging—Juvenile, Junior, Senior

Presentation

Morning Tea