Dear Parents and Kingstown Community,

Results from the Small School Athletic Carnival are in and Kingstown students are to be congratulated on winning the Small School Athletic Handicap Shield. Well done to us!

Congratulations to Kentucky PS who won the aggregate shield.

Congratulations also to our four age division School Champions. What an impressive achievement!

Riley Stevenson: Juvenile Boy Champion
Ruby Armstrong: Junior Girl Champion
Zac Armstrong: Senior Boy Champion
Lillian Reynolds: Senior Girl champion

Congratulations also to the senior tunnel ball team who did a great job achieving first place last Thursday at Rocky River School.

Think about characters in stories, their problems and ask questions

What do stories teach us about ourselves and our world?
**HOCKEY**

Thank you to Blair Chalmers for great hockey sessions with students each Tuesday. The students are really enjoying hockey and looking forward to the next three hockey sessions with Blair.

**Welcome back Mrs Patch!**

Mrs Patch returned today after her fantastic holiday in Scotland. It is great to have her back. Thank you so much to Dawn Dew who did a wonderful job looking after the office and school organisation in Cherie’s absence.

**Removal of Tree**

Thank you to Mel Rizzi and her family for removing the cedar tree at the front of the school. This is very much appreciated!

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**Change of Date for PSSA & Awards Assembly**

Due to the rescheduling of the Armidale Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival to Thursday, 30th July due to inclement weather, we have had to move our Education Week Award & Parent Assembly to the following Thursday, August 6th, as several students would be absent. It will be the day after the Rugby Gala Day. We apologise for any inconvenience caused. I am sure everyone is happy with the additional rainfall!

**Thursday, August 6th**

10.00am Open Classrooms - Pop in and observe regular lessons and activities or come along to the Education Award Assembly and paper plane challenge after recess.

11.45am Music item & Presentation of Education Awards and Merit Certificates.

12.30pm Paper Plane Greatest Distance Challenge (Practise with your design at home!) 12 metres is the qualifying distance for the “Regional High Flyer!” (A second competition will be held in Week 5 Science Week with strict adherence to paper plane flying rules!)

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**Reminder Rugby Gala Day**

Next Wednesday, 5th August at Uralla Sportsground:

The bus will leave at 9.15am. Donations of homemade cakes etc. for morning tea would be greatly appreciated.

It would be greatly appreciated if permission notes for the bus, along with any outstanding monies could be sent into school this week.

There will be no Tuck Shop on Rugby Gala Day as we will not be at school, instead morning recess and lunch options will be available to purchase from the canteen provided by our wonderful P&C.
Students in Lower Division are reading stories set in different countries. They are thinking about what they can learn from the characters in these stories and their world. Recently students learnt about the island of Kiribati, through the children’s book, “Has anyone seen my Chook?” and the problems the Kiribati people are facing with rising sea levels. Year One and Two students read a factual text called the “Tree of Life” about the many uses of palm trees, which inspired Riley Stevenson to bring in a fantastic Texan hat woven from palm leaves. Thanks Riley! Students have also designed postcards and created factual texts using book creator on the i-pads.

Over the next two weeks students will be listening to stories and learning about Indonesia and Africa.

In Numeracy students are consolidating their number fact knowledge and counting in multiples whilst working with arrays. Over the next two weeks students will focus on measuring the length and surface area of objects.

Homework:

Parents have told me that on many nights homework for young students is difficult. The PLAN letter to parents included in the K-2 school reports has some good ideas for parents to help with their child’s learning in everyday situations.

Spending time throughout the week reading to your child or listening to your child read develops a love of books and is a great way to help your child learn and develop their reading skills. Discussing characters in books; their actions and problems and asking “I wonder..” questions develops children’s critical thinking skills.

Spelling homework will be sent home with students who are returning their reading folders each Monday. Independent readers can choose to read their own books throughout the week. Year One students can select school readers. Numeracy sheets will also be sent home for students to consolidate their learning on aspects of numeracy.

Happy Birthday to Angus Swales, who turned 8 yesterday, and celebrated with us at school today!
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**EDUCATION WEEK**

**Woolworths Earn & Learn**

Just a reminder that Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers are available with grocery purchases. If you could collect the stickers, completed sticker sheets can be placed in a collection box here at school.
Kingstown Public School – P&C Association

Minutes - General Meeting

Thursday, 5th June, 2015

Meeting Opened: 5.45 pm

Members Present: Sharon Ryan, Dawn Dew, Tammy Armstrong, Robyn Frazier, Kylie Vincent, Josie Tonkin

Apologies: Pete Stevenson

Apologies Moved: Dawn  Seconded: Tammy  Carried

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: (7th May 2015)
Read and distributed via email, school newsletter & school web page. Confirmed as being true and correct.

Minutes Moved: Robyn  Seconded: Kylie  Carried

Business arising from previous minutes:

- **Uniforms**
  as discussed last time

- **Clearing Sale**
  Not enough volunteers from P & C, declined

- **Rugby Day**
  To be confirmed for next term.

- **ACNC**
  Kylie is in the process of sorting out the Charity Revocation letter.

Correspondence Out: Nil

Correspondence In: Bookclub, various fundraisers, Lions Club email

Moved: Tammy  Seconded: Robyn  Carried
Reports

Treasurers Report:
Moved: Kylie  Seconded: Josie  Carried

Principals Report:
Moved: Sharon  Seconded: Robyn  Carried

Invite Kelly & Brian to an end of term assembly to present their "leaving Kingstown" paver. Some of the trees in the school grounds are coming down due to disease - Dawn to email Pete about removal of logs etc. Dawn has volunteer to enquire about replacement trees, possibly form "Longford"
Sharon to ask Shane wether he was able to paint the library.
Sharon to get invoice for library doors to Kylie.

General Business:

Thunders Vs Kellys Carnival
Menu went out with newsletter. Sharon to pick up sausages, Kylie to pick up bread & poppers if needed. There is plenty of water in P&C room. Robyn, Anna & Kylie are bringing soup. Tammy to organise BBQ in the morning. Dawn & Josie also bringing food.

Library Door
The library door has been done. Motion made to pay half of invoice cost for the work done.
Moved: Robyn  Seconded: Kylie  Carried

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday, 30th July 2015
Meeting closed: 6.55 pm

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