A Good Start
Even though it has been a challenging start to the school year for many, classes have settled in well to their routines, and we are looking forward to a very positive school year ahead. Thank-you again to staff, parents and students for the great efforts to kick off 2013.

School Permissions Form
Included with this week’s Informer is a permissions form for completion and return to school. Many thanks.

P&C Meeting
Our first P&C meeting for this year will be held tomorrow afternoon, 12 February, commencing at 5.00 pm in the library. The Annual General Meeting, and election of the Executive for 2013, will occur prior to the general meeting. Items for discussion include P&C activities for this year. All parents are welcome.

School Costs
Listed below are activities and programs in first term that require contributions from families. In first term, the demands are placed more on the lower school (swimming program). Our school and P&C subsidises the cost of some of these activities in order to support families.

At this stage, no payments are required. Please contact the school to discuss payment worries, at any time.

Yr 1-3/4 Swimming $3 per week (5 wks)  
Yr 1-3 Religious Education $5 per student (for the year)  
Yr 4-7 Interschool Sport 3 bus trips this term, $2 per trip

Swimming Lessons
This term, students Years 1, 2/3 and 3/4 will participate in the swimming program commencing next Friday, 22 Feb. Cost this year will again be $3 per week (for 5 weeks). Next week there will be some information regarding swimming arrangements.

Instrumental Music Commences
Instrumental Music teacher, Christine Buwalda, commences with instrumental music students this Thursday, 14 February.

Tuckshop Volunteer Request
Included with this week’s newsletter is a request form for volunteers. Please consider helping out with Tuckshop. It is a terrific highlight for the students and a steady fundraiser for our school, however we need volunteers to make it viable.

After School Sport
Active After School programs will begin this Wednesday, 13 Feb, with Table Tennis for Year 4-7 students. After School Cricket for Prep to 7 will start next Monday, 18 Feb. There is a registration form with this newsletter.

Medications
Parents, included with this week’s newsletter is a pink medication form. This form is to be used for medication such as antibiotics, analgesics, cough mixture, etc. in the case of ongoing medications, such as ventolin, a yellow form must be completed. Medication cannot be administered unless accompanied by a form.

Parents should ensure that:
• Medication is provided in the original labelled container
• Medication is not out of date and has an original pharmacy label with the student’s name, dosage, and time to be taken
• The school is notified in writing when a change of dosage is required. This instruction must be accompanied by a letter from a medical practitioner

* Please understand that schools are not allowed to administer paracetamol or similar medications to students without permission from a medical practitioner.

Fundraising Programs
Thanks to the support of families last year, we have received some terrific equipment and materials to use with our classes. The Woolies Earn and Learn resources have just arrived and the Coles Sports for Schools will be turning up soon. Thanks again to all who contributed.

Jeff Searle  

School Calendar
- Feb 12 (Tue) P&C Annual General Meeting 5.00pm  
- Feb 13 (Wed) After School Table Tennis Yr 4-7  
- Feb 15 (Fri) School and House Captains elections  
- Feb 18 (Mon) After School Cricket commences Prep—Yr 7  
- Feb 22 (Fri) Swimming Lessons Year 1, 2/3 and 3/4  
- March 28 (Thur) Last day of term  
- March 29 (Fri) Good Friday  
  Weekly Assembly is on Thursday mornings in the library 9.00-9.30am  All parents welcome
ICE CUPS on sale this Friday for 50 cents. Thanks for your supporting our excursions.

CLASS AWARDS

William M: Good listening and working hard.
Emily P: Following instructions and helping others.
Hannah L: A terrific picture of “The Wonky Donkey”.
Jim C: Good listening.
Brodi B: Always putting her hand up to answer questions.
Sylvan S: Setting into new class quickly.
Luke W: Consistently taking part in all classroom activities.
Lewis D: A fantastic attitude toward learning.
Jon K: A fantastic first week at school.
Flynn P: Being helpful and considerate in the classroom.
Rick W: An excellent matching effort in SOSE. A great Australia map.
Emily R: Participating well by contributing ideas and answers in general classwork. Keep it up!

P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Kolan South State School Parents & Citizens Association will be held this Tuesday, 12 February, at 5.00pm in the library.

Following the AGM, our first general P&C Meeting for 2013 will be held.

We encourage all parents to attend our first meeting of the year. More interest from parents means a better working P&C, including new ideas and more support for the school. All welcome.

EXPERIENCE ANOTHER CULTURE IN 2013 AND IMPROVE YOUR LANGUAGE STUDIES AT HOME

In June–July students from over 20 countries around the world will be arriving in Australia to study at local high schools for 5 or 10 months.

Opportunities exist for families to host students in a volunteer capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis. Host families help provide international students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to learn about another country and contribute to international goodwill.

If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

To hear more about this wonderful opportunity or our student exchange programs out of Australia contact Student Exchange Australia New Zealand on 1300 135 331 or visit www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student

CARDIO TENNIS

Join the fastest growing Fitness Program for Adults and young adults, using Heart Rate monitors and playing to music, while having lots of fun, proudly supported by Tennis Australia and Bundaberg Tennis Academy Coach, Kevin Banner.

Times: Monday 6am; Wednesday 7pm; Friday 8.30am.

Places are limited and Registration is essential.

Create your own group. Let’s get going!
Phone Kevin 4152 0753 or 0409 520753

TENNIS HOT SHOTS

Bundaberg Tennis Academy Coaches, Murray Whitbread and Kevin Banner are commencing Tennis sessions & MLC Hot Shots programs at the Bundaberg & District Junior Tennis Association Inc. courts, Rotary Park complex, 659 George Street, South Bundaberg, next to Vinnies.

Group sessions recommence week of Monday 11th February with Matt play commencing Saturday 16th February 2013.

For further information please contact Bundaberg Regional Council on 1300 883 999

To Register and for further information please contact either Murray 0407 639824 or Kevin 4152 0753 or 0409 520753

Want to play netball in 2013??

5–6 Yrs (born 2007/2008)
Sign On 9th and 16th March 10am-12noon
Daph Geddes Netball Park

7–10 Years (born 2006/2003)
Sign On – Saturday 16th February 10am-12noon OR Saturday 24th February 3-5pm
Daph Geddes Netball Park
Contact Shelley Naumann - 0408881047
Or Karen Holloway 0427977105

Club Contacts - 12 Years and over
Alleyway Netball Club - Lyn Newport 41528298
ATW Netball Club - Sandy Baker 0405153222
Blazers Netball Club - Debbie Caggan 0426855691
Brothers Netball Club - Di Barrett 0442588449
Natives Netball Club - Michelle Flick 0431200939
Western Suburbs Netball - Jo Davison 0491655914

For more details on the season check out our website www.bundaberg.netball.asn.au or email us on bundynetball@bigpond.com