Welcome 2014
Welcome back to everyone for the new school year, and a special welcome to new families and staff.

Parents, please discuss any issues with your teachers so that we can assist in any way possible to ensure a positive start to the school year for your child / children.

2014 Classes
We will commence 2014 with 6 classes, as listed below. Be aware that this is a preliminary arrangement until our staffing levels are confirmed. There could well be changes to the composition of classes depending on enrolments.

Our classes start as:
Prep     Tanya Zielke                          Yr 3/4  Deane Drinnen
Yr 1/2  Helen Donald                         Yr 4/5  Debra Romans
Yr 2/3  Kelley Nathan-Webster        Yr 6/7  Jeff S / Darren D

Welcome to Tanya Zielke and Kelley Nathan-Webster, our new teachers for 2014.

Specialist Staff
This year, it is also good that we have no major changes with our specialist teacher staff. Our Music teacher Shannon Brown will visit on Tuesdays while strings instrumental teacher Christine Buwalda will again be here on Thursdays. PE teacher Nichole Russell will visit on Fridays. LOTE (Japanese) with Susan Alexander for Year 6 and 7 will be on Monday and Wednesday mornings.

Uniforms and Book Requirements
Thank-you to families for your efforts in outfitting students in uniform, and preparing booklist needs. Your efforts are appreciated. Please make contact if you need any advice or assistance in these areas.

Contact Information
Parents, please contact the school office if you have any change to contact details, address, phone numbers, etc.

Swimming
This term, students Years 1/2, 2/3 and 3/4 will participate in the swimming program commencing in a few weeks. Cost this year will again be $3 per week (for 6 weeks). Parents, please keep an eye out for information regarding swimming arrangements. More information soon about swimming.

Toys and Valuables
Parents, please ensure students are not taking toys, sports gear or valuables to school. These items are best kept at home. As well, mobile phones or ipods should not be brought to school. If there are special circumstances, please contact the school. Thank-you.

Tuckshop
Tuckshop will likely again be on Wednesdays, commencing in a few weeks. There will be a request form for volunteers included with the newsletter, soon. Please keep an eye on the Informer for Tuckshop information.

Parent/Teacher Communications
We will be holding parent/teacher meetings towards the end of Term One. In the meantime, please feel free to communicate with your teachers at any time if you have concerns or queries regarding student progress.

School Calendar
Included in this newsletter is the school calendar for 2014. The calendar provides information on school holiday breaks, etc. It was also sent home in a previous Informer.

Thank-you to students, parents, and staff for back-to-school preparations. Please stay in touch regarding any concerns you may have. Looking forward to a positive start to school, this week. I hope it goes well for everyone.

Jeff Searle

Car Park Procedures
Parents, please refer to the information over the page regarding car park safety and guidelines for drop-off and pick-up of students. With new families joining us at Kolan South, and the start of a new school year, it is a good time to review the procedures. Thank-you for supporting these routines in the interests of safety.

Weekly Assembly
Our weekly Assembly is on Thursday mornings from 9.00 to 9.30 in the library. All parents are very welcome to attend assembly.
Frozen cordial cups will be on sale each Friday for 50 cents, starting this week. Funds raised go towards end of year excursions. Your support is very much appreciated. Thank-

School Arrival Time
Please ensure your children are not arriving at school before 8.00am. In special circumstances, contact the school. Thank-you.

Car Park Safety—Drive Slowly
At all times, drivers should maintain a slow speed in the car park and turn-around area. It is also a pedestrian area. Between 8.00am and 3.15pm, cars should follow the direction of the arrows in a clockwise direction.

Hopefully, no-one will be injured if drivers act with absolute caution and vigilance. It could be a young child who suddenly runs off from a parent or changes direction unexpectedly that creates a dangerous situation.

Afternoon Pickup
In the afternoon, students who are going home by car or private transport must assemble at the collection area (inside the first gate). Parents are requested to collect students from this area if your child is in Prep to Year 3. Students in older year levels may walk over to cars (with younger siblings) when the duty teacher directs.

THANK-YOU TO ALL STUDENTS, STAFF AND PARENTS FOR HELPING TO MAKE OUR SCHOOL AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE.

EVERY DAY COUNTS

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If you have any questions, please contact the school.

2013 students and staff would like to thank you for your support and cooperation.

School holidays
Public holidays
Staff professional development days (student free days)
Flexible staff professional development days
School terms

There are 19 full school days in 2014. Semester 1 commencements for teachers on January 21 and for students on January 27.

STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS
Staff professional development days (student free days) for teachers are January 21 and February 14, and October 20. Students are able to attend these dates.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
Public holidays are set by the federal and state government. Public holidays for a local school are not shown due to the variety of dates across the state.

FINAL DATES FOR STUDENT ATTENDANCE
November 21 is the final date for Year 12 attendance for the final SACE test. November 28 is the final date for student attendance in Years 10 and 11.

Some schools in regional, rural and remote areas will close for the Christmas holidays on December 24.

A further state primary, secondary and special schools will close on December 30.

In 2015, all state school will re-open for students on January 7.

The information in this calendar was correct at the time of publication (July 2013) but may be subject to change.