Principal’s Messages  ~  Thanks to everyone who came on the Trivia evening, it was a top night.

**Trivia Night Thanks**
Thanks very much to everyone who supported the Trivia evening on Saturday. It was a great night. I’m sure everyone had fun. I did. We had about 50 participants in the trivia, which made for a good atmosphere for the social event.

Thank-you sincerely to parents who helped provide a wonderful supper for the event. Many thanks to P&C President Sherry Wilson who played a big part in the organisation of the event. Thanks very much also to Lisa Russell who supervised children in the Prep room while the teams trivia was happening in the library.

**Our Fig Tree No More**
It was sad to see our wonderful fig tree removed, last week.

The tree succumbed to high winds in the storm on Tuesday evening. What was left was not safe. The old playground was damaged as well. This has also been removed and will be replaced by a new adventure playground in the near future.

The tree has a long history for our school, and has been a landmark for our students, staff and parents of Kolan South. If you know of anyone who has any stories or historical photos, we would be interested. We are considering a framed photo display for the library highlighting the fig tree.

**High School Achievers**
As always, at this time of year, we like to recognise the academic, sporting and cultural achievements at High School of our past Kolan South students.

Over the next couple of weeks, these will be included over the page in our newsletter, as we are able to collect the information following awards presentation events at the various high schools in our district. If we miss anyone, please let us know so that we can highlight the achievements in the Informer.

Congratulations to all of our former Kolan South students for their efforts this year at High School. Well done!

**Prep 2015 Information Session**
This Thursday morning, 6 November, we will hold our Prep Information Session for our 2015 Prep students. The session commences at 10.00am in the library. All welcome.

**Excursion Update**
Information was sent home on Friday to families of students in Year 3 and 4 regarding the Sunshine Coast excursion happening next Thursday and Friday, 13 & 14 November. An inventory list is being sent home with students today.

The Year 5, 6 & 7 camp information will arrive home later this week.

**Remembrance Day**
Remembrance Day poppies may be purchased from the school office for $1, with proceeds going to our local RSL. We will hold a brief ceremony at the memorial for Remembrance Day, next Tuesday 11 November.

**Healthy Lunches Message**
Thank-you to families for considering the recent message about healthy school lunches. Most families are doing a terrific job with lunches. Please keep this uppermost in your minds as this is a critical issue for students’ preparedness for learning. Thank-you.

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**SCHOOL CALENDAR**

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Assembly is on Thursday mornings at 9.00am in the Library.

All parents are welcome to join us for Assembly.
BIRTHDAYS

November
4 Marcus V, 5 Brooke H, 6 Bailee T
7 Todd M, 9 Zane P, 10 Isaiah R
13 Missy V, 14 Brooklyn T, 22 Ella M
22 Lewis D, 28 Therese C

CLASS AWARDS
Zach H: Being an enthusiastic learner at all times.
Arlea B: Having great expression when reading.
Savannah D: Always following school rules.
Laura M: Learning 200 sight words.
Paige M: Always trying hard and being helpful.
Zeke P: Writing a well planned poem.
Billie-Jo P: Writing an excellent poem.
Ryder L-W: Writing imaginative and entertaining poetry.
Will S: Being a conscientious worker.
Summer Z: Great class participation.
Talisha J: Awesome participation in English activities.
Theresa C: Working hard in classroom activities.
BJ K: Always working to the best of his ability.
Paris B: Enthusiastic approach to poetry.

Instrumental Music in 2015
It is recruiting time for students from year 3 upwards in 2015 wishing to learn a string instrument, such as a Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass.
All year 3 students in 2015 will have the opportunity to learn a violin in school time as a special instrumental program that we commenced at Kolan South in 2014, but if you would like your child to learn a string instrument during school time and then take the instrument home for home practice we have an information letter for you in the office to pick up and bring back the bottom section as soon as possible.
Students who take the school instruments home will incur a fee for this opportunity.

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON
AT THE SOUTH KOLAN HOTEL
TUES 4TH NOVEMBER 2014
DOORS OPEN 10AM START 10.30AM
$25 PER PERSON FOR A HOT ROAST LUNCH, DESSERT AND A GLASS OF WINE OR ORANGE JUICE
MINI CENT SALE — SWEET LUCKY DOOR RAPPELLS — LUCKY SPOT — BEST HAT FASHION PARADE — FASHIONS OF THE FIELD IN SUPPORT OF THE SOUTH KOLAN COMMUNITY KINDERGARTEN
Tickets available at the South Kolan Hotel, South Kolan Kindy or call Leanne on ph: 41559462.

Year 2/3 Poems

Outside this window…
A frog is waiting for food on an outside freezer.
Across from the freezer a group of cane beetles are crawling around a pot plant.
The frog spots them.
It hops closer.
The cane beetle stop crawling and are still.
A dog jumps up and attacks the frog.
The cane beetle fly away like jets zooming in the sky.

By Zeke
Zeke P

Outside this window…
Horses swish their tails as flies jump on them.
A horse stomps it back foot.
Their manes flap in the air like washing on a line.
A circular fence surrounds them.
A big open gate leads to a larger paddock.
All nine horses slowly trot out the gate, one by one.
A dog starts to chase them through the old rusty gate.
They scatter across the hilly paddock, grazing like a herd of hungry goats.

By Billie-Jo P

Outside this window…
Cats are rolling in the dirt like pigs in a mud bath.
A man comes to take them.
But they scratch at him.
The cats run away and start to bath themselves.
They go back to the dirt to play once more.
The man comes again.
He gets near the cats.
He picks one up and pats it gently on its head.
The cat starts to purr like an old tractor.

By Emerson P

Outside this window…
An owl comes soaring down from a tree.
Its eyes glinting like glass in the dark gloomy sky.
The owl catches a mouse.
The owl grips the mouse and darts back into the tree.
It shreds the mouse and eats it.
Always on the lookout for more.

By Ryder L-W

Experience The Magic Of Hosting

World Education Program (WEP) including Australian families to experience another culture within their own homes by becoming volunteer host families. Choose the right student for your family and get a glimpse into the life of another culture without having to leave the comfort of your home.

Nine (9) from Thailand enjoy playing basketball, grid, swimming, naming their Jaomai margena, drawing and playing the piano. He is excited to learn all about Australian lifestyle and to meet new people.

Gillis (17) from Italy loves music! He plays both the electric and acoustic guitar. As well as this, Gilliss is an accomplished swimmer and previously played basketball. At school, Gilliss enjoys playing to the gym and also does acrobatic gymnastics.

Getting to know your student before he or she arrives brings fun and joy to everyone involved! Take the next step and contact me today to receive a full information pack for your family, including student profiles.

- Sylvia Kelly, WEP Program Manager

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