Welcome everyone to term 1’s final edition of Kitchener Kite.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you to all the our wonderful staff, parents and community members who have made this term such a positive start to the year.

Wi-Fi across the school

Yesterday, our new Wi-Fi system was installed throughout the school. This network will enable us to move forward with the set up of Tablets in each of our classrooms. These tablets will be used in group work activities and support individualised learning plans. This will also enable us to offer greater support to our 21st century learners.

Special acknowledgment to Glen and Bec from the Khartoum Hotel who kindly donated their weekly raffle takings to significantly assist the school in purchase of this system.

Strong communities build strong connections.

Star Struck 2013

Well done and congratulations to all those who work hard to get our school involved in Star Struck. This is a great opportunity for our students to get involved in a production that is of a grand scale. Sixteen of our students will be given the chance to be involved in a dance routine whilst 4 students will be involved in the collective choir ensemble.

Many thanks to Ms Munday and Ms Brunton who have given a great deal of time to support this opportunity for our students.

School Uniform

At our Easter parade, 2 styles of sports shirts were on display for selection as our new school sports uniform. Please refer to the last page of the Newsletter and return the survey to the school by next Wednesday (10th April) so that your selection is recognised.

Easter Creation Parade

Our Easter parade was once again a huge success. Many thanks to the parents and grandparents who assisted with the cakes, BBQ, drinks and costumes on the day.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday break. I look forward to everyone returning for a productive and engaging Term 2.
KITCHENER KITE

ANZAC DAY: Thursday 25th April
• ANZAC Day falls during the second week of the school holidays.
• Our school has been asked to join the ANZAC Day March on Thursday 25th April at 11am in the area between the Civic Centre and Pedens Hotel (please note gathering area for schools)
• The School Captain, Vice Captain, Prefects and as many students from our school, along with their parents, grandparents and community members are asked to gather and march;
• Our school leaders will lay a wreath and read a verse from the bible in honour of those who served and died for their country.
• Our students will march behind our school flag.
Students are to wear their full school uniform to proudly represent themselves and our school.

DAYLIGHT SAVING: 3am Sunday 7th April
Daylight saving ends at 3am on Sunday 7th April (this coming weekend). Before you go to bed on Saturday night, wind your clocks and watches back 1 hour!!

LAST DAY OF TERM
The last day of this term is Friday 12th April.

FIRST DAY OF NEXT TERM
Students return on Wednesday 1st May, for Term 2. (Staff return on Monday 29th April for 2 days of Staff Development).

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE: KEARSLEY
The Kearsley community has invited our teachers, our student executive (Captains & Vice Captains), our students and parents to attend the ANZAC Day Service from 4.50am Thursday 25th April.

Everyone will assemble at the Tennis Court Complex, cnr Mulbring & Congewai Streets, Kearsley at 4.45am, followed by a march for the service. The service will be followed by a light breakfast, after formal proceedings.

LUNCH REQUIREMENTS
With salad tubs now available on lunch orders, students will require a fork; many students bring yoghurt and other foods that require a spoon. Parents are asked to pack a fork or spoon for these foods. Fruit needs to be able to be eaten the way it is (bananas, grapes etc) or, cut into edible portions at home so that children are able to easily manage (oranges, mangoes etc).

MUFTI (OUT-OF-UNIFORM) DAY: Friday 12th April, 2013
The last day of this term is an out-of-uniform day. Students are able to wear casual clothes (no singlet tops or thongs), paying a gold coin donation. All funds raised will go towards the Year 6 end-of-year function.

EASTER CELEBRATION RAFFLE WINNERS
1st ~ Bobbie-Lee King (Bailey’s aunt)
2nd ~ Jace (K/1)

Congratulations to the major winners and, our many other winners; the P&C wishes to thank the parents for their donations of Easter goodies for the raffle.
**Calendar – Dates to Remember**

**Term 1  2013**

**LAST DAY THIS TERM ~ FRIDAY 12th APRIL**

**Week 10**

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**School Holidays—Important**

**REMEMINDER ~ CHOCOLATE MONEY (OR UNSOLD CHOCOLATES)**

**DUE AT SCHOOL now**

**Calendar ~ Dates to Remember**

**Term 2**

**Week 1**

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**FIRST DAY NEXT TERM ~ WEDNESDAY 1st MAY**
Community Communications

- **Daylight Saving** ends at 3am Sunday 7th April. Put your clocks back 1 hour.
- **Term 1 School Holidays** ~ Our last day for this term is Friday 12th April. Students return for Term 2 on Wed 1st May. Staff has 2 Staff Development Days (Pupil Free Days) the first 2 days (Mon 29th & Tues 30th April).
- The **Hunter Academy of Sport** will be hosting a school holiday development program for junior netballers during the April school holidays. Phone 4926 4892 for registration and further information.
- **Cessnock and Kurri Kurri Libraries** are holding a variety of workshops for children during the school holidays. For further information, contact Cessnock Library (Ph 4993 4399) or Kurri Library (Ph 4937 1638).

FREE TO GOOD HOME

Female, lop eared rabbit. Not desexed.
Phone Dakota’s Nan, Sue on 4998 6149

LUNCH RUN ROSTER

Wed 3rd April       Danielle Ellis
Wed 10th April     Sonya O’Neil
Term 2
Wed 1st May        Jodie Barnes
Wed 8th May        Sam Walkley
Wed 15th May       Kristelle Craft

If anyone can volunteer an hour of their time at least once a term, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you (Jodie Barnes)

P&C MEETING: Wednesday 1st May

Our next P&C meeting will be held at 6pm Wednesday 1st May in the SPR (the day the students return for Term 2).

All parents are welcome to attend and discuss topics that affect the school and the students.

Discussions will be held regarding the possible proposed sport shirt; the Mothers’ Day stall; and many other topics.

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WINE COUNTRY WORKWEAR

Has relocated to
154 Vincent Street,
Cessnock

(the former Retravision Building)
Their phone number is the same ~ 4991 1033
EAT FOR HEALTH

- Be physically active; choose amounts of nutritious food and drinks to meet your energy needs;
- Enjoy a wide variety of foods from the Five Food Groups every day; drink plenty of water;
- Limit foods containing saturated fat, added salt, added sugars.

Each day ...........

- Eat 6—11 servings from the bread, cereals, rice & pasta group;
- Eat 3—5 servings from the vegetable group;
- Eat 2—4 servings from the fruit group;
- Eat 2—3 servings from the milk, yoghurt & cheese group;
- Eat 2—3 servings from the meat, poultry, fish, dry beans, eggs & nuts group;
- Use fats, oils and sweets sparingly

(Information from the Department of Health and Ageing ‘EatForHealth’ website)

MOTHERS’ DAY STALL: Friday 10th May

A Mothers’ Day Stall will be held on Friday 10th May (the second week back of next term). This year, the P&C will be purchasing gifts to sell at the stall, therefore, parents will not need to send in donations of gifts.

The cost of the Mothers’ Day gifts will be announced in our newsletter, a few days before the Mothers’ Day Stall but will probably be in the $2—$10 range.

REMINDER Chocolate money (or unsold chocolates) due at school NOW !!!!!

NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK: Friday 5th—Sunday 14th April

National Youth Week is an annual, week-long celebration of young people (aged 12-15) held throughout Australia. Cessnock Youth Week Committee have provided pamphlets with details of activities during Youth Week. A pamphlet was given to each student in Year 6 last week.
### Merit Awards ~ Tuesday 2nd April, 2013

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### Other Bits

Have you returned your chocolate money and any unsold chocolates yet??

Please return to office by this Friday (5th April) so that we can finalise our fundraiser.  Ms Wilson (office)

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- Two uniform sports shirts composed of the same three colours (navy, sky blue & white) have been selected for the short list. These are on display in the school office (better for viewing). Photos are attached for parents to consider in the parent survey (last page of this newsletter).

- There is a 3 year transition period when new uniform items are introduced into the school uniform code.

- Please complete and return the attached survey slip to the office by next Wednesday (10th April).

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**Liam, Zachary, Chloe & Jasmine**

Today, Wednesday 3rd April, 4 of our students competed against Mulbring in the PSSA Tennis competition.
This term has seen many changes in our library. We have added some informal reading areas to promote high interest reading. We have new shelving to support our focus on quality texts, and engaging authors, to support students selections.

All students will be involved in borrowing on set days, requiring a **library bag** to protect our books. Classes will borrow on the following days:

- **Tuesdays**– 5/6 and K/1
- **Thursdays**– 1/2 and 3/4

We will be **continuing to build** our book collections across fiction and non-fiction. We do ask parents and students to continue to **offer ideas and authors for future library purchases** (including eBooks).

Kitchener Public School will be **continuing Premier’s Reading Challenge** in 2013. Reading is a great opportunity to explore and develop life-long knowledge; let us help in the exploration and the journey.
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**Option A (Navy; Sky Blue sleeves & side panel, White piping; White, Navy & Sky Blue stripes on collar)**

![Option A images]

**Option B (Navy; Sky Blue & White off-centred sleeves and front panel, wrapped to back)**

![Option B images]

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*Cut along dotted line ~ return by Wednesday (10th April).*

**Kitchener Public School**

**Sports Uniform Parent Survey**

Our family has considered the sports uniform shirt and have selected ~

☐ Option A  ☐ Option B  ☐ Either Option

(please tick one option only)

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Student Name/s  Parent Name/s

*Thank you for completing and returning this survey by Wednesday (10th April)*