PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Congratulations and well done to everyone on a most successful and rewarding 1st semester. I would like to acknowledge our Year 1 teachers and students who put on an excellent art exhibition last week. The quality and standard of the students’ art work and their performance art was extremely impressive and I can definitely see some future budding artists among our young students.

Year 6 Camp

Thank you to our Year 6 teachers – Mr Harrison, Mrs Reynoldson, Ms Page, Ms Eaton and Mrs Venz for providing our Year 6 students with their camping experience to Tallebudgera last week. It takes a great deal of planning, preparation and organisation for our teachers leading up to camp and they are then away from their families for a lengthy period of time. I would like to congratulate our teachers on the commitment they have made to their students to make a camp possible for our students. All reports were that everyone had a wonderful experience which they will cherish for many years to come. Well done everyone!

Report Cards

Report cards will be issued this week via email. All parents should receive their child’s report cards by the last day of Term 2. It is important for all parents / caregivers to discuss with your child/ children their levels of achievement and effort for Semester One and to give them some feedback about how you think they have gone so far this year. It is an excellent opportunity for you as a family to discuss some individual learning and behavioural goals for your child for next semester.

Staffing

I would like to thank Ms Dolphin for acting as Deputy Principal Year 3 – 6, Ms Tozer for acting as Deputy Principal P-2 and Mrs Riggs for acting as our Head of Curriculum and Ms Silburn for acting as HOSES during Semester One. Thank you to Ms Jeffery who has undertaken the role of Student Engagement teacher for the last 5 weeks of Term 2.

I will be undertaking a different role in Term 3 and will be joining the School Improvement Unit which will provide me with the opportunity to visit a number of schools in Queensland, reviewing their school practices and processes. I am looking forward to this opportunity and anticipate that I will be learning a great deal in my new role. Mr Wolfenden will be returning to Kuluin in Term 3 and will be Acting Principal, Ms Kindt will be returning to Kuluin next term and will be returning to the role of Deputy Principal Year 3 - 6. Ms Dolphin will be acting as Deputy Principal Prep to Year 2 during Term 3 and Ms Silburn will be Acting HOSES during Term 3.

Teacher Changes

There are a number of staff who will be commencing leave on Friday. Ms Karlee Hutchinson will be taking leave from this week for the whole of Term 3. A replacement teacher for Ms Hutchinson will be confirmed this week. Mrs Bailey will be on leave during Term 3 and will be being replaced by Ben Itzkovich. Mrs Kristine Kelly will be taking leave during Term 3 and will be replaced by Ms Anna McLeod. Mrs Miller will be taking leave for the first five weeks of term and will be replaced by Ms Lucy Langham.

Thank you Mr Smith

Mr Kim Smith our previous Guidance Officer officially retired from the Department of Education last Thursday. On behalf of the Kuluin School community I would like to recognise the significant contribution that Mr Smith has made to many students, staff and the communities in which he has worked over the past 37 years. I wish Mr Smith all the very best for a happy and healthy retirement.

Under 8’s Day

Under 8’s Day will be held this coming Friday June 24 between 11.40am – 1.40 pm. Under 8’s day is a celebration of all of the wonderful work that happens in the early years classrooms in our school. Many of our local early years providers, students, parents and community members will be attending this school event. Thank you to all of our early years staff Ms Tozer, Mr Harkin & our Early Years Support Group who have spent time organising and coordinating Under 8’s day this year. Please come along and get involved in a celebration of fun and early years learning.

School Holidays

School concludes on Friday June 24 and resumes on Monday July 11. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate everyone on a successful semester of learning and wish everybody a happy and safe holiday. I look forward to working with you all again in Term 4!
Principal Report Continued

Keep a watch on our school these holidays

With the holidays fast approaching, we need you to look out for after-hours crime in our school.
If you see anything suspicious, please don’t attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number – 13 17 88.
The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

Alison Welch

School Opinion Survey

This year’s School Opinion Survey will be conducted 11 to 29 July 2016.
The School Opinion Survey is undertaken each year by the Department of Education and Training, State Schools Division, to obtain opinion information from parents/caregivers, students and school staff.
The surveys will help our school to find out what we are doing well and how we can improve.
Links to the surveys are available on the School Opinion Survey website.
All families will have the opportunity to complete the Parent/Caregiver Survey with survey access details to be sent home to every family in the school on the first day of Term 3. The survey is anonymous and the results are not reported in ways that an individual’s response can be identified by the school.
Parents/Caregivers are encouraged to complete the survey online. If you require assistance to complete it online, please contact the school.
It’s important that as many parents/caregivers as possible complete the survey.
Survey queries or requests for translations can be directed to our school contact Catherine Dolphin (Acting Deputy Principal) on telephone 07 54773777.

Measles, Chicken Pox and Shingles

We are asking for your cooperation in a vitally important matter.
A student at our school is receiving chemotherapy treatment. Chemotherapy kills the cells in our body that help to fight infection. During and after treatment, this student will have a lowered immunity and will not be able to fight infections in the normal way.
This puts the pupil at serious risk if exposed to measles, chicken pox or shingles.
It is important that you contact the school immediately if your child is found to have one of these illnesses.
Your child is not at any risk whatsoever from this situation. However, the health and wellbeing of our pupil may be at serious risk.
Thank you for your cooperation.

School Holiday Safety

Local Police would like to remind all school families to take care when using our roads, especially over these school holidays. The roads around the coast are busy with an influx of visitors and Maroochydore Police will be out in force over the holiday period.
The community’s safety is our priority and police will continue to target the fatal five which are speeding, drink and drug driving, not wearing a seatbelt, driving while fatigued and driving distracted.
Too many Queensland drivers are being distracted while on the road by things like mobile phones, complex sound systems, on-board DVD players and satellite navigation, to name a few.
The message is clear these school holidays, if motorists continue to make poor choices on our local roads and endanger other road users they can expect a fine and a loss of demerit points.
Please remember to plan your trip ahead, take a break, rest, revive and survive.
For traffic and road conditions please visit the 131940 Traffic and Travel information website.

For Sports News, Kuluin C&K Kindy News and “Anxiety Unplugged” information session, please read the extended newsletter on our school website.

Dates to Remember

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**Sports News**

**Junior Athletics Carnival**

Congratulations to all of the students in Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 on a great Athletics Carnival on Thursday June 9. All students tried hard and were very well behaved in an action packed session. Thanks to our wonderful staff, parents, grandparents and friends of the school who supported the children on the day. Well done to all of the toddlers in their race as well. Thanks to the sports captains who assisted in the setting up, packing up and helping the teachers and students out on the day. Many thanks to our groundsmen Wayne, Peter and Chris for their efforts in preparing the oval, marking the oval and moving sporting equipment around the school.

**Senior Athletics Carnival**

The Senior Athletics Carnival will be held on Thursday July 14 11:30-3:00pm and Friday July 15 9:00am -3:00pm. This will be our culminating activity for the athletics unit and it will serve as a selection trial for our school team.

This year The Kuluin School finished 3rd at the Nambour District Swimming Carnival with only 7 swimmers and won the Cross Country Carnival, so I am sure our school will be striving to take on the district in Track and Field.

**Cross -Country**

Congratulations to Katie, Markos, Savannah, Mark, Keira and Terrence who competed at the Sunshine Coast Regional Cross Country event at the Maroochydore Cricket Club on May 31. It was an excellent competition against some of the best runners in Queensland and Australia.

**Rugby Union**

Congratulations to Joshua, Jayden, Cooper and Terrence who have been selected in the Nambour District Rugby Union team.

**Softball**

The boys at Kuluin have been training hard at the Nambour District softball training at Bli Bli State School. The players in the team are Tye, Malakai, Dylan, Terence, Sam and Loki. Bayden is a shadow player and is training with the squad and he will participate with another district at the regional carnival.

**Interschool Sport**

Interschool Sport is happening in Term Three with students participating in Oz tag, netball, AFL, basketball, rugby league and soccer. If any parents would like to assist with coaching or managing a team please contact Mr Doherty on 54773777.

The holidays are just around the corner so please be safe on our streets and near our waterways. If it is flooded forget it! The Year 1’s have been investigating health messages during their health lessons. Have you ever noticed the health messages on the TV, at the moment there are so many.

Have a safe and restful holiday.

Tony Doherty  H.P.E Teacher

**Kuluin C&K Kindy News**

Over the past few weeks our car parking issues have escalated to the point of being dangerous and placing children’s lives at risk. This is due to the number of school parents who are using our car park to drop off and pick up children. We have had many incidences of double parking and backing out. These are particularly dangerous practices with so many children around. We understand that parking spaces are at a premium at these busy times, but please be aware that the kindy car park is only for the use of families who have children attending the centre and not school parents. As from Monday 13th June, we will be closing our gates after our last child has left to address this issue. We thank you for your cooperation in keeping all of our children safe. Kuluin C&K is taking waiting list enquiries for 2017. We will be making offers of places after the June school holidays. If you are interested in placing your child’s name on our waiting list, please fill out an online application at www.candk.asn.au or call in to the kindergarten to pick up a hard copy. We offer places strictly in order of the date the enquiry was received. To avoid disappointment, you need to do this as soon as possible as the waiting list begins to fill up quickly from third term on.

If you have any further enquiries, please call the kindy on 54537348.

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**“ANXIETY UNPLUGGED”**

**Thursday 21st July at 1.30pm – 3pm**

G Block Meeting Room - Kuluin School

*What is it, how does it work and how can it be managed more effectively.*

Anxiety is increasingly identified as one of the leading causes of problems amongst school aged children. Whilst anxiety is common throughout society, its impact on children has a significant effect upon their capacity to profit from their time at school. This interactive session is intended to provide a simple “working model” of anxiety. The session is not intended to be a lecture but to provide an opportunity to better understand anxiety and learn some basic management strategies that might be helpful.

The Kuluin School works closely with the Sunshine Coast Child and Youth Mental Health Service and this opportunity is a shared initiative between the school and SCCYMS. The presenter, John Pearson, is a psychologist with many years of experience in working with families and children and is the SCCYMS Team Leader. School refusal, separation anxiety, attention difficulties, anger and aggression, obsessional behaviour and nervousness are all problems that might be anxiety based. If you have children with these kinds of problems this session might be helpful in assisting you to understand and manage better.

*If you would like to attend please register your interest at the Front Office no later than Friday 15th July*