Dear Parents,

**Principal's Message**

**Polair 4 and Mini Olympics**
Last Thursday was a fantastic day of fun and celebration. The arrival of Polair 4 was amazing and greeted with the smiles of our beaming children. To have such a magnificent machine, so many police and so much happiness was a great delight. Check out the You Tube clip found on NSW Police face-book page, it's great.

Our Mini Olympics was a great success also. Despite the gloomy skies and cold wind we had a lot of fun and enjoyed the spirit of the 2012 Olympic's. Many thanks to everyone who braved the cold to come out, we enjoyed seeing you all here.

**New Deputy Principal Position**
Our school has been well staffed over time with four Assistant Principals, however under new initiatives from the State Government we are now to receive an additional member in the form of a non-teaching Deputy Principal Position. This position will primarily focus on numeracy and literacy development and improvement within our school. A school our size would not normally receive a Deputy however under new policies we will. I received notice yesterday that Mrs Meleesa Smith from Eglinton P.S. will take up the role and begin on Monday 27th August. Mrs Smith is a well regarded quality teacher joining our great staff. I know you will welcome her warmly.

**Teaching Assistant**
Beginning next Monday 5O will have a CSU student teacher, Mr Nathan O’Dea, joining their class to work alongside Mrs Oates. The opportunity to have one extra pair of hands is terrific and I know the children will benefit from the experience.

**Life Education**
The Life Education Van is coming next week and will help us deliver mandatory lessons on drug education and healthy living. The van cost will be $4, heavily subsidised, and as part of our curriculum we need all children in the school to attend and pay. Those families who earned Kelso Dollars at our training days may like to cover their costs for free using their credit. A note and permission slip is being sent home today with the newsletter. Please have notes and money in early next week.

**Good Luck—Melissa Barnett**
Melissa is representing N.S.W. at the National Cross Country Championships in Adelaide next Friday 24th August. Congratulations and good luck.

**Lance Cooper**
Principal

**SMART START— KINDER TRANSITION  CHANGE OF DATE**
Smart Start Transition for children starting Kindergarten in 2013 will commence on Thursday 23rd August between 9.30am and 11.15am. The program will run for 10 weeks on the same day and times. Parents are to remain at school during Smart Start. If your child begins school next year please collect an enrolment form from the front office and return it as soon as possible.

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**Future Events**

**Term 3**
- **Wed 22 Aug** Healthy Harold, Life Ed. Van
- **Thur 23 Aug** Smart Start
- **Mon 3 Sept** Eisteddfod begins
- **Mon 10 Sept** Swimming School begins
- **Wed 19 Sept** Kinder to Year 2 Cowra Japanese Gardens excursion
Kelso Public School  
**Mini Olympics**

A special visit from Polair 4 carrying Alan Ryan’s grandfather was a huge hit. Thanks to Steve from Steve’s Quality Meats for the donation of the sausage sizzle the children enjoyed for lunch.

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**Meal Deal – Friday 24th August 2012**

All orders need to be placed by Wednesday 22nd August 2012

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PSSA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

A large team of students represented Kelso Public School at the Bathurst District Carnival 2012. Every student should be proud of their efforts as reaching this level of competition is praiseworthy. In addition, the supervising teachers wish to let everyone know all competitors displayed sportsmanship and High Fives all through the day. Despite the ‘icy conditions’ we had a number of successes. Jayden Thornbury, Jodi McFadyen and Ashley Cosgrove made the finals but were unlucky not to receive a place in the track events. Eileen Cosgrove was very successful in the finals as mentioned below. The field event competitors held their own and we had four placegetters: StarThompson, Angus Baker, Lani Young and Logan Cunynghame.

Kelso Public School was the runner up in the Team Handicapped Rankings and Eileen Cosgrove tied as the Junior Girls Champion.

The following students will move to the next level of competition in Dubbo in the near future due to their successes last Friday:
- Logan Cunynghame for Long Jump
- Lani Young for Shot Put
- Angus Baker for Discus
- Eileen Cosgrove for 800m, 100m and 200m
- Jodi McFadyen for 800m
- Will Barnett for 800m

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL STUDENTS

KELSO PUBLIC SCHOOL  NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Preliminary planning has occurred following the return of parent surveys and the notification of a successful grant. The following activities have been planned for Friday 31st August at Kelso Public School from 10.45 am to 3.00 pm.

We will have a whole School Assembly with guest speakers from Kelso High and Mudji Awards. A flag raising ceremony followed by sausage in bread. After recess student will participate in sport activities and workshops of craft, bush tucker, dance, story telling/reading, garden rejuvenation and sensory tubs. Parents with children will have a picnic lunch in the courtyard. Leaf dot painting in both halls will be the afternoon activities.

The organisers of these events would appreciate some parent helpers for any of the listed activities including cooking the BBQ. If interested please leave your phone contact number at the school office or let Mary know ASAP.

The staff and students of our school will appreciate the support.

Cupcake Competition

Are you a creative cupcake maker?
Enter the cupcake making competition Thursday.

Make a few cupcakes and deliver them to the Library on Thursday morning with your entry fee of $1.00. You might win a fantastic cook book. All cakes will be sold from $0.50 at recess in the courtyard.

When: Thursday 16th August
Where: Kelso Public School
Why: To raise money to help Melissa Barnett compete at the National Cross-Country competition in Adelaide, South Australia.
Happy Baking!!!!
Cassie Hayes

NUT FREE ZONE

A note to new parents and a reminder to existing parents that our school is a nut free zone.

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

All visitors to the school, including parents, grandparents and carers, must sign in at the office. If you need to speak to a teacher an appointment will be made for you.

No parents are to go directly to the classrooms. As this is a school safety issue we ask that you please adhere to these guidelines.
Allan Mobbs is participating in Black Dog Ride to the Red Centre 2012 to raise money for Black Dog Institute 18 August 2012 - 24 August 2012

I would welcome any contribution, great or small, that you could make. Please visit my Fundraising Page: (www.everydayhero.com.au/allan_mobbs). All donations over $2 are tax deductible.

Thank you for your support, Allan Mobbs.

SHINE for Kids Bathurst are currently seeking volunteer male and female mentors aged 18 years and over to assist children who have a parent in prison.

Mentors will be provided with three training sessions that are specifically tailored to enhance the mentor’s knowledge of issues faced, and how best to support children facing parental incarceration.

Training dates: 18th, 19th and 25th August

To find out more about Mentoring a child contact Rebecca Bucan. Tel: 6328 9903 or Mob: 0414 816 803

**HIP HOP – JAZZ – MODERN DANCE CLASSES**
Classes cater for all ages from 4yr old to adult
Tuesdays & Thursdays From 4pm
For information and bookings Phone 6331 2191

**BOXING @ PCYC**

**Junior Classes**

Mon & Thurs 5pm

**Senior Classes**

Mon-Wed-Fri 6pm

All trainers are fully accredited and provide a safe and friendly environment.

**Phone 6331 2191 for information and bookings**

**STRIKE OUT FOR CANCER CHARITY WEEKEND 2012**

**SATURDAY 1ST AND SUNDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER**

At BATHURST TENPIN BOWL

CORPORATE, LEAGUE AND YOUTH CHALLENGE

Teams of 5 for 2 games of bowling

$100 PER TEAM (INCLUDES $50 DONATION)

VIDEO DISCO BOWLING SATURDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER FROM 6PM TILL LATE.

$10 PER GAME (INCLUDES $5 DONATION) RANDOM PRIZES FOR KIDS AND ADULTS

Enter at BATHURST TENPIN BOWL by calling 63319922 or email: nathaniel.charityday@hotmail.com or website: www.tenpinbathurst.com

ALL MONEY RAISED goes to THE NSW CANCER COUNCIL 60% BATHURST DAFFODIL COTTAGE 40%

**Massage Therapist**, Kirsty Lewin, operates from our premises on Wed & Thu to provide massage for women.

Kirsty is currently upgrading her qualifications, so will be running a student clinic on Wednesday’s, at a reduced rate, with fees donated to our Women’s Health Centre. Please refer to the attached flyer.

Kirsty’s massage fees are as follows:

Wed, 10.15am-4pm, student clinic, $40.00 per hour; cardholders $30.00 per hour (all fees donated to Women’s Health Centre). General clinic fees (as per below) will apply if not part of Kirsty’s research client group for the student clinic.

Thu, 10.15am-5pm, general clinic, $60.00 per hour; cardholders $50.00 per hour

To book a massage with Kirsty, call our Centre on 6331 4133, or Kirsty directly on 0417 658 719.