

Term 1 - Week 7 - 2025



### IMPORTANT DATES

### March

Harmony Day Friday 21st

### April

**Cross Country** Tuesday 8th

### May

**Mum's Afternoon** Thursday 8th - 2pm

**Life Education Van** Monday 12th

# **Principal's Report**

The last two weeks have had a few surprises and some amazing efforts.

#### Water Testing

In Week 6, we had a routine water testing failure. Two of our taps (one in the male adult toilet and one in the K-2 wet area - neither used for drinking) returned a negative purity test. The tanks have since been cleaned and the taps isolated. Bottled water has been used for drinking only as a precaution. We are waiting for another test to ensure that the taps are clean and we can use them again.

#### **Celebration of Learning**

Thank you everyone that attended the celebration of Learning. We value your input into your children's learning. When students, families and staff are focused on the same direction we see the biggest impact on student growth and development.

#### NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is made up of 4 assessments: Writing, Reading, Language Conventions and Numeracy. They are conducted in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9. These assessments support school funding and teachers with information about student knowledge and skills. This week the kids sat the literacy assessments.

### **Above & Beyond Award**



#### Week 6

#### Zanda Neville

For his leadership of music and organising the Music Room.

Week 7

#### George Bashford

For being more organised in Week 6. Well Done!



### **Special Announcements**

### **North-West Swimming**

We had 4 students representing KPS at the North-West Swimming Carnival on Monday Week 7. Unfortunately the carnival was called off due impacts of Cyclone Alfred. The carnival has now been rescheduled. The new date is the Monday the 24th. Last week, our relay team had a practice session with James from Highland Swimming to prepare for the event. The team were very disappointed but now can't wait for the carnival.



### **Above & Beyond Shout Out**



### Thank you to our school's P&C.

They are led by an executive committee of Will Taylor, Lou Baker and Sean Doodson. They meet each term and support the school to deliver the best possible education for each child. If you would like to be a part of this amazing group please come to the next meeting on 28th of May

### **School News**

#### School Expectations

We Are: Proud and Responsible We Act: Respectfully and Safely

This week the students started planned for their whole school rewards for each 100 kindness awards that they receive. They are well on their way to earning their first reward.

Keep up the excellent behaviour and effort kids!



#### **Team Sport in 2025**



Participation in team sport is a great way to build work ethic, resilience and cooperation. This year, the Thunderbolt Alliance have joined forces with Martin's Gully Public School for cricket, netball and football. This means that our students will have more opportunities to build these essential character traits and play in sports that we don't usually have enough numbers for.

Our school will again participate in the small school's Division 1 touch footy knockout. This sport is for schools with an enrolment of 30 students or less. Watch out for more info!

# Kids Speak

More bins so there isn't any rubbish and more left handed golf sticks - Barney

A FLYING FOX - George Exercise toys so we can exercise - Peyton

What would make our playground a better place for break times?

## HSIE

This term in HSIE, both Home One and Home Two classes are focusing on history for HSIE.

In Home One, students are exploring the ideas of past, present, and future. They are thinking about important events in their lives that relate to these concepts, helping them see how history is part of their everyday experiences. In Home Two, students are thrilled to learn about the Inca Empire. We are discovering their culture and way of life, and the excitement is contagious! A big thank you to the families who have shared photos and souvenirs with us.



### САРА

The Kentucky artists have been connecting their art experiences with classroom learning. K-2 students explored their connection to country through symbols and patterns, and introduced me to Peggy, the travelling chicken, which inspired our exploration of movement and texture. Meanwhile, the 3-6 class started their 2025 art journey by creating colour wheels represented in their eyes. They are now focusing on HSIE and studying

the Incas, planning and designing masks inspired by traditional Inca designs. Students will recreate their masks using cardboard, adding texture and detail creatively.



## **International Women's Day**

**Audrey**: International Women's Day was fun. We made bracelets, we had a trivia event and we also did an Ice Breaker activity and I found my swimming teacher. **Lacey**: It was great to look around the school and meet the principal. I loved the quote "Be the Queen who fixes another women's crown, without telling the world that it is crooked".

**Alice**: I loved making the bracelets and having to walk around the room and find different people in the room who shared the same interests or things as me. **Aggie:** I loved going around and meeting people. I also loved writing down the inspirational quotes such as, "You have to do your own growing, no matter how tall your grandfather was". The massive morning tea was also a bonus!



# School Fun





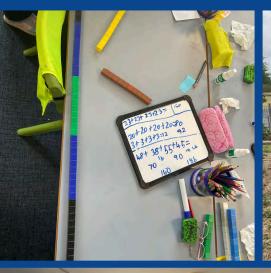








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# **Community News**



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For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- 🖌 Be 18 years or older
- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- Agree to join in free online financial education workshops





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Armidale

Autumn

A 5km fun run starting at SportUNE Consett Davis Sporting Fields, following the cycleway into the city, finishing at Civic Park.

This annual event coincides with the Armidale Autumn Festival and is open to all members of the community, of all abilities. Run or walk.

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