IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER

Thursday 17th  5.30pm
Buddies BBQ for Kinder, Year 1, Years 5 & 6
Friday 18th  11.50am Assembly; Swimming for Sport starts today

DECEMBER

Friday 2nd  Forum Street Stall
Tuesday 6th  Being an SMCC for a day (Year 5 students)
Monday 12th  6pm
Year 6 Graduation
Tuesday 13th  9.30am
End of Year Mass
Wednesday 14th
Christmas Concert & Forum BBQ
Thursday 15th
Swimming Carnival
Friday 16th  Last day for students
Monday 19th-Tuesday 20th
Staff Development days

2017 School Year begins for all students on Monday 30/01/2017

YEARS 4/5 Camp - Midginbil Hill

Last week, from Monday 7th to 9th November we were at Midginbil Hill Outdoor Education Centre. We participated in 6 activities: Team Challenge, Orienteering, Pioneering, Indoor Rock Climbing, Initiative Games and Problem Solving. Thank you to the parents that came along to assist with the camp. We took up the challenge of new learning and we all had a wonderful time!

Make Jesus Real
LISTEN for God’s VOICE
in everything you do & everywhere you go
HE IS the ONE that will keep you on track, Proverbs 3:6

BELIEVE ACHIEVE SUCCEED
Dear Parents, Carers, Students and Friends,

It is that time of the year when I feel I am caught between two competing universes. On the one hand, we are very busy preparing for next year—organising staffing, allocating teachers to classes, arranging classes, enrolments, compiling the 2017 calendar and ensuring a smooth start to the new school year. At the same time, there is still much to do before the end of this year – assessment and reporting, Pageant Night, Year 6 graduation liturgy and dinner, end of year mass, Swimming Carnival, equipment orders and preparations for holidays and Christmas.

As people who lead very busy lives, we always face the danger of projecting our lives into future events to the extent that we lose sight of the present moment – the smile on someone’s face when they pass by us, the question asked by a friend, teacher, family member, that we simply didn’t hear.

Of course, we need to carefully consider our decisions and future plans. To not do so would be irresponsible. However, we need to keep a balance between ‘now and then’ so that we avoid slipping into anxiety about our futures and free ourselves from frantic feelings about all the things we need to do NOW or “my whole life will be affected”.

We could do well to remember the words of Psalm 46:10 – “Be still and know that I am God.” The psalmist is encouraging us to trust in God rather than in our own efforts; to recognise that no matter how efficient we are, our futures lie in the hands of a God who loves us, who calls us into relationship and who never lets us go. In spite of our best efforts, we cannot know the future, even our own, but we can experience serenity – a kind of spiritual calm, in doing what we should be doing and leaving the rest to God.

Cinema Under The Stars: Thanks so much to everyone in our Parish School Community who came along and enjoyed “Cinema Under The Stars” last Saturday evening, though it did turn out to be under the roof of the Hall. It was a terrific gathering and all who came along would certainly have enjoyed themselves. Once again, it was a team effort in putting it all together and I would just like to acknowledge Jo Kelly and Jan Condon for their tireless efforts in preparation and organisation for the evening. These 2 along with the members of the Parish Council ensured that everything was in readiness and no-one could have left on Saturday night still feeling hungry........what a lay out of food there was!!! Great job to everyone who assisted on the evening in so many ways.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal: Every year as a school community we like to support the Kyogle St Vincent De Paul Society with items for their Christmas hampers. These hampers go to people in the local area who are experiencing hardships during the Christmas period.

For the next 4 weeks our SRC committee will be leading our school community in this appeal. So, what can we do to help those less fortunate this Christmas? The SRC are placing a collection box in each classroom and the school office. Each week for the next 4 weeks we would be grateful if families could send in donations. Also during our end of year thanksgiving mass we ask if families could bring along a wrapped gift for a young child to open this Christmas. By giving donations of toys, food and drinks we are opening the doors of mercy and letting Jesus’ gifts shine upon the earth. The students will be presenting our donations to the Kyogle St. Vincent De Paul workers on Friday 16th December.

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<td>PRESENT – wrapped present for a child – labelled with the age group and boy/girl</td>
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God bless and have a wonderful week,

Tony

Tony Hunter
Principal
Curriculum

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS: A big thank you to Sarah & Andrew who shared their expertise with our school over the past 6 weeks. We wish them well in their future endeavours.

SWIMMING: Friday swimming begins this Friday, 18th Nov. for all classes. Please get organised and ensure your child comes to school with all their swimming gear. Thank you.

KINDER TRANSITION: Last transition day for Kinders 2017 is Tuesday 24/11/2016.

FAIRYMOOUNT FESTIVAL FLOAT UPDATE: It’s not too late to be a part of the Fairymount Festival float on Saturday. Please sign the form and bring it back to school. Students need to be dressed in BLUE—like we do for Blue Day etc. We are also looking for helpers on Saturday morning to dress the float. Please come along and give us a hand if you can. The truck will be at the school at 9am. Remember—many hands make light work. Please note: The colouring competition has closed. Check out your entries in the Kyogle shop windows.

YEAR BOOK INFORMATION: The Year Book is well under way. Please note that school fees need to be paid before receiving your copy. If you need special delivery arrangements, please complete the form going home today. If you require additional copies, add it to the form and return it by Thurs. 1/12/2016.

REMEMBRANCE DAY: Our students remembered the fallen on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month when they attended the service at the cenotaph last Friday. Well done students and staff.

BUDDY BBQ: This week an invitation was extended to students and their families in Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 5 and Year 6 to come along to the Buddy BBQ tomorrow evening in the school grounds from 5:30pm to 7pm. There will be a free sausage sizzle and cans of drink will be available on the night. This is a chance for our “buddies” and their families to come together to share a meal, play some games and enjoy the company of one another. Looking forward to seeing as many as possible.

ASSEMBLY
Led by Year 5B
FRIDAY at 11.50am
New time due to swimming
ALL WELCOME

Catholic Identity

KINDER PRAYER CELEBRATION: Kindy led us today in prayer with parents and friends joining us.

STAGE 2 PRAYER CELEBRATION: This will be the last Prayer Celebration for the year. You are most welcome to join us next Wednesday, 23rd November, at 1.30pm in the Stage 2 classrooms. These occasions have been very successful in the prayer life of our school. Thank you for your support.

CLASS VISITS: Fr Erick recently visited the Stage 3 classrooms to discuss the Sacraments and to support them in their RE unit of study. He certainly enjoyed the curly questions the students asked.

Mr David Ogg engaged the Year 5 students yesterday when he ran an Art and Spirituality workshop with the students. They were immersed in his storytelling and art. His catch phrase for the day was letting the students know they were awesome and connected this belief to Psalm 139.

PROCLAIM RALLY: Tomorrow, 17/11/2016 Stage 3 will catch the bus to Casino to participate in the Proclaim Rally with other Catholic primary schools. The bus will leave at 11.20am and return at 2.30pm. The students will have morning tea before they leave and a light lunch will be provided. Children only need to take their hat and water bottle.

YEAR 6 to KYOGLE HIGH SCHOOL: As a part of the transition program to Kyogle High for Year 7, 2017 some of our current Year 6 students will be attending a Peer Support Session next Thursday, 24th November. Our Year 6 students will come to school first and then will be accompanied across to KHS by a staff member after morning prayer assembly.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY to -
Gypsy H.
**SCHOOL CANTEEN**

Monday 21st Nov.: Suzie Smith & Jodie Johnston

Please sign in at the office before going to Canteen.

If for any reason you cannot attend on your rostered day, please swap days with another person or phone Suzie.

THANK YOU

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**KYOGLE BOWLING CLUB**

The club will be holding its annual Children's Christmas Celebration on Friday, 2nd December. Children who dine in with their parents will be treated to a free dinner. Santa will make an appearance. All welcome.

**KYOGLE SWIMMING CLUB**

Friday Pointscores is open to any person who can swim 12.5m or more of any stroke. Training is available weekdays from 4pm. New members most welcome. For more information phone Annette Smith on 0412116820 or email the club on kascsecgmail.com

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**OUR LADY OF SORROWS**

Catholic Church Kyogle

6pm: Saturday Vigil Mass

9am: Sunday Mass

HALL HIRE

Please contact the Parish office on 66321074 regarding hiring of the hall.

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