Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 2, 2012. (Where did Term 1 go?)
As you may be aware, Mrs Richardson is overseas for the first seven weeks of the term. I shall be relieving in her position during that time and Mr Searant will be relieving Assistant Principal, joining the executive team with Miss Connolly and Mr Davies. Thanks to Mrs Newell for taking over on my beautiful class.

We are pleased to welcome Ms Nicole Brady who was appointed (on the last Wednesday of last term) to take over Mr Velich’s Year 4 class. With great sadness, we had to say goodbye to Mr Agnew who has done a fantastic job in his time with us and we wish him the best of luck at whatever school is lucky enough to get him. I know that the students at our school will miss him greatly. Due to the timing of Ms Brady’s appointment, I’m sorry that you were not able to be notified earlier.

It’s very exciting when new staff arrive at Kahibah PS, so I would also like to welcome Mrs Anne Britt who has accepted the position of Teacher/Librarian. Mrs Britt brings a wealth of experience to the role and has some terrific ideas about future directions for the library. Sadly, Mrs Britt’s appointment also means that we lose Mrs Marcozzi who had taken on the relieving role with fantastic enthusiasm and dedication.

Mr Lyddiard is still on Long Service Leave and returns to school on 11th May (the end of Week 3).

In the flurry of emotions that go with all of these changes, it is important that we continue to focus on the future and move forward in a positive direction together.

I hope that you all had a lovely break (if you were lucky enough to get one) and that all of the kids were cooperative and helpful during the holidays.
We all look forward to working with you this term to achieve positive relationships and positive learning experiences for every child in our care.

**WHAT’S COMING UP..............................**

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***THE CANTEEN WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY & TUESDAY ALL TERM***
Congratulations:

- Rohan Blok (4A) for his lovely "Speedy" puppet; Dane Randall (3/4N) for the sensational "Cheeky"; Emily Hempsall created a wonderful "Lilly"; Bronte Baldwin and her masterpiece "Sky"; "Freaky" was the excellent work of Kye Robertson (4A)
- William Vout (2M) was exceedingly proud of his beautiful descriptive sentence about an evening scene
- Jayden Huang was beaming with pride as he read his special "social story" book which was made with Mrs Hardy to help him improve his English
- All of 4N for their amazing "Space" slideshows. Their projects included interesting and accurate text to accompany the marvelous photos, illustrations and diagrams which supported their information. They also demonstrated masterful use of varied transitions to enable their slides to move from one to the next with maximum impact. Scintillating work, 4N (and thank you for sharing it with me)!

THANK YOU

- Mrs Karen France and her two wonderful children Solomon and Maya stayed behind after the Easter Hat Parade and collected garbage bags full of rubbish. This was a fine example of "walking the talk" about caring for our environment. Thanks a million!
- Brady Anderson and Ty Harrison also took it upon themselves to make our playground litter-free by giving up their lunchtime to clean it up. Well done, boys!
- A huge thank you to all of the attendees at our community meeting last term, but especially to all the students who came along to let their thoughts and feelings be known. These included: Zoe and Amie Aurisch, Aaron Roberts, Paul Battaglia, Layne Carter, Brodi Robertson, Cameron Geale, Matthew and Arabella Crane, Lauren Farina and Bryce and Lilly Nicholas. It was wonderful for the parents and teachers to hear what you had to say and your contributions were greatly valued by all.
- A huge thank you to the Done family who looked after our precious chickens over the holidays. We appreciate the wonderful job you all did.
- We are elated by the fabulous tiled mural installed by Scott and Nicole Hall in the bubbler area over the holidays. It has made the place look very bright and cheery. This is a truly wonderful community gesture, seeing that Scott and Nicole don’t have any children at our school anymore.

DANCE 2b FIT

Our term 2 Dance 2b Fit program will start next week. This dance program will help prepare each class for their item for our school musical which is in Term 3. The cost is $18 per child. Please return your payment and permission slip by next week.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

This Thursday, we will have our ANZAC DAY Service in the hall at 10.00am. Parents are welcome to attend and students are asked to bring a flower to place on the Lest We Forget words.

CHAPLAIN’S MESSAGE

During this week of ANZAC commemorations please take time to reflect on the sacrifices made by the many men and women, who have served, and are still serving, our country in times of war and peace. To quote Tim Owen, AM, MP “The ANZAC spirit of courage under fire, selflessness and unwavering loyalty, tenacity and mateship was forged in battles at Gallipoli. The legend of our ANZACs has transcended time to become a symbol of what we value as Australians. Lest we forget”

Helen Harvie
School Chaplain
CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to the Horvat family on the birth of their baby girl. Siena was born on Easter Sunday and is a beautiful little sister for Annika.

SCHOOLBOY RUGBY LEAGUE
If there are any community members with the appropriate accreditation to coach Schoolboy Rugby League, could they please contact Mr Ian Davies at the school as soon as possible.

WASTE AS ART
The Waste as Art community competition and exhibition is on again this year and students from primary schools are welcome to enter exhibits. Entry is free and we have had a previous successful entrant from our school.
So if you think you have a budding artist who would like to submit an entry, more information is available from www.hweg.com.au or phone your local council for details.

SCHOOL BAND
Due to this week being a short week, we will be starting our school band lessons next Friday, 4th May. Please note that this day has been changed and it will be a Friday for lessons. It is anticipated that the band practice will begin at 8.30am and will run for 45 minutes. Individual or group lessons will be throughout the day. More information will be sent out to the band children next week.

EASTER HAT PARADE BBQ and EASTER RAFFLE
The Easter Hat parade, BBQ and Raffle was a wonderful event at the end of last term. The BBQ raised $854.35 and the Easter Raffle raised $1,036.90. What a fantastic fundraising effort for our school.

Sincerely

Maggie McNair
Relieving Principal
24th April, 2012

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Fruit spritzers are a fun alternative to soft drink for parties and social events, and so easy to make! Just mix ½ fruit juice and ¼ soda water!
Or why not freeze juice in ice cube trays to add to mineral or still water for a nice fruity taste!
SOUTHERN CROSS

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ACADEMY

For Men Women & Children
(From 5 yrs +)

CARDIFF
John Young Community Hall
Thomas Street
Mon: 5.30 – 6.30pm

DUDLEY
Dudley Vintage Hall
96 Ocean Street
Tues: 5.30 – 6.30pm

THE JUNCTION
St Josephs School Hall
182 Union & Kenrick St
Tue: 5.45 – 6.45pm (White & Yellow)
5.45 – 7pm (Blue Belts & Above)

BROADMEADOW
Merewether High School
Chatham Rd
Thurs: 5.45 – 6.45pm (White & Yell.)
5.45 – 7pm (Blue & Above)

WALLSEND
Callaghan College
Cnr Minmi & Macquarie St
Mon: 5.30 – 6.30pm (White & Yellow)
5.30 – 6.45pm (Blue Belts & Above)

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