HARMONY DAY
On Friday we are celebrating Harmony Day with orange mufti and class activities to celebrate diversity. Please wear enclosed shoes and modest clothing.

THANK YOU TO P&C
Many thanks to the P&C for their donation of our now installed storage container for some of our heavier, bulkier sporting equipment and two interactive whiteboards for 2NF and 2/3H. The P&C are volunteers who work tirelessly to support the school. The Easter raffle is one way of helping the P&C support resources for the school. The next meeting is Thursday, 19 April at 7pm in the staffroom. It has been great to see the raffle ticket money coming in and the donation of eggs and baskets. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS
Well done to Harry Mellross and Flynn Gregory on being selected for the Southern Central Coast Zone 11 years Rugby League team on Friday.

STAFF LEAVE
Mrs Whelan will be on leave from 17 April until the end of term. Mrs Sharon Roderick will be teaching 4WS Mondays to Wednesdays. Mr Anderson will be relieving Assistant Principal. Ms Simpson will be on leave from Thursday, 19 April until 4 May. Miss Rebecca Jordan will be teaching 3D. Mrs Farncomb will be on leave in Weeks 9 and 10, Mrs Strickland will have 2NF on 26 and 27 March and Mrs Norris will come in to cover 2NF on the last day of term.

YEAR 7 2016 EOIs for HIGH SCHOOL
Parents of Year 6 need to return their EOIs for high school by Friday, 20 March. Please return to the office.

A REMINDER TO PARENTS TO NOTIFY THE SCHOOL ABOUT YOUR CHILD’S HEALTH
We welcome information from parents about your child’s health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child’s health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child’s health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your son or daughter’s health needs or as otherwise required by law.

CHANGES TO EXTENDED LEAVE ABSENCES
There is a new DEC form that parents can fill in for extended leave. There is no longer an exemption and absences are recorded as leave and counted as leave on student records. A certificate is issued to prove that the school has approved the leave. Forms are available from the office.

ABSENCES
It Is VERY IMPORTANT for students to be punctual and arrive at school by 8:50am. Part day and full day absences are included on school reports. If your child is late, please walk your child in to the office, sign them in and explain their absence as the auditor has requested a crackdown on following up all absences. Please assist us in sending in a note explaining an absence when your child returns to school after his/her absence.
SYDNEY NORTH SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Good luck to our Sydney North swimming team- Skye Hacksall, Zara Hueston, Isabella DeMeyer, Chloe Sapsford, Kara Cannon, Mia Hueston, Ben Sapsford, Calum Walters, Brayden Martz and Kobe Langlar- for the carnival tomorrow at Homebush.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
FRIDAY, 27 MARCH is our Cross Country date for 8-13 year olds. Please return notes ASAP.

MARITIME SAFETY TALK
A maritime safety workshop was held today for Years 3-6 in the school grounds. Presenters were Boating Education Officers from Boating Operations Sydney Maritime from the Roads and Maritime Services.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
Our school photos will be taken on 5-7 May. Payment envelopes will be sent home in the last week of school and need to be returned by FRIDAY 1 May.
Photo days are:
5 May- Year 3-6 individual photos and class photos
6 May- K-2/3H individual photos and class photos and Whole School Photo
7 May- Year 6, siblings and catch up

Full school uniform and black shoes if possible should be worn.

ASSEMBLY OF EXCELLENCE
Term 1’s Assembly of Excellence will be held on Wednesday, 1 April at 9:15am in the hall. Invitations will be sent home from Friday to parents of students receiving awards.

UNIVERSITY OF NSW- INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS
The 2015 Science, Computer, Writing, English, Mathematics and Spelling Competitions are being held through the school again this year for interested students in Years 3-6.
Information regarding entering and paying for these competitions was sent home last week. Final date for payment is 1 April.

TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY
Students in Years 4-6 will be completing the survey in the coming week during library time with Mr Lemmon. Mr Lemmon will have student helpers to assist with reading the survey, for those students requiring extra assistance. Each student has a unique username and password and their answers are confidential.

WYONG HIGH SCHOOL IT SELECTIVE CLASS 2016
An information meeting will be held on 10 March at 6pm with school tours running from 5:30pm. Applications for the selective class close on tomorrow, 17 March, with the test date on 25 March. Please contact the office if you would like a form.

SAVE THESE DATES
BRISBANIA’S MUSICAL
Our musical will be on Wednesday, 2 September, teachers are choosing songs now and the committee is planning the event.

GRANDPARENTS DAY
Our Grandparents Day will be held during Grandparents week on Thursday, 22 October.

SECURITY ISSUES
Please call 1300 860 021.

Annette Parrey
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**BRISBANIA SCHOOL DISCO**

**TUESDAY 24TH MARCH  COST $4**

**Kinder – YEAR 2 4:30 – 5:45PM**

**YEAR 3 – YEAR 6 6PM – 7:30PM**

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**The Rotary Club of Kinumber**

**FOUR VILLAGES WALK**

**COME AND JOIN US FOR A GREAT DAY OUT!**

- The four villages of Kinumber, Yeppilong, Saratoga and Davenport were the hub of major shipbuilding activity from 1629 to 1963. Along this walk you'll learn all about this fascinating local history with informative placards along the way at each shipyard site. The walk is suitable for all ages and abilities - come and meet the locals, make some new friends and have a great day out. And every participant can enter the draw for a 5 night holiday in Cairns.

**SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 2015**

Starting / Registration
Sunrise to 10.30am
Finishing Times: 5:00pm

Entry is by donation per person

The “Central Coast Kids in Need” will receive funds from the entry donations.
**P & C meeting Agenda – Thursday 19th March.** In addition to our regular agenda, we will be discussing the following items at our upcoming meeting this week: 7.00pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome to attend these meetings! Textbooks, raincoats, ban on paper plans, fundraising committee, road safety update and monetary donations.

**Disco- Tuesday 24th March –** Our first disco for the year will be held next Tuesday in our school hall. This is supervised by our gorgeous teachers. The P & C open the canteen and sell drinks and snacks including hotdogs, pizza slices, chips and donuts. Hope to see you all there!!!

- **School Disco - $4**
  - Kinder - Y2 @ 4:30pm - 5:45pm
  - Y3 - Y6 @ 6:00pm - 7:30pm

**Election day BBQ – Saturday 28th March.** The P&C will be having a fundraising BBQ at the Saratoga Hall on election day. If you are able to assist on this day, please send an email advising of the time you are able to help.

**Four Villages Walk – On Sunday 29th March** we will be having a cake stall at the annual Four Villages walk. We would love donations of homemade cakes, slices or biscuits to sell on the day. If you are a keen baker and can contribute, please drop your goodies to the park on Sea Breeze Avenue - along our gorgeous foreshore walk between Davistown and Kincumber. We will be there form 7am until midday.

We hope everyone is enjoying the excitement around our Easter raffle. Thank you to everyone who has sold their tickets already. If you are unable to sell your tickets (we know how busy everything gets), please return them to the office as soon as possible so we can pass them along to someone else. If you would like more tickets, please return your sold ticket stubs and money to the office and a new book will given or will be sent home in the following days.

**COMPETITION- THERE WILL BE A BIG BASKET OF EGGS FOR THE STUDENT WHO SELLS THE MOST TICKETS.**

The Easter eggs and baskets have begun to come in now too and we thank all of our families for their generous donations.

We are still seeking prizes for our upcoming Mother’s day raffle. If you have any contacts with businesses that are in the position to donate to our school, please forward their details to us, or if possible, ask on our behalf. We would be so grateful for vouchers or items that would make good prizes. As a small gesture of our appreciation we are able to offer advertising through our school newsletter. brisbaniapandc@hotmail.com

This week will see the installation of 2 new interactive whiteboards that were purchased with the money we have raised as a school. In addition to the whiteboards, we have also purchased a shipping container that will be kept on the field. This container will house our sports equipment so that it can be easily accessed for sport and fitness lessons.

Liza Moulton
On behalf of Brisbania P & C

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**BISTRO BANIA**

**BURGER BREAK**

**THURSDAY**

26th MARCH

**PRE - ORDER**

See full page advert in newsletter (page 8)

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**DAVISTOWN RSL CLUB – MURNA ROAD DAVISTOWN**

WILL BE HAVING A KIDS DISCO IN THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ON WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL FROM 4:30PM TO 7:30PM – NO NEED TO BOOK JUST TURN UP ENTRY FREE. 

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**Mother's Day Special**

Give the gift of massage, take $10 off a 60 min massage or a gift voucher for a 60 min massage for a mum between now & Mother's Day. Contact Leanna McNeil @ Sana Wellness 0424 098 913
EARLY STAGE 1
Evie, Kaiden,
Sophie, Lachlan,
Miley, Anton.

STAGE 1
Sienna, Charlie, Cooper,
Aleeya, Shayla, Oscar,
J, Chloe, Laura,
Cody, Kate, Taylor,
Egan, Lily,
Thomas & Caleb.

STAGE 1 LEADERS
Olivia & Callum

STAGE 2
Marisa, Matilda, Billy,
Lauren, Phoenix, James,
Claire, Jack, Jorji,
Connor & Lara.

STAGE 2 LEADERS
Amahli, Phoenix,
William & Ellie.

STAGE 3
Shantay, Ava, Lucy, Colby,
Jaspar, Tanya, Arabella,
Baylee, Claire, Olivia, Kody,
Kyle, Zara, Isaac & Chantelle.
Entry is now OPEN in the 2015 School Writing Competition!

Make sure you get your poem or short story in before the 29th March 2015.

Everybody has a story to tell and we would love to hear yours!

What would you do with the $1000 cash prize? How awesome would it be to win an awesome Xbox One or PlayStation 4 or how about an Apple iPad Air or a Samsung Galaxy Tab?

Do you have a fine rhyme, a spectacular story, the perfect poem or a terrific tale that could make us laugh, cry, shake with fear or sigh dreamily?

Get writing and send us your 16 line or less poem or 500 words or less short story and you could be a winner!

Enter now at www.write4fun.net

Thank you

Sarah Elliott
Assistant Principal

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FAMILY DAYCARE AT KINCUMBER

Has vacancies Monday, Tuesday & Wednesdays!!
Educator has certificate 3 in children’s services.
Beautiful and calm service
Educator with Jelly Beans Family Daycare Scheme.

Call 1300 153 55

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SunSmart Snippet

Did you know that when it comes to sun protection, not all hats are equal?

We all know hats help protect against skin cancer and eye damage.

But did you know that baseball caps don’t provide much protection? Baseball caps leave cheeks, ears, chin and back of the neck exposed to ultraviolet radiation, and to the real risk of skin cancer in later life.

Choose a sun-safe hat
Sun-safe hats include broad-brimmed, bucket, or legionnaire hats. These hats are inexpensive, and give your kids the best chance of staying protected in our harsh summer sun.

Finally, don’t forget to apply sunscreen in the morning before school! Enjoy summer, and remember to be SunSmart!
When kids ask “the” questions...

Interrelate has the answers!

Interrelate is a specialist organisation with over 85 years’ experience teaching sexuality and relationship education in NSW schools. Interrelate educators are highly trained and skillful presenters.

The topic of sexuality is handled with sensitivity, openness and humour. The program offers an interactive approach to learning, with a variety of audio-visual materials, discussions and games.

Session 1: Where did I come from?
1-hour session: years 3-6

Session 2: Preparing for puberty
1-hour session: years 5-6
Years 3-4 can attend at parent’s discretion

Date: Wednesday, 25th March 2015

Specialty books are available for purchase on the night. Keep a look out for flyers (coming home with your child before the program) outlining session content.
TO LAUNCH OUR CANTEEN’S NEW NAME WE ARE HAVING A
BISTRO BANIA BURGER BREAK
THURSDAY 26th MARCH
Choose one of the following burger meals and return your order to the canteen
(Including payment) by
Monday the 23rd March
Price for Meal is $6.00
Please Supply a bag for your child’s order or 20 cents to cover cost of one
Choose one of the following

**Chicken Lickin’ Burger**
Burger Pattie Served with
#1 Low Fat Mayo, Sweet Chilli, Tomato Sauce, BBQ Sauce - Circle Choice
with
#2 Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Grated Carrot, Beetroot, THE LOT - Circle Choice
plus
#3 Bottled Water and a Quelch Frozen fruit Stick

Name: ________________________________ Class: __________________

**Bistro Bania Beef Burger**
Beef Pattie Served with
#1 Sweet Chilli, Mustard, Tomato Sauce, BBQ Sauce - Circle Choice
with
#2 Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Grated Carrot, Beetroot, THE LOT - Circle Choice
plus
#3 Bottled Water and a Quelch Frozen fruit Stick

Name: ________________________________ Class: __________________

**Vega’s Delight**
Veggie Pattie Served with
#1 Low Fat Mayo, sweet chilli sauce, light sour cream, tomato Sauce, BBQ sauce - Circle Choice
with
#2 Lettuce, Tomato, Cucumber, Grated Carrot, Beetroot, THE LOT - Circle Choice
plus
#3 Bottled Water and a Quelch Frozen fruit Stick

Name: ________________________________ Class: __________________

Please support this Meal Deal to ensure your canteen receives the Healthy Canteen Award for 2015
Term 1 2015 Canteen Awards 2015