KEMPSEY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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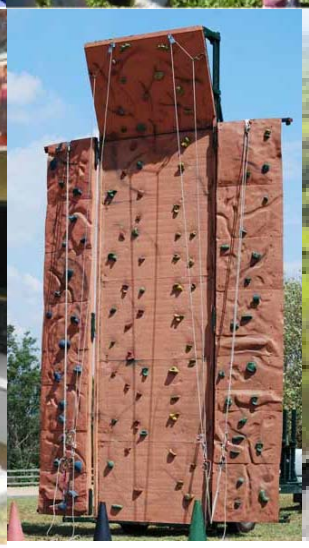
Celebrate The Macleay



Kempsey High School will host this year's Celebrate the Macleay on Sunday 4th. August 2013. Local businesses will be showcasing their products and services. A range of teaching demonstrations, interactive learning workshops and seminars for parents about supporting their children's learning will be held (see pages 3-6). Numerous displays, student performances, an art exhibition and the new facilities including the Marine Studies Centre and Agriculture Farm will be on show. Several amusements will be there including the standing bungee, jumping castle and rock climbing wall. Helicopter joy flights will be operating and there will be a raffle to win one of three 3-person joy flights. The Red Onion Cafe and the Canteen will operate all day. Celebrate concludes with The Ultimate Pink Show in the hall from 4pm to 7pm. $15 Tickets are available at the Argus Office or Kempsey High School.

August Calendar

Thursday 1st	Macleay Valley Shield Under 14s & 16s @ Verge St. 9.30am – 2pm
	Mathematics Competition (also Friday 2nd and Monday 5th)
	Education Week Academic Assembly, 1-3pm at Kempsey East Public School
Friday 2nd	Regional Athletics @ Kingscliff . (Bus departs Thursday afternoon)
Sunday 4th	Celebrate The Macleay all day. 4-7pm Ultimate Pink.
Tuesday 13th	Coast to Country" Cup Rugby League.
Wednesday 14th to Friday 15th	Indigenous Games Days
Thursday 15th	Years 11 & 12 Police Liaison Visit.
Tuesday 20th to Thursday 22nd	Year 12 Agriculture students to AgQuip
Monday 26th	Year 10 Parent and Student Interviews this week.
Friday 30th	Year 7 Gala Day

Year 11 and 12 Trial Exams
Monday 2nd September to
Friday 13th September 2013

Matsushige Students Visit

The annual visit by students from Matsushige Junior High School, Japan takes place this week. Twenty students will arrive on Wednesday afternoon 31st. July and stay with ten of our families until Sunday.

The visit will once again be our opportunity to return the gracious hospitality extended to our students and staff from past visits to Matsushige. Our visitors will learn about the Australian way of life by experiencing it first hand. During their stay, excursions will be organised to Sea Acres and the Koala Hospital.

A highlight of the visit will be the singing of Advance Australia Fair by the visitors after the school choir, *Indigo Velvet* sing the Japanese National Anthem. After the formal assembly on Friday, the students will dance the Awa (Friendship) Dance for students at Aldavilla Public School.

Volunteers Needed

If you can spare some time on SUNDAY 4th August 2013, we need your help at Celebrate the Macleay.
Phone Lisa Reed 6562 6166

Celebrate The Macleay – EDUCATION PROGRAM

Teaching Workshops 9am to 3pm

Teaching staff are using Celebrate The Macleay as an extra opportunity to work with Senior Students prior to the trial examinations ... and you're invited.

Year 12 Food Technology tutorial
(Ms Birgitta Henderson) F7 & F8
9am to 3pm

Year 12 Industrial Technology
(Mr Kevin Gallagher) F5
9am to 3pm

Year 12 Textiles & Design
(Mrs Lesley Campbell) F9
9am to 3pm

Year 12 Music
(Ms Karen Thrush) F13
10am to 3pm

Year 12 Visual Arts
(Ms Pamela Garstang) F10 & F11
9am to 3pm

Year 11 & 12 Drama
(Mrs Sue Tassell) B4
10.30am; 12noon; 1.30pm (Comedia)

Events

Bungee Run	Oval	10am to 2pm
Jumping Castle	Oval	10am to 2pm
Rock Climbing Wall	P Block near oval	10am to 3pm
Helicopter Flights	Oval	arrives 9.15am. Raffle draws 10.45am and 12.30pm. Flights 11am-3pm
Red Onion Café	R Block	9am to 7.30pm
Canteen	M Block	9am to 7.30pm
Nitro Car Displays	near oval	9.45am to 2pm
Lantern Making	F Block	9am to 3pm
Street Theatre	Throughout School	9am to 2.30pm
Potter Demonstration	F Block	9am to 12 noon
Gymnastics	GYM	10.30am to 11am; 1pm to 1.30pm
3 point Basketball	Basketball Court	12noon to 12.30pm
Cardio Resistance	Fitness Centre	9.30am to 10am; 12noon to 12.30pm
Archery	Oval	11am to 11.30am; 12.30 to 1pm
Golf Activities	Oval	10am to 10.30am; 12.30pm to 1pm
Novelty Games	Oval	11.30am to 12noon; 2pm to 2.30pm
Family Tug-o-war	Oval	1pm to 1.30pm
Science Experiments	S Block	9.30am to 12noon; 1pm to 3.30pm
Build your own Eco System	S Block	9am to 12noon; 1pm to 3pm
Drumming	Aboriginal Centre	10.15am to 10.30am; 12.30pm to 12.45pm

Farm Activities

Petting Zoo	9am to 3.15pm
Sugar 'rush' shop	
Cow Pat Lotto	
Face Painting	
Mechanical Bull Rides	
Silent Auction	
Paddock 2 Plate Tastings	
Rope Halter Making	
Cattle Washing + Clipping	
Day(s) old Chickens F/S	
Poultry Wash + Display	
Guinea Pig Races	9.15am; 10.15am; 11.15am; 1.15pm; 2.15pm
Tractor Demonstration	9am; 10am; 11am; 1pm; 2pm; 3pm.
Paddock Preparation	9.30am; 10.30am; 11.30am; 12.30pm, 1.30pm, 2.30pm
Whip Cracking Display	9.15am; 10.15am; 11.15am; 2.15pm; 3.15pm
Whip Cracking Comp	1pm to 2pm
Sheep Drafting Display	9.15am; 10.15am; 11.15am; 1.15pm; 2.15pm; 3.15pm.
Horse Lunging Display	9am; 10am; 11am; 1pm; 2pm; 3pm.
Cattle Feeding @ Pet Zoo	9am; 11.30am; 3pm.
Sheep Rides	9.30am; 10.30am; 11.30am; 1.30pm; 2.30pm.
Cattle Parading + Judge	9.30am; 10.30am; 11.30am; 12.30pm; 1.30pm; 2.30pm.
Singing Performances	9am; 10am; 11am; 1pm; 2pm; 3pm.

Interactive Workshops

You're welcome to participate in these hands-on learning activities

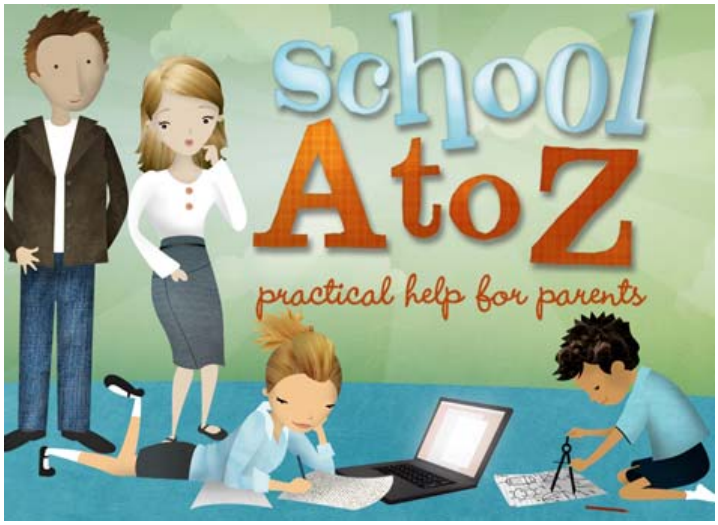
Lantern Making for the Macleay River Festival (Mrs Sue Marsh) F10 & F11 9.30am to 3pm

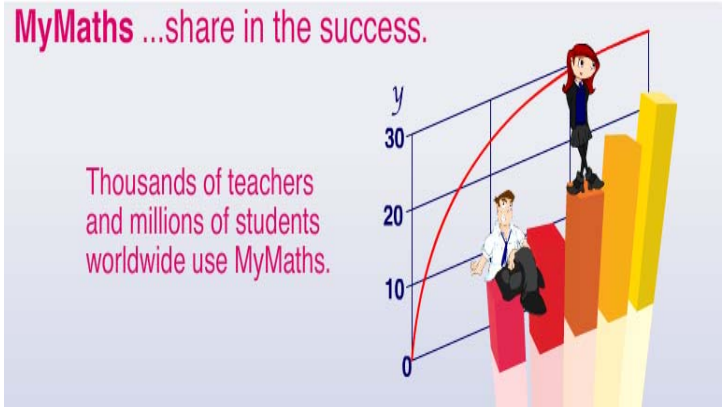
Science Experiments
(Mrs Harriett Ware & Mrs Lisa Reid)
S Block 9am to 12noon; 1pm to 3.30pm

Street Theatre
(Mr Rob McAulay & Mr Chris Austin)
Outside 9am to 7pm

Parent and Community Seminars

Sit down with a coffee and talk about a range of issues





Practical at home tips to help your child improve their reading.
(Mrs Liz McMahon) Aboriginal Centre 10am to 2pm

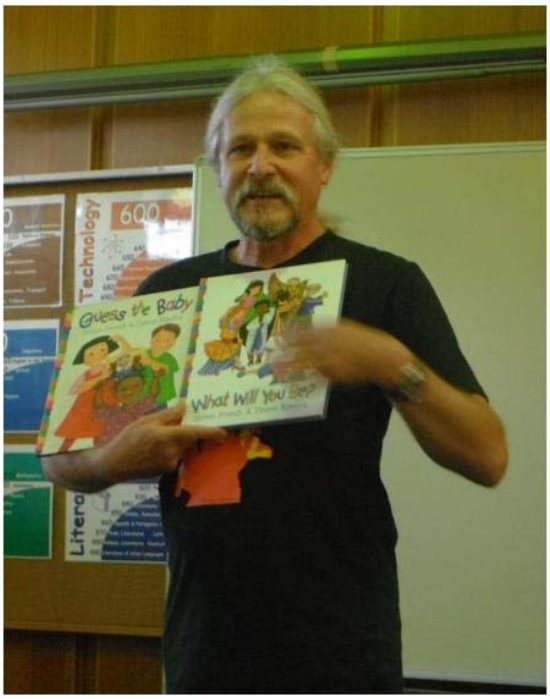
An Introduction to My Maths Online
(Mr Bruce Sincalir) Library
11am to 11.15am; 2pm to 2.15pm

Moodle: how you can see what your child is learning.(Mr Kendall Stirratt)
Library 10.30am to 10.45am; 11.30am to 11.45am; 1pm to 1.15pm.

Supporting Teenagers in high school.
(Mrs Linette Baker & Mr Mick Eller)
Library 9.30; 11am; 1.30pm; 2.30pm

Author visit: Simon French

Author Simon French spoke with students about his writing process and how to prepare pieces of creative writing. He offered a host of useful suggestions including the building of character banks. Simon brought along illustrations created by Donna Rawlins whose works are used in many children's books. Students learnt a great deal and this will be particularly useful in the Advanced English courses and the eMates program. After sharing online in past years with students from Canada and Britain, this year, eMates students are sharing writing about their reading with students from Germany.



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Targeted Sports Program

Up to 20 Year 7 and 8 boys have been selected in the Targeted Sports Program, a rugby league based initiative that promotes respect, responsibility, commitment and positive behaviour. Students participate in the program for a total of 80minutes per week and engage in a variety sporting based excursions.

The program focuses on skill development, conditioning, game play, coaching, excellence, discipline, nutrition, team work, goal setting and academic achievement. Students need to meet high behaviour standards to keep their place. The program aims to lift engagement with school and the community, motivation, behaviour, attendance, attitude and social skills. A range of qualities will be developed including respect, responsibility, resilience, right decisions, fairness, commitment and cooperation. Students will be receiving a training tee shirt and shorts to wear on training days, game days and on excursions.

The boys have been training hard and have proven they belong in the squad. The students participate in a wide range of extracurricular sporting based activities. Recently the squad went on an excursion to Port Macquarie where they played hydro golf, raced go karts, competed in laser tag and cooked a sausage sizzle lunch. All students had a great time and were excellent ambassadors for Kempsey High. We look forward to our proposed Newcastle Knight NRL excursion during Term 3.

Congratulations to Kyle Barclay, Emanuel Barker, James Bentley, Warren Cochrane-Smith, Justin Crockford, Jake Davis, Jake Davison, Clayton Dries, Jyi Everingham, Jakuum Cubby, Cooper Grey, Cody Griffen, Mathew McAlister, Tom Reed, Jason Russel, Jermaine Sines, Phakpai Thanakorn, Aidan Tilmouth and Cooper Wilson.

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