

High School PE

Last Friday highschool went to Mini Haha Falls to have a refreshing (COLD!) dip. The walk down into the beautiful gully was energizing with spectacular views and the sounds of the bush. While the walk back up got us all ready for another swim!



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Schools Clean Up Day - Friday 4 March

Kindlehill is participating in Clean Up Schools day on Friday March 4th. Each class will scour different areas of the school grounds and surrounding bushlands for any rubbish

Since 1992, school communities across Australia have demonstrated their support for caring for the environment through participating in Schools Clean Up Day.

In 2016 we will be celebrating 25 years of Schools Clean Up.

Clean Up Australia Day - Sunday 6 March.

Since the national event started in 1990, Australian have donated more than 28.2 million hours taking to their streets, bushland, parks and waterways on Clean Up Australia Day, removing an estimated 302,213 tonnes of rubbish from 151,909 sites across the country.

Find a site near you check out <http://www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/>

Live Music And Dance Disco For Vanuatu

Class 9/10 are organizing a family friendly fundraiser for the very end of term. Look out for more information about this one.

Lets put the rubbish in the right bin
Green bin is compost, lets put it in
Hard plastic, paper, metal in the Yellow bin
All the other waste sadly in the Red Bin

Week 4 is Nude Food Week culminating with Clean Up School day on the Friday.

-Kindlehill staff and students will endeavour to have NUDE FOOD classrooms with class appropriate activities and discussions that cover sustainability, healthy life style and packaging.

What is NUDE FOOD you ask? Well...NUDE FOOD is food that is healthy, environmentally friendly without packaging. Nude Food Week encourages individuals to make their lunch a healthy, nutritious and environmentally friendly meal by filling it with fresh food and eliminating all unnecessary wrapping! Get excited... Get ready!!

NUDE FOOD is an investment in the future. It uses less packaging and energy and it also saves money. There is a reduction in classroom rubbish (and therefore landfill) as NUDE FOOD is as close to nature as you can get. By using reusable containers, buying in bulk and fresh from the farm (or oven!) foods. The chance to explore new lunchbox recipes and save money!!!

In conclusion, Go NUDE....well just your FOOD!

WHOLE SCHOOL MEETING -

THE BIG IDEA: VISION AND VALUES IN 2016
SATURDAY 27TH FEBRUARY, 2 - 4PM

CHILDCARE PROVIDED

This is a very important meeting, an opportunity for as many parents as possible to attend and hear about the focus of Kindlehill School in 2016. **We encourage parents to be informed about the vision and direction for 2016 and to participate wherever they are interested and able.**

Good Neighbours - this is the "Big Idea" for the Kindlehill school year in 2016 . Good as in (**G**lobal perspectives, **O**pening windows to **O**pportunities for **D**oing). There will be explorations from kindy to high school around this central theme with a focus on getting to know some of our neighbours near and far, and being active in our connection with them.

FOCUS AREAS - GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Songlines - a living narrative of our nation (drawn from Naidoc 2016)

Sustainability - Connecting kids with creeks and catchments (projects with BMCC - bioblitz, streamwatch, bushtrackers)

Neighbours in the Asia - Pacific - curriculum choices by class through the year as well as whole school supporting fundraising for projects in Vanuatu, where class 9/10 will visit later in the year.

As you will see from the term 1 calendar we are making a solid start to the year.

Lynn

Term 1: Mon 1st Feb – Fri 1st April

Week 3: Tue 16/2 Class 2/3 visit with Chris Tobin

Week 4: Tue 23/2 Big Sing workshop with Rachel Hore class 3-10
Sat 27/2 Whole school meeting – Vision and Values: Presentation and discussion of Big Idea for 2016 - **Good Neighbours. 2pm – 4pm. Childcare provided.**

Week 5: Nude food week incorporating clean up Australia week
Wed 2/3 Talk/discussion for parents with young children: The Ethical Child – The first 7 years (Lynn)
Thur 3/3 Gauri dance performance 9am—whole school
Fri 4/3 Clean up schools day

Week 6: Wed 9/3 Introduction to Eurythmy for Parents, 3pm
Wed – Fri high school camp to Kangaroo Valley.

Week 7: Thur 17/3 National Close the Gap Day
Fri 18/3 2 National No to bullying day/Yes to Friendship Day
Parent talk: Wise about Technology and social media

Week 8: Mon 21/3 World Harmony Day
Mon 21/3 Guest speaker, David King—The Gurrangatch story and songlines of Gundungurra land 9am
Tue 22/3 World Water Day
Wed/Thur 23/24 March, Camp Euroka – Whole school Camp. Cultural activities – songlines focus
Sat 26/3 Well-being; a workshop with Compresses and Oils

Week 9: Wed 30/3 Guitar & Flute 1.45 -2.45pm
Thur 31/3 all other instruments 12.00-3
Fri 1/4 Disco for Water – Vanuatu fundraiser

Saturday 2nd April Working Bee**Charleston Challenge**

Last weekend past and present Kindlehill students took part in the Charleston Challenge at Medlow Bath.

They danced up a storm!

Registration With Bostes

This year is a whole school registration renewal year. Application for renewal is due by the end of term with all teaching programmes and school policies submitted to the Board of Studies. They will send 2 inspectors in May for a follow up in school inspection.

Wednesday 2ND March 7pm – The Ethical Child Shining A Light On The First 7 Years

We all want our children to be humane and kind, tolerant and compassionate, strong and gentle. These “social virtues” are the ethical dimension of the human being that is laid down in the first 7 years as a foundation for their lives.

TALK AND DISCUSSION with Lynn Daniel

Thursday 3RD March – Gauri. 9am

We have invited Jo Clancy and her troupe to perform their most recently choreographed dance for Kindlehill.. This is Aboriginal dance, puppetry, language and stories connected to Crow, Emu, Lyrebird and Owl.

Class 1/2 Settling in Beautifully.

It has been a very busy and full fortnight. Here we are weaving a weed teepee with Amy during our Friday bush circle morning.

Play is the highest form of research - Albert Einstein

**Crossing Update**

For some time now, parents at Kindlehill, led by Mark Carroll, have been lobbying council for a pedestrian crossing for Sinclair crescent. Council have this year agreed to another review of the crossing.

Mark, together with the support of a number of parents, has successfully lobbied council for traffic calming on Blaxland Road including children crossing signs on the railway bridge and school ahead signs closer to Lake Street.

Mark has this year handed over the reigns of the lobby. We are very appreciative for his commitment and persistence in working for safer travel along Blaxland Road for Kindlehill children as well as the Wentworth Falls community.

Parents are encouraged to continue to lobby council in regard to the pedestrian crossing. More information from Lynn or Jade (Merry and Aleifr's mum).