

Pedestrian crossing Blaxland Road and Sinclair Crescent and railing on Railway Bridge

There has finally been some progress on this issue, thanks to Mountains Concerned Citizens, and Lynn. Councillor Romola Hollywood has been working closely to progress our concerns and momentum is building with additional Councillors and the Mayor committing their support.

You can help in three ways: **1)** We need all concerned parents to lodge an online submission (this can be done in a few minutes). The more submissions, the more likely the dangerous crossing will be remedied. Visit our website www.mountainsconcernedcitizens.simplesite.com to copy and paste a draft submission (just make a few changes) and then go to <http://bluemountainshaveyoursay.com.au/pamp> to paste and complete the submission. **2)** Attend a Community talk about traffic issues and bring up the crossings issue. The meeting for our ward is **09 December 2015, 6.30pm -8.30pm, Hazelbrook Bowling Club, Bonnie View Avenue, Hazelbrook.** **3)** Join our email list to receive updates and make online comments by emailing mountainsconcernedcitizens@gmail.com

END OF TERM BUSY BEE



Saturday 12th December 9am-1pm

Join us to spruce up the school

Share morning tea together and bring a plate of food

There will be plenty of activity around the classrooms

Be part of our WEEDBUSTERS TEAM



Newsletter: 7th December 2015

On behalf of the staff at Kindlehill, I extend well wishes to the school community over the holidays. May love and joy be abundant in this festive season and may 2016 see you replenished for a creative and fruitful year. We farewell a number of students and families from various classes this year. We send you on your way with our best wishes and hope that you will visit and stay connected to the Kindlehill community.

HIGH SCHOOL TRIP

High school have returned from their class trip to North West Island on the Great Barrier Reef where they did an ecology/geography lesson in situ, as well developing skills and stamina in minimalist impact camping, and snorkeling. The big idea behind the lesson was looking at the island/reef environment through the lens of COOPERATION and seeing how that is reflected in our personal and social lives as well. We saw the beauty and intricacy of coral as habitat for diverse species and had close encounters with Shovel Nose Rays, Stingrays and Reef Sharks! On the way up, we met farmers who are fighting to keep farmland for food against powerful mining interests and an Aboriginal man, Wayne, gave us heartfelt insights into his connection to country and filled our water bottles with pure waters from his artesian bore. We were on the island for the start of the Paris Climate Talks and took the opportunity to be a part of the conversation that is being had in regard to Climate justice. Students returned with a swag of stories and experiences, a little more independence and confidence in meeting challenges, and a little more connected to "country".

Lynn

TERM 4 : Monday 12 October to Friday 11 December – 9 weeks

Week 9: Tuesday 8th December 6.30pm Class 4/5 Play
Wednesday 9/12 Jo Clancy Dance Performance
Wednesday 9/12 6.30pm -8.30pm, Hazelbrook Bowling Club, Bonnie View Avenue, Hazelbrook.
Friday 11/12 Kindy farewell and graduation to 1st class
Friday 11/12 Year 6/7 graduation
Sunday 13/12 Year 10 graduation

Saturday 12/12 End of year whole school working bee and social 9am to 1pm please bring a plate of food to share

High School Camp**LEGISLATION RE IMMUNISATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILDCARE REBATES**

The NSW Department of Health has advised that the Australian Government legislation removing conscientious objection as a valid ground for exemption from immunisation requirements (for CCB, CCR and FTB) is now law was passed by the Senate on 23 November. New arrangements come into effect on **1 January 2016**.

The NSW Department of Health has advised that children **enrolling during 2015 but due to start in 2016**, will be considered under the existing requirements – i.e. conscientious objection will still be an acceptable ground for exemption in 2016 for those individuals enrolling ahead of time in 2015 for the purposes of eligibility for CCR, CCB and FTB.

There is no decision yet about the status of conscientious objection in relation to eligibility for enrolment (as opposed to eligibility for benefits) for children after 1 January 2016. The NSW Department of Health is currently considering its position and is consulting stakeholders including the NSW Regulator (Department of Education Early Childhood Education and Care Directorate) around implications for NSW services.

Wagana Dance Show at Kindlehill - Wednesday Afternoon

The show is called Gaurii – have you ever found a feather. It is choreographed by Jo Clancy and looks at the stories connected to Wagan the Crow, Dinnawan the Emu, Mugi the Owl, Wirijiiribin the Lyrebird and Girrawi the Cockatoo.

The show, a palette of dance, music, puppetry and text, aims to engage the audience in thinking about the richness of Aboriginal stories and culture and our shared responsibility for maintaining and caring for country and each other.

School Opal card

From term one 2016, eligible students within the Opal network will be able to travel to and from school with the new School Opal card. Most students who already have a 2015 school student travel pass will have their School Opal card automatically issued and sent to their school. Some students, including new applicants and students changing school or campuses, updating their personal details, or going from year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7 who have already applied or who need to apply, will have their School Opal cards posted to their home address. Most School Opal cards should be received in the first two weeks of term one 2016. Students who have been approved to travel on more than one operator or to more than one home address, for example where there is shared parental responsibility, will only receive a single Opal card.

Travelling in term one

School students will need to carry their School Opal card and tap on and off when travelling. A grace period applies at the start of each new school year, where school students who have been approved for SSTS travel can travel without a valid pass while new passes are being issued. Students must be in school uniform or be able to provide evidence (such as a school ID or school books) that they are travelling to or from school during this time.

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