Notes from the Principal - Lynne Stritzel

We have made it to the end of a short but intense Term 1.

Our students have settled well into the school year despite many changes. They are to be congratulated for their ability to cope with the transition from 2 classes to 1.

Last week the Year 6 students attended the Grip Leadership Conference in Toowoomba. It was a very interactive day with students liaising with students from other schools on the Darling Downs. The conference took students through:

- How to grow as a leader
- Bye Bye Bullying
- People to influence
- Traffic Light Leadership, areas of negativity that needs to be stopped and areas to go forward with.

We held a celebration morning tea on Friday last week for students and their parents who had achieved 100% attendance this term. A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to Mel, Chelsey, Jai, Riley and Matthew, WELL DONE!

Miss Haansbergen will be taking up a Permanent fulltime position at Tara as from next term. Everyone at Kogan State School wishes Miss Haansbergen the very best. She is going to be greatly missed.

I wish everyone a safe and very Happy Easter. I am looking forward to working with you all in the new term.

Student Council

In our first student Council meeting for 2016 we discussed what our goals for 2016 will be. Our main goal is the garden. We would like to get the garden up and going. We are planning to raise garden beds so that is easier to manage. If anyone has any old gloves that they could donate to the Student Council that would be appreciated.

We have decided to raise money for senior shirts for the grade 6 students. We are going to wear them on Fridays and special days. We will always remember our time at Kogan State School.

Happy Easter and have a great holiday.

Student Council
Magazines

The students need old magazines for reading and spelling activities. If you have any to spare please send them to school with your child.

Thankyou

Farewell Mrs Hicks

On Monday, the school officially farewelled Mrs Hicks with a whole school morning tea. Staff and students enjoyed catching up with Mrs Hicks who is now teaching Japanese at Chinchilla, Jandowae and Bell primary schools.

Religious Instruction

Religious Instruction (RI) is offered at the school and is conducted on Mondays in the afternoon session for Year 1 - 6.

The faith group that provide religious instructors to deliver an authorised program are:

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Students are allocated to RI based on information provided by parents on the completed Application for Student Enrolment unless other written instructions have been provided to the school.

Note: This information remains operational unless the parent informs the school otherwise in writing.

- Students who are not participating in RI will be provided with other instruction in a separate location. Other instruction must relate to part of a subject area already covered in class and may include, but is not restricted to:
  - Personal research and / or assignments
  - Revision of class work such as creative writing and literacy and / or numeracy currently accessed by the students of that school
  - Wider reading such as independent reading appropriate to the student

Parents will be advised of any changes to the RI and other instruction programs to ensure they are able to make an informed decision on their child’s participation.
3-6 Technology

We each researched a food that we wanted to cook and looked at different cooking methods and food preservation techniques, past and present. We learned how they used to cook in the past.

We learned how pigs were sent to a factory where they were killed, checked for diseases and then sent to the butcher.

We also learned that when cooking chops we have to turn them over and how to tell when they are cooked by looking at the colour of the meat. Pasta is made by putting dough through a machine and then hanging it out to dry on washing lines.

Kitchen safety and hand-washing, as well as using different or clean boards for vegetables and meat are very important.

By Jai, Brandon, Brayden, Cody, Riley and Kaleb.

Sour Smoothie Recipe

Place the juice of 2 lemons and 2 limes, a cup of milk, 2 big scoops of ice-cream and 4 sour straps in the blender. Blitz until smooth. Enjoy!

Despite my misgivings, I tasted this. It was DELICIOUS! Mrs C.

A Note from Miss H

Term 1 2016 marks the end of my time at Kogan State School! I am very sad to be leaving but have accepted a full time teaching position in the Special Needs department at Tara Shire State College. I am teaching a class of 4 high-needs students between the ages of 5 and 8. I have enjoyed my time here at Kogan and will miss everyone terribly, but opportunities like this don’t come about every day. I wish all the students the best for the future. Be sure that I will keep in contact and will come and visit when I can!

Miss Haansbergen
Years 1 and 2 Technology

Students in years 1 and 2 looked at where our food comes from and the different terminologies used in recipes. Then after discussing safety in the kitchen, together with Miss H, they created Mini quiches and a chocolate slice which they shared with staff and other students. The results were delicious! Students asked for a copy of the recipes, so here they are. Have fun preparing them with your children over the holidays.

Easy Chocolate Slice Recipe

Author: PlanningQueen
Recipe type: lunch box

Ingredients:
- 1 cup self raising flour
- 1 cup brown sugar
- ½ cup of desiccated coconut
- 2 tablespoons of cocoa
- 125g butter
- 1 egg
- ¼ cup 100’s and 1000s

Method:
1. Preheat oven to 180 degrees Celsius
2. In a medium size bowl mix flour, sugar, cocoa and coconut.
3. Melt butter (I melted the butter in a microwave safe dish for 45 seconds.)
4. Lightly beat the egg.
5. Add melted butter and egg and mix with a wooden spoon.
6. Press into a lined baking tray, I didn’t have a small tray so just used a portion of a larger tray I had. It ended up being about 25cm x 20cm.
7. Sprinkle with 100s and 1000s.
8. Bake for about 20 – 25 minutes. The slice is a bit like biscuits – it hardens up as it cools.
9. Allow the chocolate slice to cool in the tin for 10 minutes before removing to a wire rack.
10. Cut into slices and enjoy!

Mini Quiches

Ingredients:
- ½ red pepper
- 2 spring onions
- 2 slices of ham
- 50g cheddar cheese
- 250g short crust pastry
- 4 large eggs

Method
Turn the oven on to 180°C. Oil a muffin tin.
Pull the seeds from the pepper. Chop the pepper and ham into small pieces, grate the cheese.
Cut the tops and bottoms off the spring onions with scissors, cut the onions into small pieces.
Mix the vegetables and cheese in a small bowl.
Break the eggs into a jug and whisk.
Roll out the pastry and cut into large circles.
Push the pastry circles into the muffin tin holes to make cups.
Fill the pastry cups with the vegetables and cheese, then pour some egg on top of each one.
Bake in the oven for 20 minutes.
Kogan School Leadership

On the 14th March, the Grade 6s went to a leadership conference in Highfields, Toowoomba. There were about 200 people. We learnt how to grow as a leader and then we learnt how to say ‘bye-bye to bullying’.

We also learnt about influencing people and traffic light leadership, what we need to focus on. Red is for things to stop (such as bullying), yellow is to slow down and reduce your focus (uniforms) and green is to go ahead (like gardening).

It was very interesting and we learnt a lot.

By Matt, Sterling, Bianca, Eva and Mel

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Alexander and Riley were presented with Student of the Week awards for week 8.

Bianca was the proud recipient of the Student of the Week award for week 9.
Surprise Visitor

On Thursday, the Easter Bunny gave us 2 chocolate eggs each and the Easter Bunny gave us stickers.

We also got a picture of the Easter Bunny to colour in for a competition.

Thank you Easter Bunny
Thank you Miss H for all your effort for the school and students. Good luck at Tara and thank for teaching us.

From Sterling

I will miss you very much Miss H. Thank you for teaching me and look after me and many other good things you taught us.

From Kaileb

Thank you for doing all for us and I will miss you and hope you have a good day back and see us again.

Riley

Thank you Miss H for teaching us and taking care of us. Hope we have a great time at Tara from now.

From Mel

Dear Miss H,

Thank you for being such a wonderful person and you helped us understand so many things. Best wishes at Tara.

From Mal

Ms. H we will miss you hope you come and visit us. We all take you Ms. H for all the things you taught us. Always your student.

Riley

Thank you Miss H for teaching us also. I would like your effort that you have put into this school.

From Jai

It has been nice having you around as this term comes to an end. I will miss you from teaching me the end. At thank you for everything you taught me and last year from Banca. It

Ms. H

You are one of the best teachers I have ever met. It was a pleasure having you teach us. I am very sure everyone from Kogarah will miss you. Good luck at Tara. I hope everyone from Tara knows how lucky they are to be taught by you. Evie's
Anzac Day Ceremony
Kogan State School
Monday 18th April 2016

Members of the Chinchilla RSL Sub Branch will be attending for an ANZAC day ceremony on Monday, 18th April. Their arrival is expected to be between 10:30 – 11:00am after they have visited Brigalow SS at 9:15am.

John Moffitt & Don Allen will be the representatives from the Chinchilla RSL Sub Branch and also attending with them from the Warra Sub Branch is Des Underwood who will be presenting a book to the school.

Parents and community members are invited to attend.

Holiday School Watch

With school holidays starting Friday, we need everyone to look out for after-hours crime in our school. If you see anything suspicious, please don't attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number - 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools. Let's work together to help create a safer school community.