Welcome to Term 2 at Kogan State School!

I hope that you had a very relaxing break, spending quality time with your family & friends. Term 2 is already shaping up to be a big term! We have 11 weeks jammed packed full of exciting teaching and learning experiences plus ANZAC Day services, Community Breakfast, Cross Country, NAPLAN, the Chinchilla Show, Musica Viva at Burra Burri, National Simultaneous Storytime 2018, Athletics & Tennis lessons .. the list goes on! So please ensure you keep up to date with information that is sent home via letters and/or advertised in our newsletter & on Facebook.

New Beginnings – We have a new Teacher on our Team!
It is with great pleasure that I extend a warm welcome to Miss Jessica Dean. Miss Dean will be supporting the Prep to Year 2 students with their learning journey for the rest of 2018. It is an exciting time. To ensure continuity in learning, I will be fully supporting Miss Dean as she settles into her new school community.

Welcome Back!
During week 1 we welcomed the Smith family back to our school. It has been lovely to see all our students support and nurture our new students as they settle into our little school community.

ANZAC Day Commemorations
On Friday 20 April 2018, we had our school ANZAC Day commemoration. A special thanks to our staff, students, parents/carers and visitors for helping make this day a special occasion. We were joined by Mr Bill Belcher representing the Chinchilla RSL Sub Branch, who shared with us his experiences of war. It was very heartwarming to have so many Kogan State School community members share this special commemoration with us. Together, our school community took time to reflect on this very important event.

On Wednesday, it was a great pleasure to join in the Kogan community ANZAC Day commemorations. Congratulations to all our students – their participation and behaviour on the day was exemplary and you should be very proud of your child/ren.

Cross Country Laps
In preparation for the Kogan SS Cross Country, which will be held on Tuesday 22 May 2018, students have the opportunity to raise their fitness levels by running/jogging/walking a lap or two around the oval each morning, before our fruit break at 8:45am. It’s been great to see everyone give it a go – keep up the awesome effort! If there are any parents/carers who would like to join us for a lap or two, please feel free to join us – the more the merrier!

Miss Judd, Principal
**Reminder of Notification of Absence Process**

As you are aware, every State School is expected to have and use a notification system where parents and carers are contacted if students are absent from school without prior notice.

At Kogan State School, parents and carers will be called in the morning if their child/ren are not in attendance at school and we have not been notified prior to this.

To notify the school of your child/ren’s absence, please contact the office on 46 681 721 or SMS the School phone on 0472 847 608 with your name, child’s name, absence reason and expected duration of absence.

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**Every Day Counts!**

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**Be Respectful – I am Respectful to Others**

Kogan State School is committed to providing a safe, respectful and disciplined learning environment for students and staff, where students have opportunities to engage in quality learning experiences and acquire values supportive of their lifelong wellbeing.

The PBL lessons for Week 1 & 2 focused on the importance of students being respectful. Students identified and discussed the need to ensure they are caring for themselves and others; taking turns; using respectful language & respecting personal space.

At Kogan State School, student attendance at school is identified as one of key areas of our Explicit Improvement Agenda for 2018 - as attendance at school is an important factor in determining your child/ren’s personal success at school.

Our school attendance rate for Week 1 was 89.9% and Week 2 was 86.4%. These are well below our target of 94%. If you require support with your child’s attendance at school, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Judd or there are resources available from: [http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/parents-community/index.html](http://education.qld.gov.au/everydaycounts/parents-community/index.html)
KSS Procedures & Routines

For new parents/carers & as a reminder for all parents/carers, there are a number of procedures & routines that help our school run smoothly. Listed below are some of school routines:

Student Arriving Late – any student who arrives late to school, must be signed in by their parent/carer dropping them off to school. The student sign in book is located in the Administration Office foyer.

Student Leaving Early – any student who is leaving the school grounds early, must be signed out by their parent/carer picking them up from school. The student sign out book is located in the Administration Office foyer.

Alternative Pick Up Arrangements – if you need for your child/ren to be collected from school by someone other than yourself, you must either ring / write / text the school to advise of this change.

School Visitors – any parent/carer who enters the school grounds during school hours to deliver items to their child/ren or assist in the classroom, must sign in at the Administration Office.

Fruit Break - 8:45am - please ensure your child/ren arrive at school by this time, should you wish for them to participate in this important morning routine.

Kogan State School Awards

Student of the Week Award

Emily, Cody, Lilly & Tahlia were the proud recipients of the Student of the Week Award for Weeks 1 & 2 Term 2, 2018. Congratulations!

Expectation of the Week Award

Matilda & Ned were the proud recipients of the Expectation of the Week Award for Weeks 1 & 2 Term 2, 2018. Congratulations!

Book Club orders & money are due Tuesday 8 May 18

Read, Read, Read!

At Kogan State School, the teaching of reading through quality guided reading practices is identified as one of key areas of our Explicit Improvement Agenda for 2018. There is an expectation that every student will read every night.
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