Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to week 5 of Term 2.

Firstly, I would like to thank all the parents who attended the Interhouse cross country. It was fantastic to see such wonderful support for so many students.

Last week I was able to attend the Chinchilla District Cross Country Carnival where a number of representatives from the small schools attended including 2 from Kogan. All students ran professionally especially the two representatives from Kogan. Well done Lillian and Charles.

Once again please keep an eye out for the upcoming events as more appear each week. School photo's have been booked for the 12th of June in the afternoon. Arts council will be on the 30th here at Kogan. There are a number of P&C events being held including Mad Hatter’s Biggest Morning Tea on the 23rd. We are already planning into next term where we will have our inter-school, small school’s and district athletics carnivals.

Have an Engaging Week.

Regards,

Sam Gilmore
Principal

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Week 5 Term 2 2012

KOGAN STATE SCHOOL CAMP 2012

This year Kogan SS will be going to Australia Zoo and stay over night at Underwater World at Moooloolaba on the Sunshine Coast.

The cost for the camp including bus, food, accommodation, entry to Australia Zoo and Entry to Underwater World with a private show, is for the low price of $50.00 per child! This is made possible by access to Rural and Remote Educational Assistance Program (RREAP) and donations from the P&C.

We are taking payment now for this fantastic opportunity to attend these exciting places. Payment options are available. The camp has been booked for Thursday 1st of November. More information including a schedule of event will be sent home soon. If you wish to discuss the camp, payment options or have any other questions or queries the please contact the school.
Curriculum

SPELLING

Group 1 — Week 6 -3,4,5 Week 7 Compound words Week 8 Compound words.

Group 2 — Week 6 BL, BR, GR, GL Week 7 PR, DR, TR Week 8 WH, QY, TW, K

Group 3 — Week 6 CK, KE, OR –K, Week 7 Short and Long A, Week 8 Short and Long O.

Group 4 — Week 6 Short and Long A, Week 7 Short and Long O. Week 8 Short and Long U

Group 5 — Week 6 Past Tense ED, Week 7, Long A Homophones, Week 8, Long A Homophones

Group 6 — Week 6, CHUR/ZHUR/YUR, Week 7 EN, ON, AIN, IN, Week 8 ET, IT, ATE

Group 7 — Week 6 Consonant Alternation, Week 7 Vowel Alternation: long to short, Week 8 Vowel Alternation: Long to Short or Schwa

Testing

Next week sees the school start its internal testing regime. This is rolled out over the next few weeks with students being assessed in Vocabulary, Reading, Mathematics, Comprehension and Spelling. This is an important time as this information helps us to tailor our teaching delivery for next term. If you would like to know more please contact Mr Gilmore.

Students of the Week

The following is a list of all the Students Of The Week for this term. Well done and keep up the wonderful work!

Week 3 — Prep—Yr 3— Shari for exceptional effort in all her classwork.

Yr 4—Yr 7 — Curtis for improved attention to completing homework.

Week 4—Prep— Yr3—Rhys for applying himself in all areas.

Yr 4—Yr 7—Lillian for making a big effort with writing her persuasive text.
Woolworths Earn and Learn

Once again this year Kogan State School will be participating in the Woolworths Earn and Lean program. This year Woolworths has changed their approach to collecting points. Shoppers will receive stickers that are to then be placed on attached cards. One of these has been attached to the newsletter. If you require more then please contact the school. Once the cards have been filled they are to then be dropped off at the school into the collection box located near admin. Last year we were able to purchase a variety of items including addition and subtraction games and new calculators for the school. This year we hope to continue with the support from the community that we enjoyed last year.

Inter house cross country

Last Tuesday saw the inter-house cross country carnival here at Kogan State School. Students born in 2003 to 2000 participated in running 1km, 2km, and 3km. There was a fantastic effort put in by each and every student. Sadly there can be only one winner with Lorikeets coming away with the victory. Students born in 2004 onwards participated in a fun run that included jumping bags, blowing bubbles, crawling through tunnels, flying on the flying fox and climbing over obstacles. A great day was had by everyone. Due to a mechanical malfunction only a few photos were taken. If there are any parents who have photos could you please provide a copy to the school as we missed photos from the fun run. Thank you in advance.

INESS

Students in year 4-7 will be participating in an information session based around cyber bullying and cyber safety. Students will be working with an ex-police man to highlight the dangers of a modern cyber society. He will also be presenting sessions for parents on Monday the 28th of May that focus around the reality of what children face in the 20th century. Please see that attached flyer for more information about INESS. If you would like more information about what the students will be participating in then please contact the school. This is a P&C endorsed activity.
District Cross Country Results

Last Friday Lillian and Charles represented the Small School’s team at the Chinchilla District Cross Country. Both Lillian and Charles put in a fantastic run and which has done them and our school proud. They were unable to meet but both represented our school admirably. Well done Lillian and Charles.

FLU SEASON

As we head into flu season please be aware that if you child is going to be absent from school you are requested to contact the school and inform us of the absences. This is very important as there are many different activities on this term and communication is paramount so students don’t miss out.

NAPLAN

Over the past three days our year 3 and 5 students have been hard at work completing their NAPLAN tests. These tests form an important part of the school wide assessment and monitoring program and allow us to improve curriculum delivery to each and every student. Well done to the year 3 and 5 students to putting in your all to achieve the best you can.

Restored Vehicle Association of Dalby Car Rally.

Last Saturday the Restored Vehicle Association of Dalby held a car rally which stopped at the school for Morning Tea before making their way to the Chinchilla Weir for lunch. The P&C catered for the event raising over $1000.00. A huge thank you to all the parents and citizens who helped on the day. It was fantastic to see such wonderful machinery, lovely people and great food.
Community News

Biggest Morning Tea —Mad Hatters Theme
Once again this year sees the P&C holding a fundraiser for the Cancer Council of Queensland. Community members are encouraged to attend this event to help raise funds for cancer research. 1 in 2 people are affected by cancer at some point in their lives, whether it be a direct family member or a close relative, and this is something that hopefully we can combat. On Wednesday 23rd of May at 11.00am the school will be holding a Mad Hatter Themed morning tea with all donations going towards cancer research. Please send or bring in a plate of food and a gold coin donation to help fund this event—and wear your craziest hat! If you would like more information please contact the school.

SOCK IT TO YOU
Following the success of the last Sock it to You fundraiser, Kogan State School P&C again offer you the opportunity to purchase these quality items, and help raise funds for the P&C. Money raised by the P&C is used to subsidise educational opportunities and provide the fruit platters that the students so enjoy.
All orders must be returned to school with the money by 24 May 2012. For further information please contact me or Lynda von Pein at the school.

Carol Crossley
Secretary