Good afternoon Parents and Friends,

Term 3 has seen some amazing achievements realized. Congratulations to all of our students who have participated enthusiastically in a wide variety of events. Your behaviour has been exemplary and most importantly you have learned new skills and strived in your pursuit of excellence.

That’s the Kenthurst way!

**Hawkesbury Eisteddfod**

For the first time our students participated in individual events at the Hawkesbury Eisteddfod and were taught by Mrs Burns. The results were excellent and are listed here, in acknowledgment below. Maybe next year your child would like to participate as a soloist or with a partner. There is a wide selection to choose from including prepared readings, drama and poetry.

### Hawkesbury Eisteddfod Results

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**Playground Equipment**

Our new playground equipment will be installed over the holidays, but to complete the area, we will need to build a retaining wall. A working bee will be organized early next term and we hope some Dad’s will be able to help us complete it, so the children can use their fun, new equipment. Please contact the front office if you can help.
Planning for 2015-2017
Our school will be participating in the next 3 Year Plan for the Department of Education and Communities (DEC) and we would value your contributions to this plan. The first step is consultation. There will be a variety of surveys and a Parent Forum to gather ideas that will contribute to the strategic directions of the plan. Early next term the executive team of Miss Dennis, Ms Shaw and myself will be in the playground both mornings and afternoons, with an i-pad and just a few questions to ask.
We want to ensure that Kenthurst continues to provide the very best education, quality learning and opportunities for our students. Your ideas and input are vital in this process. Students and staff will also be given surveys and the evaluation process will take a little time. A parent forum will be held later next term, for discussion and the analysis of data. The purpose is to agree on three areas (Strategic Directions) to help sustain excellence at Kenthurst Public School.

K-6 Assemblies 2.30pm
Every fortnight we have a K-6 Assembly where we showcase student performances and celebrate success with our Key Presentation Awards.
ALL parents, grandparents, friends and relatives are welcome to come and see the wonderful things that we do here at ‘The School of Choice.’
Please come and be seated after 2.30pm.

The School Swimming Scheme is open to students who wish to learn how to swim but also to students who want to perfect their strokes. These students will be in the extension group. Please send your notes in promptly as spaces are filling fast.

The calendar next term will give you the dates for our Celebration of Learning, School Concert, K-Factor (talent quest) and of course the exciting Camps for stages 2 & 3. Please put them in your diary so that you are aware.

Enjoy a safe and happy holiday with your family and friends and we look forward to seeing you for what promises to be an exciting conclusion to 2014.

Yours in quality education

Caron Dodd
Principal
DIARY DATES

Week 1 - Term 4

6 October, Monday - Public Holiday

7 October, Tuesday - Students Return for Term 4

8 October, Wednesday - PSSA Training
Lunch – Drama

9 October, Thursday - Band
Scripture

10 October, Friday - No PSSA

Week 2 – Term 4

13 October, Monday - Kindergarten 2015 Parent Information Evening

14th October, Tuesday - Kindergarten Orientation 1

15th October, Wednesday - PSSA Training
Lunch – Drama

16th October, Thursday - Band Scripture
Assembly

17th October, Friday - PSSA

Important Dates:

23rd October, Thursday - Kindergarten Orientation 2
29th October, Wednesday - Kindergarten Orientation 3
10th December, Wednesday - School Concert
Congratulations

Isaac - silver medal in Gymnastics
Science in the last month...

All stages have now finished their Term 3 units.

**Early Stage 1** Have made wind meters and tested them outside to see which material was affected by the wind the most. They also became meteorologists on TV and predicted the weather.

**Stage 1** have compared how differently light and sound travel to each other and are currently completing art works based on these concepts.

**Stage 2** has investigated conduction and which materials allow or inhibit the flow of heat.

**Stage 3** continues to have fun with physical and chemical reaction experiments. They have investigated the chemical reactions of a candle burning inside a glass bottle and the physical reaction times of Berocca tablets in different temperature waters.
All stages have also had fun in the Science room Discovery Corner...
Sasha
I like to move it, move it! I like to move it, move it!
That is the sound of the lemurs. I thought the lemurs were interesting because it looks like the tail is big but that is just the fur. The tail is actually really thin. If they're lost in long grass they lift their tail out of the grass so other lemurs can see it.

Austin
O , o, o, o! That is the sound of the gorillas! They are strong.
Ffffffffffffffff! That is the sound of an elephant. They have big, long, strong tusks.
Click! Click! Click! That is the sound of me taking photos of the alligator. They have sharp teeth.
Swing, swing, swing, swing! That is the sound of the orang-utans. They are very, very, hairy and quick.
I had a fantastic time at Taronga Zoo. The best part of Taronga Zoo was the Bird Show.
Ellbelle's Preschool and Early Learning Centre

174 Kenthurst Road, Kenthurst 2156
(Opposite Caltex Service Station)
9654 2009

* 7:30am to 6pm
* A “NCAC” Accreditation of “High Quality” in all areas of Early Childhood Education
* Extensive Transition to School/Pre School Program for children aged 3-5 years
* Children are divided into groups according to age with qualified staff programming for each group
* All meals provided
* Licensed for children aged 6 weeks to 5 years * Some casual days available
* Child Care Benefit available
* 50% Childcare rebate on all pre-school
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CIRCUIT TRAINING, BOXING, PILATES, YOGA & MUCH MORE

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KENTHURST STUDIO

BRING A FRIEND & RECEIVE 50% OFF 1st SESSION

CALL JACQUI ON: 040 709 7763
St. Benedict’s Annual Church Fair

21st September 2014
9 Fagan Rd. Arcadia
10AM - 3PM

Rides * Animal Farm * Face Painting
Trash & Treasure * Food * BBQ
Chocolate Wheel * Fairy Floss
Cakes Plants * Fruit & Veg * Books
Vacation Care
September 2014

Open: 7am till 6.00pm

Your kids will have a great day with their friends doing lots of activities and going on fantastic outings, all under trained adult supervision!

5 - 13 yr olds from all schools within the Hills and local communities.
*(All children require a CRN#: to claim the child care rebate - ask staff for details)

Cost: from $39.00 per child/per day*

*Excursion and special events extra (see programme)

Please bring enough lunch and morning/afternoon tea for the day unless specified in the programme that lunch will be provided.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL!

To make a booking: complete and return our vacation care booking form, available from the centre or via email, along with your payment.

Or drop into the centre, or call 9654 2072

Also note we now have a Mobile Phone number for when we picking up or on excursions

0477 333 116

All outstanding fees need to be paid prior to bookings.
**Monday 22nd**  
Reptile park - Gosford

**Tuesday 23rd**  
Reptile park - Gosford

**Wed. 24th**  
Kenthurst Park  
Reading Cinema

**Thursday 25th**  
Kenthurst Park  
Reading Cinema  
We all love going to the movies

**Friday 26th**  
Annan, Racquet Centre  
It is not how big you are but how big you play!!!

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**Monday 29th**  
Kenthurst track

**Tuesday 30th**  
Richmond NSW

**Wed. 1st**  
North Sydney

**Thursday 2nd**  
Centre only

**Friday 3rd**  
Ann’grove Racquet Cntr

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**GREAT NEW DAYS**

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MUMS NIGHT MARKETS AT BELLA VISTA HOTEL
in support of Mummy’s Wish

THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2014
6.00 - 8.30pm
$9 cocktail for the mummy’s
Silent Auction & Gold Coin Donations

Market stalls inside Bella Vista Hotel with
clothing, candles, beauty products & gourmet goodies!