Kingswood Park Public School located on Caloola Avenue, is an outstanding school with wonderful students and magnificent teachers. Our innovative programs provide opportunities for all students to reach their full potential through quality teaching and learning experiences. At our school your child will experience:

- Magnificent facilities including connected learning technologies.
- Interactive whiteboards.
- Mobile computer labs.
- iPads in every classroom.
- A well resourced library and beautiful surrounding grounds.

If your child starts Kindergarten in 2015, please feel free to contact us, we would be happy to chat about any questions or concerns you may have.

Tuesday mornings we offer a Kindergarten Transition program from 9am, everyone is welcome. Please contact our lovely office staff for enrolment forms or pop in and see us, our staff will be happy to take you on a tour of the school.

Our Preschool is currently taking enrolments for 2015, this is an opportunity for children going to school in 2016 to attend a quality learning environment that is rich in learning experiences. Please contact our school for more information regarding our Preschool hours and costings.

Relieving Principal- Ms Katrina Berwick

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to Charlotte in 5/6 W for her artwork in the canteen.
PRINCIPALS REPORT
Strong partnerships between a school, its teachers, parents and community make a positive contribution to student learning. With increased local decision-making in schools, the significance of parent and community engagement will also increase. Consultation with our community is part of our process for developing our school vision and strategic plan for the next three to five years. During Grandparents day we had posters up on the walls and asked our community to comment on things that are working well at Kingswood Park and things that we can do better at. We also asked for comments on opportunities you would like your child to have at Kingswood Park Public School. In the coming weeks I will be inviting parents from each class to participate in parent and community forums. Once we have collated this information and feedback gathered from our community, students and teachers I will share this with you all. The next step will be collaborating together to develop our school vision. I thank you for your time and thoughts in this process.

Each week teachers at Kingswood Park Public School are taking interest clubs at playtime. Mr Walsh is running a newspaper club where students are working together to create movies of the events at our school from the past weeks. They are going to be uploaded on our school website, let me know what you think.

Local IGA
I would like to thank our local IGA for donating over $1800 to our school recently. I took our leaders up to the IGA to collect the very large cheque. This money will go towards resources and our moonlight cinema.

Camp
This week students from years 3-6 went with Mr Walsh and Mrs Riveria to a Sport and Recreational camp in Narrabeen. I visited the students on Wednesday night and had a fun night at our disco. Both Mr Walsh and Mrs Riveria said all our students pushed themselves to complete activities that they normally wouldn’t try such as archery and sailing. Photo’s will be uploaded on our school website in the coming weeks.

Walk-a-thon money
Don’t forget to bring your money in for our Walk-a-Thon. Each student who brings back money (no matter how much) goes in the running to win their class prize. Then all the names of students will be put together to win the major prize of a bike donated by The Smith Family. Our P&C work tirelessly to raise money for much needed resources in our school. This year they are raising money to support the purchase of updating our interactive whiteboards.

Grandparents Day
Everyone has fond memories at being at their nan and pop’s place – it’s where you’d go to get the kind of love that only a grandparent can give. This year we celebrated Grandparents Day at Kingswood Park with a lovely assembly, art show and picnic lunch. During Grandparents Day we celebrated and shared our memories of being at home with our grandparents. Thank you to all our Grandparents who attended and adopted other grandchildren for the day. Thank you to Mr Sierra for organising the events.

Loom Band Club
Mrs Taylor runs a loom band club every Friday. We are asking for donations of loom band packets, especially ones with clips in them. If you send some into school we would really appreciate your donation. Please give them to the office and we will pass them onto the Loom Band Club.
2/3J 21st CENTURY LEARNING
For our 21st Century focus in 2/3J we are examining the problem of poverty, both globally and locally.
Last Friday as a class, some children in 2/3J skipped lunch and got a small glimpse of what 870 million people experience every day. This was a completely voluntary exercise as some children have dietary requirements.
The aim was to make the students in the class become more aware of the world around them. Through the activities and discussions hopefully the lessons learned are tolerance, awareness, patience, empathy and not judging others. These I believe build character, and ignite community-minded citizens.

One of the projects we have begun is “Read to Feed” The idea is for the children to get sponsored for the number of books, chapters or pages they read during November. The choice of the books is up to the pupils.
The class will have the opportunity to help other children in our world. Sending a cow lifts families out of poverty for good by teaching them how to produce food from small plots of unproductive land and by providing livestock including chickens, goats and cows.
Kind regards,
Jack Sierra and 2/3 J

3/4A 21st CENTURY LEARNING
On the 22nd October 3/4A participated in a day based on the popular Television show “Survivor”. As part of this day the students worked in teams to earn points by achieving common goals. The students took part in mental and physical challenges that were best completed with a deep understanding of team work and a supportive and positive attitude from other team members. At the end of the day the students were able to reflect on the day’s activities and understood the importance of working collaboratively. The students enjoyed the opportunity to work with peers and appreciate each other’s skills. A great day was had by all.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART
On Friday October 24 the students at KPPS had the opportunity to participate in Jump Rope for Heart. During the day an instructor took each class through a set of jumping routines, teaching our students a variety of ways to skip and stay healthy.
PRESCHOOL UNDER THE SEA INCURSION
Preschool had Ranger Tracey from Rangers on the Run visit on Tuesday October 21st for the Under the Sea incursion.
She brought a range of things found at the beach:
Rocks – sea snails, seaweed, sea anemones, crabs and sea stars
Water – Fish, octopus, sharks, stingrays, whale
Sea Treasures – Shark eggs, sea sponges, rocks, driftwood, fish bones and cuttlefish bones
Sustainability Tips – Only take two shells from the beach so the creatures have a home
Did you know – That seaweed is used in sushi, jelly, ice-cream and toothpaste?

Kindergarten - Soft drink/Long life juice
Year 1 - Nibblies eg: confectionary, potato chips
Year 2 - Personal Items eg: soap, deodorant
Year 3 & 4 - Pantry Items eg: can food, pasta, sauces
Year 5 & 6 - Pantry Items eg: rice, biscuits, soup, long life milk

All items are due by Friday 28th November 2014. They can be given to the front office.

We do appreciate your support with our Christmas raffle. Any donation is greatly appreciated.

P&C CHRISTMAS RAFFLE
The P&C are organising an end of year Christmas Raffle to raise money for our school.
To make this a success we need your help. We would greatly appreciate if each student can donate an item to our raffle.
This year we are putting together Christmas Hampers.
We have assigned each year certain items for these hampers.
Please find below what is required.

Pre School - Christmas items eg: pudding, decorations, paper plates

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MOONLIGHT CINEMA
Friday November 28. Gates open 5:30pm
In conjunction with the Nepean Community and Neighbourhood Services team we are going to have a Moonlight Cinema this year for our end of year community celebration. Each family will be given the opportunity to request for tickets a week before the event. Your ticket will include free entry and dinner on the night, all students must be accompanied by an adult family member. More information will be sent out closer to the event.

GOLD AFTERNOON
Monday November 10. 3:30-5pm
Each year our school organises an event to reward students who have demonstrated our Positive Behaviour for Learning behaviours, which are being Safe, Respectful Learners. This year students who meet our schools criteria for the afternoon will be invited to attend a magic show, disco and other events the teachers are still organising. More details are to come. Teachers will contact parents of students who unfortunately don’t meet the criteria for participation for the event after week 3 this term.