In 2010, my first Kin Kin class was the Years 4 to 7 with a total of 28 students. It was a tough year managing four year levels of learning as well as getting my feet wet in the Teaching Principal role. So even though this year may seem a daunting task, managing three year levels of learning with a total of 27 students, I feel confident it can be a very productive year of learning.

The older students are demonstrating desired expectations in learning for the younger students to adopt so it can be a productive learning environment. And the support staff (Kearin, Catherine and Harmony) are dedicated and determined to make sure the learning environment is supportive. I am really looking forward to great year. Thank you!!!

Mr Blackmore has also experienced a great start to year with the class on Friday. With a major focus on Technology they are examining how they can utilise resources that have been used for one purpose through redesign and production for a different use.

We are looking forward to seeing what they produce this term!

Cheers,

Trent

This is our whole school on parade last Friday.
What a great bunch of kids we have!
General News

Over the next few weeks a number of school events provide an opportunity for you to gain a deeper awareness of what is happening in the classrooms and around the school grounds. The most significant of these is the parent information session tonight at 6pm in the Green Room. So I do hope to see you soon.

Another significant event is the P&C General Meeting next Wednesday night at 6pm in the Green Room. These meetings are valuable towards ensuring all our students are supported in the learning and school-life experience.

Therefore, I also hope to see you then.

Both events afford you the moment to ask questions about our learning environment and school culture. In particular, you may want to know more about how the school is supporting your child’s learning development in Reading. So please take advantage of these events so we can help your child’s learning and well-being.

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Garden News

Ooh it’s hot! And it’s getting hotter. It’s drier than a Buddhist nun’s sense of humour out there! And despite all that, the garden has been throwing abundance our way. We harvested a feast last Friday for Zeb and the kids to prepare—eggplants, Brazilian Spinach, Silver beet, snow pea and amaranth sprouts, mint, pumpkins and watermelons and chillies and cherry tomatoes galore. I’m told the lunch was terrific. Don’t miss out on the chance to taste the Indian-themed feast this Friday.

I was too sick to go to KAFE as I have a COLD and had to repair to my couch — in what universe does a guy get a COLD in this HEAT??!! In any case, it was an opportunity for me and some of the kids to rummage through the garden to find goodies for a drink that would relieve those horrible symptoms...

Sage leaves – for a sore throat

Nasturtium flowers and Lemon Myrtle leaves – for the cough

Lemon and lime juice – for vitamin C

Ginger – for the upset tummy

Garlic – to boost the immune system, plus

A dollop of honey – to kill bacteria and sweeten the drink - AND give some energy.

We all agreed it tasted great and I certainly felt better for it.

The health food stores and chemists should be feeling very nervous... we don't need them with the school garden we have in Kin Kin!

WORD for the week – ‘chiffonade’. Zeb shows us how to chop the sage leaves into thin slices for the health drink. Although the leaves fresh from the plant are a bit overwhelming and coarse, once you prepare them in this way they just roll off the tongue….just like the French word CHIFFONADE.

P.S. If you have some spare time, come along on Fridays—we always need helpers in the garden and the Kafe!

Cheers,

Keith
Congratulations to...

- Lucy, Caiden, Hamish and Eli for being Healthy Citizens who have all made a great start to their Prep year;
- The Whole Year 2/3/4 class for being Informed Citizens who have also made a great start to their school year;
- Ruby for being an Informed Citizen who has been coming out of her comfort zone to "have a go" both in and out of the classroom; and
- Zoe for also being an Informed-Citizen who is adapting well to her new school and always trying her best.

Students receive Student of the Week Awards on Friday at parade. Parents are welcome!.....9am start
P & C News

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PINK STUMPS DAY—It would be great if you can please support this great cause as we all know someone that has had breast cancer. On the 19th Feb at 2pm Kin Kin Community will be playing the Noosa Council for pink stumps day raising funds for the McGrath Foundation. Loads of fun. Last year we raised over $3000 and we are hoping to raise more this year. Please donate via this link – even if it’s $10 as it all adds up.


...menu...
Spiced Pumpkin Masala
Palak Dhal (Spinach Dhal)
Garlic Naan
Steamed Basmati Rice
Mango chutney
Watermelon lassi

...playgroup...

Playgroup is on every Thursday during school terms from 9 -10.30 in the Kitchen Garden.

We have a different craft activity every week for the kids to do as well as playtime in the sandpit which now has a dress up corner and play kitchen.

Come and enjoy a relaxing morning with some lovely parents and kids.

...headline...

Those pesky nits are rearing their ugly head yet again. Could parents please check their child’s hair tonight! If we all check together, we should be able to get on top of these little critters. Thank you.
...soccer... Cooroora United Football Club Inc. 2017 Sign On

Saturday 21st & 28th January 2017 from 9.00am - 12.00 noon at Cooroy Library, Maple St Cooroy
If you miss sign on DONT WORRY!!!
Email: Megan cufcregistrar2@gmail.com or Andrew cufcsecretary@gmail.com
Phone: 0419 999274

Sunday, 19th February
2pm at the Kin Kin oval

PINK STUMPS DAY

FOOD FUN AND ENTERTAINMENT

There will be some cricket legends there!

KIN KIN TEAM
PETER MANDAK
GUY AUCKLAND
BUTCH UECHTRITZ
JEFF DONALDSON,
TRENT SHAW
CONOR NEVILLE
MATT HAWKINS
JAMES AUCKLAND
CRISTY UECHTRITZ
FINN UECHTRITZ
NIK AUCKLAND
RICHARD LEE
ANITA POTERI
PAUL SPRECHER

NOOSA COUNCIL TEAM
TONY WELLINGTON
BRETT DE CHASTEL
INGRID JACKSON
PHIL AMSON
PETER SLATTERY
DONNA FREY
JOE JURISEVIC
FRANK WILKIE
FRANK PARDON
JODIE CRAWFORD
KYLIE FINIGAN
TYRON DE KAUME
BRIAN STOCKWELL
JESS GLASGOW

The funds raised will help place McGrath Breast Care Nurses in communities across Australia as well as increase breast awareness in young women.
Some happy snaps from Kafe last Friday.

The Year 2’s and 6’s cooked a lovely lunch. We used lots of food from our garden.

Thanks to Zeb, Mr Tony and our helpers for making it such a success. Same again this week!
A Big **THANK YOU** to Liz and Barbara from “The Thursday Girls” who visited our school this morning to drop off a cheque for $500 to assist families who are experiencing difficulties in acquiring all the necessary items to begin the school year.

The Thursday Girls are a group of women who love to help financially and have helped a number of families at our school in previous years with camp fees, swimming fees and excursion fees.

This cheque is over and beyond the assistance that they normally offer.

When thanked for their caring and financial donation, they replied that they get great satisfaction in being able to “give”.

Once again, thank you to “The Thursday Girls” from Kin Kin State School.

**Thanks to all those parents who attended Parade last Friday. We really appreciate your attendance and we know that the students do too!**