Principal’s Comments

Assembly
On Monday 23rd February we will have a whole school assembly for the presentation of the badges to School and House Captains. Following assembly we invite the parents of our captains to join them for Morning Tea.

On Monday 2nd March there will be another whole school assembly to present badges to the Art, Music, Environment, Science, ICT and Library Monitors and Junior School Councillors.

Student Wellbeing Officer
Next week we hope to welcome our second Student Wellbeing Officer Nancye Cottrell. Nancye will work with us on a Thursday and Robbie Boyle will continue working on a Monday. Both Robbie and Nancye will be out and about in the playground and will run some programs throughout the year. Students are able to have an informal chat with the SWOs but any student who meets more ‘formally’ with them will be sent home a slip and a request for parent consent to have any follow up conversations. Parents are able to contact either Robbie or Nancye.

School Council Elections
Nominations for School Council closed at 4pm on Monday 16th February with the following persons nominated:

   Parent Member Category:
   Andrew Jones, Simon Cowan and Melanie Hedley

   DET Member Category:
   Karen Corrales and Kerry Legg

Due to insufficient parent members at the close of the nomination period, in accordance with DET guidelines, we have extended the timeline for close of nominations to Thursday 19th February 2015 at 4pm. Outstanding Parent Member vacancies are 2 x two year vacancy and 1 x one year vacancy (due to resignation). Nomination and Self-Nomination forms are available from the office.

School Council Meeting:
Monday 23rd March at 7pm and the Annual General Meeting is on Monday 23rd March at 7pm.

Parent Teacher Getting to Know You Interviews
Thank you to parents and teachers for making yourselves available to share information about your child. Interviews Online will close for bookings on Friday 20th February at 4pm. If you haven’t remembered to make a booking, there is still time.

Family Movie Night—The Lego Movie

We still have tickets AVAILABLE for the Family Movie night this Friday 20th February. It should be a really fun night with some great free activities. Gates open at 6.30pm and the movie will screen at 8:45pm. Entry on Friday evening is only via the front school gate in Karoo Road. Tickets will be available for purchase at the gate.

Irene Harding
Principal

2015 Class Representatives

Class representatives is an initiative that was introduced at Karoo last year. Through the compilation of parent contact details, Class Reps help to enhance and promote parent involvement and sense of community within the class, year level and the school as a whole. The role of Class Rep can be shared throughout the year.

The roles of Class Reps include:

- Compiling a class contact list
- Assisting teacher with parent communication, for example, parent helper rosters
- Facilitate parent and family social catch ups, such as coffee mornings or dinners
- Relay school communication as required.

If you would like to be involved or find out more, please return the form overleaf, or alternately forms and more information will be available outside your child’s classroom at the ‘Getting to Know You’ interviews.

Karoo Calendar

FEBRUARY  2015

THURSDAY 19TH FEBRUARY
School Council Nominations close 4pm

FRIDAY 20TH FEBRUARY
Charisma Dance begins
Family Movie Night— from 6:30pm (movie starts at 8:45pm)

MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
District Swimming Competition
Prep Family Night and Picnic
5—6:30pm
‘Getting to Know You’ interviews

TUESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY
Cyber Smarts sessions

WEDNESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY
Cyber Smarts sessions

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY

Term Dates 2015

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REMINDER ...
SCHOOL HATS ARE COMPULSORY IN TERMS 1 & 4

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

All visitors to the school must sign in and out at the office, and collect a green visitor’s badge. These badges help the students and staff identify you as an ‘authorised visitor’.

Please remember to return the badge when you sign out.

STUDENT BANKING

Student banking day is Monday. Please ensure your deposit slip is completed and the money is secure in the folder. New folders and deposit books available if required.

SCHOOL FOYER MONITOR

Featuring this week ...
Preps—First day of school

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**CLASS AWARDS**

**Prep— Year 2**
**Week Ending—13th February, 2015**


P.E.: 1M and 2B

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**LIBRARY CORNER**

**Library Helpers**

At Karoo Primary School our children are allowed to borrow four books at a time and love their extra borrowing privileges. As a result, the library staff are very busy and are asking for volunteers. If you have a spare half hour first thing in the morning to help us with the returns and re-shelving, we would love to hear from you. Please fill in the reply slip below and return it to the library or to the main office. Thankyou!

Michelle Mitchell and Michelle Dodds

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**Charisma Dance — For Years 1—3**

Lunchtime dance lessons will again be offered to Karoo children, when over the course of a 4 week block they will be taught a dance and sing to the songs “Dear Mr Husband” and “Frozen”. Charisma Dance will also be covering some fun dances and musical games. Lessons will be held in the gym, commencing this Friday 20th February and will run for 4 weeks. Permission forms are available at the office. Forms and $25 payment are due back in the school office no later than 4pm on Thursday 19th February.

Deb Thompson
Dance Co-Ordinator

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**TIQBIZ ... RECEIVE SCHOOL NEWS VIA YOUR MOBILE OR PC**

Follow the 4 easy steps and you’ll be notified of our news, messages, events and communications.

1. **LOG-IN**: Open Tiqbiz and register/log-in.
2. **FIND**: Click the ‘Find Boxes’ and type Karoo Primary School into the search bar. Select us from the results.
3. **TICK**: Click the grey tick on the boxes that apply to you. When the tick turns green, you’re connected.
4. **INBOX**: Click on the Inbox icon. This is where you will receive our instant messages, news and events.

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**2015 Class Representatives**

Student name: ____________________________ Class: ____________________________

Parent Name: ____________________________ Phone number: ____________________________

Parent email: ____________________________

☐ Yes I am interested in taking on a Class Rep role

☐ I would like more information

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**LIBRARY PARENT HELPERS**

Parent name: ____________________________ Contact number: ____________________________

Student’s name: ____________________________ Grade: ________

Day/s available (Please circle): Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Please note that unfortunately we cannot accommodate toddlers.

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**NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL**

Eldest Students Name: ____________________________ Grade: ______________

Parent Name: ____________________________ Email address: ____________________________

☐ I would like to receive the newsletter via email instead of a hard copy

☐ I received it electronically last year and would like to continue to receive it by email

Please return this form to the school office. Don’t forget to update your email details with us if it changes.
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**CANTEEN NEWS …**

**TERM 1 MEAL DEAL**

Your choice of:

- Ham & Cheese Sandwich / Ham & Cheese Toasted Sandwich
- Chicken Wrap (Tortilla, Chicken Tender, Lettuce, Cheese Mayo)

**PLUS**

Big M (Chocolate or Strawberry) and a Muffin

$6.50 per meal (available each day throughout term 1 as part of the canteen menu)

**GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL TRIVIA NIGHT!**

Saturday 28th March 2015
St Bernadette’s Parish Hall, The Basin
(Doors Open 7pm)

Tickets $15 Each or Table of 10 $100

All money raised goes directly to Royal Children’s Hospital Good Friday Appeal
Support a great cause today!
Who am I?
I have one side.
By Xavier

Who am I?
You can draw me.
I am in the sky.
I help nature.
By Sophie

Who am I?
I have four sides.
I can be shaped like a house.
I start with an ‘S’ at the start of my name.
By Emily

Who am I?
I am very useful.
Children play with me.
I am round.
By Riley

Who am I?
I get played with.
I am bouncy.
I can be used in sport.
By Adelle

Who am I?
I have six sides.
I have straight sides.
I have little points on my sides.
By Hunter

Who am I?
I have four corners.
I look like bread.
My brother looks like me.
By Jasper

Who am I?
You can use me for building towers.
You can use me to build anything.
By Nicole

Who am I?
You can draw me.
I have three sides.
I have three corners
By Ayla

Who am I?
I am like a square.
I have four sides.
I am on cards.
By Liam

Who am I?
I look like a skate ramp.
A square can stack on top of me.
I look like the bottom of a rocket.
By Tom

Who am I?
I have four corners.
I have four sides.
I have a long name.
By Elai

Who am I?
I am very useful.
Children play with me.
I am shaped like a ball.
By Lacey

Who am I?
I have four edges.
I have a long name.
I am long.
By Aaron

Who am I?
I am like the hands on a clock.
I am like the spine of a book.
By Harry

Who am I?
I have two long sides and two short sides.
I am long.
I have four sides.
By Adam

Who am I?
I have eight sides.
I’m in the sky.
I have a light.
By Regan

Who am I?
I am a lot of fun to play with.
I am the shape of a ball.
I do not get played with too much.
By Hamish

Who am I?
I’m played with in cricket.
Sometimes I’m in the sky.
I also can be juggled.
By Jack