iPad UPDATE

The Years 4-6 iPad Program has been highly successful with 93% take up in Term 1. Thank you to all those parents who support the Program.

Both children and teachers have been highly engaged and motivated and are learning together to improve teaching and learning at Kingsley Park Primary School. The Year 3s are now getting on board with the school owned iPads.

A Quick Reminder for Parents and Children

Please make sure your child has all the apps. We have found that some children have access to the lite version of Book Creator, which only allows them one book.

The following apps have age restrictions and are not of educational value and as so are not permitted on the children's iPads while at school. Please remove the following apps immediately! If you use them at home they can easily be reinstated once you are on your own wifi. This is a department regulation and we apologise for any inconvenience.

1. Kik Messenger: is an app-based alternative to standard texting that kids use for social networking. [17+]

2. Facebook: To be eligible to sign up for Facebook, you must be 13 years old.

3. Snapchat: is used for sending goofy or embarrassing photos to others. Snapchats also seem to send and load much "faster" than email or text. [13+]

4. Instagram: is a platform that lets users snap, edit and share photos and 15-second videos -- either publicly or with a network of followers. Pictures are on the Internet forever!

*****Some other sights to look out for are: Google+, Twitter, Tumblr, Vine Wanelo (Want, Need, Love), Oovoo, Pheed, Ask.fm, Pinterest, Reddit, 4Chan, You Tube, Club Penguin, Moshi Monsters.*****

NOTE: Please make sure your child has access to Safari, otherwise research is very limited. This is well monitored. Also they must have Pages, Keynote and Numbers, not the Microsoft Package. iMessage and notifications must be turned off when at school. We would highly recommend that parents regularly check iMesage to ensure that children are following the Cybersafe rules.

HELP

Your help in another area would also be greatly appreciated. If you need to contact your child for any reason throughout the day please ring the school office and a message will be passed on. Please do not send your child an iMessage.

Working together as a partnership [teachers, parents and children] will ensure ongoing success of the Program.