

# KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

*View to the Future*

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Monday	23 November	Book Club Orders Due
Monday	23 November	Yr 5 Candidates Present Speeches
Tuesday	24 November	Yr 6 Fundraiser – Sponge Throwing
Wednesday	25 November	Choir at Erina Fair
Friday	27 November	Out of School Sport – Yr 5 & 6
Friday	27 November	Citizen of the Month Presentation
Thursday	3 December	Yr 5 Final Speeches
Thursday	3 December	Yr 6 Orientation
Thursday	3 December	Active After School Sport Last Day

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### Kariong PS Raises the Bar

As I write, a new tool in communicating with the school community is under construction at the Langford Drive side of the school. Where most schools have a sign with changeable letters to send messages to those driving or walking past, Kariong's new sign is fully electronic and the messages can be changed or updated from the school office.

This sign has been funded by the Federal Government's National Pride Program and will be used to let you know of forthcoming events, excursion return times and other important information. Such state-of-the-art communication will be the envy of other schools as they wind their signs up and down and spend ages changing the letters.

### Playground Improvements

The new turf on the oval has taken off beautifully and is growing almost as fast as Mr Broughton can mow it. This week we have allowed children to use the oval for organised class activities and next week we will begin to let them use it for general play.

The rubber softfall has been laid on the bottom play area and the new bubblers have been installed so it won't be long before that area will be opened for student use as well.

I have been very impressed with the sensible and caring way that the children have played despite the constraints placed upon them by the playground being out of action.

### A Star of the Future

Congratulations to Year 3 student, Jessah Magtubo who performed in the Hunter/Central Coast Regional Music Festival at the Civic Theatre, Newcastle earlier this month. The letter that I received from the coordinator of the event was very glowing in its praise of her ability.

I had the pleasure of hearing Jessah sing at the Central Coast Choral Festival last term and, like everyone else in the audience, was amazed at the power and quality of her voice. Well done Jessah.

Evan Campbell

Relieving Principal

### **Principal's Gold Book**

**Jay, Charlotte, Breanna, Stephanie, Michael, Matthew, Ethan, Jay, Preston, Vanessa, Holly, Sophie, Nathan, Rochelle**

## **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

### **Enrolments for 2010**

A large number of students have still not returned their slip indicating your family intentions for next year. Reminder notes were sent home to individuals this week. Please ensure that you return this slip immediately as it will assist our planning for 2010 greatly.

### **School Shoes**

Our school shoes are black leather shoes when worn with the everyday uniform and runners when wearing sports uniform. A number of students are wearing Rabans to school. These shoes do not offer good support for school activities. Please do not wear them to school keep them for your social events.

### **Year 6 Sponge Throwing**

Our Year 6 students will hold a sponge throwing fundraiser next Tuesday at lunch. 50 cents to throw a sponge at a student, and \$1 to throw a sponge at a teacher.

### **Value of the Month – Integrity**

Next Friday we will present our Citizen of the Month awards for the value of Integrity. Integrity involves:

- being honest and trustworthy
- acting in the interests of others
- striving for personal best
- demonstrating patience and understanding with peers

Toni Formby

### **Book Club Orders**

All book club orders are due by Monday 23 November. **NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER.**

### **HOW IS YOUR AIM?**

This Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, Year 6 will be having their next Fundraising event.

What: Sponge Throwing

Where: Quiet Area, recess time



Cost: 50c for one wet sponge to throw at a year 6 student

\$1 for one wet sponge to throw at a teacher

Bring your money and have a go.

Hope it is a hot day on Tuesday and that the volunteers behind the sponge throwing board don't get too wet!

Thanks for your continued support  
Year 6 Fundraising Committee

## Civic Reception at Gosford Council Chambers

On Monday, 2 November 2009, the Kariong School Choir was invited to perform for a Civic Reception at Gosford City Council Chambers. The reception was to honour some visitors from Turkey who are visiting the area for a few days.

The children learned about where in Turkey the visitors came from and the history of the Anatolia area.

The children sang beautifully and shared refreshments with the mayor and his guests. The visitors were very impressed with how wonderfully the children sang. At the morning tea after the ceremony, they made sure they spoke to each child.

The mayor, Chris Holstein, was very pleased with the children and gave them a tour of the Council Chambers.

Thank you to all the wonderful parents who transported the children to the Council Chambers and back.

Kariong Choir, the Mayor, Chris Holstein, visitors from Turkey and others at the Civic Reception.

More photos are on the school website.

Linda Heffer  
Choir Teacher



### Diabetes support

Extra information about student diabetes has been included on the student health section of the Department of Education and Training's website.

The material has been developed in consultation with Diabetes Australia-NSW and draws together expert advice and information on actions that schools can take to support the health of a student with diabetes working on information that parents provide the school about their child's health. For more information contact Kate Lovelace, coordinator student health on 9244 5425 or email [kate.lovelace@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kate.lovelace@det.nsw.edu.au) or visit:

[www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/studenthealth/conditions/diabetes/index.php](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/studenthealth/conditions/diabetes/index.php)

**Term dates**

Parents are reminded that the last day of the 2009 school year for students will be **Wednesday 16 December. School development days will be held on the last two days of term 4, 2009 (Thursday 17 December and Friday 18 December).** School development days at the start and end of semesters allow teachers to undergo further professional training.

**Thursday 28 January** is the first day back in 2010 for most NSW students and **Thursday 4 February** is when students return in the western division of NSW.

**Allergy info**

Allergies are on the rise, particularly in the preschool age group. If you have a child who is allergic, particularly if they suffer anaphylaxis, check out the vodcast in the latest School Parents ezine: [www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ezine](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ezine). There's also a link to more information and fact sheets about living with allergies at: [www.allergy.org.au](http://www.allergy.org.au)

**STUDENT BANKING WINNERS** – Erin 3L and Bronwyn 4N

**Fundraising For Paige and Jaimee**

Paige and Jaimee have qualified to compete at the NSW PSSA Athletics Titles at Homebush to raise funds to support the girls they are selling raffle tickets. Tickets cost \$2 each and will be on sale mornings outside the TLA. 1st prize is a laptop computer, 2nd prize is a 51cm TV and 3rd, 4th and 5th prize is an I-Pod. Please support the girls.

Kerry Rayner Sports Coordinator

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November NSW Central Coast Primary schools Chess Tournament St Edwards College**

By Matt and Paul

On 17<sup>th</sup> November the Kariong Public School Chess Team went to St Edwards College to compete in the NSW Central Coast Primary schools Chess Tournament. Kariong sent three teams, of three people each, to compete in this event. The players were: Team 1 – Paul, Erin, Claire, Team 2 – Matt, Joel, Evan and Team 3 – Angus, Deevek and Daniel.

Kariong A, aka team 1, came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the tournament with 15 ½ points with Paul doing exceptionally well scoring a perfect 7 out of 7. Kariong B Team 2 did very well but did not place, Joel did exceptionally well playing kids well over his age and skill. He managed to score 5 ½ out of 7. Kariong C, aka Team 3, did very well. Playing on the day was Angus (Yr 2!!!) who did very well scoring 3 out of 7 and captained Team 3 along with Matt captaining Team 2 with Paul captaining team 1.

Kariong A will compete in Lidcombe in the last week of November.

All the kids had a lot of fun on the day – the best part was missing out on school !!! YAY!!!

All the kids will be very happy to compete in the coming years.

**Hello Kariong Community and Welcome to MOVEMBER**

On the weekend of 1 / 2 November male staff members had their last shave of their top lip for the month. They will continue to grow their MO's during Movember to raise money for Prostate Cancer Research and the Beyond Blue Foundation.

For each dollar that a child brings into school during this month, they will receive 1 chance in a lucky draw. The prize will be the opportunity to SHAVE a staff member's top lip.

**Dates to Remember**

**Monday 16 Movember – We will start collecting money.**

**Friday 27 Movember – We will do the draw at morning assembly.**

**Monday 30 Movember – The SHAVE will take place.**



As of Monday 16 Movember students need to bring their dollar to me at the table outside the T.L.A. Their name and number of chances will be recorded.

Parents who wish to 'have a go' need to write their name and phone number on an envelope. Please seal the money inside. If you are successful we will contact you over the weekend, so that you may attend the SHAVE. Please feel free to make a donation even if you do not want to participate in 'THE SHAVE'. Please mark your envelope accordingly.

Thanking you all in anticipation of an overwhelming response.

Steve Laming and Men Everywhere!

