

# KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Monday-Thursday	29Nov - 2 December	Yr 5 Candidates Present Speeches
Monday	29 November	3C & 3L Copacabana Excursion
Friday	3 December	Stage 3 Out of School Sport
Friday	3 December	First Round of Voting

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Dear Parent/Caregivers

We have a small but increasing number of children arriving at school very early in the mornings. This may be due to the fact that despite daylight saving the sun is still up much earlier than in the winter months and hence kids are up and about. I need to remind parents that we do not have supervision for children at school until 8.25am, 30 minutes before lessons begin. Of course most teachers are here well before that time but they are busy with lesson preparation and not available for supervising children. If possible in the interests of their safety it would be preferable if children left home later and did not arrive here until after 8.25.

Similarly I should advise parents that we do not have supervision for students after school. There is an after school service provided by BASC, children are collected by their staff and walked to the neighbourhood centre. There is a charge for this service. More information can be obtained from the school office.

When you read the Deputy Principal's report you will see reference to the new Smart Boards being installed. These are not the ones going in to the new building which will be provided by the NSW Government, we don't yet have a delivery date for them. The ones being installed now are being funded from the school budget. The air conditioning which has been installed in the new building was funded in part by the P&C. The P&C has been placed into recess but these funds were committed to the air conditioning prior to that happening so were able to be released.

I'm sure you are becoming weary of me telling you how well behaved your children are, but with very few (memorable) exceptions I must say the kids at Kariong are the politest best behaved kids I've seen in 37 years working in schools. Now while we teachers would love to take all the credit the fact is that you parents must be doing something right out there. I saw this research project in my Principals' e-mail this week, I urge Kariong parents to take part.

Assessing child behaviour and parenting accurately is vital if the issues that parents are concerned about today with regards to their children are to be adequately addressed. The Parenting and Family Support Centre at the University of Queensland has developed a new questionnaire to assess various child behaviour and parenting strategies and experiences. We are seeking parents of 2 to 12-year-old children to share their thoughts in an online survey, which takes approximately 15 minutes to complete. Please visit the website at <http://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentingsurvey> to find out more and take part in the survey.

Ivan Pagett - Principal



### PRINCIPAL'S GOLD BOOK

Carley, Dane, Bradley, Alice,  
Nicholas, Indianna, Danny, Jessica,  
Shantell and Chance

### RELIEVING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### PARENT HELPERS MORNING TEA

The date for our Parent Helpers Morning Tea is **Tuesday 30th November**. If you have assisted the school through out the year please come to the Hall on that day at 11am. Invitations were sent out this week but if yours has not yet arrived or is in the bottom of the school bag we would love to see you. Please come along!



#### INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS

This week four more classrooms were fitted with Interactive Whiteboards, also known as Smart boards. The students and teachers in 6J, 5/6W, 4S and 3HM were very excited. The Interactive Whiteboards are a fantastic teaching tool and a great way of using technology to switch children onto learning.



#### STUDENT ELECTIONS FOR 2011 (YEAR 5 STUDENTS ONLY)

Nominations for our student leaders for 2011 closed yesterday. Students who are seeking election will be required to give a short speech at morning assembly next week. I look forward to hearing the speeches which tell us about each candidate. The first round of voting will then be held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

#### BAGS OF HOPE FOR CAMBODIAN CHILDREN

*'Thousands of Cambodian children go to school every day without a bag in which to carry their most basic necessities (books, stationery, food and – vitally important – bottled drinking water to help them avoid contracting dysentery from unsafe drinking water).'*

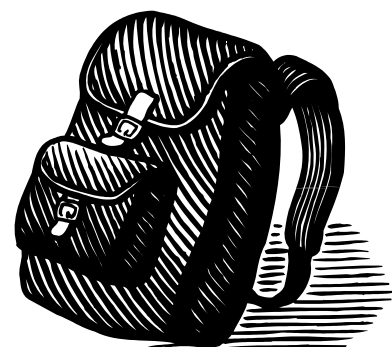
*'Many NSW public school children acquire new backpacks or school bags for the new school year. This campaign is an opportunity for those children to leave their old bags (or new ones if they are that way inclined) at their schools in the last week of term, thereby making a huge difference to the lives and education of children in Cambodia. The bags will be packed with books and stationery and shipped to Cambodia, to be distributed around the country to needy school children, in time for the commencement of their school year in March 2011.'*

The SRC and Ms Boland will be co-ordinating this project in the last week of term. So please think about it and if you are able to help send your old school bags to school to be collected in Week 10.

Paula Harmer-Watkins  
Relieving Deputy Principal

#### STUDENT BANKING WINNERS

Kyle and Nikita



## **ANNUAL PRESENTATION CEREMONIES**

***This year all of our Annual Presentation Ceremonies will be held during the day.*** This gives all students a chance to be a part of the ceremonies and celebrate each others' success. All students K-2 receive a certificate at each grades presentation ceremony. In Years 3-6 there are book prizes and certificates for those students who have been identified by staff as having had a successful academic year.



The dates and times are as follows;

**Kindergarten Presentation Ceremony** – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 9.30am

**Year 1 Presentation Ceremony** – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 9.15am

**Year 2 Presentation Ceremony** – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 11.45am

**Stage 2 (Yrs 3 and 4) Presentation Ceremony**–Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 9.15am

**Stage 3 (Yrs 5 and 6) Presentation Ceremony** – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010 at 9.15am

Paula Harmer-Watkins  
Relieving Deputy Principal

## **PERPETUAL SPORT TROPHIES**



All Age Champions from the Swimming, Cross Country or Athletics Carnival who have a perpetual trophy at home could you please return them to the office or to Miss Conwell by the end of Week 9.

Thank you

## **END OF YEAR MOVIE DAYS**

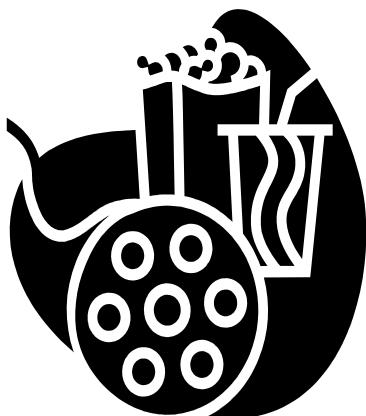
COMING UP ARE THE END OF YEAR MOVIE DAYS.

Grades K- 2 will be going to the movies at Greater Union Tuggerah on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December. The cost will be \$27 this includes entry to movie, popcorn, drink and bus fare.

Grades 3-5 will be going to the movies at Greater Union Tuggerah on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. The cost will be \$27 this includes entry to movie, popcorn, drink and bus fare.

A permission note and payment slip will be sent home early next week.

Kerry Rayner - Excursion organiser



## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Kariong Public School is holding a Christmas Raffle and would like donations to fill a Hamper. Proceeds from the raffle will go directly to the school.

Please hand donations in to the classroom or the Canteen.



Thank you.

# Whooping Cough



## 1 IDENTIFY

**The infection can be deadly in babies but anyone can get whooping cough**

- Babies and young children can stop breathing or develop severe coughing bouts that end with vomiting or gasping for breath.
- People of all ages can get whooping cough and can spread it to babies.
- Adults often just have a mild cough that lingers.



## 2 PROTECT

**Immunise your baby on time to get the best protection**

- Keep anyone with a cough away from your newborn especially until your baby has had 3 whooping cough vaccines.
- Booster vaccines for children and adults stop whooping cough spreading to babies.
- Immunity fades. You can still get whooping cough, even if you've been immunised.



## 3 PREVENT

**Whooping cough spreads quickly when people cough in the early stages of the infection**

- If you have symptoms, see a doctor fast and get tested.
- Early detection and early treatment prevents spread to others.
- Stay home until no longer infectious. Ask your doctor when it's safe to return to work, school or childcare.

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For further information visit the NSW Health website [www.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au)

