

KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

View to the Future

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School Dates for your Diary:

Monday	21 November	P & C Meeting – 7.30pm in School Hall
Monday	21 November	After School Sport
Monday	21 November	Book Club Orders Close
Thursday	22 November	After School Sport
Tuesday	6 December	Year 1 Presentation - 9.10am
Tuesday	6 December	Year 2 Presentation - 10.10am
Monday	12 December	Kindergarten Presentation - 9.15am
Tuesday	13 December	Years 3 & 4 Presentation - 9.15am
Wednesday	14 December	Years 5 & 6 Presentation – 9.15am

RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

P&C MEETING

I am very encouraged by the good work being done by the P&C. The *P&C Update* included in this newsletter displays the broad range of ways the P&C is supporting the school for the benefit of our children.

It is important to keep the momentum going, and for even more of the KPS community to join in. The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday evening at 7:30. The meeting will be addressed by the President of the NSW Federation of P & C Associations, Helen Walton. We aim to keep meetings short, purposeful and positive. Please come if you can. Tea and coffee will be available from 7pm, so come along early and have a chat.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

In the interests of preserving our forests and protecting the school's printing budget, I am proposing that we start a voluntary electronic newsletter service. You can choose to receive your newsletter in one of three ways:

- read the newsletter online on the KPS website (www.kariong-p.schools.det.nsw.edu.au);
- receive an emailed copy of the newsletter; or
- continue to receive a paper copy.

Here is how to make your choice known to us.

- If you would like to read the newsletter online (and not receive a paper copy), please fill in the slip on page 5 and return it to the school.
- If you would like to receive an email version of the newsletter, please send an email to the school email kariong-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au with email newsletter in the subject line.
- If you would like to continue to receive a paper copy.
- The newsletters will be available online or as email from the December issue

INDUSTRIAL ACTION

The NSW Teachers' Federation have foreshadowed a one day strike for all teachers on Tuesday 29th November. Should this go ahead, I will let you know as soon as possible how it will affect organisation at this school.

KPS SCHOOL CANTEEN

With the support of the KPS P&C Association, I have called for tenders for licence of the KPS School Canteen. Tenders close on 1st December 2011. A Tender Information Package is available- please ring me if you are interested in receiving a package. A fee of \$50 applies.

John Barwick
Relieving Principal



PRINCIPAL'S GOLD BOOK

Sky, Kain, Elysha, Jade,
Ellie, Hayden, Taj,
Jacqui, Emily, Riley, Elana,
Michael, Molly, Nathan, Isabella and Luke.

PRINCIPAL,
KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

I wish to receive a paper copy of the school Newsletter.

I will access the Newsletter through the school website.

Name

Signature

Date

Youngest child's name and class

RELIEVING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**BOOK CLUB**

As this will be the final book club issue for the year, I would like to express thanks and gratitude to Mrs. Mortell and Mrs. Polson for generously giving up many hours to co ordinate and distribute the many purchased books each month. Orders close Monday 21st November.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION

Thank you to all those families who have contributed this year. If any families still wish to contribute \$40.00 for this year we would be very appreciative. Your school contribution allows us to provide extra resources so that all students may benefit.

EATING BEFORE SCHOOL

It has been brought to our attention that some students are eating junk food and fizzy drinks before school. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Our Canteen does serve a healthy breakfast; perhaps you and your child might wish to take advantage of this. It may be time to discuss with your child whether they walk directly to school or visit the local shop on the way to purchase these items. Research shows that children's learning is affected by the food they consume.

EARLY ARRIVALS AT SCHOOL

Recently there have been a large number of children arriving at school before 8:30am. Schools do not provide supervision until 8:30am and therefore the playground area may not be a safe place to be without an adult present. Last week we had a stray dog roaming in the Courtyard before 8:30; this could have been a potentially dangerous situation. We are mindful, at times there might be a valid reason to drop your child off earlier, e.g. training for sport. We ask for your support in making alternative arrangements for your child with regard to a safe arrival time at school.

VALUE OF THE MONTH - INTEGRITY

For November our students are learning about integrity. This involves:
being honest and trustworthy
acting in the interests of others
striving for personal best and
demonstrating patience and understanding with peers

SAFETY IN OUR CAR PARKS

Please remind children that they are to enter and exit the school via the main gates. Students accessing car park gates are in danger of being struck by vehicles.

TERM DATES

Parents are reminded that the last day of the 2011 school year for students will be Friday 16th December. School Development Days for the staff will be held on the last two days of term 4, 2011 - Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th December. School Development Days allow teachers to undergo further professional training.

Monday 30th January is the first day back in 2012 for students who will be in Years One to Six.

PARENT SURVEY

As part of our accountability the school needs to have feedback on areas of the school's operation. Attached to a selection of this week's newsletter is a blue survey form. If you were a randomly selected parent it would be appreciated if you would take the time to complete the survey and return it to your child's class teacher. I appreciate parents completing the survey as the information will be used to assist the school in self evaluation processes. Completion of these surveys is voluntary. If you wish to complete a survey and were not randomly selected, the survey is available on the school web site next week at the notes section. Please print one off and complete it. All surveys are due back by Thursday 24th November, 2011

Amanda Taylor

P & C UPDATE

The next general meeting of the Kariong Public School P & C will be Monday 21st November at 7.30pm. Tea and coffee will be available from 7pm. The meeting will be addressed by Helen Walton the President of NSW P & C Federation. Helen is coming along to offer support to Kariong P & C and will answer any questions we may have for her.

The P & C has finalised fundraising ventures with "That's Mine" Label Company and "Aussie Farmers Direct". We will receive commissions from both these companies for any of your orders placed indicating Kariong Public School P & C as your registered fundraiser.

Brochures are available in the school foyer for That's Mine Labels and you can register with Aussie Farmers Direct at www.aussiefarmersdirect.com.au if you have not already done so.

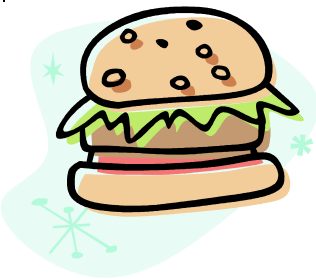
Thank you to Danielle Beckman and Jodie Williams for organising the Ladies Shopping Night. Their co-ordination of this P & C function was well received. I am sure all ladies that supported this night were very pleased with their purchases.

Another social get together will be arranged for December for all Kariong P & C Members and parents. This will replace the December meeting. Details for this night will be discussed at the meeting this Monday night.

You do not have to be a member to attend the meeting. All parents, staff and community members are welcome to join if they wish to have voting rights. Membership is only \$2 per year. I hope to see more parents at the meeting.

Marilyn Powell
 Kariong Public School
 P & C President

Bank Winners: Emilie & Riona



CANTEEN NEWS

Well, it's our last Burger day for 2011 - look out for the Burger Bust flyer in your child's bag this week. It's back to fantastic sunny burger weather - choose from Chicken, Fish or Beef, then get a Jelly Stick for dessert and choose your favourite juice. Get your orders in by Wed 23 Nov for lunch on Fri 25 Nov. See you at the Canteen soon!

Tammy Barber
 Canteen Manager

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 9th December.



MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!!!

A very big thankyou to the following people who made an enormous impact on the clearing of dead wood in the school bush area over the weekend.

Friday afternoon

- Sandra and Joshua
- Tony
- Ryan, Liz, Nathan and Shane
- Marilyn
- Wendy
- Arthur



Sunday morning

Fiona and Jack
Brett and Killarney
Tony
Arthur

The chainsaws and whipper snippers were very busy thanks to Brett, Ryan and Tony.

The other helpers then carried all the branches etc out to the edge of the bush ready for mulching. Dead and fallen trees were removed as was a big area of lantana which has made a big improvement to this precious part of the school.

Once again many thanks to those who kindly attended the working bee.

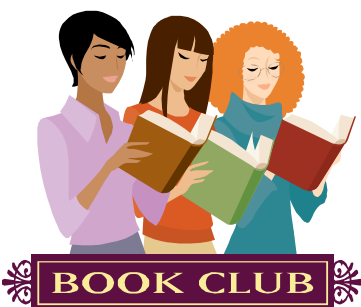
Arthur Fun and Wendy Thomas - Environment Committee

Environment Club:

On Sunday 13 November I went to school to do the working bee. In the working bee I got to carry the dead trees and bark in the wheelbarrow. I tidied up for the Environment Club. We stayed for two hours. It was hard work but I enjoyed it.

Jack - 1/2H

On Sunday my dad and I came to the school to help clean up. I picked up lots of sticks from the bush and put them in a pile.

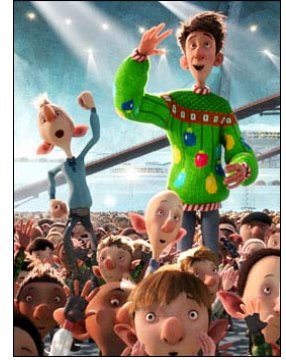
Kalani - 1Q**Scholastic Book Club:**

Scholastic book club orders to be handed in by Monday 21 November 2011. No orders can be received after this date due to the end of the school year. We apologise for the short turn-around.

ADVANCE NOTICE: END OF YEAR MOVIE EXCURSION

On Monday 12th December all students in **Grades 3-5** will be attending “**Arthur Christmas**” at Greater Union Tuggerah.

On Tuesday 13th December all students in grades **K-2** will be attending “**Santa’s Apprentice**” at Greater Union Tuggerah.



All grades will travel to Tuggerah by bus. The total cost of the excursion will be \$27 this includes the Bus Trip, Movie, Popcorn and a Drink.

Please do not send money in yet.

Notes will go home on Thursday 1 December.

Kerry Rayner & Simone Champion
Excursion organisers.

STUDENTS PROGRESSING INTO YEAR 3 – 2012

As you may be aware, the Department of Transport requires a new application form for free travel for students who are progressing from year 2 to year 3 in 2012.

Students who live inside the 1.6km radius and therefore are not eligible can apply directly to The Department of Transport stating their reasons for requiring a pass i.e. on safety grounds.



Term passes will also be available to ineligible students. Please contact Busways during the December/January holidays to obtain the current cost of a pass and to apply.

Busways Gosford 42 Empire Bay Drive Kincumber 2251 Ph: 4368 2277

KARIONG ECO GARDEN

Please join us for the opening of our Sustainable Shelter.

Cnr Woy Woy Rd & Dandaloo St, Kariong.. **11am Monday 28 November 2011**

Our Patron, Peter Rutherford, Senior Ecologist from Kimbriki Eco House & Garden will speak on the principles of Ecology & Deep Ecology and the role of “Healthy Organic Soil” and how these principles relate and connect to our own personal health and the health of our communities. **Info: 0431 343 149**