

# KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## **School Dates for your Diary:**

Friday	27 January 2012	FIRST DAY FOR STAFF
<b>Monday</b>	<b>30 January 2012</b>	<b>First Day for Students: Year 1 - Year 6</b>
Mon - Wed	30 Jan -1 Feb 2012	BEST START- KINDERGARTEN 2012
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>2 February 2012</b>	<b>First Day Kindergarten 2012</b>
Monday	20 February 2012	Swimming Carnival
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>22 February 2012</b>	<b>School Photos</b>

## **RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

### **WHAT A GREAT BUNCH OF KIDS!**

Whenever our students go 'out' into the community on an excursion or sporting event they are not only representing themselves and their school, they are also representing their parents and the entire Kariong community. They don't let us down. After the recent 'movie days' I was heartened to hear reports of exemplary behaviour, and that our students- and the level of organisation and care demonstrated by the staff- had been complimented by movie theatre staff and even by passing members of the public. This reflects well on our students, our staff, our community and of course on you as parents.

### **PRESENTATION DAYS**

Thank you to all of you who attended one of our five Presentation Ceremonies. A particular thank you to the many of you who attended more than one - you could probably recite my speech word for word. Congratulations to all the major prize winners, but as I said in my speech(es) congratulations are also due to every single student in the school. This year you have all made progress, learnt things and developed skills that will help you in later learning and later life.

### **PRINCIPAL POSITION**

I'm very happy to let you know that I will be returning to Kariong Public School for Term 1 next year. I'm looking forward to working with you again in the interests of the students of KPS.

### **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Finally, I wish you all a wonderful festive season, and hope you have a safe, peaceful and positive 2012.

John Barwick  
Relieving Principal

**RELIEVING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE****SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS**

Once again, the government has gazetted that the last two days of Term 4 will be for school development. Staff will engage in a range of topics next Monday and Tuesday that include asthma friendly school information, maths problem solving techniques, communication, a focus on reading and management plans. For all students today is the last day of the school year 2011.

**STUDENT AND HOUSE SPORT LEADERSHIP TEAMS 2012**

After our comprehensive election processes 28 students have been successful in gaining a place on either the leadership team or sport house teams for 2012. These teams were formally inducted at the Stage 3 Presentation Ceremony on Wednesday morning. Our school officials for 2012 are:

**Captains:** Jorja, Nick, Tayla and Harrison

**Student Leaders:** Isabella, Adam, Holly, Logan, Bonnie, Mitchell, Ice and Bradley and our House Sport Leadership Team

	<b>Girl Captain</b>	<b>Boy Captain</b>	<b>Girl Vice Captain</b>	<b>Boy Vice Captain</b>
<b>Banksia</b>	Lexie	Dylan	Bethan	Lachlan
<b>Waratah</b>	Rebecca	Rhys	Shyanne	Brayden
<b>Grevillea</b>	Danielle	Dane	Brooke	Phillip
<b>Wattle</b>	Sophie	Hayden	Courtney	Dylan

**STAGE 3 PRESENTATION CEREMONY**

Our Stage 3 Presentation Ceremony was an excellent showcase for our academic, sporting and cultural achievements in 2011. I would like to congratulate our School and House Captains Tiarna, Max, Carley, Harry, Katie-Jayne, Darnell, Kirra, Lachlan, Clare, Brock, Paige and Luke for their outstanding public speaking skills and the manner in which they conducted the ceremony. It has been a pleasure to work with the School Leadership Teams for 2011 – Taylah, Jasper, Tiana, Evan, Brittni, Joel, Sienna, Bradley, Mollie, Ben, Emma, Jordyn, Laura, Harry, Nikki and Dylan. They have been a wonderful group of children. I thank them for their efforts. They have certainly represented our school with pride and are a credit to themselves and their family.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to the parents and caregivers for the support you have given to the school throughout the year. You help us in many different ways and assist us in making the school an effective, happy learning community. On a personal note, I would like to thank the parent community for the support you have given me in my role as Relieving Deputy Principal for the majority of this year. It has been my honour to serve the Kariong PS community through the year. I would like to thank the staff for their support and hard work in 2011. I hope all have a Merry Christmas and an enjoyable, relaxing holiday with your families.

**YEAR 6**

On Thursday our Year 6 students received their Graduation Certificates at a special ceremony, hosted by their kinder buddies. The traditional walk of fame, the final event at Kariong Public School for this year's Year 6 students was held today.



I would like to take this opportunity to wish Year 6 all the best at High School and thank you for all the memories you have given me over the last seven years. And to the parents, I hope you will enjoy the next chapter in your life; your children as teenagers and high school. I notice for many families that today your last child finished their primary schooling and this may be your final year associated with Kariong Public School. Therefore thank you for being a part of the KPS community and enjoy your new adventures together.

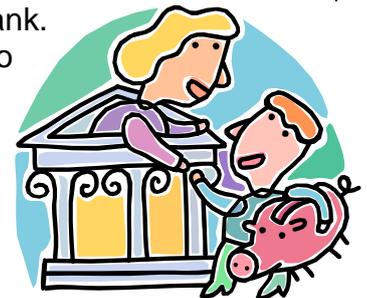
So to the students, as your last day at Kariong Public School ends on behalf of the Year 6 teachers, Mrs Bowen, Ms Boland, Miss White and Mr Nash and myself thank you for a great year. You were wonderful students who were proud, kind and co-operative. You were 'unstoppable!'

Amanda Taylor

**OPENING ACCOUNTS FOR SCHOOL BANKING – GREAT NEWS!**

School Banking accounts can now be opened at any Commonwealth Bank. You no longer need to complete application forms and return them to school. Just go into any branch and ask to open a Youthsaver account for school banking.

Take in identification for you and your child (such as drivers license and birth certificate) and you will receive your Dollarmites wallet on the spot – it is that easy! If you are a Commonwealth Bank customer with Netbank you have the option to open the account on line as well!



From January 2012 when children make their first deposit they will get their first token and our school will also receive \$5 commission. Thank you for supporting our school and teaching your child good savings skills.

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS

**UNIFORM SHOP**

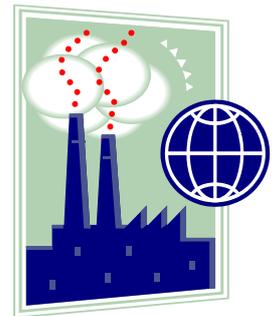
The opening hours for the KPS Uniform Shop for 2012 will be as follows:

- Fri 27 Jan 2012 9:00am to 10:30am
- Fri 27 Jan 2012 3:30pm to 5:00pm
- Mon 30 Jan 2012 9:00am to 11:30am
- Mon 30 Jan 2012 2:00pm to 3:30pm
- Wed 1 Feb 2012 9:00am to 11:30am
- Wed 1 Feb 2012 1:00pm to 3.30pm

After that date the shop will be open every Monday and Wednesday from 8:30am to 9:30am during school term. If you can't make it at these times please send a completed order form to the office and it will be delivered to your child to bring home. The order form can be found on the school website.

### Environmental Awareness

- Avoid over packaged goods.
- Buy products made from recyclable materials.
- Clean up your local area.
- Donate your old mobile phones to 'You Can'.
- Use energy efficient light bulbs instead of traditional ones.
- Identify ways your family can help cut down on their "Carbon Footprint".
- Put warm clothes on before using a heater.
- Keep a check on your paper usage in school and at home to minimise wastage.
- Leave your car at home and walk, cycle or use public transport instead.
- Swap magazines and books with your friends.
- Never leave light switches on in empty rooms or electrical items on stand by.
- Only use rechargeable batteries.
- Plant a tree on your school grounds.
- Quit throwing away electrical goods just to have the latest model. This is an unnecessary waste of energy.
- Remember the R's of Recycling (Refuse, Repair, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle).
- Stop and think before you throw things in the bin.
- Try to start a vegetable patch or try composting.
- Use printer cartridges that can be refilled.
- Watch the amount of water you waste.
- Give old toys to friends or charity, instead of throwing them away.

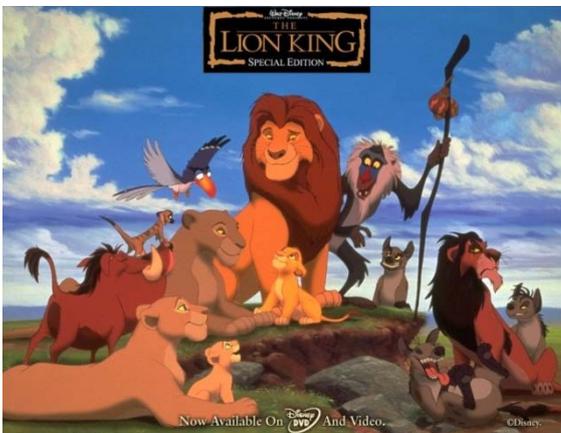


# MERRY CHRISTMAS

# Sports Dates for 2012!

Date	Carnival	Location
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2012	KPS School Swimming Carnival	Peninsula Leisure Centre
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	BWPSSA District Swimming	Peninsula Leisure Centre
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2012	Sydney North Swimming	Homebush
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2012	NSW State Swimming	Homebush
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2012</b>	<b>KPS School Cross Country</b>	<b>Kariong Oval</b>
May TBC	BWPSSA District Cross Country	TBC
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2012	Sydney North Cross Country	TBC
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2012	NSW State Cross Country	Eastern Creek
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2012</b>	<b>KPS School Athletics</b>	<b>Adcock Park</b>
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> & Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2012	BWPSSA District Athletics	Mingara
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2012	Sydney North Athletics	Homebush
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2012	NSW State Athletics	Homebush

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY MOVIE AT KARIONG LIBRARY - FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2012 AT 7PM.



A **FREE** movie night with popcorn and a popper (also free).

The movie is the Disney classic 'The Lion King'. There are plenty of laughs and action for all the family.

Children are to bring an adult to supervise them and a pillow/blanket if they wish.

To book and for more information please call the library on 4325 8155.

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