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Friday, 14th December 2012



School dates for your diary

Day	Date	Name
Tuesday	18 th December	Carols By Candlelight 7pm Mitchell Park - School choir performing
Tuesday	18 th December	K-2 Party Day
Wednesday	19 th December	Last day of term for students
Wednesday	19 th December	Year 6 Walk Of Fame

School Activity **PAYMENT DUE DATE** Reminders

Activity	Due Date	Amount
K-2 Party Day 2012	Now Due	\$7.00
General School Contribution	General reminder	\$42.00

Presentation Ceremonies

Thank you all parents, caregivers and significant others who attended one (or more) of our five Presentation Ceremonies on Monday and Tuesday. They were all wonderful celebrations of our children's achievements, and a chance for us to reflect on the role the school plays in the broader Kariong community.

Staff Changes For 2013

There will be several staff changes for 2013. Kristen Tiananga and Rachel McCredie will both be going on maternity leave early in 2013. Our School Counsellor, Mrs Chivers, will also be going on maternity leave. Our School Administration Manager, Jenny Formston, has accepted a temporary position at Woy Woy Public School, and Wendy Thomas is taking a well-earned break for Term 1. I know that you all join me in wishing all of these valuable staff members all the best.

Staffing of classes for 2013 is currently under way, and a full list of teachers and their roles will be published in an early Newsletter next year.

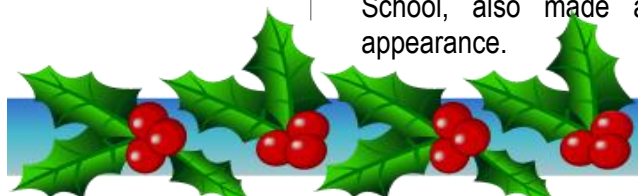
Congratulations

The Reading Recovery program is a vital part of our literacy program. It gives targeted students in Year 1 specialised one-on-one teaching in reading and writing, and is very successful.

Last week I attended a special ceremony for two of our teachers. This year Anna Medina completed her two years of training, and Kerri Mullane completed her first year of training. Both have made a significant difference this year to the reading and writing skills of the children in their charge, and both received the plaudits of their peers at the graduation ceremony. Congratulations Kerri and Anna.

Year 6 Farewell

Wednesday night's Year 6 Farewell continued the tradition of wonderful Kariong celebrations. This one was a very positive and pleasant night. Thank you to the Year 6 teachers, Sarah Bowen, Michelle White and Garth Brady, for their excellent organisation, and to the parent helpers who decorated the Hall so beautifully. Rana Zrnica, who taught what was then called 6Z for the first half of the year before her appointment to Epping Public School, also made a surprise and very welcome appearance.



Merry Christmas

Finally, can I thank students, staff, parents, caregivers, volunteers and everybody who feels part of the Kariong School community for everything you have done to help make 2012 a very successful year for the school. I wish you all a wonderful festive season shared with family and friends. Have a safe, peaceful and positive 2012.

John Barwick

This is the final newsletter for the year, how quickly the term has flown! Students will have their final school day for 2012 on Wednesday 19th December. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and happy holiday. Staff and students have all worked hard this year and I hope everyone is able to have a well-deserved rest.

Recent Functions

The Stage Presentation Ceremonies were a great acknowledgement of the fact that Kariong has talent! It was pleasing to see parents and family members able to attend to acknowledge the outstanding skills and efforts that were recognised. Thank you to all the staff that assisted in organising each event as they went very smoothly and efficiently.

Our Year 6 students celebrated the end of their primary schooling with the Year 6 Farewell on Wednesday night. Special thanks to the Year 6 staff and the parent committee for their work in preparing this event. The children enjoyed seeing Mrs Znic and we appreciate that she made time to visit.

Could parents ensure that students in Year 6 do not write on their school uniform. Students are encouraged to have a commemorative signature soft toy, old shirt or an autograph book for this purpose.

Next Week's Events

On Monday

- all students who have remained on Level One for all of Term 4 will be rewarded with an ice cream spider drink. Congratulations to all students who earned this reward. You really do follow our school rules of being kind, proud, safe and considerate.
- P & C End of Year Celebration 7 pm in the School Hall BYO and plate of food (no children allowed)

Next Tuesday will be

- the K-2 Party Day
- 2pm to 3 pm P & C Forum in the Hall
- 7:30 pm Carols by Candlelight Mitchell Park CHOIR performing

The Final Student Day

- Graduation certificates will be presented on Wednesday, 19th December from 2:15 pm in the Hall, and our annual Year 6 Walk of Fame begins at 2:40 pm.

Next Year

Staff will return to work on Tuesday 29th January 2013 and we will be joined by students in Years 1 – 6 on Wednesday 30th January 2013.

Dates for the diary

- Text Book buying day will be Wednesday 13th February for the purchase of the textbooks at school.
- School Photo Day for next year is Wednesday 20th February
(more information regarding costs for both these days will be sent home next year).

Stationery Packs

Stationery packs will be available for purchase early next year. I am aware some parents like to purchase certain items as gifts or before the school year begins. Please find below the contents of the various stage requirements. Each stage has the option of purchasing a 4 GB USB for \$5 (at least \$8 at the shops) separately to the other listed items. Stage 3 can purchase the compass and protractor separately also.

Early Stage 1 Kindergarten	Stage 1 Years One and Two
Triangular HB lead pencils Triangular jumbo coloured pencils 5 glue sticks 1 eraser 1 pair of scissors blue whiteboard markers red whiteboard markers green whiteboard markers black whiteboard markers personal whiteboard ** USB	8 HB lead pencils 1 packet of Fabre Castell coloured pencils 6 glue sticks 6 blue whiteboard markers 2 erasers 1 button up folder ** USB



Stage 2 Years Three and Four	Stage 3 Years Five and Six
20 HB pencils	5 Blue pens
1 packet coloured pencils	2 Red pens
4 glue sticks	5 HB lead pencils
1 pencil sharpener	2 rulers (not metal)
1 ruler (not metal)	2 glue sticks
2 erasers	1 scissors
1 pair of scissors	1 eraser
2 blue pens (Year 4)	1 pencil sharpener
2 red pens (Year 4)	1 packet coloured pencils
1 display folder	1 protractor
** USB	1 pair of compass
	** USB



Our Value Of The Month for November recipients – Integrity -

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Amanda Taylor

Class	Assembly Award Winners	
3L	Elise C	Christopher L.
3A	Rhys O.	Michael S.
4B	Tara S.	Daniel H.
4S	Kyle L.	Sarah T.
5B	Tara R.	Cameron C.
5N	Blake H.	Sarah W.
5W	Lilia G.	Nathan K.
6B	Alice B.	Rose Maree N.
6W	Lexie H.	Zoe B.
6G	Bonnie H.	Hayley W.
6G	Brooke S.	Kirrilly H.
AP	Nicholas S.	Nicholas A.

This Week's Banking Winners are:

**Matildas H. of KR, Sarah B. of 4J and KH with a total of 39 deposits!
Well done!**

Principal's Gold Book Recipients

Matilda H.	KR	Imogen W.	KR
Eloise R.	KR	Chris A.	2R
Olivia P.	KR	Cameron G.	2R
Coby D.	KR		

Premier's Reading Challenge News – Honour roll for 2012

Congratulations to the students who completed the challenge for this year! Special thanks to all the parents who supported their children, as well as our teachers and librarians at school for promoting this wonderful challenge.

Excellent work to the 4 **Gold certificate recipients** who successfully finished the challenge for four years! They are:

**Hayden J.
Jack L.
Luke K.
Jenna S.**

This year, the honour roll is presented quite differently. The Sydney Morning Herald has put your name in a special place on their website. Follow this link to find out: <http://prc.smh.com.au/>

Once on the website, type your name in the box and discover why some books appear to be flying away. Find out what mystery it reveals! Hmmm. I wonder?

Enjoy the story!

**Anna Medina
PRC Coordinator**

2013 Homework Planner

Kids and families run more smoothly when there's a plan - so print out School A to Z's 2013 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays.

Find out more



<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner>

Hundreds of Holiday Activities

There's no time to be bored these school holidays when you have Go Play's list of family and budget-friendly activities at your fingertips. Take a look at the calendar of events, or download the free Go Play app for ideas in an instant.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/health/school-holidays-5-things-to-do>

<http://goplay.nsw.gov.au/activities-for-kids/by/nsw-sport-and-recreation/>

Helping Your Child Choose Right From Wrong

In a fascinating podcast broadcaster James O'Loughlin talks to Dr Simon Longstaff from the St James Ethics Centre about how to raise ethically aware kids. Ideas discussed include getting involved with your child's school, providing some well-defined boundaries, knowing how to talk to your child and being a role model at home.

Find out more:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/helping-your-child-choose-right-from-wrong>

Saying Goodbye to Kariong School

As some of you may be aware I am leaving Kariong Public School to work as the Administrative Manager at Woy Woy South Public School next year.

I started working at Kariong school in 2003 as an Admin Officer and when I started here I naively thought that it was admin work...little did I know it was so much more. I found that it would've been more helpful to have a nursing degree than admin skills but whilst 40 kids a day in sickbay is certainly not ideal it has provided some entertaining stories for me to remember. I became the Admin Manager in 2008.

During my time here (mostly in the last 4 years) there has been constant change from 18 executive, 10 Admin Officer changes and numerous technology changes. It

hasn't been easy being a constant in a sea of change but it always keeps life interesting.

I have lots of fond memories and photos of some of the fun things we've done here not just of staff events but at Athons, dress up mufti days and various activities in the school.

I have loved Kariong School not just because of the fact that my children came to this school and I live in the community but because of the parents, children and staff. I will miss you all a lot. I have enjoyed doing the small things for the school whether it has been medals for the school leaders, helping design and organise the honour board and banners or simple things like brightening up the notice boards around the school or creating Kinder DVDS etc. These are things I wanted to do for the school, parents and kids.

Wishing you all the best in 2013 and onwards. Take care and I will see you around Kariong I am sure.

All the best

Jenny Formston

Take Home A Big Brother Or Big Sister !

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2013 for their 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria Japan, the U.S.A and Canada will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Call your local coordinator, Dianne Axaam on: 0429 406 126 for more information.

Donations needed for Central Coast Shelter

The SRC are asking for donations of canned food, 2 minute noodles or pasta to make up some hampers for the Central Coast shelter to deliver to less fortunate families on the Central Coast and to use in their shelter to feed people. All food to be sent to 5B room.

Analie Boland



Uniform Shop Opening Hours

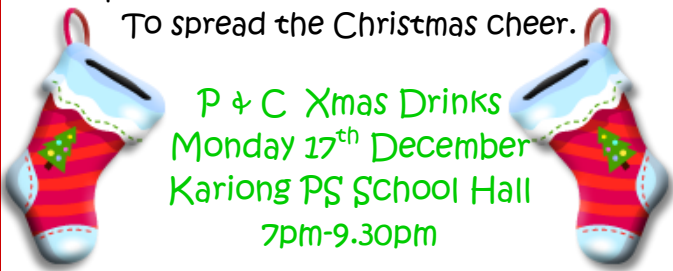
The opening hours for the Kariong PS Uniform shop for 2013 are set out below. Orders can also be placed by phone to the office (4340 1885) and the items will be delivered to your child's classroom on the next available Monday or Wednesday. The order form can be found on the school website (<http://www.kariong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/canteen/uniform>). A new order form will be effective from 1 Jan 2013 as there are a few necessary price increases. There is EFTPOS available and a Lay-by option if needed.

Opening times

- Tue 29 Jan 2013 - 9:00am to 10:30am
- Tue 29 Jan 2013 - 3:00pm to 4:30pm
- Wed 30 Jan 2013 - 9:00am to 11:30am
- Wed 30 Jan 2013 - 1:00pm to 3:00pm
- Fri 1 Feb 2013 - 9:00am to 11:30am
- Fri 1 Feb 2013 - 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Then every Monday and Wednesday of school term from 8:30am to 9:30am.

Ho Ho Ho, its Christmas time,
The festive time of year.
So come along and have some fun,
To spread the Christmas cheer.



P & C Xmas Drinks
Monday 17th December
Kariong PS School Hall
7pm-9.30pm

BYOG and please bring a small plate of finger food

ATTENTION Parents & Staff
You do not have to be a member of the
P & C to attend this night.
Hope To See You There
(no children allowed)



Kids in the park, Sydney's biggest school holiday program returns this summer from 22 December – 28 January with over 50 activities to keep the kids active, outdoors and entertained. A range of activities are free or under \$20.00, making it affordable to discover Sydney's most exciting playground these holidays, including:

- AFL Clinics - FREE
- All Day Vacation Care
- Circus Skills and Trapeze
- Gymnastics - Mini Gym
- Lodge Residential & Day Camps
- Rugby League Clinic - FREE
- Sports, Sing & Dancing Star - FREE
- Swimming Lessons
- Tennis Camp
- Trampoline & Other Fun Stuff
- Tramp to Ramp @ Monster
- Writing Workshops....and lots more

Full details at www.kidsinthepark.com.au



**Do you want your child to learn a
Life Saving Skill
During the holidays?**

**Book them into a St Johns Ambulance
Junior First Aide course (11 to 14 years)**

This course aims to provide knowledge and skills in basic First Aid, such as resuscitation, fractures, burns, bleeding, bites and stings, shock, asthma and much more

To be held at St John Ambulance
2/88 Mann St. Gosford
Monday & Tuesday 21st & 22nd January
9am – 1pm each day
Cost \$50.00

For information contact Simone,
Wendy or Libby on 4324 6047





Annual Junior Holiday Chess Tournament – Monday January 21

Mingara Junior Chess Group's annual Summer Holiday Tournament is open to beginners as well as experienced players. All that is needed is a basic knowledge of the rules and the ability to complete a game unassisted.

Regardless of ability or results, each junior will play seven games and will have the chance to win prizes for solving chess puzzles. Tournament prizes are given in several age divisions. About half the field will win prizes.

The event is non-profit, with all entry fees to be returned as prizes.

Parents must pre-enter players and should do so as soon as possible because the field will be limited according to equipment available and entries will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. To enter, parents should contact Gary Losh on 4390 8176 or at glosh51@dodo.com.au The entry fee is \$10, payable on the day. Entries close Saturday, January 19.

Entrants will receive by e-mail some examples of the type of puzzles they will be asked to solve and some clues on how to solve them.

The tournament, open to all players under 18 on the day, will run from 11am to about 4.30pm on Monday, January 21, at Mingara Recreation Club, Tumbi Umbi.

It will be rated by the NSW Junior Chess League.



PLEASE UPDATE YOUR DETAILS

If your family makes any changes regarding your contact details for your child, please inform the front office of these changes immediately so we can contact you if the need arises.



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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 Mrs Berge.

Thank you

Found.

A small money box and a ring have been handed in to the school office. Please contact the school on 4340 1885 with a detailed description if you have lost either item.

For Sale

1 Boys/Teenager black bike, and 1 girls Pink 20 inch bike. Both as new, 1 year old. Paid \$200.00 will sell \$50.00 each.

Childrens bean bags, filled, as new, jelly bean design on bag \$10.00 each.

Motor bike clothing and accessories red white and black. Will fit boys size 12 – 16 or small men’s O’Neal brand pants size 30 as new. Scott goggles, gloves, Fox black sox \$99.00 the lot o.n.o.

DVD boxed sets. The Big C, complete 2nd season, Outnumbered series 1 – 4 \$20.00 each watched once.

Girls Kariong Public School summer uniform. Size 8 – 10 \$17.00 each

Creative memories scrapbooking equipment and paper. All new, make an offer.

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Sports Dates for 2013!

Below are the dates that we know of for our sporting carnivals for 2013.

Date	Carnival	Location
Monday 18th February 2013	KPS School Swimming Carnival	Peninsula Leisure Centre
Monday 4 th March 10AM start	BWPSSA District Swimming	Peninsula Leisure Centre
Monday 18 th March 2013	Sydney North Swimming	Homebush
Tuesday 2 nd & Wednesday 3 rd April 2013	NSW State Swimming	Homebush
Friday 3rd May 2013	KPS School Cross Country	Kariong Oval
Friday 31 st May 2013	BWPSSA District Cross Country	Wyoming Public School
Thursday 13 th June 2013	Sydney North Cross Country	TBC
Friday 19 th July 2013	NSW State Cross Country	Eastern Creek
Wednesday 31st July 2013	KPS School Athletics	Adcock Park
Friday 23 rd August 2013	BWPSSA District Athletics	Mingara
Monday 9 th September 2013	Sydney North Athletics	Homebush
Wednesday 16 th & Thursday 17 th October 2013	NSW State Athletics	Homebush

Hip Hop Dance Kids Program



The award winning HipHop Kids program is starting at Kariong Public School in Term 1, 2013.

The program is running in the afternoon at the following times:

Hippers (Ages 5-8) = 3:30 - 4:10pm

Hoppers (Ages 9-13) = 4:20 - 5:00pm

Cost = \$8 per lesson (Family discounts available)

HipHop Kids is an exciting fusion of modern music and hiphop moves that's all about fun and participation. Who knows.... we may help create the next "Justice Crew!"

Book Now - www.hiphopkids.com.au

There are limited spaces available in each class so bookings are essential. Payment is not required until the program starts in Term 1, 2013. Book online or call 1300 656 695.

We look forward to having the HipHop Kids program at Kariong Public School for years to come.

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Surgery Hours

Monday – Friday 8am to 6pm
Saturday 8am to 1pm
Sundays and Public Holidays Closed

4 Year Healthy Kids Check

If your child has had their third birthday and has not yet turned five, you may wish to arrange for them to have a Healthy Kids Check provided by your GP or practice nurse.

A Healthy Kids Check is available to all children at or around the time of their 4 year old immunisation and helps to ensure that children are healthy, fit and ready to learn when they start school.

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