



Kariong Public School
VIEW TO THE FUTURE

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NEWSLETTER

27 November 2015, Week 8 Term 4

Principal's Report



Congratulations to this week's Diamond Awards Recipients

Class Organisation 2016

The placing of children into their new classes each year is a very complex process. Classes at Kariong Public School are not graded academically and each year we strive to ensure we have well balanced classes. The following factors are considered: gender, academic ability, language needs, medical needs, cultural background, behavioural needs and the class structure (composite or straight).

When this has occurred, we then try to ensure that each child has at least one friend in their new class. Children have been asked to nominate a number of children from their grade who they would like to be placed with next year. The school will then undertake to place each student with at least one of these children. This does not mean they will be placed with their best or closest friends or with their group of friends. In fact, often this is not appropriate.

Thank you to parents who have notified the school office if your child/ren WILL NOT be returning to our school in 2016 (except if you are Year 6 going to High School). This has greatly helped in our planning.

If you are having an extended holiday and your child will return in 2016 but not in the first two weeks we also need this information in writing as well. This helps the school let the Department know the exact number of students who will be at our school in 2016, to ensure we make the correct number of classes (we cannot count students in our numbers who are on holidays without written notice from parents indicating their return).

Although we discuss many options and develop many plans, class organisation cannot be finalised until we know exact enrolment numbers at the beginning of the 2016 school year. Children in Years 1- 6 will remain in their 2015 class for the first few days of school next year until numbers have been finalised. Once numbers are confirmed, classes will be formed. We will endeavour to form classes as quickly as possible.

Semester 2 Reports

The Semester 2 reports will be sent home on Monday 14 December. Only the work covered this semester (Terms 3 and 4) will be included in the report. The Semester 1 report covered Term 1 and Term 2. When reading the reports it

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is important to remember that 'Sound' achievement indicates that your child is making sound progress in relation to what he or she was expected to learn over the last semester - your child is on track. Student reports also include information on your child's level of effort and teacher comments on progress in each Key Learning Area. If you wish to discuss your child's progress or any other issue please contact your child's teacher to make an appointment.

Artists at school

Two students have received recognition for their art work. Brendan Hattley won 2nd prize in Lucy Wicks' (Federal Member for Robertson) Christmas Card Colouring Competition. Michael Spratt's artwork 'Orange and Red' has been selected by Mark Grant, Executive Learning Management and Business Reform (DEC) for his 2015 Christmas e-card.

Vicki Redrup

SRC Fundraiser

On Wednesday 2 December, the SRC (Student Representative Council) is raising money for the World Wildlife Fund. The World Wildlife Fund addresses larger global issues and works on saving species and landscapes around the world. We ask that on this day, everybody brings in a gold coin donation and dresses up as their favourite animal or the colour of their favourite animal. All monies raised will go directly to this organisation.

We look forward to seeing everyone dressed up and participating in this worthwhile fundraiser.

The SRC



Introducing the School Opal Card

The School Opal Card gives eligible school students free travel on public transport between home and school on trains, buses and ferries within the Opal network.

The School Opal card replaces the old paper School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel passes.

Who can apply? Students need to live a minimum distance from their school to be eligible for a School Opal Card, as follows: •Years K-2) - no minimum distance, Years 3-6 - 1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking or further, Years 7-12 (Secondary) - 2.0km straight line distance or 2.9km walking or further.

Who needs to apply?

Many students will receive a School Opal Card automatically. It will be sent to their school at the start of the 2016 school year.

However you will need to apply if:

- Applying for a school travel pass for the first time
- Enrolling in Kindergarten
- Progressing from Year 2 to Year 3
- Progressing from Year 6 to Year 7
- Changing name, school and/or address
- Requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.

For information and applying go to: <http://www.transportsw.info>



A motion was put forward at our last P&C meeting, which will be voted on at our P&C meeting in Term 1 2016 on 15 February. Please see motion below

By-Laws Amendment (FEB AGENDA – Motion on Notice)

THAT: We amend the by-laws to read: "5. No person shall serve more than three consecutive years in the same office; unless otherwise agreed by a majority at the meeting."

Moved: Danielle Beckman

Dates for your Diary

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| Wednesday 2 December | SRC Fundraising for the World Wildlife Fund. Gold coin donation. Dress up as your favourite animal or wear the colours of an animal. |
| Thursday 3 December | High School Orientation |
| Monday 7 December | Year 1 Presentation 9.15am – 10.30am Year 2 Presentation 11.45am – 1pm |
| Wednesday 9 December | Stage 3 Presentation (Year 5 & 6) 9.15am – 10.45am Stage 2 Presentation (Years 3 & 4) 11.45am – 1pm |
| Friday 11 December | Early Stage 1 Presentation (Kindergarten) 9.15am – 10.30am |
| Monday 14 December | Year 6 Farewell |
| Wednesday 16 December | Last day of year for students |

SCHOOL RECOGNITION AWARDS

Principal's Gold Book

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| Connor L | Rhiarna E | Sienna M | Charlie C-D | Rylee P | Nick S |
| Jake D | Ethan G | Heidi D | | | |

Merit Award Recipients

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| Aemon M | Rylee O | Nicholas C | Claire W | Mikayla W | Savannah S |
| Samuel M | Nate H | Sierra S | Ella Y | Bailey P | Connor L |
| Joshua H | Andrew Z | Summer W | Jasmine S | | |

Gold PBL Recipients

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| Tara L | Addison M | Ruby F | Elliott B | Tahlia H | Annalise R |
| Charlie M | Abbi L | Amy W | Sophie M | Soakimi A | Jayden E |
| Oska S | | | | | |

Diamond PBL Recipients



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| Madison D | Mia De A | Zahli E | Tamsen E | Megan H | Joliffe A |
| Zainab A | Jackson C | Cadence D | Layla H | Laura K | Noor T |
| Billie V | Katelyn W | Mitchell H | Braydon W | Peggy-Anne B | Laura D |
| Amity S | Jayla B | Annabelle L | Rachel W | Cory M | Noah S |
| Juliette A | Paige H | Claire W | William C | Evan F | Hannah F |
| Jessica A | Hayley C | Paige H | Breanna P | Brendan H | Mitchell P |
| Azelea A | Evie-Rose P | Emily W | Will J | Cameron S | Gemma-Lee B |
| Riley P | Katelin P | Abbigale S | Shane S | Thomas Y | Holly M |
| Samuel F | Bailey P | Amelie S | Dillon C | Cian K | Vincent S |
| Jack P | Isabella C | Abby D | Atavia A | Lilly G-C | Kirat U |
| Kyeisha A | Ally T | Brodie F | Bella C | Ella S | Jasper H |
| Braydon J | Sebastian P | Jordan P | | | |

School Banking

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| Bryson J | Skye S |
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P&C Carols by Sunset

If you would like to have a stall, or you are able to help out on the night of our Carols at Sunset which will be on 5 December please contact Kylie on 0411 254 230. Kariong PS choir and Dance Group will be performing on the night.

Spiltink Creations

Expressions of Interest...

Girl's Journaling Club

Are you concerned about the future impact Social Media will have on your daughter/s. I am a Mum in this predicament, and have chosen to dedicate my time and creativity into helping young girls to maintain or begin their love of pen & paper. Feelings and thoughts are sometimes better written than spoken or shared. The journals are a fun way of teaching this.

My current class has been running for almost a year, and the girls have grown so much and just love the small class sizes. The classes are run in Kariong.

Every Monday & Tuesday fortnight from 4-6pm. \$15 per class with an initial set up cost of \$45 for journal and accessories. Age groups are 8-10 years & 10-12 years

Limited places of 5 per class so get in fast and secure your spot.

Ph Kathy on **0432 221 276** - Fully Insured



St John has been invited to deliver our **First Aid in Schools Program** at your school. This is free program St John (NSW) is offering, to provide school aged children with first aid skills they can use in the event of an emergency

The First Aid in Schools Program is delivered at your school by St John (NSW) Volunteer Educators

| Course Content | | |
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| Outcomes | Years 3 & 4 | Years 5 & 6 |
| • St John action plan DRAB | ✓ | ✓ |
| • Calling and ambulance (triple 000) | ✓ | ✓ |
| • Recovery Position (practical session) | ✓ | ✓ |
| • Burns | ✓ | ✓ |
| • Manage Bleeding | ✓ | |
| • Managing bleeding & bandaging | | ✓ |
| • Certificate of Attendance | ✓ | ✓ |
| • Take home quick help guide | Magnet | Wallet Card |
| 45 minutes session / class ≈ 30 students. | | |

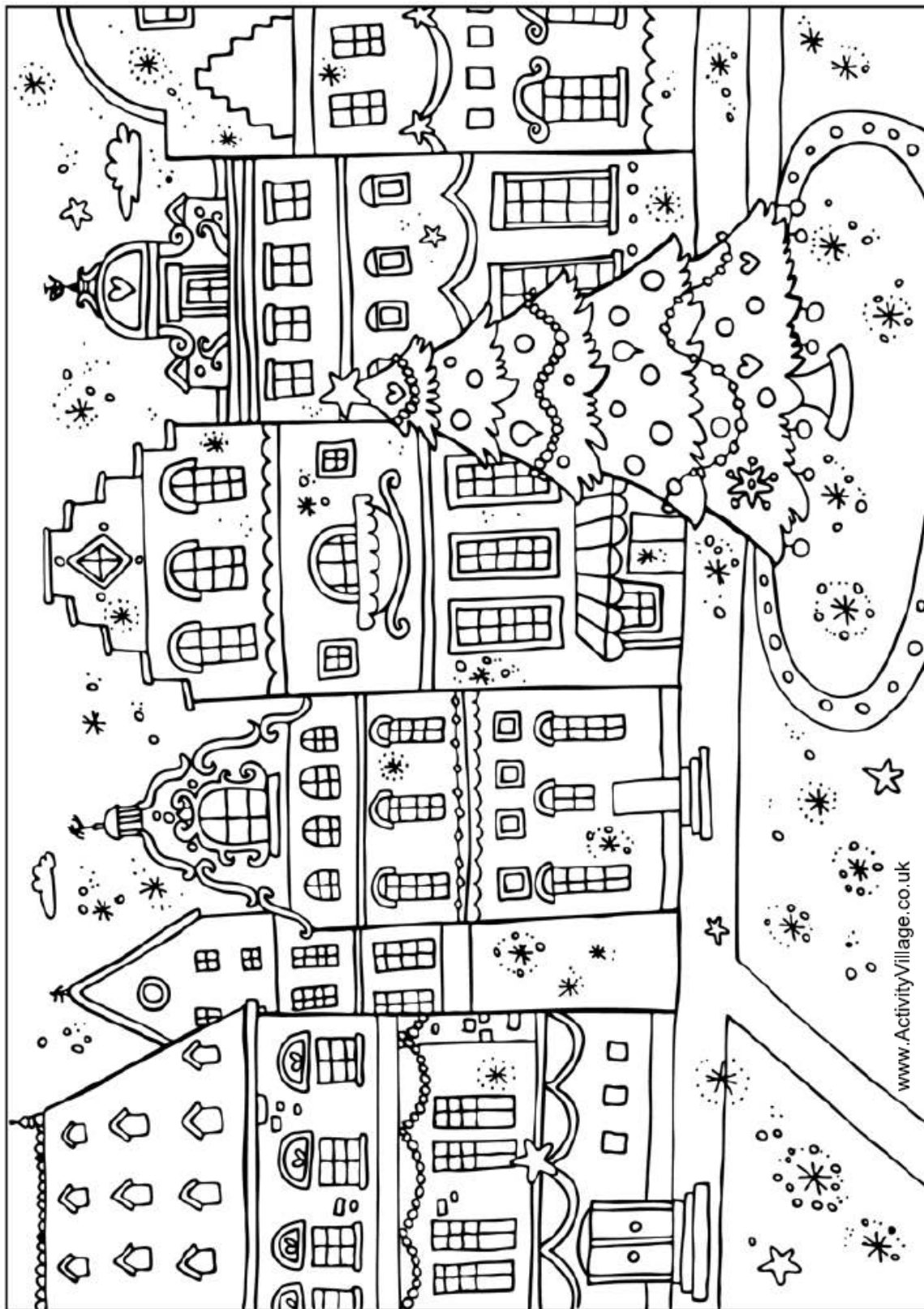
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The Team at Foreman 1 Properties would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy 2016. We invite your children to enter our colouring in competition. Simply bring the completed colouring in into our office. Major prizes will be drawn on 21st Dec in the following age groups 3-5 years, 6-8 years and 9-12 years. Winners will receive Toys 'R' Us gift cards **EVERY ENTRY WINS A PRIZE**

Name: _____ Age: _____ Contact No. _____



(Additional copies of this competition sheet are available from our office next door to Kariong FoodWorks)