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TERM 4 WEEK 5

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UPCOMING EVENTS



TERM 4: WK 6: Nov 12: PDH Safety Day K-6

WK 8: Year 5 Tell them from me Survey



Mini Fete is coming

Mini Fete is coming in Week 8, Friday 26th November! Students, come check out the amazing stalls like Guess the Drink, Sponge Throw, Bakery Treats, Footy T rials, Water Pong and more. Also, we must mention the amazing BBQ. All students are invited to all stalls and don't forget to have fun!



ABOVE: Two students in Year 2 wrote and published their own book. Full report inside.

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

NEW FREEDOMS ANNOUNCED

ell, busy, busy, busy! With Kindergarten and Year 1 back for 3 weeks and Years 2 – 6 back now for 2 weeks, we are rapidly approaching the half way mark of Term 4. Students and teachers have knuckled down to learning and assessments are currently being implemented to gauge student progress and identify future learning needs.

Our OFFICE HOURS are 8.30am -3.15pm MAKE A PAYMENT

<u>LINK</u>

Uniform Shop NEW HOURS Tuesdays 8:30am-9:30am Thursdays 8:30am - 9:30am

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SECURITY HOTLINE

1300 880 021 CANTEEN ONLINE ORDER

<u>www.flexi-</u> <u>schools.com.au</u>

Update on School Operations from 8 November

As announced by the Minister, from 8 November all NSW schools will move to updated Level 3 settings that bring school operations more in line with what is allowed in the community. This allows for student and staff safety to be prioritised. Guidelines include students, staff and visitors not attending school if unwell. All staff and adult visitors on the school site must be fully vaccinated and are to provide proof of vaccination. Masks are required indoors for all staff and adult visitors and strongly recommended indoors for primary students. All staff and visitors must check in when attending a school site or gathering. Adults should maintain 1.5 metres physical distancing wherever practicable and good hygiene practices including enhanced cleaning continue.

As of Monday, the following activities will be allowed in schools. Assemblies and presentations are permitted outdoors, with cohorts separated. Fully vaccinated visitors (including parents and carers) are only allowed to attend if completing a specific role (such as presenting) and at the invitation of the school. Community use is permissible outside of school hours including P&C meetings with COVID-safe plans in place in line with public health requirements. Dancing and music classes will be allowed within cohorts, however, singing and chanting are not permitted. Excursions will be allowed outdoors (and indoors where sole use of the premises is available) and incursions allowed indoors and outdoors where cohorts are kept separate. Graduations and formals are permitted within cohorts, either on school sites or at external venues with COVID-safe plans in place and physical distancing adhered to. School sports are allowed, including interschool sports and access to indoor and outdoor pools. Transitions and orientations are allowed in a COVID-safe way that minimises mingling between students.

As the new and updated guidelines have just been announced this week, our school is currently putting organisation in place to ensure future events are planned to meet guidelines and applied in a COVID-safe manner. These future events include Kindergarten Orientation, Year 6 Mini Fete, PBL Awards Day, Presentation Days and Year 6 Farewell. Information regarding the organisation of these events will be provided when planning of events are complete.

PBL

The students continue to be respectful, responsible and giving their personal best in the classroom and playground. Many have received ongoing rewards for their efforts. Next week's newsletter will acknowledge our first students for this year attaining their gold level. Our PBL focus this week has been on school uniform and we thank families for supporting the school and children in achieving their personal best and taking pride in their school. Next week's focus moves into the playground spaces and playing safely. Student responsibility for taking care of belongings is an ongoing focus. Please assist us in reminding children to take care of their lunch boxes, bringing a drink bottle to school and making sure they look after their jumpers and jackets. Checking that clothing and personal items have your child's name on them will also assist in returning lost items. At Kariong PS we promote good eating practices. Recently we have noticed lollies being brought to school. Please support the school with healthy food choices.

Remembrance Day

Next Thursday the school will be acknowledging Remembrance Day but just a little differently. This is due to restrictions regarding students coming together and cohorts not mixing. Class lessons will pause for a short presentation by our school captains Jess and Jack, held over the speaker system.

Enrolling or Leaving?

Thank you to the parents who have already informed the school that their child is leaving us or commencing at our school next year. It is extremely important that numbers are as accurate as possible so correct classes can be formed and teachers appointed to start at the beginning of the school year. Please ensure that you let the office staff know as soon as possible if you are NOT returning to Kariong Public School in 2022. (Current Year 6 students do not need to let us know). Don't forget to let any families yet to enrol for next year to please contact the front office to start the enrolment process. Online enrolments are available with a link on the school website.

Safety Awareness Day

On Friday, we will be having a special Personal Development and Health Day with a focus on safety. All students will be involved in learning experiences, rotating within cohorts, through several activities. We look forward to seeing everyone dressed up in their safety gear.

Have a great weekend!



By **SONDRA BROADHURST** Kariong Public School DEPUTY PRINCIPAL



BACK PAGE: Year 1 gallery.

Some reward winners for doing their personal best below.



THE 7 STEPS OF WRITING

hat do you do after a whole term of learning from home, daily submissions to your teacher and regular class 'zooms'? Most students would turn their attention to enjoying their school holidays. But Elsie and Olivia of 2K are a little bit different.

They took on a challenge to spend their school holidays writing and illustrating their first book.

The challenge involved incorporating all they had learnt about 'The 7 Steps of Writing' into a sequenced series of chapters that showcased their individual and specific writing capabilities. Both these budding authors worked every day to submit their draft writing and accompanying illustrations. All their work had to be typed by themselves and, after editing, were sent to the printers to be published.

Their teachers and their parents are immensely proud of both these girls and, as you can tell from their faces, the achievement of writing and illustrating their first book was the most rewarding thing of all.



By **MRS MORRISON** Kariong Public School TEACHER









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Students in Years 3 and 4 are participating in modified dancing in the hall. They love the music and look forward to more dancing next week when some COVID restrictions will be lifted.

STUDENT WINS ANZAC DAY COMPETITION



By **TONI SKINNER** Kariong Public School PRINCIPAL

Earlier this year, Koori Kids in association with the Department of Veterans Affairs held a colouring in / poster competition to highlight and provide a greater understanding and awareness on the importance and respect of ANZAC Day.

This was open to all primary schools, and I am pleased to announce that one of our students here at Kariong Public School was the winner of one of the categories.

Congratulations to Aaliyah W in 2K! Here is a photo of Aaliyah and the beautiful medal that she was presented with at school this week.





PRINCIPAL'S AWARD - GOLD BOOK						
Isla P	Benji A	Leo M-S	Imogen S	Josie B	Reigan W	
KH	KH	KH	KM	KM	KM	
Bailey H	Tyler S	Reina B	Saige G	Erin Y	Elroy C	
KM	1J	1J	1T	1T	1T	
Jordan D 1T						

MERIT AWARDS							
КН	Flora L	Thomas H	Harry B	Luis M			
KW	Kaiden L	Gisele R					
1T	Olivia J	Jordan D	Joel W	Harry T			
2M	Indie P	Zade G					
3B	Flynn M	Scarlet B	Haley B	Raphael M			
4M	Jamal W	Emily H					

BRONZE AWARDS									
КН	Benji A	Johsua H							

Online Enrolment

We are excited to announce the roll out of the new Online Enrolment System. The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into local schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens
- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online. If, however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from our front office or can be downloaded from the Department's going to a public school site.

Further information about online enrolment can be found on our school website under the 'Enrolment' tab. If you require further information, please call Kariong Public School on 02 4340 1885.

Online Payments*

It is very easy for parents to make online payments to the school via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa, MasterCard credit or debit card, and can be made via computer, tablet or mobile phone. This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/ debit card details are captured in a secure manner; these details are not passed back to the school. The DoE preferred method for all money coming into the school is the Payment On-Line facility (POP) through the school's website: Kariong-p.school@det. nsw.edu.au

Item categories

 If a POP payment is made before 6pm, your payment will be processed on the next day's school statement. If it is made after 6pm, the school will be notified two days later.

Please ensure that on your child's permission note, you fill in the section for POP which will require the receipt number.

- At the bottom of every note that requires payment, there is a section for cash, cheque, and Payment On Line, for your convenience.
- Please do not make payments for uniforms on this site. The Uniform Shop is privately run and their website for ordering is: gtschool.com.au.

Helpful Hints

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called 'Other' to cover items not covered in the previous headings, 'Other' can be used to make a complete payment of a school Statement of Account.

When you access the \$ Make a payment you must enter:

the student's name
date of birth

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Join in the fun on Friday November 12th

KPS SAFETY AWARENESS DAY

Come and dress up in safety gear as we all spend the day learning about keeping safe when in the water, under the sun and on the road!

This event is for students only.



Summer Uniform KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL









Girls

- A-line red, white and blue checked dress; or navy skorts with a white blouse or polo shirt
- White socks (socks to be above ankle bones)
- Red jumper, red cardigan (school logo only) or red and navy school bomber jacket
- Black shoes

Boys

- White shirt with white collar button through, or polo shirt
- Navy **shorts** to the knee, without side pockets
- White or navy **socks** (socks to be above ankle bones)
- Red jumper, red cardigan (school logo only) or red & navy school bomber jacket
- Black shoes

A REMINDER ABOUT ABOUT MONEY COLLECTING PROCEDURES

All cash money sent to the school is to be brought to the Administration Office and placed into the letterbox slot that is on the front wall near the counter. This will allow payments to be placed securely, even when the office is not open.

Please do not leave money on the counter. We ask that the envelope be marked with your child's name, class and what the payment is for, to allow the payment to be processed.

The office staff will administer all money and a receipt will be issued to the family, which will go to the student's class teacher to send home. This procedure ensures better handling of all monies and reduces disruption to teachers and students.

SPECT

We provide a variety of ways to make payments within the school, to make it easier for families and alleviate some students bringing large amounts of money to school.

EFTPOS payments may be processed at the Administration Office between the hours of 8.30am – 3.00pm.

We no longer are permitted to take EFTPOS over the phone. For any enquiries regarding the online payment process, please contact Kariong School Administration Office.

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