

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### TERM 4:

**WK 7: Early Birds begins**

**Nov 17: OC Test for Year 4 participants**

**WK 8: Year 5 Tell them from me Survey**

**NOV 27: Year 6 Mini Fete**



*ABOVE: Personal Development and Health (PDH) Safety Awareness Event Day was celebrated today across the school in Stage groups.*

FROM THE  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

## PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR WELL UNDERWAY

It is great to see all the students have settled back into school well and quality teaching and learning is now taking place in all classes. We are starting to plan for 2022 shortly and we encourage any parents with special requests to please put these in writing. The placing of children into their new classes each year is a complex process. Classes at Kariong Public School are not graded academically and each year we



### Earlybird Kindy Program 2022

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays**  
**WEEKS 7, 8 and 9**

Our OFFICE HOURS are  
**8.30am – 3.15pm**

MAKE A PAYMENT

[LINK](#)

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

**SECURITY HOTLINE**

**1300 880 021**

**CANTEEN ONLINE ORDER**

[www.flexi-schools.com.au](http://www.flexi-schools.com.au)

[LINK](#)

strive to ensure that we have well balanced classes. The following factors are considered: gender, academic ability, language needs, medical needs, cultural background and behavioural needs. If there are exceptional circumstances that need to be considered when placing a student in a class next year, parents will need to put the circumstances in writing and forward these to Mrs Skinner by Friday 3 December 2021. It is important that your concerns are submitted every year as circumstances can change from year to year. Requests from previous years will not be looked at.

## Check In Assessment

This week all students in Years 3- 6 have participated in a reading and numeracy check-in assessment online. The check in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment to support schools to assess and monitor student progress. The check-in assessments supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. Congratulations to all students on performing their Personal Best while completing the assessments.

## Remembrance Day

Thank you to our wonderful school captains for delivering a lovely assembly over the loudspeakers yesterday to commemorate Remembrance Day and those who fought and those who lost their lives. Our students listened respectfully in their classrooms and many classes participated in the making of poppies that were displayed in our gardens for the day.

## Safety Awareness Day

Today we had a whole school focus on teaching safety. The Physical Education/ Health and Personal Development PD/H/PE curriculum has a focus on teaching students about safety and how to be safe in a variety of situations. Some of the activities the students were engaged in today, included water, sun, and bike safety, learning about our emergency services and cyber safety. Congratulations to all students who dressed up in their safety gear the students looked fantastic. Thank you to the PD/H/PE Committee for their organisation of the day.

## Year 6 Mini Fete

The Year 6 Mini Fete is fast approaching. It will be held on Friday 26 November. The purpose of the fete is to raise money for the Year 6 Farewell, purchase a gift for the school and for students in Year 6 to gain real life experience in budgeting, marketing and retail experiences. The students are very much looking forward to sharing a range of games, activities and products with the rest of the school. Information about this very exciting event will come home next week with all the details.

## Kindergarten Early Birds 2022

Our Early Birds Program will be held over the next 3 weeks. Commencing on Tuesday 16 November. Our new kindergarten students for 2022 will have the opportunity to come into the school and work and play in a kindergarten classroom for 2 hours a week. This will help them become familiar with the school organisation and routines. It also gives them an opportunity to meet other students starting kindergarten next year. If you know of someone who is ready to start school next year who lives in our area, please let them know that it is time to enrol.

## 2022 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 or if you are going to be away at the beginning of the 2022 school year. (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 now available with a link on the school website.



By **KERRY RAYNER**  
Kariong Public School  
**ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

# Congratulations!

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD - GOLD BOOK

Ethan G KH	Harry B KH	Imogen S KM	Portia P KM	Leo H KM	Zac J KM
Ryan W KW	Oliver B KW	Neo R KW			

## MERIT AWARDS

KM	Matilda B	Bailey H	
KW	Flynn B	Neo R	
1J	Reina B	Tyler S	
1T	Samuel S	Hazel P	
2/3F	Joshua W	Harrison B	
2M	Indy W		
3/4H	Jacob N	Tahlia B	
3B	Hunter A	Zoey H	
3C	Beau M-S	Terrell A	Ryan W
4RG	Seth B	Zaiden F	
6T	Jack P	Jai B	

## GOLD AWARDS

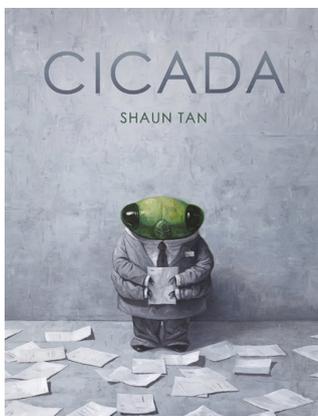
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# Unlocking the Library with Mr. Brown

## PRC and End of Year Library Stocktake

The Premiers Reading Challenge has officially finished for 2021. We performed remarkably well with 59.5% of our school population completing the challenge. This is a tremendous achievement, especially due to the unforeseen obstacles that we encountered. I am incredibly proud of the students and I'm certain that we will achieve an even greater result next year.

As the school year is nearing its end, I have been reminding students this week of any overdue books that they may have. At this stage there are 247 books still unaccounted for. The students have been great at trying to locate these library resources and hopefully they can all be found or reimbursed before the end of year stocktake.



## Book Reviews

### 'Cicada' By Shaun Tan

"I liked it when Cicada shed his shell and reunited with the people that actually accept him. I didn't like it when his co-workers stepped on him. Cicadas should be treated equally."

Jasmine G (4/5F) ★★★★★

"I liked how at the end of the book the cicada got to be free. He shed his skin and went back to his home in the forest. At the beginning of the story, he had no money, no home, no friends. I didn't like how the humans were treating him badly, especially when they stepped on him."

Byron W.S. (5/6D) ★★★★★

"The book was simple and very sad, but it taught you a lesson. The lesson is people can discriminate against people that aren't of their own race."

- William X (5G) ★★★★★

## This Week's Library Riddle

Who was the television-obsessed boy that visited Mr Wonka's factory?

# OPPORTUNITY CLASS (OC) PLACEMENT TEST (2021 YEAR FOUR STUDENTS)

The OC Placement test for students who have already applied online will take place on Wednesday 17 November at school. Families should have received an email which outlines the latest updates and information on the test. All students who will be involved in the test need to arrive at school by 8:55am, get their name marked on their roll by their class teacher and then meet Mrs Priest and Mrs Hoyle outside the library.

Please note the following links:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5>

<https://schoolsequella.det.nsw.edu.au/file/2f2fcdcb-0d92-4157-be99-8aa02ed90ea2/1/testinfoleaflet.pdf>



# Photos coming Up!

## SAFETY AWARENESS DAY



# DIWALI:

## Festival of Lights

Members of our school community proudly celebrated Diwali recently. Diwali is a festival of lights and one of the major festivals celebrated by Hindus.

It was lovely to receive some family photos from Shrihan's family who celebrated Diwali marking the start of the Hindu New Year. The exact dates change each year as they are determined by the position of the moon.

This year, Diwali fell on Thursday 4 November. The word Diwali means "row of lights". During this festival, people decorate their homes with lights and oil lamps, called *diyas*.

The lights and lamps are said to help bring prosperity in the year to come!



## 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](mailto: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](http://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.

# 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 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.

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.









*Personal Development and Health (PDH) Safety Awareness Event Day was celebrated across the school in Stage groups.*

*Students and staff dressed in safety clothing and participated in relevant activities to raise awareness about safety protocols and measures that need to be undertaken seriously to avoid any type of accidents in school, at home, on the road and on the internet.*

# Nutrition Snippet

## FRIDAY NIGHT FAKEAWAYS.



### Our 'fakeaways' are good for health and for the wallet!

- Easy pizza - you have to try this recipe to believe how easy it is!
- Mixed salad - make the meal complete with this simple salad

 3.5 of your 5 veg serves!

For these recipes and more visit:

[healthylunchbox.com.au](http://healthylunchbox.com.au)



**Cancer Council**  
Healthy Lunch Boxes

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# Traffic and Parking around your School

Parking rules are designed to stop vehicles from parking where it would be dangerous or inconvenient for others. Please consider the residents when parking in streets surrounding your school.

- ✓ A **School Zone** is the area around a school with a speed limit of 40 km/h. Between the School Zone and End School Zone signs you must obey the school zone speed limit. The school zone speed limit only applies on gazetted school days and during the times shown on the sign.



- ✓ **School Bus lights** – buses use signs and orange flashing ‘wigwag’ lights to warn motorists and pedestrians that they are picking up or setting down school children. The lights begin to flash when the bus stops and the doors are opened. They keep flashing for about 30 seconds after the doors close and continue even after the bus moves off. You must not drive past the bus in the same direction at more than 40 km/h while the ‘wigwag’ lights are flashing as there may be children crossing or about to cross the road.



- ✓ A **No Parking Zone** means that you must not stop for more than two minutes. You must remain in or within three metres of the vehicle. No Parking Zones are suitable for dropping off and picking up.



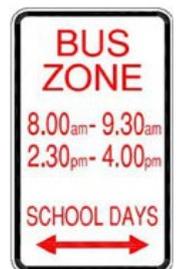
**THESE SIGNS MEAN YOU MAY STOP HERE TO DROP OFF / PICK UP**

**BUT YOU MUST**

- stop for up to 2 minutes only
- stay within 3 metres of vehicle

**Kids look to you to keep them safe - please park legally in school zones  
HEAVY FINES and DEMERIT POINTS APPLY**

- ✓ A **Bus Zone** means that the area is restricted for bus use only. If hours of operation are shown, the restriction only applies to this time. You may use this area outside of these times.



- ✓ A **No Stopping Zone** means no stopping at any time.

