

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### SCHOOL

**MONDAY JUL 22:**

Staff Development Day

**TUESDAY JUL 23:**

NSW PSSA Cross Country Carnival  
Public speaking in class all week

**WEDNESDAY JUL 24:**

Rescheduled S3 Touch Footy PSSA



ABOVE: Kindergarten have achieved another milestone: their first semester completed.

### FROM THE RELIEVING PRINCIPAL

It has been an absolute pleasure to spend my first week as your relieving principal here at Kariong Public School. I must say, the warmth and enthusiasm I've encountered from everyone have made me feel right at home. The dedication of our teachers, the curiosity of our students, and the support from our parents have truly been inspiring. The staff here are extremely hard working and have continued to set those high expectations for themselves and their classes right up to the last day. The smiling faces of the students welcoming me to Kariong has been a highlight. Over the first 7 weeks next term I will continue to support the learning and teaching at KPS and look forward to meeting many of our families. Please feel free to say hi in the morning or afternoons and if needed, I am always free to discuss any concerns. Please contact the office to organise a time if needed.

QUOTE  
OF THE  
WEEK

The more that you read,  
the more things you will  
know. The more that you  
learn, the more places  
you'll go.

- Dr. Seuss

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## NAIDOC Week

Keep the Fire Burning. Blak, Loud and Proud

Kariong PS began our NAIDOC Week celebrations this week with a welcome dance and traditional stories by Gawura Cultural Immersions. The children were then able to participate in a variety of activities both in their classrooms and outside. They learnt how to throw a boomerang and spear, handled traditional tools, clothing and weapons, sang and danced to traditional music and played traditional games. All students enjoyed these opportunities and demonstrated respect and understanding at all times. On Tuesday and Wednesday, the students also had the opportunity to interact and learn about the native dingo. Rob from Hello Dingo brought the very beautiful Flynn and Bindi for the students to gain insight into the importance of dingoes in Aboriginal culture, their diet, habitat, social structure, and their role in Australia's delicate ecosystem.

## Semester 1 Reports

All parents should have received their child's Semester 1 report via email and the School Bytes app. Teachers have spent considerable time ensuring they reflect the students' abilities and attitudes toward learning for this semester. Please take time to read the report with your child and celebrate their effort and successes. If you would like to discuss the report, please contact your child's teacher to arrange a time.

## Public Speaking

Last week, the note for the Public Speaking Competition was sent home. All students are encouraged to participate at their class level, choosing topics they are passionate about. They will present their speech to their classmates in the first week back of Term 3. Two students from each class will then advance to the stage finals on Friday, August 9 (Week 3), followed by representatives competing in Round 1 on September 18 (Week 9). Successful participants may proceed to the Central Coast finals on October 15. This competition not only nurtures public speaking abilities but also builds confidence and creativity. We encourage you to support your child/ren and look forward to another inspiring presentation of speeches!

## Safety over School Holidays

I am sure the students are all looking forward to the school holidays. It is important to remind students at this time about their safety during school breaks. When it comes to road safety, please remind your children to always use road crossings where possible and to check for traffic before stepping out onto the road. Children are obligated by law to wear helmets while riding bikes or scooters, and to be mindful of their surroundings near roads and driveways. Regarding stranger

danger, please stress the importance of never talking to strangers or accepting rides or gifts from them. It's also a good idea to establish a trusted adult contact and discuss safe places they can go to if they feel unsafe.

## Education Week

The best education money can't buy. For 175 years, NSW Public Schools have been at the heart of education, preparing today's children to succeed and build better communities for tomorrow. NSW Education Week is an annual celebration of NSW public education and the achievements of our schools, teachers and students. In 2024, Public Education Week will be held from 5 to 9 August 2024 (Term 3, Week 3) and celebrates the theme: "Proud to belong".

At Kariong Public School we will be holding a special celebration on Wednesday August 7 with the opening ceremony for our Olympathon and Open Day. Please see further details in the newsletter regarding Public Education Week, 2024.

On behalf of all the staff at Kariong Public School, I wish you all a safe, relaxing and enjoyable holiday break. Monday July 22 will be a Staff Development Day with a professional learning focus on explicit teaching. We look forward to seeing everyone back here happy and healthy for another term of learning and fun on Tuesday July 23.



By **MICHAEL MURPHY**  
Kariong Public School  
RELIEVING PRINCIPAL

# Public Education Week 2024

5-9 August  
Proud to belong

## This year Public Education Week will be held from August 5-9, Term 3, Week 3.

This year's theme is Proud to Belong. Public Education Week is a time for all of us to feel 'proud to belong', sharing our pride in being part of NSW public education and the achievements of our students and staff.

Public Education Week is when we celebrate and acknowledge all those who contribute to our children and young people's educational journey. School staff, parents and carers, community leaders and P&C associations all play an important role in our students' education.

At Kariong Public School during Education Week, we will be celebrating public education as follows:

Induction of SRC members Aug 5 @ 9 am

OLYMPATHON OPENING - Aug 7 @ 12 noon

Open Classrooms - Aug 7 @ 12:30 pm

Lunch in the Playground Aug 7 @ 1 pm

Public Education Awards at Kariong Mountains High School - Aug 7 @ 4:30 pm

Personalised Learning Plans Celebration in Library Aug 8 @ 3 pm

Public Speaking Finals in Hall - Aug 9 (various times)

Hope to see you!

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## New timetable from Monday 8 July 2024

Busways and Transport for NSW will implement an adjusted timetable on the Central Coast from Monday 8 July 2024, which is in the school holidays. The timetable will include minor timing point adjustments and will affect route and school services.

Please be aware that the new school timetable will be in effect from Term 3, starting Monday 22 July 2024. Letters with change details are being sent to affected schools separately to this communication.

Parents and students are advised to please visit [transportnsw.info](https://transportnsw.info) to plan their trip.

Alternatively, you can view your school's timetabled services by visiting the Busways website link <https://www.busways.com.au/service-updates/new-timetables-central-coast> or visit "New timetable | 22 July 2024" and select the link adjacent to your school's name.

Yours sincerely,  
BUSWAYS

## July School Holiday Library Program

Just wanted to pass on our upcoming July School Holiday Program info.

Bookings for all events are open as of this morning (Monday 24th June).

You can check them out on the Library website: <https://libraries.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/whats-on?title=school>

or go direct to the library TryBooking : <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/centralcoast-libraryservice>

Wayne McIntyre  
Children and Youth Librarian  
Library Outreach  
Central Coast Council



# YOU'RE INVITED

## TERM 3 2024

EDUCATION WEEK (*Proud to Belong*): Aug 5 -9

- Induction of SRC Reps Aug 5 @ 9 am
- OLYMPATHON OPENING - Aug 7 @ 12 noon
- Open classrooms - Aug 7 @ 12:30 pm
- Lunch in the Playground Aug 7 @ 1 pm
- Personalised Learning Plan Celebration in Library Aug 8 @ 3 pm
- Public Speaking Finals in Hall - Aug 9 (various times)

AECG Awards - Aug 12 @ 4 pm, Narara Valley HS

KPS Athletics Carnival - Aug 13 @ Adcock Park

P & C Meeting (3rd Monday): Aug 19 @ 6:30 pm

BOOK WEEK (*Reading is Magic*): Aug 17 - 23

- Book Week Parade - Aug 20 @ 2 pm

Father's Day Stall - Aug 29

Father's Day Breakfast- Aug 30 @ 7:30 am

Value of the Month Assembly - Aug 30 @ 9:00 am

OLYMPATHON SPORTS DAY - Sept 5 @ tbc

P & C Meeting (3rd Monday): Sept 16 @ 6:30 pm

Value of the Month Assembly - Sept 27 @ 9:00 am



**Check Facebook or the school newsletter on our website for more information.**



**INCURSION**  
**STAGE TWO**  
**HELLO DINGO**

By **CHAD WOOTTON**  
Kariong Public School  
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

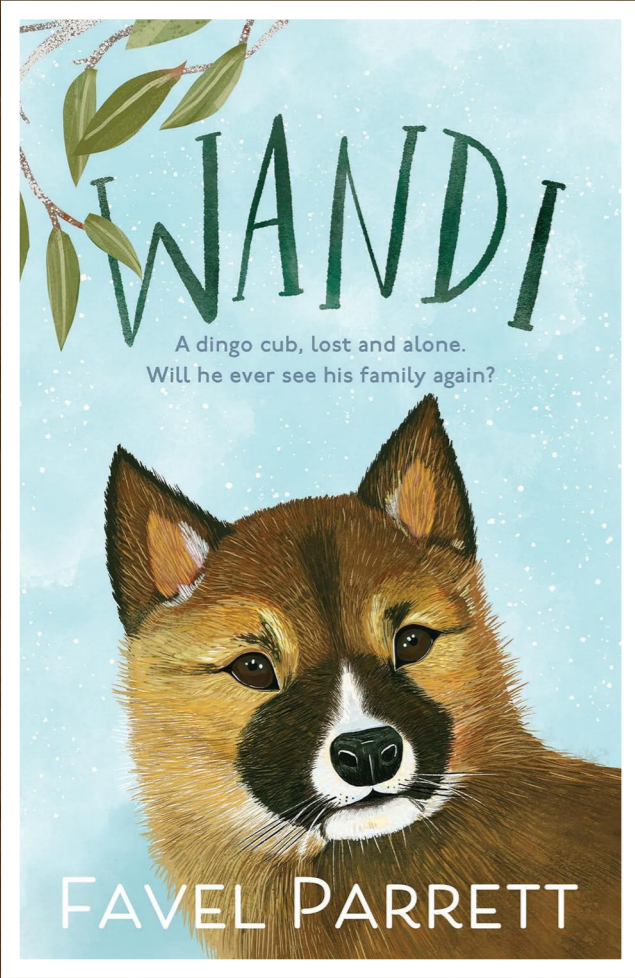
**T**his week, Year 3S, 3G and 3/4B were lucky enough to have a visit from Flynn and Bindi, two wild-born dingoes who have been raised by hand.

Year 3 have been studying the novel

“Wandi”, a true story about a dingo who was snatched from his family by an eagle.

Students learnt about the importance of dingoes to Aboriginal culture, their diet, habitat, social structure and their importance to Australia’s delicate ecosystem. The children (and teachers) loved interacting with the dingoes, it was a wonderful experience for all involved.





*A young cub is snatched from his family and home by a giant eagle, then dropped, injured and alone, in a suburban garden. This is where he meets his first Human, and begins his long journey to becoming the most famous dingo in the world. He will never see his mountain home again, or his family. But it is his destiny to save alpine dingoes from extinction, and he dreams of a time when all cubs like him can live in the wild in safety, instead of facing poison and bullets and hatred.*

*A children's literary classic in-the-making from one of Australia's most-loved authors.*





HELLO DINGO

# Bringing the wild to you!



## FROM THEIR WEBSITE HELLO DINGO

We are dedicated to sparking curiosity and excitement in young minds through our unique and thrilling visits to pre-schools, primary and high schools.

With our interactive and educational dingo incursion, children have the opportunity to learn about these fascinating creatures up close. Through engaging presentation, hands on activities, and captivating storytelling, we aim to foster a love for wildlife and conservation at a young age.

Our incursion experience is specifically designed to ignite children's imaginations and enhance their understanding of the natural world, fostering a connection to the environment and encouraging a sense of empathy towards all living things.

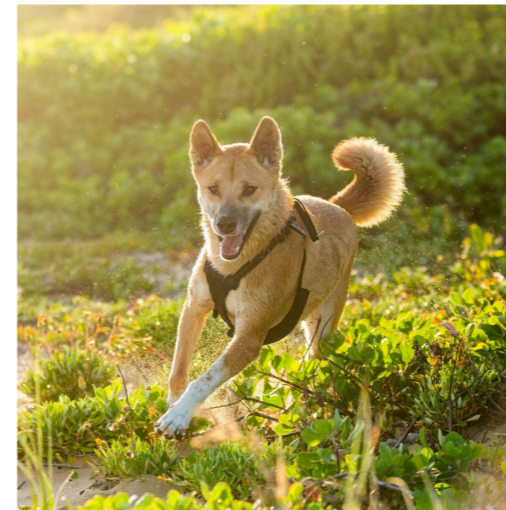
Let our incursion experience inspire the next generation of nature enthusiasts and ignite a lifelong passion for exploration and conservation!

<https://www.hellodingo.com.au/>



### Rob

Rob Eldridge, the founder and owner of Hello Dingo, is a true advocate for Dingo conservation and education. His passion for animals has been a driving force in his life for as long as he can remember.



### Flynn

The friendly and shy Australian native who has captured the hearts of many with his adorable demeanor. His curious nature often leads him on adventures, but he always returns home with a wagging tail and a smile on his face.

Flynn loves to howl especially when his sister Bindi and his hoomans join in.



### Bindi

Bindi is a mischievous and adventurous dingo who loves nothing more than exploring her backyard and her neighbourhood on the beautiful Central Coast. With her beautiful brown eyes and cheeky grin, she is always up for a new adventure, whether it's chasing after her brother Flynn or meeting new friends.

# KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL EXTERNAL VALIDATION REPORT

## KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL 2024 EXTERNAL VALIDATION

On Thursday 4 July our school participated in External Validation – a 4 year cyclical evaluation of our school programs and practices. External validation uses the Department’s School Excellence Framework (SEF) to measure our school’s growth using three scales:

- Delivering,
- Sustaining and Growing, and
- Excelling.

Our school’s External Validation Team included Mrs Skinner, Mrs Priest, Mrs Rayner, Mrs Hoyle and Dr McMurtrie. The validation process gave us an opportunity to reflect on our school’s practices using the SEF.

Our team engaged in discussions and sharing of information with the external panel, which included our Director Educational Leadership, Mr Boulus, the Lead Panellist, Mr Conroy and a peer Principal, Mrs Sadler.

Congratulations to every teacher for an outstanding result and to our EV Team for their ongoing efforts to collate and report on our many school achievements.

The results of the external validation are included below.

### ELEMENT FROM THE DoE SCHOOL EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK

### EV PANEL ASSESSMENT

Learning Culture	<i>Excelling</i>
Wellbeing	<i>Excelling</i>
Curriculum	<i>Sustaining &amp; Growing</i>
Assessment	<i>Sustaining &amp; Growing</i>
Reporting	<i>Sustaining &amp; Growing</i>
Student Growth & Performance	<i>Sustaining &amp; Growing</i>
Effective Classroom Practice	<i>Sustaining &amp; Growing</i>
Data Skills & Use	<i>Sustaining &amp; Growing</i>
Professional Standards	<i>Sustaining &amp; Growing</i>
Learning & Development	<i>Excelling</i>
Educational Leadership	<i>Excelling</i>
School Planning, Implementation & Reporting	<i>Excelling</i>
School Resources	<i>Excelling</i>
Management Practices & Processes	<i>Excelling</i>

- **Assessment Scale:**  
*Delivering*  
*Sustaining & Growing*  
*Excelling*

5 July 2024



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# CENTRAL COAST KIDS DAY OUT

at NARARA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

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# What's On

## at the library these School Holidays

Create, learn and have fun these Winter holidays with a variety of activities for children and youth.

Available to book from Monday 24 June, 8am.

Pick up a copy of the program at your local library today or visit [libraries.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/whats-on](http://libraries.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/whats-on) and search School Holidays.

Our events are now on TryBooking. Browse the events [trybooking.com/eventlist/centralcoastlibraryservice](http://trybooking.com/eventlist/centralcoastlibraryservice)



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22 KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL **Unlock imagination** at your library

# Winter Uniform

KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL



## Girls

- Navy blue **dress** or plain navy blue **track pants** (no stripes or logos)
- White blouse, skivvy or polo **shirt**
- Navy blue **tights** or white **socks** (socks to be above ankle bones)
- Red **sloppy joe** (with or without hood), red **jumper**, red **cardigan** (school logo only) or red and navy school bomber **jacket**
- Black **shoes**

## Boys

- Navy blue **trousers**, or navy plain **track pants** (no stripes or logos)
- White **shirt**, skivvy or polo shirt
- White or navy blue **socks** (socks to be above ankle bones)
- Red sloppy **joe** (with or without hood), **jumper**, red **cardigan** (school logo only) or red & navy school bomber **jacket**
- Black **shoes**