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TERM 3 WEEK 1

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FRIDAY AUG 2: Jeans for Genes Day

MONDAY AUG 5: EDUCATION WEEK Netball Gala Day Stage 2 and 3

WEDNESDAY AUG 7: Opening Ceremony of Olympathon Open Classrooms at 12:30pm

THURSDAY AUG 8: PLP Celebration afternoon

FRIDAY AUG 9:

K-6 Finals for Public Speaking Competition Kindergarten - 9:15am Stage 1 - 10:00am Stage 2 - 11:40am Stage 3 - 1:35pm

> Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn.

> > - Benjamin Franklin



ABOVE: 1T are drawing in Maths using their white boards and marker pens.

WELCOME BACK!

FROM THE RELIEVING PRINCIPAL

ho can believe that Week 1 of Term 3 is already over? I hope everyone had a fun and relaxing 2 weeks away and the students are all set for another term of learning, friendships and play. There are a lot of exciting activities ahead and we are looking forward to seeing as many of our families as possible at these events.

Education Week is week 3 this term and our Open Day is on August 7. On this day we will be holding our Olympathon Opening Ceremony

Our OFFICE HOURS are 8.30am – 3.15pm

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chools.com.au LINK and then you are invited to visit your child's class before finishing with a picnic lunch.

The notes for the 8yr old and above Athletics Carnival have been emailed and sent out on School Bytes. This is scheduled to be held on August 13 at Adcock Park. Please complete the online permission notes and payments as soon as possible.

Book Week is in Week 5 this term with the theme 'Reading is Magic'. Mr Brown and Mrs McMurtrie are busily planning the library decorations and we will celebrate with a dress up Book Parade on Tuesday August 20. More information to follow.

I have enjoyed meeting many of our families over the last 2 weeks at school and look forward to meeting many more. Please feel free to stop me for a chat in the morning or afternoon if you need or contact the office to book a time.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Staffing Update

In the holidays, Mrs Sondra Broadhurst was appointed as Deputy Principal of Terrigal Public School. Mrs Broadhurst has been a dedicated and respected member of staff at Kariong Public School for over 5 years and Terrigal PS are extremely lucky to have someone with her experience now a part of their staff. I am sure that all the community, students and staff at Kariong PS wish Mrs Broadhurst all the very best in her new school and we look forward to having the opportunity to give her proper farewell in the near future.

Staff Professional Learning

Staff completed professional development on Monday around Explicit Teaching and Effective Feedback. The Department of Education and our Mooney Mooney network of schools sees explicit teaching as an integral tool in helping students achieve their best. These are 2 of the themes in the CESE: What Works Best document and are part of every high achieving school's culture. Explicit teaching practices involve teachers clearly explaining to students why they are learning something, how it connects to what they already know, what they are expected to do, how to do it and what it looks like when they have succeeded. Students are given opportunities and time to check their understanding, ask questions and receive clear, effective feedback. Staff will continue to refine these practices and as always set High Expectations for their students and themselves.

Amazing Student Work

One of the great thrills of my job is when students are invited to go to my office with excellent work. They come in smiling and are proud to read and explain why it is their best work. They explain what their Learning Goals for the lesson were and what Success Criteria they achieved. I also think they like the stickers. I had the pleasure of some KM students bringing their writing down to me yesterday. They had been learning about descriptive phrases and adjectives and transferred those skills into a writing piece about snakes.

Well done to Charlotte F, Mason B, Annika H, Cody M, Benjamin L, Ryan C and Brooklyn B from KM.

I look forward to seeing more outstanding work while I am here at KPS.

Road Safety

Please continue to adhere to the speed limits and road signs in the streets surrounding the school, to help keep our students and members of the public safe. Please remember that a designated section along Truscott Ave and Langford Drive are Kiss and Ride Zones. If you need to get out of the car, for more than 2 minutes, to assist your child/ren you will need to find a park elsewhere along the street as congestion quickly builds if drivers get out of their cars for extended periods in this area. We have been informed that police and council rangers will be monitoring the area due to road safety concerns for children. Your anticipated cooperation with these safety matters is appreciated.

Attendance - What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday

• exceptional or urgent family circumstance e.g. attending a funeral.

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

There are numerous ways to inform the school of an absence. If you know prior to the day you can send an absence notification on School Bytes app, call or email the school. On the day of the absence an SMS will be sent at 10:00am if we have not received a reason. You can reply to the SMS sent when you receive it or send a response through the School Bytes app. Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens, the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long-term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2025

It is at this time of year that schools and the achievements of our students and staff. Department of Education start to make preliminary organisation for anticipated enrolments and staffing for 2025. Any parents or carers who have Public Education Week is when we celebrate children who will turn five before July 31 next year. and acknowledge all those who contribute to and who live in our catchment area are invited to our children and young people's educational enrol now. All enrolments are completed online journey. School staff, parents and carers, comby visiting the school website and selecting the munity leaders and P&C associations all play enrolment tab at the top of the homepage: https:// an important role in our students' education. kariong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

Please contact the school on 43401885 or come into the front office if you have any enquiries.



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



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.

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!

ABOUT HE COMPETITION

The annual WriteOn competition gives students the opportunity to become published authors and develop skills in writing to express their ideas.

The competition is for students in Years 1 to 6 who are using NSW syllabuses, including students registered for home schooling. Students compose an imaginative text of up to 500 words, using an image as the stimulus.

Each year, winning entries are published in 'The Best of WriteOn' anthology

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WRITE ON COMPETITORS



By **LOUISE HOYLE** Kariong Public School HPGE COORDINATOR

hroughout Term 2 students from Year 2 – 6 were given opportunities to participate in the statewide Write On Competition. All entries were assessed on how well the writing :

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- made a connection to the stimulus image
- maintained a selected form, structure and text features appropriate to context, purpose and audience
- engaged the audience in imaginative, interpretive, emotive or creative ways
- used a range of language forms and features, vocabulary and punctuation.

Entries closed at the end of last term and although we had some fabulous efforts only 3 students could be chosen from our school. Well done Chloe D, Jasper W and Candace C.

We will be showcasing many of the student's stories in our future school newsletters. ENJOY!

BEAUTY

> By **CANDACE C** Kariong Public School STAGE 3 STUDENT

What's there to write about? People stand on their own, Steam blows in the cold air, and the chatter of people just isn't that interesting if you can't hear what they are saying.

I'm a writer, well not yet, one day I'm going to be the biggest writer in the world! One day maybe I'll open my doors to the beauty of a sunrise with pink clouds and orange skies, but unfortunately all I see is the dark clouds with the dripping of rain, and the dark skies to complement the shadows that hide amongst us all.

The train chugs along the rusty tracks and more distant chatter is heard but not understood. This world needs more colour, to me everyone looks black and white, almost like no one has any personality. For my stories I need the world to influence the words. With no influences I have no words.

The sound of the train using its brakes makes me feel sick to the stomach. I look outside the window and rest my head on the side, and I watch the rain drop slowly from the window. The way

On the slow trip to the park, I find a bench to sit on, I'm already wet so I don't mind the bench being wet too. I pull out my notebook, it's drenched. A few minutes pass and I'm no closer to finding inspiration. Then to my surprise the rain clouds start to clear up. A baby blue sky had been revealed and it was beautiful. I grab my wet notebook and attempt to write.

"The baby blue had been shown, it lightened the sky, with the light grey clouds, the sight of a blue sky had been a miracle. Most of these days had been filled with the dark skies with dark clouds that trickled tears, which fell upon the ground where I stay."

I realised the beauty of just seeing a blue sky, I look around and see that a group of people had gathered to take a photo with the background being the baby blue sky.

I continue writing. Maybe this is the sight I need to see. Maybe the world hasn't been dulled, maybe I just hadn't taken a minute to see the light. The puddles surrounding with the reflection of the sun bouncing off the water. Hey, maybe even the sound of the brakes on the train brushing against the rusty tracks aren't that bad. With the thought of the sky and the people I could finally write all my thoughts down since the inspiration provided the words, this was the thing I needed to see, it really was.

Within the dull dark sky hides a fragment of a rainbow. The distant chatter of people is just an opening for someone to write whatever is on their mind. I focus back to the sky and see that fragment of a rainbow I was thinking about. This place really does have beauty hidden within...

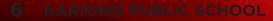
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By **LESA WHITE** Kariong Public School TEACHER

KW were out and about with Mrs Dwyer on Wednesday making their own Wombat Stews. They had lots of fun making mud pies and potions. Reading the book as part of our component B lessons proved to be a great inspiration for some outside learning.



In this classic Australian picture book, a dingo catches a wombat and wants to cook him in a stew. But all the other bush animals have a plan to save their friend. They trick the dingo into using mud, feathers, flies, bugs and gumnuts in his stew, and the result is something the dingo will never forget!

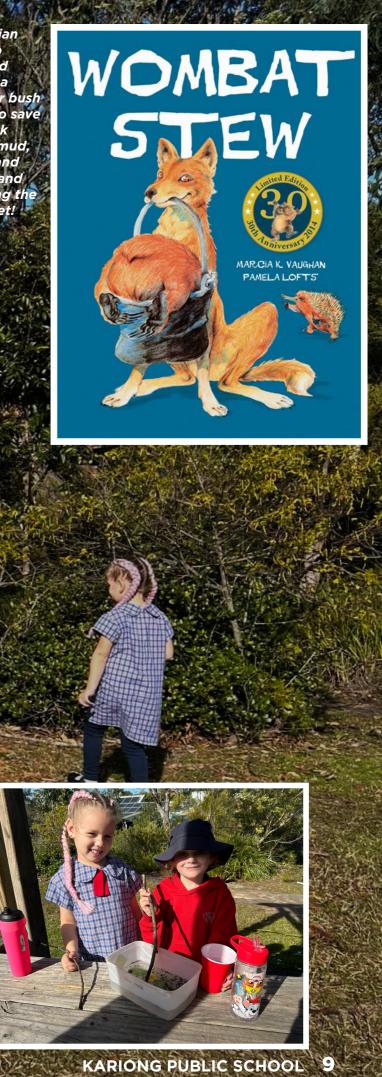












CLASS 1T MATHS CHALLENGE









Sunsmart Snippet

Create a morning checklist

Help your child remember what they need to do every morning before school



- Wash my face
- Brush my teeth
- Get dressed
- Pack my school bag
- Apply SPF30 or higher sunscreen
- Wear my sun smart hat

Download and print off the morning check list from the SunSmart website and stick on your fridge, so you don't forget!

www.sunsmartnsw.com.au



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Next Friday, the 2nd of August, KPS will be participating in **Jeans for Genes Day'**.

On the day you can wear a denim article of clothing, in return for a **GOLD COIN DONATION.**

Money raised goes towards advancing the treatment and prevention of childhood diseases for those born with birth defects or genetic diseases.

KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

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YOU'RE INVITED

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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 e 12:30 pm
- SRC Workshop Environmental Cups Aug 7 @ 1:45 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 6 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.



CENTRAL COAST KIDS DAY OUT CONNECTING FAMILIES TO SOCIAL SERVICES

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