

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### SCHOOL

**WEDNESDAY APR 30:**

Students resume School for Term 2



ABOVE: Today was the Crazy Hair and Easter Hat Parade.

FROM THE  
**PRINCIPAL**

## CRAZY HAIR/ EASTER HAT PARADE

**W**e warmly invite you to join us for a special ANZAC service on Friday April 25. Our school leaders and staff will be marching along Donnison Street Gosford to the Cenotaph to lay a wreath on behalf of the school. This march will begin at 10:30am and if you would like to join us, please meet at the Gosford library at 10:15am. Everyone is welcome.

Thank you for joining us at our ANZAC assembly yesterday. Your presence is greatly appreciated and plays a vital role in honouring the sacrifices made by those who served our country. Our school leaders

**QUOTE  
OF THE  
WEEK**

**The only person who is educated is the one who has learned how to learn and change.**

**- John Dewey**

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**8.30am –  
3.15pm**

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and choir did a great job running this and I would like to thank Mrs Dewar and Mrs Hansard for their hard work in organising the students.

ANZAC Day is a significant occasion that allows us to reflect on the bravery, resilience, and dedication of our servicemen and women. By participating in this assembly, we ensure that the values of courage, mateship, and sacrifice are passed down to our students, fostering a sense of respect and gratitude within our school community.

Thank you once again for being a part of this important event.

Cross Country Carnival

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered their time and support at our recent Cross-Country event, whether helping on the track or with the BBQ! Your assistance was invaluable in ensuring the day ran smoothly, and we truly appreciate your support. Congratulations to all the children for completing their races! We are so proud of each and every one of you for giving it your all and enjoying the day with your friends and family!

Thank you to all the families for coming along and cheering on the students.

Assistant Principal (AP) & Value of The Month (VOM) Reward Day

On Thursday we had our AP and VOM reward session at Peppermint Park where our recipients enjoyed a picnic and play time. Congratulations to all the students who were eligible to attend this special reward!

Easter Raffle Prizes

Each day this week we had over 20 prizes drawn. Congratulations to all the students who won a prize or even two throughout the week. Thank you to all the families for donating prizes to this raffle and of course a huge thank you to all the families who purchased tickets. Thank you to the P&C for coordinating this event!

Easter Hat Parade

Thank you so much for joining us for the Easter Hat Parade this morning! It was a delight to see the creativity and enthusiasm that each of our students brought to their hat designs. Your support and participation made the event truly special, and it was heartwarming to witness the joy on the children's faces as they showcased their unique creations.

Crazy Hair Day

Students in years 3-6 had some crazy hair styles today! Thank you to the SRC who organised this fundraiser in support of children with cancer.

Well, done to our Students Representative Council group for organising this event.

End of Term 1

As we approach the end of Term 1, I want to take a moment to express our thanks for your support and engagement. It has been a fantastic start to the year, and your enthusiasm and involvement have made a significant difference in our school community.

Thank you for entrusting us with your children's education and for being such an integral part of their learning journey. We look forward to continuing this partnership and watching our students grow and thrive in the coming terms.

School resumes for staff on Monday April 28. Both Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 are both staff development days with students to return on Wednesday April 30.

Have a wonderful Easter and break from school. I look forward to seeing everyone return refreshed ready for a busy Term 2.



By **TONI SKINNER**  
Kariong Public School  
PRINCIPAL



Scenes from today's assembly







CHALLENGE  
Community Services

Foster Care

[www.challengecommunity.org.au](http://www.challengecommunity.org.au)

Good morning/afternoon

Challenge Foster Care is reaching out to local schools and community organisations seeking support for our carer recruitment drive. We acknowledge the importance of your school in the Central Coast for ensuring the safety and success of children in our community, and here at Challenge Foster Care we aim to do the same.

Challenge Community Services has been around for over 60 years and focuses on Foster Care, Disability Services, Therapeutic Services and Business Services. We have grown to be the second largest Foster Care provider in New South Wales, with 12 locations across the state. Right now there is a *critical shortage* of foster carers across NSW, especially in the Central Coast. Many children and young people are waiting for a stable and caring home, and some face even greater challenges in finding a placement that meets their needs. Every child deserves a place where they feel safe and supported.

Due to this dire need for carers, we are attempting to increase our recruitment efforts. We are seeking your support in placing an advertisement in your school newsletter. We are also able to offer marketing materials to place in your office area or staff rooms and can discuss providing an information session to staff, community, parents and families if this is something you are interested in providing.

If you can assist us in providing ad space or helping in another way, please reply to this email with any information that could assist in this process. Thank you for your consideration.

We would appreciate any support you can give Challenge Foster Care.

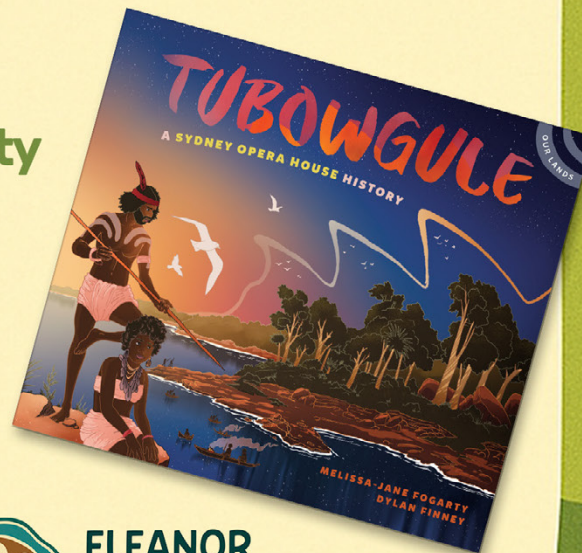
Yours sincerely,

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MONDAY, 5TH MAY FROM 10AM - 12PM  
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and receive a **FREE** copy of  
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**Event Details:**  
Monday, 5th May  
10am - 12pm  
35 McPherson Road, Mardi

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## Business Services

PO Box 487  
Tamworth NSW 2340  
1800 679 129

## Foster Care

PO Box 487  
Green Hills NSW 2323  
1800 084 954

## Disability Services

PO Box 487  
Tamworth NSW 2340  
1800 679 129

## Therapeutic Services

PO Box 487  
Tamworth NSW 2340  
1800 795 441





# ANZAC DAY WHOLE SCHOOL CEREMONY







# Creative Writing Competition

CALLING AUSTRALIA'S STORYTELLERS

**Are you Australia's most passionate young storyteller?**

The Dymocks Beyond Words Competition is searching for Australia's most creative and talented young writers! Open to primary and high school students across Australia, all entrants will be in the running to win a share of our **\$20,000** total prize pool.

The competition is **FREE** to enter and **OPEN THEME** – which means you can write about any topic, and in any genre you like! The key to winning is passion and creativity – we are looking for unique ideas, compelling characters, and stories that make us laugh, cry, gasp or cheer.

Within 500-1500 words, give us the story you've been waiting to share with the world!

**1 JUNE 2025**  
**Entries Close**

If you would like any further information about this competition, then please access the link

<https://beyondwords.dymockstutoring.edu.au/>

or see Mrs Hoyle HPGE Co-ordinator

**HAPPY WRITING!**



**PSSA GIRLS**

# **SOCCER**

**MISS GAY**

**C**ongratulations to our Boys and Girls PSSA Senior Soccer Teams who competed in the Knockout Gala Day on Friday 4th April. Both teams were undefeated on the day, but more importantly they played well as teams, cheered each other on, showed great sportsmanship and behaviour was outstanding on the day. Mr Brown and Miss Gay would like to thank each student for their efforts and to the many parents who came to cheer us on.





**PSSA BOYS & GIRLS**

# SOCCER

**MR BROWN**

On Friday the 4th April, Kariong Public School competed in a soccer gala day for the PSSA knockout competition. Before versing Point Clare P.S. everyone was nervous as we hadn't won against this team for the last two years. But as soon as the whistle blew we were ready.

After a great game, the final score was a thrashing 7-0, with Cooper scoring a hat-trick, Charlie coming off the bench and scoring two goals, and Harry and Brylan both finding the back of the net.

That meant we were through to the

next game, against Valley View P.S. It turned out to be an amazing game and the final score was an incredible 10-1, with Brylan scoring a hat-trick, Cooper and Travis scoring two each, and Harry, Charlie and Eric topping it off with one goal each.

We were then in the final game of the day and up against Narara P.S. But our hopes were up. Everyone was excited but also a bit nervous. In the first ten minutes it was 0-0, as no one had scored yet. A few minutes later, off a beautiful corner by Cooper, the ball got deflected off the keeper towards Harry, who scored off the first touch, hitting the back of the

net. Determination was in the air and from that we scored three more, with Cooper, Travis and Brylan finishing it off. We had won the game and have made it to the next round.

After a great day of soccer, we thank Mr. Brown for the amazing coaching, the overall team's passion and sportsmanship on the day and our families for getting us to and from the event.

We are hoping to progress further in the next round. Watch this space!

By **HARRY B. & COOPER M.**





# CRAZY HAT/EASTER HAT PARADE KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL



















# GEAR UP FOR LIFE ON TWO WHEELS

## Start their cycling journey with AusBike.

Whether they're just off training wheels or more confident riders, AusBike is designed to improve kids' skills and confidence in a fun and active way.

### AusBike School Holiday Program

Kariong Public School

Date: 13 April 2025

Time: 10am - 11:30am (Beginner) &  
12pm - 1:30pm (Advanced)



Let's get  
pedalling  
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# IS IT BULLYING?

When someone says or does something  
unintentionally hurtful and they do it  
once, that's

**RUDE**

When someone says or does something  
unintentionally hurtful and they do it  
once, that's

**MEAN**

When someone says or does something  
intentionally hurtful and they keep doing it - even  
when you tell them to stop or show them that  
you're upset - that's

**BULLYING**





# Kariong OSHC 2025 April Vacation Care Program

★ 14th April 2025- 29 April 2025 ★

Coast Community Connections offers high-quality vacation care programs that provide children with fun, engaging, and safe experiences during school breaks. From outdoor adventures to creative activities, our programs are designed to inspire growth and foster community.



**Enrol Now!**  
Bookings are limited

02 4343 1888  
Link to Enrolment Form


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## Service Details

Kariong Public School, Truscott Drive Kariong  
7:00am- 6:30pm (During School Holidays)

## Vacation Care Program

 Excursion

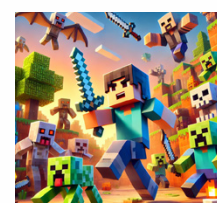
 In Service

**Monday 14th April**



### Minecraft Movie Magic!

Dive into the blocky world of adventure with a special Minecraft Movie screening! Watch as your favourite pixelated heroes embark on an epic journey.



**Tuesday 15th April**



### Bubble Soccer

Get ready to bounce, roll, and score in an action-packed game of Bubble Soccer! Suit up in giant inflatable bubbles and enjoy a hilarious twist on the classic game.



**Wednesday 16th April**



### Silly Olympics!

Get ready for a day of wacky fun at our Silly Olympics! Children will compete in quirky and hilarious games, from egg-and-spoon races to three-legged sprints, all while having a blast and cheering each other on!

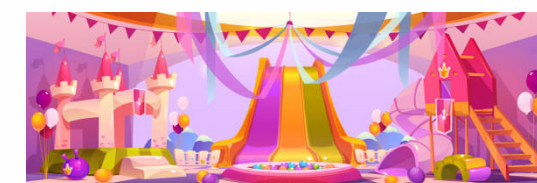


**Thursday 17th April**



### Tonz of Fun!

Get ready for a day of non-stop fun at Tonz of Fun! Children will enjoy climbing, sliding, and exploring in a safe, exciting indoor play environment



**Friday 18th April**



**Monday 21st April**





# Vacation Care Program

 Excursion

 In Service

Tuesday 22nd April



## Exploring Japan!

Experience the excitement of Japan with a fun-filled Japanese-themed day! Children will try their hand at sushi making, challenge each other in sumo suits, and enjoy a variety of activities inspired by Japanese culture.



Wednesday 23rd April



## Exploring the Frog Park!

Hop into adventure as we visit the Frog Park! Children will explore nature, enjoy the peaceful surroundings, and discover all kinds of froggy fun,



Thursday 24th April



## Sun Valley Park!

Join us for a fun-filled park excursion! Children will enjoy outdoor games, exploring nature, and having a blast with friends in a spacious, safe park setting.



Friday 25th April



Monday 28th April



## Trivia & Disco Day!

Test your knowledge in a fun trivia challenge, then hit the dance floor for a disco party with music, lights, and great vibes! Dress up and get ready to boogie!

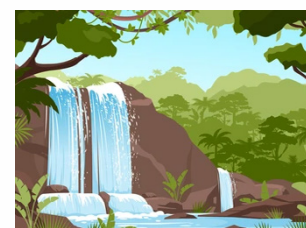


Tuesday 29th April



## Girrakool Loop with Jake Casser

Join us for a captivating bush walk excursion, where children will explore the beauty of nature while learning about the land's history. Jake Casser will share fascinating stories and facts about the area



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The daily fee is \$99.00

Our operating hours are 7:00am – 6:30pm on weekdays

Book via the OWNA app or reach out to the service before the 4th of April 2025 to secure your position.

Fees required to be paid 2 weeks in advance as per fee policy.

All session are eligible for Childcare Subsidy. To learn more visit <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/child-care-subsidy>

Licensed for 60 children with a ratio of 1:15.

We are expecting 40 children daily; staffing will be adjusted to suit.

Please ensure you pack; A hat, refillable drink bottle, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, Enclosed Shoes and Clothes that cover shoulders.

**We do not supply ANY food during Vacation Care period. Children need to come with plenty of food packed for the day.**

**Service Contact:** Jessica Farrell

**Ph Number:** 02 4343 1888

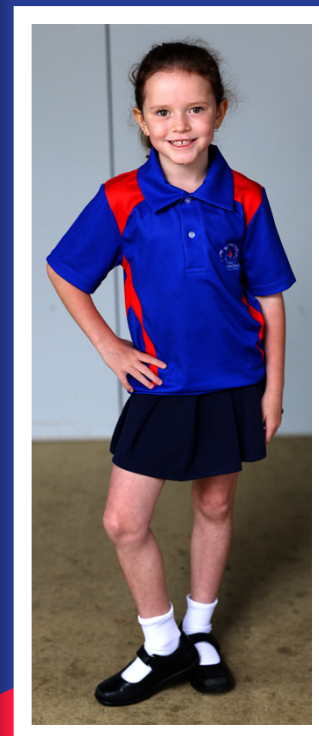
**Email:** [Childcare@cccl.com.au](mailto:Childcare@cccl.com.au)

Risk Assessments for each day are available at the service, Please speak to Jess the Nominated Supervisor if you wish to access these.



# Summer Uniform

KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL



## Girls

- A-line red, white and blue checked **dress**; or navy skort with a white **blouse**, or a blue and red polo **shirt** (school logo only)
- 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 a blue and red polo **shirt** (school logo only)
- 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**