

TERM 2 WEEK 2

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UPCOMING EVENTS



SCHOOL

TUESDAY MAY 13:

Debating Selected Stage 3 Student

MONDAY MAY 19:

GRIP Student Leadership Conference
HPGE Kariong Eco Garden Art lessons

WEDNESDAY MAY 21:

PSSA Netball Gala Day Yr5 & Yr6

FRIDAY MAY 23:

PSSA Cross Country Carnival



ABOVE: Today's newsletter is featuring our wonderful Year 1 students.

FROM THE
PRINCIPAL

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

What a fun and busy week it has been! From engaging activities at both school and on excursions to the beach, Mother's Day stalls and breakfast, there has been lots of laughter and learning.

Don't forget to check the weekly newsletter and calendar so you don't miss important information. The term is only set to get busier!

QUOTE
OF THE
WEEK

Education is the passport
to the future, for tomorrow
belongs to those who prepare
for it today".



- Eleanor Roosevelt

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HOURS
are
**8.30am –
3.15pm**

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Election BBQ

I would like to extend my thanks to the many parents for volunteering their time at the election BBQ last Saturday. The day was not just a great success, but it also fostered a wonderful sense of community among our families and friends. The delicious sausages and bakery treats were greatly appreciated. Thank you for your commitment and for making a positive impact in our school community. The P&C made a profit of over \$1900.00. Thank you to everyone involved.

Mother's Day

The Mother's Day stall was again a huge success, the children truly enjoyed selecting from the wonderful assortment of gifts for their mums, and it was heartwarming to see their excitement. Thank you to all the volunteers and the P&C for organising another wonderful fund-raising event. Thank you so much to those who could join us at our special Mother's Day breakfast today. It was a true delight to have you with us, sharing in a morning filled with laughter, love, and cherished moments with your families. Your presence made the event even more special, and we hope you enjoyed the time spent together along with the treats. Wishing you all a wonderful Mother's Day filled with the appreciation you deserve!

NSW Public Schools Student Surveys

Our students in Years 4 – 6 are participating in the NSW Public Schools Student Survey this term. The survey gives students the chance to share their thoughts and feelings about life at school, including questions about their engagement, learning experiences and wellbeing at school. The NSW Public Schools Surveys (NSWPSS) are a new suite of surveys designed to gather insights from students, parents and teachers about their experiences at school.

Hearing directly from our students will help us understand what's working well and where improvements can be made to our school. The survey is confidential, takes around 10 to 15 minutes to complete, and will be conducted online during school hours.

Student participation is voluntary. Parents/carers can complete an opt-out form (available in this newsletter) and returned to the school office by Friday 23 May, 2025. Further information about the survey is available at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/npss>

Year 7 2026

It is time to enrol your child for Year 7 in 2026 at your local high school. We encourage you to complete the enrolment process as soon as possible to ensure a smooth transition for your child into high school. If you have any questions or need assistance with the enrolment process, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school office. Expressions of interest are now open for the Year 7 Selective Class at KMHS. If you would like to apply for this opportunity, please refer to the emails sent earlier this week, which contain detailed instructions on the application process. We encourage you to review the information and submit your expression of interest as soon as possible.



Attendance

Congratulations to Class 1B for earning the Attendance Award this week! Your commitment to being the best class in the school for daily attendance is commendable. Keep up the great work and enjoy your well-deserved prize next week. Well done, 1B
I trust you all had a fantastic week and are looking forward to a wonderful weekend celebrating Mother's Day. Take this opportunity to enjoy quality time with your family and create lasting memories together. Wishing all the mothers and special figures in our lives a day filled with love and joy!

I look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday.



By **TONI SKINNER**
Kariong Public School
PRINCIPAL

Kariong PS

Announcement

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NSW Public Schools Student Survey Information and opt-out form

Dear parents and carers

In Term 2, our school is taking part in the NSW Public Schools Student Survey. The survey is being conducted by the NSW Department of Education (the department) and invites students to provide valuable feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them.

The survey will allow the department to conduct analysis and research into student wellbeing and engagement to drive improvement for all NSW public schools.

What you need to know

- Participating students will be given a unique login to complete the survey online.
- Students will complete the survey at school during school hours. The survey will take approximately 10 to 15 minutes.
- Participating in the survey is voluntary. Opting not to participate will not impact your child's school experience. Your child can choose to stop the survey at any time and they can skip any questions that they prefer not to answer.
- More information about the survey and the research is available at education.nsw.gov.au/npss.

What information is collected and why

The department will collect personal information from your child including, but not limited to, information relating to their gender, cultural background, and their opinions on matters such as their school experience. Information will be held and managed by the NSW Department of Education, 105 Phillip Street, Parramatta NSW 2150. This information is collected to support every student to achieve their educational potential, and for other directly related purposes including but not limited to:

- implementing programs that meet student educational and support needs
- maintaining the good order and management of schools
- assessing and evaluating the effectiveness of programs and their impact on student educational outcomes
- conducting lawful research and compiling statistics relating to the education and wellbeing of students and student performance
- operational and administrative purposes.

How the department may use the information

Survey results may be used locally at schools to help inform planning and decision-making. Your child's school will receive a report once surveys are completed, but school staff will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. At least 5 students need to have answered the question in the same way for that data to be included in the results.

The department's analysis of the data will involve linking students' responses to their student reference number (SRN). Responses may then be linked with other information the department may hold, such as students' scholastic year, gender, Aboriginal status, cultural background, migrant status and whether they are a person with a disability. This will allow the department to group the results for analysis and research purposes.

The department does not intend to give you a copy of your child's responses, or the opportunity to amend them. You may contact the department to request access to the survey responses, and your request will be considered in light of the department's obligations under law.

For more information about how the department will protect your child's information, visit education.nsw.gov.au/npss.

Opting out

If you **do not want your child/children to take part** in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to your child's school by:

Friday 23 May 2025

If you do not return the attached form, the school will assume that you consent to your child/children's participation.

Principal

Mrs Toni Skinner

School

Kariong Public School

NSW Public Schools Student Survey Opt-out form

If you **do not want** your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to the school by:

Friday 23 May 2025 (Yrs 4 - 6 only)

I **do not** give consent for my child/children to participate in the **NSW Public Schools Student Survey**.

Name of student 1

Roll class of student 1

Name of student 2

Roll class of student 2

Name of student 3

Roll class of student 3

Name of student 4

Roll class of student 4

Name of parent/carers

Date

Signature of parent/carers



H A P P Y
Mother's Day

From everyone at Kariong PS



Term 2 SRC Fundraiser

Dear Parents and Carers,

The youngest child in each family will be receiving a Stewart House Envelope for our term 2 SRC fundraiser. Please find the information below.

What: Stewart House Donation Drive.

When: Envelopes are due back to school Monday 19th May 2025.

Why: Every year, 1,600 public school children attend Stewart House next to Curl Curl beach at no cost to their parents or carers. During their stay, they are provided with dental, optical, hearing and medical screening and treatment.

Cost: \$2 cash in envelope or scan the QR code below or on the envelope
(the envelope **MUST** be returned to be eligible)



TEACHER'S TOOLS

OUR TEACHERS ARE READY FOR TERM 2.



May 2026



K-2 ASSEMBLY

STARTING TERM 2 2025

We would love for parents to join us at our K-2 Assembly in Term2

The assemblies will take place on **odd** weeks
only

Fridays at 2:00pm

Week 3 - 16/5/25

Week 5 - 30/5/25

Week 7 - 13/06/25

Week 9 - 27/06/25 (No kindy's due to excursion)

Assemblies will take place in the school hall.

We respectfully request parents please be mindful of the students hosting the
assembly and keep noise levels to a minimum



LIBRARY

AIDEN B. (K2H): BORROWER OF THE MONTH FOR MAY

For his library bag Aiden chose a Minecraft design. He borrowed a total of 21 books. He is our proud Borrower of the Month for May.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

From morning light to evening's rest,

*You give your all, you give your best with gentle
words and quiet grace,*

You brighten every time and place

You taught me how to dream and grow,

*To face the world and let love show in every hug, in
every tear you made me feel that you were near.*

Today I hope you feel the love,

*Happy Mother's Day to you, whose heart is strong,
whose love is true.*

BY EVE L (3G)





Mother's Day Breakfast







EXCURSION

A DAY AT COPACABANA BEACH

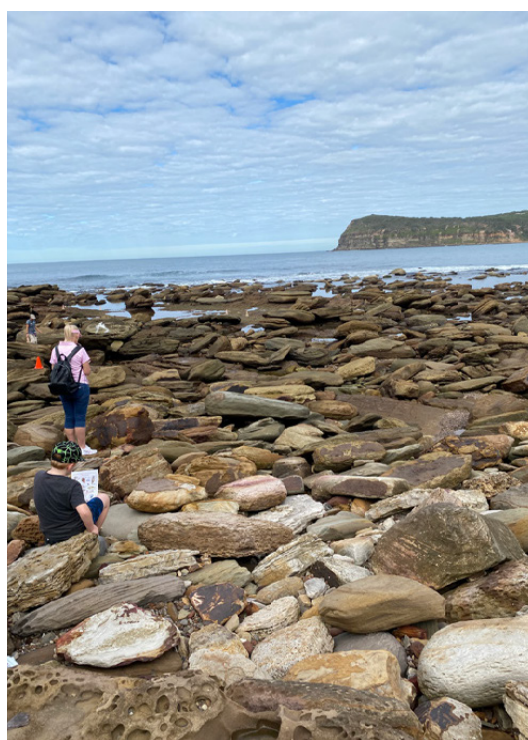
By **HENRY L.**
Kariong Public School
2/3F

Hooray! We are on the bus we can see the beach! When we got to the beach we had fruit break. Then we walked along the rocks to the rock pools. We saw a blue ringed octopus and we also saw some sea sponge and black periwinkles. There were a lot of sea creatures in the rock pools. After the rockpools we had lunch then we went onto the beach and the Rumbalara teacher Christine showed us a sea dragon, sea sponge and a fossilised tiger shark's jaw. The teeth were really sharp. I had a great day at the beach.

By **HARLOW M.**
Kariong Public School
2/3F

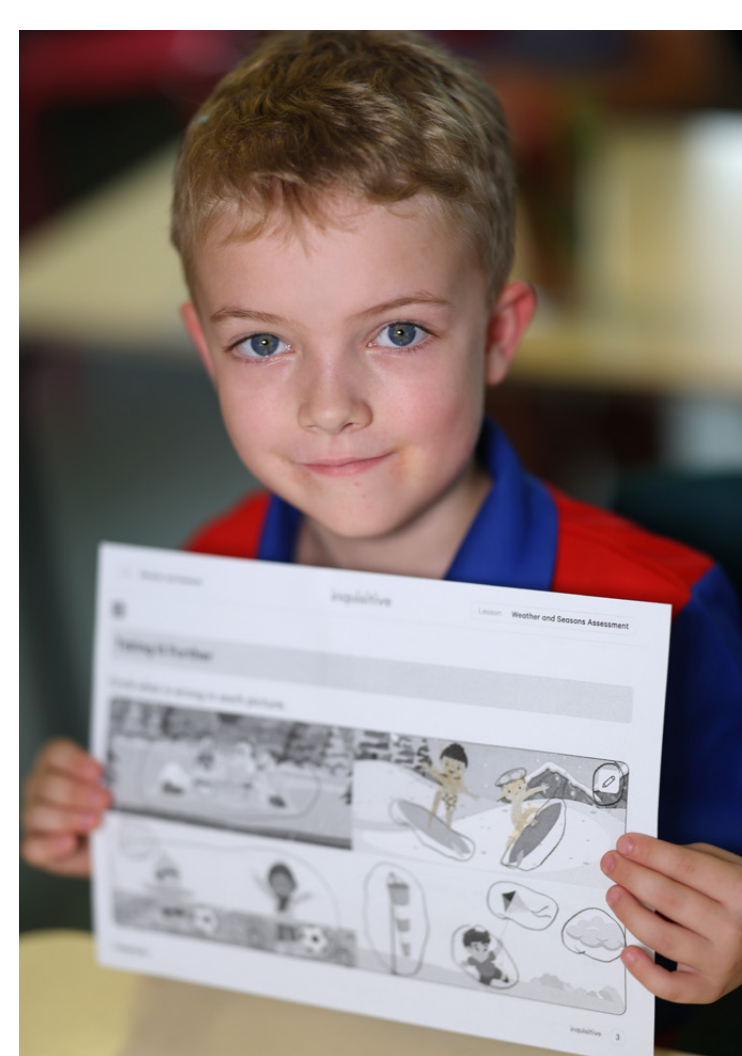
We are on the bus and we are nearly at Copacabana Beach. I am so excited I can't wait to get there. When we got there we had fruit break. Then we had to climb some ginormous rocks. Miss Fitzpatrick and Mr C helped me so I didn't fall over. Some animals I saw in the rock pools were an octopus, some crabs and small fish. After lunch we went back on the beach and I got to see a tiger sharks jaw, shark eggs, and there was even a dolphin swimming in the water. At the end of the day we caught the bus back to school. I had the best day of my life!





THE AMAZING 1J WITH MRS BRITT





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**