

TERM 2 WEEK 5

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



### SCHOOL

#### MONDAY JUN 2:

HPGE Kariong Eco Garden Art lessons  
Basketball PSSA Knockout

#### TUESDAY JUN 3:

Debating Day at KPS

#### THURSDAY JUN 5:

PSSA Touch Football Gala Day  
PSSA Netball  
World Environment Day

#### FRIDAY JUN 6:

3-6 Assembly 2:15pm

#### MONDAY JUN 9:

KING'S BIRTHDAY

#### TUESDAY JUN 10:

Premiers Spelling Bee in Class  
K-2 Science Show at School

#### WEDNESDAY JUN 11:

Olympian Visit

#### FRIDAY JUN 13:

K-2 Assembly 2:15pm



ABOVE: Our students created artwork inspired by Dr. Seuss' *The Lorax*.

FROM THE  
**PRINCIPAL**

## PUBLIC SPEAKING

On Monday, we hosted the Multi-Cultural competition for Stage 2 and Stage 3 students. I was truly impressed by the exceptional quality of the speeches presented. The content was powerful, and the public speaking skills demonstrated were remarkable. Congratulations to all the students who dedicated their time to preparing these speeches and for having the confidence to present them to their peers. Everyone involved should be very proud of their efforts. Congratulations to Liara J and Jade F from Stage 2, as well as Saige G and Bella M from Stage 3, who will be representing Kariong Public School at the next level at Tuggerah Public School on the 26th June. During this competition students will deliver both their prepared speech and an impromptu speech. Good luck to our 4 representatives. Thank you, Mrs Rayner, for coordinating this event.

Our  
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HOURS  
are  
8.30am –  
3.15pm

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## Cross Country Presentation

On Wednesday morning, our 3-6 cohort gathered to celebrate the achievements of our students from the school cross country carnival held in April. During the assembly, we recognised the top 10 place-getters and our age champions. Kariong Public School wishes all the competitors the best of luck at today's zone carnival, and we look forward to hearing about their achievements next week.

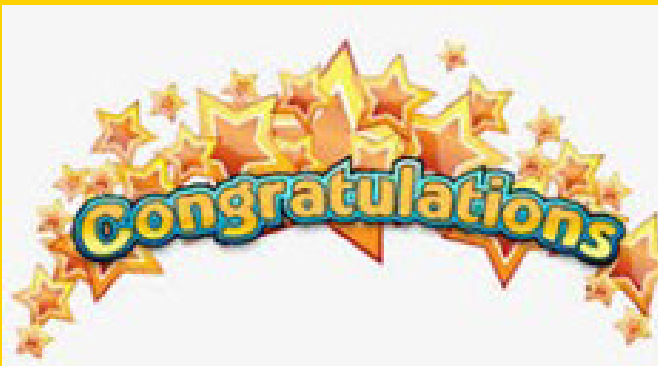
A big congratulations to Banksia for their victory! Thank you to all the teachers responsible for the organisation of both the carnival and the presentation this week and to Mrs Ghantous and Mrs Hoyle for attending the carnival today.

## Bus Travel

Earlier this week, I sent an email to all families concerning an important topic: bus travel and the behaviour expected from our students while using this mode of transportation.

As you know, many of our students rely on buses to get to and from school, whether it be daily or just occasionally. It is crucial that we work together to ensure a safe and respectful environment for everyone during these journeys.

This week I have had reports that the behaviour has been much better. Thank you to all our students for making bus travel a safer and more pleasant experience for everyone.



## Attendance

Please remember to follow the correct procedures for requesting extended leave for holidays with your family. Please submit your application through School Bytes. If you need help with the process, don't hesitate to contact the office for assistance.

### Congratulations on your amazing attendance

The winning class for attendance this week was KB, followed closely by our amazing 1T.

**KB will receive their prize next week! Well done!**

## Toilet Vandalism

We want to bring to your attention a concerning issue regarding toilet vandalism at our school. Over the year, we have observed instances where some students are misusing soap by using excessive amounts at once and wetting toilet paper, which is then thrown against the walls. This behaviour not only disrespects our school environment but also affects the cleanliness and functionality of our facilities. We kindly ask for your support in discussing with your children the importance of respecting school property and the expectations we have for maintaining a clean and safe environment. By working together, we can encourage our students to take pride in their school and contribute positively to our community.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## New Playground

As mentioned in last couple of newsletters we are excited to announce that a new playground area is being developed in the bottom playground specifically for our Kindy and Year 1 students! The work will commence on June 11 and during this period, there will be adjusted play areas in place to ensure that all children have safe and enjoyable spaces to play.

We appreciate your understanding and support as we implement these changes, and we encourage you to talk to your children about the temporary arrangements. We are committed to minimising disruption while we work towards creating a fantastic new playground that our students will love!

During the renovation the bottom car park will be closed off Langford Drive and I kindly ask that parents dropping off their children before school care refrain from parking in the car park off Truscott. Thank, you for your cooperation.

## P&C NEWS

Please stay tuned for some exciting P&C news! In week 8, we will be hosting a school disco, and next term, there's a lot planned, including a cookie dough fundraiser.

Have a lovely weekend!



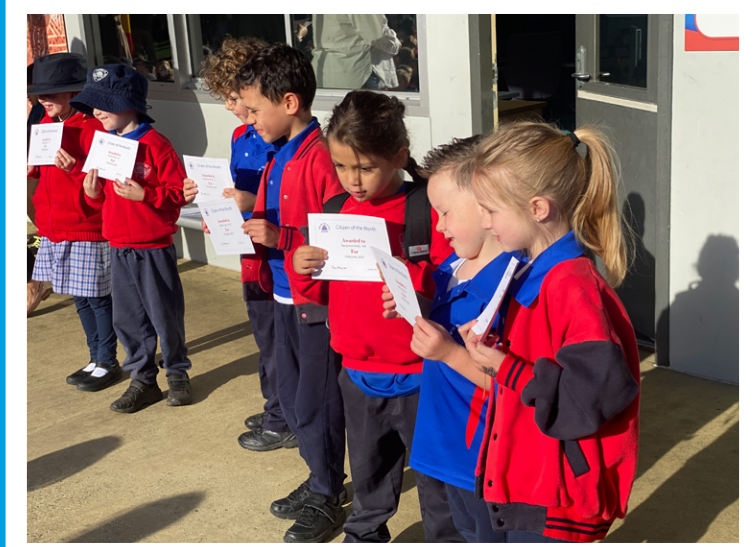
By **TONI SKINNER**  
Kariong Public School  
PRINCIPAL



**OUR AMAZING VALUE  
OF THE MONTH AWARD  
WINNERS WERE  
ANNOUNCED TODAY.**







**OUR STUDENTS LEADERS AT  
WORK HANDING OUT PBL  
REWARDS.**



**OUR AMAZING CHOIR WAS  
REGONISED BY MRS  
HANSARD. THE PERFORMERS  
WERE ASKED TO STAND UP  
AND BE APPLAUDED.**



**COFFEE OR TEA ANYONE?  
FRIDAYS AT THE KARIONG  
COFFEE CLUB HAVE BECOME  
AN IMPORTANT EVENT  
WHERE PARENTS CAN MEET  
WITH STAFF.**





KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C PROUDLY PRESENTING



WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL HALL

COME DRESSED IN NEON & FLUORO  
AND SEE YOURSELF LIGHT UP THE  
DANCEFLOOR

TICKETS \$10

INCLUDES A SNACK, DRINK & A GLOW  
THEMED ACCESSORY



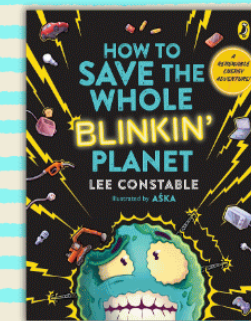
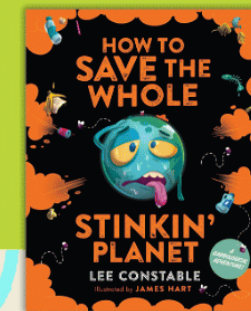
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YR K - 2: 3.30 - 4.30 PM  
YR 3 - 6: 4.45 - 6 PM

STUDENTS MUST BE COLLECTED FROM THE SCHOOL HALL BY A  
PARENT OR CARER AT THE COMPLETION OF EACH SESSION

Words  
on the  
Waves  
WRITERS FESTIVAL

Ripples  
Kids & Schools Program



SCAN FOR  
Program  
details

SUNDAY 1ST JUNE | 9AM - 2PM  
**FAMILY FUN DAY!**

PENINSULA RECREATION PRECINCT  
UMINA BEACH

**FREE!**



Come along for a fun-filled  
day of craft activities,  
storytime, face-painting,  
book launches, bubble  
blowers and more!

Save the planet with  
Lee Constable, host of  
Network 10's science show  
*Scope!* or pick a side in our  
EPIC illustrator showdown!

Mick Elliott  
**VS**  
Serena Geddes

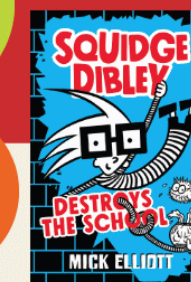


ILLUSTRATION  
DEMOS!

See who won the  
2025 Ripples Short  
Story Competition!



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# 5 JUNE Environment Day

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## CELEBRATE NAIDOC WEEK



30 JUNE 2025



**GAWURA CULTURAL GROUP AT SCHOOL**  
**STUDENTS CAN WEAR MUFTI IN ABORIGINAL COLOURS**

**\$11 per student by 27 June**  
**via SCHOOLBYTES**





# CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

This year's Cross Country Carnival was held on our school grounds on Monday 7th April and it was a really great day, with all K-6 in attendance throughout the day.

Each student who entered a race earnt a point for their house and contributed towards their house's final score, and we all thank you for your participation. All the house points played their part, and the final scores were close, as usual!

## Cross Country Champions 2025

- 8/9 Year Boy - David K
- 8/9 Year Girl - Abigail C
- 10 Year Boy - Oscar M
- 10 Year Girl - Mackenzie A
- 11 Year Boy - Lucas J
- 11 Year Girl - Hannah K
- Senior Boy - Zade G
- Senior Girl - Olivia S

## The Winning House

- 4th Place- Grevillea (147 points)
- 3rd Place- Waratah (158 points)
- 2nd Place- Wattle (170 points)
- 1st Place- Banksia (265 points)

Congratulations to Banksia for winning the KPS 2025 Cross Country.











# MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVE PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION FINALS

On Monday, May 26, we held the school finals of the Multicultural Perspective Public Speaking Competition. It was an inspiring event, with all students speaking exceptionally well in front of a large audience that included parents and students from Years 3 to 6.

The topics covered a wide range of important issues, including sport, diversity and inclusion, the immigrant experience and the significance of names. Each speaker showcased their unique perspectives and insights, making the competition both engaging and thought-provoking.

We are proud to announce the winners who will advance to the next round: from Stage 2, Liara and Jade; and from Stage 3, Saige and Bella. Congratulations to our finalists!

A special thank you to our judges—

Ms. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Buckton, Mrs. Roberts, and Miss Smith—for their time and support in evaluating the students' presentations.

We wish Liara, Jade, Saige, and Bella the best of luck as they prepare for the regional Public Speaking finals on June 26. We are confident they will represent our school with pride!







# THANK YOU TO OUR RECYCLING CREW

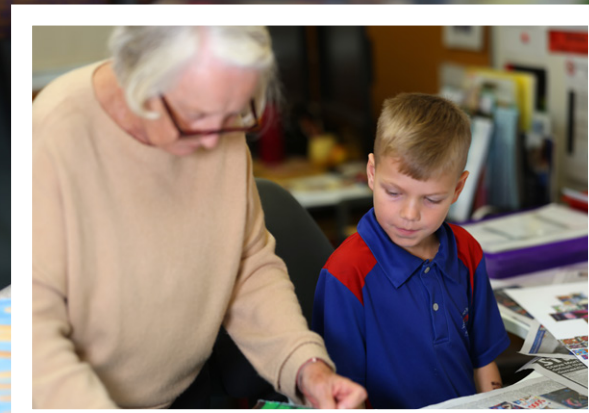
One of our ECO initiatives is to reduce waste is the paper recycling program that operates across the school. Students in 4N collect paper waste from every classroom each week. Here are Josh and Jack collecting recycling from the library. They put the waste into the school recycling bin where it is collected by Central Coast Council. The boys said that it is a fun job and it helps the school.



OUR STUDENTS ENJOY DOING ARTS AND CRAFTS. THE LORAX “SPEAKS FOR THE TREES”.z



# I WONDER WHAT IS HAPPENING HERE?





# VALUE OF THE MONTH

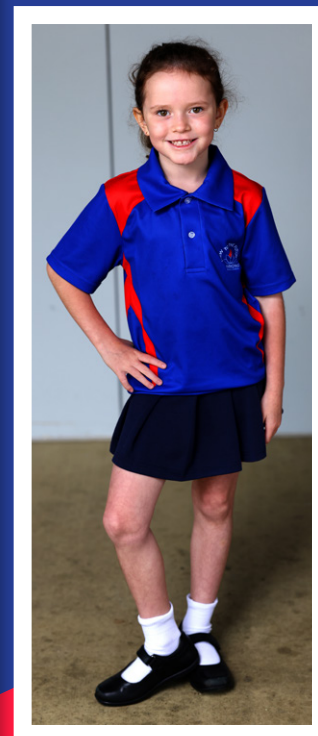






# Summer Uniform

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**