STAR 104.5 and Crazy Hair Day

What a fabulous morning! It was terrific seeing so many children participate in the activities. Jackson and Jemma did a fine job of reading the weather and the children looked amazing with their crazy hair. Many thanks to our wonderful P&C who provided a sausage sizzle for everyone and for the many teachers who arrived early and helped with supervision. A great day! Thankyou for the gold coin donation for the Cancer Council – over $500 was raised.

2014 International Competitions & Assessments or Schools (ICAS)

All students in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 are invited to participate in the 2014 Computer Skills, Science, Spelling, Writing, English and or Mathematics Competitions. The International Competitions and Assessments for Schools provide an opportunity for all students to gain a measure of their own achievement in an external assessment situation. Please do not feel that you have to enter your child. The tests are completed at school during school hours. The tests are usually between 45 and 75 minutes duration. If interested please complete the form at the end of the newsletter. The forms are also available on the website. Entry closing date 3rd April.

NAPLAN Dates Year 3 and Year 5

For those of you who like to be organised with your diary, here are the NAPLAN dates for 2014:

Tuesday 13th May – Thursday 15th May

Volunteering

We really appreciate the fact that so many people volunteer at our school. This is a reminder that it is essential that you first sign the register, kept at the front office, indicating your arrival and departure times. This documentation is vital especially if there is an emergency or accident whilst you are on school grounds. If you have not volunteered previously a Child Protection Form needs to be completed. These are available from the office and are kept on file.

Expression of Interest form for Year 6 students

Year 6 students have received an information guide and Expression of Interest form for High School this term. The guide gives parents information about the different types of government secondary schools to help parents decide which school they would like their child to attend. The Expression of Interest form needs to be completed with preferences for placement of your child in a Year 7 government school. Please return the Expression of Interest to school by Friday 21 March 2014.

Selective High Schools Placement Test

The Selective High Schools Placement Test will be held on 13 March, 2014. If your Year 6 child is sitting the Selective High Schools Test, you should receive advice about the location of the test soon. For practice tests, visit:


Traffic Matters

A reminder that the upper staff carpark gates in Truscott Ave will be closed from 2.50pm to 3.10pm daily to keep our children safe and away from moving cars. Please, unless you hold a current parking permit, do not use the staff only carparks.

Vicki Redrup
**Low Waste Day**

Next Wednesday 5th March, KPS students will be participating in Low Waste Day. This initiative aims to develop a greater awareness for students and parents to minimise waste through reducing and reusing. Please encourage your child to bring in their recess and lunch with little or no packaging.

**Ms Glare**

**J & E Piano & Keyboard lessons - ANNOUNCEMENT**

Due to unforeseen circumstances, J & E Piano keyboard lessons that are held Friday mornings in the TLA will not take place for the remainder of Term 1. Those who have already paid will be automatically credited for whole of Term 2. J & E Piano apologise for the inconvenience caused.

**Awards**

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School Banking Winners this week are: **Sarah B. from 6R & Poppy F. from 1M**


**Kariong Ticks!** Year 2 teachers would like to thank all of the wonderful parents who helped to move the student’s school bags out of the rain, which was pouring into COLA on Wednesday afternoon, while we were doing aerobics in the hall.
Dear Parents and Caregivers.

Change and loss are issues all of us face at some stage in our lives. At Kariong Public School we recognise that when changes occur in families through death, separation, divorce or related circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful education program called Seasons for Growth. This program is facilitated in small groups and is based on research that highlights the importance of social support and the need to practice new skills to cope effectively with change and loss. The program focuses on issues such as self-esteem, managing feelings, problem solving, decision-making, effective communication and support networks.

Seasons for Growth runs for eight weeks and each weekly session is 40-50 minutes. The program concludes with a ‘celebration’ session. Later in the year each group will have the opportunity to meet for two further sessions to build on their earlier learning.

Seasons for Growth will commence in Term 2. If you think your son or daughter would benefit from Seasons for Growth, we would encourage you to talk to him/her about this. Should he/she decide to participate, please fill in the form attached and return to the office. Please also include a brief reason for participation e.g. divorce, separation, death etc.

For more information on Seasons for Growth, please go to the KPS website and click on the link.

Kariong Public School is pleased to be able to offer this important program and we are confident that it will be a valuable learning experience for those who request to be involved.

Sue Gasper
Seasons for Growth Site Coordinator

I ______________________________ give consent for my son/daughter ______________________________ to attend the Seasons for Growth program. I have discussed this with him/her.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ______________________________ Child’s Signature: ______________________________

Reason for participation: __________________________________________

ICAS ENTRY APPLICATION
CLOSING DATE 7th APRIL 2014

I give permission for my child ____________________________________ of Class _______________ to participate in the following tests:

**Child's Date of Birth:** ___/___/_____

Does anyone in your home usually speak a language other than English: YES / NO

Signed ______________________________________________________ Date ______________________

**Parent/Guardian**

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Week 5

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Lazy Sunday Lunch with Ray - The Boss Wilson - Sun 23 March
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McMurphy - Sun 30 March

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CENTRAL COAST CHINESE SCHOOL
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