Principal’s Report

Welcome back to a very exciting term. Mrs Britt is now teaching 3/4T and Mrs Chivers has returned from maternity leave as our school counsellor. We only have nine weeks this term and it will be very busy with so many different activities happening throughout the term.

ANZAC DAY

Congratulations to our school captains, Jackson and Jemma, who represented our school at the Gosford Anzac Day March and Service. They were outstanding ambassadors and marched with great pride. Congratulations also to Kariong PS students who were marching with their scouting groups.

Reports

Semester One reports will be handed out at the end of this term. Please be aware the Semester One report reflects your child’s progress from the beginning of the year to Term 2 Week 4. Parent Interviews will be held during the last two weeks of term.

The Common Grade Scale (Outstanding, High, Sound, Basic or Limited) is used by teachers to report student levels of achievement from Kindergarten to Year 6. Your child’s overall achievement is based on ongoing assessments.

As you are aware this year we have been implementing the new English syllabus. This will mean there will be a change to the way we report in English. The new English syllabus is quite different to the old one. There is now an increased emphasis on the teaching of literature through clearly defined content and text requirements. This includes teaching of contextual knowledge, comprehension, and thinking and reflecting skills and processes. General text requirements have been included to ensure students experience a range of print, spoken, visual, digital and multimedia texts. The content is reorganised in a K-10 continuum which clearly defines process and skill development.

Value of the Month

The value we will be focusing on at school during the month of May is Responsibility. We will be encouraging students to understand that as individuals we make choices about the way we speak and act towards others.

School Cross Country

Good luck to all students who will be participating in the school cross country next Wednesday. The cross country will finish about lunch time and it is expected all children will return to school. Parents are not encouraged to take their child home after the cross country as it is extremely difficult for teachers to teach their normal lessons in the afternoon if they have a lot of children absent from class.

Kariong Somersby Rotary Club

A huge thank you to Kariong Somersby Rotary Club for sponsoring our ‘Seasons for Growth’ program. This program is an extremely worthwhile program and supports children at our school. The ‘Seasons for Growth’ program started this week and will run for the whole term. Mrs Gasper is coordinating and organising the program.

Vicki Redrup
National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

In May, NAPLAN will be completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9. NAPLAN will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools. The tests will be conducted across Australia on the same days for all students.

- Tuesday 13 May: Language Conventions (40 minutes) and Writing (40 minutes)
- Wednesday 14 May: Reading (45 minutes – Year 3 and 50 Minutes – Year 5)
- Thursday 15 May: Numeracy (45 minutes – Year 3 and 50 Minutes – Year 5)
- Friday 16 May is a 'catch-up' day for any student absent on the above dates.

NRMA Science & Road Safety Day – Monday 5th May at 2:25pm in the School Hall - Parent Workshop

Kariong Public School will be hosting an NRMA Science & Road Safety Day, a new road safety program delivered by NRMA Motoring & Services as part of its commitment to road safety. Kariong PS was chosen to take part in this free program that will visit 100 schools across NSW and ACT and educate 40,000 students.

This program looks at road safety from a science perspective so that children better understand the forces that act on humans when in motion so that road safety messages such as “Wear your seatbelt” or “Wear your bike helmet” become more relevant.

Parents play a vital road in keeping their children safe and as such are invited to a workshop where we will review the key road safety messages that were covered on the day and also learn more about what parents can do to keep their children safe on the road.

David Pham. Motoring Education Officer - NRMA Motoring & Service
Application for Opportunity Class Placement in Year 5 in 2015

Parents are required to submit an application for Opportunity Class Placement by 16 May 2014. Generally students are in Year 4 in 2014 when applying for Year 5 entry in 2015. Parents of students currently enrolled in a NSW public school with access to the internet, a printer and their own email address (not the student’s) should apply for Opportunity Class Placement online by going to this internet website: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement.

Online applications opened on Monday 28 April 2014. All other applicants must complete an official printed application form. Late applications will not be accepted after the closing date of 16 May 2014 except in areas where there is a shortage of suitable candidates.

Application packages are available at the school.

Sickbay Clothing

We are hoping for donations of size 10+ shorts, shirts, girls tunics please for our spare clothing pool in the school sickbay. If you have any spare items in these sizes that you no longer require we would be greatly appreciative! Also, urgently required are size 4-8 girls’ underwear.

Kariong Public School Office Staff

School Banking Notice

School banking for next week – Wednesday, 7 May - will not be taking place as the school Cross Country Carnival is being held that day. Banking will resume as normal for students the following week on May 14.

P&C News

The Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 8th May. All presents are $5. Presents will also be available in the courtyard before school on Friday 9th May (for last minute purchases).

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School Banking Winners this week are: Amy W. from KH & Sarah R. from 5N
2014 CENTRAL COAST BAKE OFF
PERISHABLE COOKING COMPETITION

On the day registration;
Present completed entry form on Friday 27th May prior to 10:30am.
Entries must be sent in on the appropriate forms.
All exhibits must be delivered ready for judging and be accompanied by the entry fee.
Entries: Lesley Dyer...Cookery Stewart... cook@peachy.com

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Jumbo Car Boot Market
Saturday 5 April 2014
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