Welcome back!

Welcome back everyone to another busy but very exciting Term at Kariong PS! During the mid-year break four of our classrooms had brand new carpet laid and a substantial section of our bottom playground has been fitted with artificial turf, which should be ready to use by next week.

Composer’s Workshop for Choir students

Good luck to the 21 choir members who are going to Mingara on Monday afternoon. They are going to attend a workshop with one of the Australian composers, who wrote four of the songs they are going to sing in the Choral Festival, later in the year. These songs are: Always Remember, Angels, Start the Engine and Go for Broke. They have enjoyed learning these songs and are looking forward to developing their skills further.

Staff Development Day

Thank you to all parents and carers for making alternate arrangements for your child/children on Monday. Our Professional Development Day was very successful. Doctor Loretta Giorcelli was an inspirational speaker and I have noted already teachers using some of her strategies in classrooms.

Footsteps Dance Program

The Footsteps Dance program commenced for all K - Year 4 students last Wednesday. Students received a note regarding payment for this activity last term and all payments are now due in. Please collect another note from the office or download it from our website if necessary to finalise payment before next Wednesday.

Peer Support

Our Year 6 students completed two days of Peer Support Training last term and had their first peer support lesson on Thursday. They are very excited about their role as Peer Support Leaders within the school and are looking forward to working with their respective peer support groups on a regular basis.

Education Week Activities

Kariong Mountains Learning Community ‘Day of Excellence’: 29th July

Parents and community members are invited to attend the Kariong Mountains Learning Community ‘Day of Excellence’ at Kariong Mountains High School in the school hall. There will be performances from a number of students from Somersby PS, Peats Ridge PS, Kulnura PS, Central Mangrove PS, Kariong PS and Kariong Mountains High School. Our choir and senior dance groups will be performing. The performance starts at 11.30am.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting is on Monday 20 July. All parents are welcome to attend. We have a great P&C that works extremely hard to support our students and programs throughout the school. Please see the attached calendar for Term 3 dates and information about our 2016 Kindergarten students.

Vicki Redrup
Musica Viva

The sounds of the Australian Spirit will be performed by Jacana on Tuesday 21 July in the School Hall. If you would like your child to attend please forward your payment of $8.00 to the School office prior to Tuesday. Thank you.

NAIDOC Celebrations

NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced to the emergence of Aboriginal groups in the 1920’s which sought to increase awareness in the wider community of the status and treatment of Indigenous Australians.

The National NAIDOC Committee announced the 2015 National NAIDOC theme -We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate. This highlights Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples’ strong spiritual and cultural connection to land and sea.

Next Friday KPS will be embracing, celebrating and paying our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievements. This is an opportunity to recognise the contributions that Indigenous Australians make to our country and our society.

Please encourage your child to wear the colours of red, yellow, black, green, white or blue as it will be a Mufti Day. Everyone is welcome to join us at Friday’s morning assembly for a short presentation and sing-a-long. Students will also be participating in rotational activities throughout the day.

Ms Glare

NSW Premier’s Sporting Challenge

Our school is participating in the 2015 NSW Premier’s Primary School Sporting Challenge again this year. The purpose of the Challenge is to encourage students to participate in sport, games and physical activity and to have more students, more active, more often!

During Term 3 Kariong Public School will be monitoring all physical activity undertaken during class time, at recess and lunch as well as during sport. What the children do outside school hours will also count towards the Challenge.

Each student has received their Challenge log book from their teacher and should be recording their physical activity each week. The total for each class is tallied each week and recorded on the Premier’s Sporting Challenge website.

For more information on the Premier’s Sporting Challenge please visit www.schools.nsw.edu.au/psc

Mrs Berge & Mrs Rayner
Education Week

Week 3 is School Education Week! Kariong Public School has a number of events running throughout the week to showcase the fantastic things our staff and students are doing. All parents are invited to watch our school choir and dance groups perform in the school hall at 11.45pm on Thursday 30 July. We are also having an open classroom session from 12pm to 1pm for all classes across K-6. All parents and caregivers are invited into their child’s classroom to see what they have been learning and take part in their child’s classroom activities. The canteen is organising a special lunch on the day (information will be sent home next week) and we are hoping parents will be able to stay and have lunch with their child/children. We ask all parents and carers to leave their child at school after lunch as all students are involved in peer support groups and will need to be there.

Surf Lifesaving Visit to KPS

On Tuesday 14 July our school was visited by Mr Styant, a volunteer surf lifesaver and parent. He brought along with him a rescue vehicle and Jet Ski. The students were provided with a very informative talk and display of rescue equipment and procedures. Thank you Mr Styant.

Silver PBL Award Recipients

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Week 1 School Banking winners

| Jake D. | Harry E. |

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Trivia Night

Where: Kariong Scout Hall
When: Saturday 16th July 2013
Time: 6.30pm
Theme: Christmas in July
Cost: $15 per person (maximum 10 per table)
Prizes: Winning table, lucky door and much more!
BYO. Nibbles and drinks

“**This is an over 16’s event**”

All money raised on the night will go towards our 1st Kariong Scouts attending the 2016 Jamboree!

Please call or SMS to book your table.
We will need your team name and contact person details.
Nikki: 0421 503 161
Louise: 0413 308 321

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Kariong Public School P&C Association
Meets 3rd Monday of the month.
Parents and community members welcome to attend.

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School Security: Toll free 24 hours 1300 880 021

For copies of school notes and newsletter issues past and present, go online to:
www.kariong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

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J&B DANCE

Now Enrolling for Term 3

Classes held straight after school and at the following locations:
St Patricks Primary School
Terrigal Basket Ball Stadium
Kariong Public School / Progress Hall
Kincumber Public School
Woy Woy South School
Umina Public School
Valley View Public School
Niagara Park Public School

www.JBDance.com.au / To Secure Your Spot, Please Call 0401473457 or Email jessie@jbdance.com.au

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016 KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

SCHOOL TOUR and MORNING TEA with the DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Date: Tuesday, 4 August 2015
Time: 9:30am – 10:00am - School Tour
      10:00am – 10:30am - Morning Tea with Deputy Principal
Where: School Hall

The School Tour is designed for new families starting at our school in 2016.

2016 KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION MORNING

Date: Tuesday, 8 September 2015
Time: 9:30am – 11:00am
Where: School Hall

Children starting in 2016 will be able to join in a variety of activities in the Kindergarten rooms while parents attend an information session in the Hall.

KARIONG PUBLIC SCHOOL EARLY BIRD PROGRAM

A three week transition program will be available for children who will be attending Kariong PS in 2016. Children will be able to attend a two hour session once a week on either a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. The students will attend on the same day each week. Please contact the school to confirm your participation in the preferred days listed below:

Monday dates: 12, 19 and 26 October 2015
Tuesday dates: 13, 20 and 27 October 2015
Wednesday dates: 14, 21 and 28 October 2015
Thursday dates: 15, 22 and 29 October 2015

Time: 8:50am to 10:50am

Please register for any of the above dates with the School Office on 4340 1885. When registering for the Early Bird Program, please collect an information letter for your preferred days.