



Term 4 Week 5

Thursday 6th November 2014

My name is Braidy. I took Gibson home to stay at my house in Tintinhull. We watched T.V. and I showed him my pets. I dressed him and we had dinner. I brushed his teeth and read his book to him. We sang the alphabet song. I love Gibson and I am going to miss him.



### KLR welcome Gibson Gorilla to their class.

At the end of every day the children help Gibson pack his pyjamas, dressing gown, hat, story book and tooth brush into his very own back pack. He then heads home with a different child each night for a new adventure.

Children record their adventures through writing and pictures in his book and present it to the class the following morning.

The children have really enjoyed having Gibson and can't wait for their turn to take him home.



My name is Addyson. Gibson and I had so much fun. He even helped me do my homework. We brushed our teeth and I read him his story. He shared my pillow. He didn't even snore. I hope he enjoys all his sleepovers with his friends.



Gibson came to my house for 3 sleeps. We played together and watched T.V. On Saturday we went to my nan and pops house for the day and Gibson had so much fun. And we brushed our teeth and read our story. I loved having Gibson and will miss him so much. Colbie



Hello my name is Joshua. I took Gibson to the pool and Gibson watched me swim. Then we came home and we had dinner and brushed his teeth. Then I got him dressed in his pyjamas.



Gibson came home with Angus. Gibson held the red fork and tried my 2 minute noodles. Gibson slept in my bed.

### Student of the Month Zane Hyson

Zane has been nominated for this award as he is a pleasure to have in and outside the classroom. Zane demonstrates a considerate and thoughtful nature and is always willing to help out anyone and everyone. He works hard in all curriculum areas and is making fantastic progress. Zane demonstrates fantastic manners and is always sensible. He also demonstrates all of the qualities that our school expects and is a perfect role model to all students. Zane takes pride in himself and our school at all times and wears his uniform with pride. We love seeing his beautiful smile everyday. Congratulations Zane.



### Student of the Month Emily Nicholls

Emily is a cooperative student who respects both her teachers and her peers. She is a diligent student who works hard to improve her knowledge and understanding in all areas of the curriculum. Emily always wears her school uniform with pride and takes great pride in her school.



Emily fulfils her responsibilities both within the classroom and the school. She is eager to undertake extra curricular activities and is always willing to assist when she can. Emily is polite and courteous to others, always listening carefully and asking thoughtful questions. She follows class and school rules and is a positive role model for other students. Congratulations Emily.



### Gold Awards

William Morris and Georgia Ford

### Silver Awards

Byron Lees, William Morris, Wade Holden, Reba Ramage, Zachary Parkes, Madison Pollard, Joed Humphris-Castle, Leah Khan, Natasha and Charmaine Grant



### Important Dates to Remember Term 4 2014

**Friday 7th Nov** - Official opening of Multi-Purpose Court and Red Food Day

**Monday 10th Nov** - School Captain Nominee Speeches

**Tuesday 11th Nov** - Remembrance Day

**Wednesday 12th Nov** - Kindy 2015 Orientation Morning

**Tuesday 25th Nov** - P & C Meeting 6:30pm in Library

**Wednesday 3rd December** - Presentation Night at 7pm



**Kindy 2015**  
**Orientation Morning**  
**Wednesday 12th**  
**November**  
**9:30am to 11:30am**



### Uniform Awards

Erica-Lee Eyles, Bryan Zhong, Harrison Witten, Jaeda Symons,  
 Matthew Kenny, Georgia Holcombe-Nancarrow

### Selective Schools Online entries

Peel High School Selective Class 2016

Peel High School – the only local co-educational Selective school provider in the Tamworth district would like to inform parents of current Year 5 students that registration for Year 7, 2016 is now open online. For registration details to sit the Selective Schools exam go to the Peel High School website @ [www.peel-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.peel-h.schools.nsw.edu.au) and follow the selective schools link.

### Weekly Bronze Awards

Should you require assistance please contact us on 67657 088.

Coby Hobden, Erica-Lee Eyles - Improved counting skills

Isabelle Marsh - Being a responsible and reliable class leader

Zoe Reid - Settling well into her new class and school

Ty Allen - Working hard during reading groups

Shania Coppola-Smith - Showing persistence in learning new mathematics skills

Crystal Van Maanen - Demonstrating solid work habits

Ashley Hill - Excellent homework efforts

William Siemsen - Improved spelling results

Megan Johnson - A wonderful class citizen

Joshua Deasey - Becoming more tolerant towards others

Megan Bubb - Friendly student

Savannah Barber - Excellent bookwork

Louise Smith - Showing initiative when learning resulting in fantastic work

Brae Wilson - Showing confidence and persistency when completing new tasks

Macey Wilson - Displaying a positive attitude towards learning

Luke Goodhand - Being a great classroom helper and taking pride in his work

Mitchell Worth and Chenoa Siemsen - Demonstrating dramatic ability

Emmielle Kingdom and Shianne Spurway - Effort with Government project

Grace Sheridan, Elly Chapple and Tameka Frewen - A great HSIE project

Riley Reid - Settling well into his new school

Alexander Cracknell and Macey Holden - Wonderful volunteering during week 3



### Anzac Day 2015 Competition

A once in a lifetime opportunity to be at Gallipoli next Anzac Day. You can win a trip for two to Istanbul and Gallipoli in April 2015 by visiting the Australia in the Great War Facebook and just clicking to enter.

Competition closes 11 November 2014 so hurry to enter.

Anzac day 2015 will be a special time as we commemorate 100 years since the Gallipoli landing and being there will be an amazing experience.

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### Silver Assembly Awards - Thursday 30th October

Leah Khan - Excellent academic performance and application  
 Naomi Maybury - Pleasing academic achievement and application

Angus Frewen - Improved writing skills

Wade Holden - Contributing more in class activities

Grace Callaghan - Being a confident learner

Maverick Ramage - Being an absolute delight to teach

Tyler Flemming - Being a confident learner

Lillie Walker - Confident participation in Reader's Theatre activities

Beau Robertson - Good problem solving skills in Science and Technology

Isabella Vernon - Commitment to bookwork

Montana Winter - Excellent reading habits

Jaeda Symons - Consistent work habits

William Heeney - Working hard to improve reading

Georgia DeBelle - Scary and terrific writing on a haunted house

James Grant - Excellent manners and happy to lend a hand

Hannah Turner-Bourke - Amazing short story on "Rose the Devil"

Brendan Jarrett - Always being kind to others and a happy helper

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Charmaine Grant - Helpful in the classroom  
 Guransh Makhija - Effort in all learning areas  
 Dyllan Thomas - Effort in writing  
 Ebony Phillpott - Contributes to class discussion  
 Kate Hatcher - Consistent effort in all learning areas  
 Victoria Webb - Consistent work habits  
 Archie Crofts and Lexy Simpson-Craig - Pleasing effort in the classroom



## Mrs Cracknell's Message

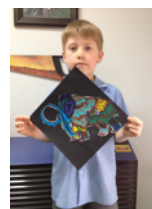
What a wonderful assembly our Kindergarten class hosted last Thursday. All students obviously practised their lines! Congratulations also to 4/5M and Miss Magann on their performance. Your performance was particularly poignant and delivered a message to both adults and children alike. Congratulations to Zane Hyson and Emily Nicholls our *Students of the Month*. You are both deserved awardees of this prestigious award.



Our 1CR class has been working very well on their handwriting. Our students have improved so much Mrs Chegwyn and Mrs Richards just had to let me know. Congratulations to Kobi Murray, Alexander Frewen, Joseph Barber, Connor Corbett, Darcy Harris, Joey Hyson, Sophie Howard, Georgia Ford and Emma Jarrett. Keep up the wonderful work!



Tyler Flemming of class 2M has a flair for art. I was particularly impressed with his colourful mammoth that I had to include it in my window wall of art. Thank you Tyler for sharing and allowing me to display your work in my window.



On Monday I had the pleasure of announcing our candidates for the 2015 School Captain election. Congratulations to Toby Taggart, Guransh Makhija, Jack Howard, Emily Nicholls, Chloe Bayes, Ebony Phillpott, Shianne Spurway, Chenoa Siemsen, Emily Deasey, Shanae Roach, Isabella Johnston, Emily Hayne and Brooklyn Walsh. I wish all our students the best of luck for their speech delivery next Monday and the voting that will take place immediately after. Invitations have been sent to all parents of our candidates inviting them to come to the speeches. I invite all other interested community members to hear our 2015 School Captain candidate speeches on Monday at 9.30am in the school's hall.



## The Star Cafe

Canteen will be open 2nd break

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE ONLY FOR LUNCH ORDERS**

**Spiders \$1.00** (will be available from the canteen during 1st break)

**Mixed Lolly bag - \$1.00** (available 1st and 2nd break)

### Volunteers Roster for Term 4

Friday 7th November	Yvette Dow
Friday 14th November	Shelly Watts
Friday 21st November	Lauren Witten
Friday 28th November	Nadine Frewen
Friday 5th December	Shelly Watts
Friday 12th December	Yvette Dow and Noni Kasch

Georgette Coppola - Canteen Manager

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## Mrs Cracknell's Message

We are currently in the throes of developing our School Plan for the next three year planning cycle. All students who receive a newsletter, last week received a letter with a school planning diagram on the back. This diagram is to assist families in identifying their hopes and dreams for their children and Kootingal Public School. I urge all families to consider providing their thoughts and suggestions on this diagram. I have placed the diagram survey on our school website at <http://www.kootingal-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>. It is located in the Latest News and Features section of our homepage. Families are able to click on the link in the article and it will allow them to complete the diagram survey electronically. This makes it extremely easy with emailing as a submission option as well. If you would like support in completing the survey or would like to seek clarification, please contact the school on 6760 3332. Closing date for submissions is Friday 15th November.

There are times during the school year that children cannot attend school. Most absences, whilst are best avoided, are necessary for the family. We are endeavouring to initiate a roll monitoring program where these absences do not count on your child's record. Absences for reasons such as: medical (whooping cough, measles, specialist appointments etc), exceptional circumstances (sporting representation, floods, funerals, unavoidable family holidays, etc) apply here. To ensure this exemption is granted the Department of Education and Communities has requested that the school (Principal, classroom teacher or office staff) be informed of the absence beforehand. For this reason, I have placed an electronic version of the Application for Exemption form on our school website. It is located under Our School > Attendance and Absences. Here you are able to complete the necessary sections electronically, print and return to school. This may assist those families that find it difficult to come into school and apply in person. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the school for more information.

This Friday, 7th November, Kootingal Public School and the P&C are hosting the official opening of the multipurpose sports court. Our ceremony will commence at 11.20am by the side of the court. The P&C are hosting a Red Food Day in conjunction with the canteen. This will be a wonderful way in which to thank our wonderful contributors to our sports court as well as enjoy a yummy sausage sizzle. Bring your money for the spider drinks as well!

I would also like to encourage our parents and community members to talk to our children about stranger danger. Amid recent reports of suspicious activities around surrounding school communities, we at Kootingal Public School are doing our best to educate our students in stranger danger. Please discuss with our children the need to be safe in groups of children walking to and from school and not talking to unknown people or accepting invitations of transport. It is imperative we keep our children safe and educate them in stranger danger.

## Kootingal Sherpa Kids

### HEY Kids, are you into a good mystery?

Do you see yourself as a budding spy & like to dabble in forensic activities? You do?? Brilliant!

On Wednesday 12th November, the Sherpa Kids Spy School needs your help. We would like to invite the kids & their parents from Kootingal & surrounding schools to join in a search & help solve the mystery of the stolen Afternoon Tea. For more information please keep an eye out this week for the note with the magnifying glass on it. Looking forward to seeing you all there. For information on bookings & enrolments please call Vicky on 0481 364 554

## P & C News

A big thank you to Cath Bubb, Tara Dunn, Jenny Caslick, Cara and Scott Cracknell, Matt Barber, Vicky Loftus, Nicole Chegwyn and Anne Doak for volunteering at the Bunnings BBQ on Sunday 2nd November. We raised approximately \$578.

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### Banking Prizes

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