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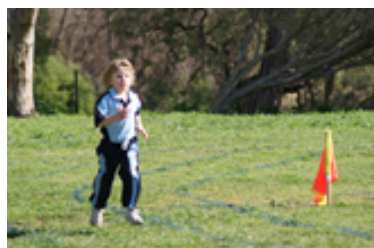


Term 3 Week 6

Thursday 20th August 2015

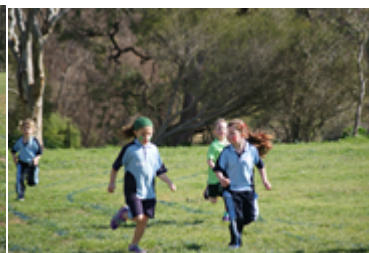
At the Athletics Carnival I did the high jump. I am in Wilson. We cheered for the teams. We did novelties. When I got home I was very puffed. I was very fast. The Athletics Carnival was great. By Menno	On Friday we had the Athletics Carnival. I am in Wilson. I did age races. We did discus. I did shot put. My favourite thing was the age race. I felt happy but I was puffed out. By Liam	On Friday I played long jump and I'm in Gill. I like high jump and I cheered. I got tired. By Angela	At the Athletics Carnival I did high jump and I did long jump. Then I did shot put. Then I did discus. I liked high jump. Then I did long jump. Then I was puffed out. By Toby
At the Athletics Carnival I ran fast. By Tyler	On Friday I did high jump. I am in Wilson. By Molly	At the Athletics Carnival I did shot put and running. By Deakan	I am in Gill. I did running. By Jackson
On the Athletics Carnival I ran. I am in Dwyer. I did shot put and had lots of fun.	On Friday I ran fast. I am in Gill. By Cooper	At the Athletics Carnival I did novelties and I nearly did it. By Lily	On Friday I did high jump. I am in Dwyer. By Isabelle

Gold Awards
Brendan Jarrett



KLW

I like running. By Xavier



On Friday I loved running and shot put. By Billy	At the sports carnival I did high jump. I am in Dwyer. I ran as fast as I could. I cheered for my friends. By Hope	I am in Dwyer. I did novelties. I did my age race. I cheered for my teams and I did shot put. I did high jump and I did long jump. I came second. By Sophie	At the sports carnival I ran in my age race and did shot put. I had fun and when I got home I was tired. By Riley
On Friday I won the two hundred metres race and I did novelties in the afternoon. My favourite was the egg and spoon race. By Emily	On Friday we went to the Athletics Carnival. I did my age race. I did novelties. My favourite one was the tunnel. I did a race in the blue lines. By Raymond	At the athletics last Friday I came second on my last race. I did shot put and raced. I did have fun. I like the athletics. By Damien	On Friday I went to the sports carnival and I ran to the finish line and I came second. I did long jump and I landed good. By Cameron
At the Athletics Carnival I did shot put and novelties. By Tahnae			

Silver Awards
Madison Pollard, Jordana Winter, Louise Smith, Mitchell Worth and Georgia Madden



Uniform Awards
Lily Shiels, Lochlan Muller, Brenden Thompson, Isabella Walker, Jade Nicholls, Kelsey Burrell, Breeanna Howard and Kayla Jenner



Important Dates to Remember Term 2 2015

Friday 21st August - KPS Jump Off yrs 3 - 6
Wednesday 26th August - Kindergarten 2016 Come and Try
Thursday 27th August - Grandparents Day, Open Classrooms, Book Fair, Assembly
Friday 28th August - North West Regional Athletics
Wednesday 2nd September - Kindergarten 2016 Come and Try
Thursday 3rd September - Father's Day Stall
Friday 11th September - Regional Spelling Bee at Quirindi Public

Executive Team - Principal - Cara Cracknell
Assistant Principal - (Kinder to Year 2) - Nicole Chegwyn (Mon - Wed) and Kirsty Lawrence (Thur - Fri)
Assistant Principal (Yr 3 to 6) - Anne Doak

P & C Executive

President: Lauren Witten Vice President - Cath Bubb
Secretary: Vanessa Johnson
Treasurer: Scott Cracknell and Jelka Schurink (Canteen)

Weekly Bronze Awards



Damien Nicholls - Wonderful work with rhyming words
 Lily Shiels - Always listening and participating well during Music class
 Liam Jarrett - Participating and knowledgeable responses during Music lessons
 Angela Baker - A keen participant during Music lessons
 Addyson Vernon - Helpful attitude to others
 Elloise Sharpham - Improved handwriting
 Angus Frewen - Working well in all Key Learning Areas
 Colbie Butler - Greater application to all activities
 Shania Coppola-Smith and Cody Turner-Bourke - Consistent effort within the classroom
 Aaleyah Atkins and Ayisha Mason-Fernando - Always listening and completing tasks
 Luke Sydenham - Having excellent behaviour in the classroom
 Jessica Wheatley - Persistence in sketching analogue clocks
 Tyler Flemming - Demonstrating a good understanding of time
 Bodin Wallace - Being a hard worker with the ability to work independently
 Ally Higgins - Effort and ability in Art
 Tianna Urquhart - Effort in the presentation of bookwork
 Janeen Wadwell - Being a helpful and responsible classroom helper
 Harry Fields-Waddington - Making an effort to improve the neatness of his bookwork
 Finley Wallace - Dedication to homework and striving to do his best
 Chloe van Maanen - Being an excellent helper in class
 Brendan Jarrett - Excellent bookwork and outstanding organisation skills
 Luke Goodhand - Excellent results in Mathematics, position, compass work
 Emmielle Kingdom - Being an independent reliable worker
 Breeanna Howard - Following directions well, exemplary behaviour
 Georgia DeBelle - Being an independent, reliable worker
 Riley Brown - Effort in learning spelling, being a great class helper
 Ashley Simmonds, Ebony Phillpott, Emily Merrick and Chenoa Siemsen - Great cooperative work in Science

Mrs Cracknell's Message

Last week was Rail Safety week and, on Wednesday, men from John Holland, the service that distributes ballast, sleepers and rail as required for maintenance and upgrading of the Country Rail Network system, visited our school to provide a talk with our students about rail safety. The 2015 Rail Safety Week campaign focussed on the message *Rail Safety: It's Everyone's Responsibility*. Sam and Tom from John Holland, presented a talk to our students about how to safely interact and live near a railway. Our community of Kootingal has a level crossing, as well as a rail siding. It is essential for our children to understand the importance of rail safety due to our community links with rail. It was highly entertaining with students completing the talk with a walk through of one of their maintenance vehicles. Thank you John Holland!

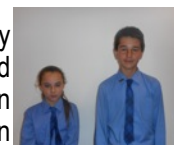
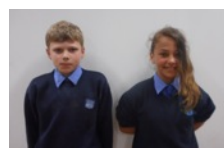


Congratulations to our students who competed as a part of the Kootingal Public School Athletics team at the Tamworth Zone Athletics carnival last Friday at the TRAC. It is with immense pride that I inform our community that we won the traditional March Past and the Ball Games! We also had wonderful performances by our students. The following students were successful in gaining selection to compete at the North West Athletics carnival to gain selection in the North West Team to compete at Homebush.

- Jack Howard – 100m and 200m
- Brendan Jarrett – Long jump
- Hannah Turner-Bourke – 800m
- Junior Girls Relay Team - Damikah Barwick-Taylor, Hannah Turner-Bourke, Ellie Caslick and Montana Winter



Well done to our students who competed in the Premier's Spelling Bee this week at school. There were 10 students from Stage 2 (years 3 and 4) and Stage 3 (years 5 and 6) who competed. The words in the Premier's Spelling Bee are tricky and a great degree of skill is required to remain calm and composed on the stage in front of peers. Congratulations to Finley Wallace (winner of Stage 2), Ellie Caslick (runner-up Stage 2), Darcy Simpson-Craig (winner Stage 3) and Jack Howard (runner-up Stage 4). Our winners will compete in the regional final at Quirindi Public School later in the term.



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This week, our school is participating in Jump Rope for Heart. The Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart has a longstanding history in Australia, proving to be one of our most popular physical activities. Our students participated in the Jump Off this week during their sport sessions. Thank you also to the Kootingal Public School P&C for their donation of \$200 to the Heart Foundation. Our students enjoy participating in physical activities and what better way to demonstrate our support for raising awareness of heart conditions than performing worthwhile physical exercise.

This week, we commenced our *Come & Try Program* for Kindergarten 2016. This year, we have changed the way in which our transition to school program is conducted. Our *Come & Try Program* during Term 3 has been designed for all children intending to enrol in Kindergarten in 2016, regardless of school. The Program is operating on Wednesday afternoons each week for part of Term 3 2015. A bus transports students attending from Kootingal and District PreSchool from 1:30pm and return the children by 3:15pm. Parents may wish, however, to bring their child at 1:30pm and collect them at 3:15pm. The program orientates children to school and to the Kindergarten setting, as well as developing social skills, gross and fine motor skills, literacy and numeracy skills necessary for a confident and smooth start to school life.

At the start of Term 4, our Kindergarten *Bright Stars Transition* program will commence. This program is designed for students intending to commence Kindergarten at Kootingal Public School. All days have been advertised throughout long day care and pre-school centres and through our normal means of communication. If you know of a family that has a child who may enrol in Kindergarten next year, please direct them to the school. We welcome parents and children to our school at any time to view our facilities and as a part of our transition program. As well, we would like to offer assistance in choosing a school and ensuring a sound start for each child.

I have had the pleasure this past week to have many students through my office proudly showing me their achievements. Congratulations to Finely Wallace, Luke Goodhand and Shannon Charters for their wonderful work in Mathematics. Our students constructed a pirate's compass and followed the directions of their Captain, Ms Cook, moving their compass so many degrees in either a clockwise or anti-clockwise direction. All students were very proud of their achievements.



KLW has been at it again with wonderful work. Well done to Toby Callaghan, Menno Wallace, Jackson Burton, Xavier Wadwell, Angela Baker, Emily Patton and Liam Jarrett on their construction of objects made from shapes. There were some interesting



ideas, but Menno's was quite peculiar describing his bird as disgusting! Great work KLW!

Mrs Morrish's class of 3M have been studying the close text of *Python* by Christopher Cheng. As a part of this unit, students have put together a project on their favourite snake. I must say, I was a little anxious looking at Harry Fields-Waddington's project because nothing is scarier than a large snake like a King Cobra. Harry's project was beautifully presented with lots of pictures to support his text. I would love to see more 3M!



Well done Braidy Cork of 1S! Braidy achieved 100% in his recent spelling test. He was absolutely delighted with his performance, as was I. Keep up the great work Braidy!



Next week we are celebrating Book Week, Education Week, National Literacy and Numeracy Week and Grandparents Day. I am exhausted just typing this! We have a timetable of events and it is again advertised in this week's newsletter. Please examine this timetable carefully so you don't miss any events. Thursday is our largest day with lots of activities for both parents and grandparents alike including our Book Fair, open classrooms, scavenger hunt activities, morning tea and an assembly. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Please note that all classrooms are locked of a morning. Classrooms are locked due to possible confidential material located in the rooms. If you wish to make an appointment with your child's teacher, please see our front office staff.

Our School Zone is designed to be an area where our students can safely cross the road. Our crossing is an unmanned crossing and requires greater vigilance by our driving community. I have instructed both staff and students that no one will cross the road until all traffic halts at the crossing. I have also instructed staff that they are not to walk onto the road to stop traffic, as they are not traffic wardens. It is imperative that we continue this message of safety within our community so our students can safely access our school site everyday.

Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update – Please Read

Concerns have been raised regarding the 'Cosmic Light Beam Torch' reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch.

Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program.

Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any 'Cosmic Light Beam Torches' their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a 'Cosmic Light Beam Torch' are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

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8am & 5pm - Denman Ave, Kootingal
10am - New Eng. Hwy, Moonbi

Education Week / Book Week/ National Literacy and Numeracy Week

August 22nd - 29th is Book Week

To celebrate the importance of books in our lives we are having a week jam-packed with activities for the students.

- **Monday 24th** - Announcement of the Book of the Year Award Winners at morning assembly. Teachers will then read one of their favourite books to another class.
- **Tuesday 25th** - 'Buddy Reading'
- **Wednesday 26th** - 'Reading Under the Covers' in the library. The library will be transformed into a huge cubby and each child will come with their class to read 'under the covers'. They will need to bring a pillow, a soft toy if they want, a torch and of course a book to read! What fun!!!!
- **Thursday 27th** - Open classrooms/ Assembly
 - 11.30 P & C morning tea for visitors
 - Book Fair open in library for visitors to browse
 - 12.10-Open Classrooms- Maths activity
 - 1.15 -Reading to grandparents/parents
 - Students to visit Book Fair
 - 1.40- Scavenger Hunt for children and visitors
 - Assembly at 2.15pm hosted by 2/3G with performances by KLW and 5R
- **Friday 28th** - Literacy and Numeracy Quiz for years 3-6
 - Kootingal Library visits for Years 1 & 2



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Invites all prospective 2016 Kindergarten students
to our

Bright Stars Transition Program

Come and Try Sessions
will be held on:

- Wednesday 19th August 1.30pm – 3.15pm
- Wednesday 26th August 1.30pm – 3.15pm
- Wednesday 2nd September 1.30pm – 3.15pm
- Wednesday 9th September 1.30pm – 3.15pm
- Wednesday 16th September 1.30pm – 3.15pm

(If attending without the Pre-School could you please register your interest by phoning the School)

Transition Days

(Only for students intending to attend Kootingal Public School in 2016)

- Tuesday 6th October 9.00am – 11.30am
- Wednesday 14th October 9am – 11.30am
- Thursday 22nd October 12.30pm – 3.00pm
- Friday 30th October 9.30am – 3.00pm
- Friday 13th November 9.30am – 3.00pm



Kindergarten Orientation Parent Information Morning

Friday 13th November 9.45am – 11.30am
In the School Hall

Book Fair - 20% of all Books

The books are supplied by Collins Bookstore Tamworth. **All books will be reduced by 20% off the recommended retail price.** Normally the school would take the 20% in profits but Mrs Doak has decided that she wants as many students as possible to have the opportunity to purchase a book. We understand that, for some, books are quite expensive.

The students had a preview today (Thursday) and have a "Wish List" to will home. They can use this to go shopping with next week at the Book Fair.

Don't forget that if you would like to donate a book to the library Mrs Doak would be more than happy to talk to you. Hope to see you all there!

The Star Cafe

Volunteer Roster for Term 3

Friday 21st August - Natasha Jacobson
Friday 28th August - Lizzy Steadman
Friday 4th September - Jayne Lees
Friday 11th September - Lauren Witten
Friday 18th September - Yvette Dow

Canteen Coordinator, Noni Kasch

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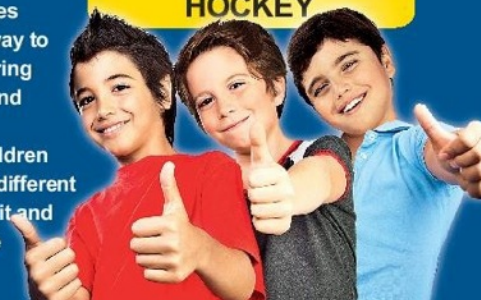
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