



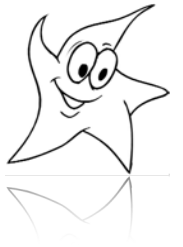
Kootingal Public School

# STAR NEWSLETTER

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Term 2 Week 2

Wednesday 4th May 2016



# 2M



**Merit Award**  
Jainah Grant



**Gold Award**  
Jainah Grant and  
Liam Jarrett



**Silver Awards**  
Jainah Grant, Matilda Lees,  
Byron Lees, Chloe Burch,  
Hope Clarke, Liam Jarrett,  
Ryley Marsh, Jack Witten,  
Cohen Parkes, Amity Cork,  
Elle Atkins  
and Megan Bubb



**Uniform Awards**

Menno Wallace,  
Chadrick Lang,  
Mikyla Phillpott,  
Taela McCahon,  
Keira Madden,  
Jaeda Symons,  
Logan Phillpott and  
Ella Howard



# WEEK 2



## Important Dates to Remember Term 2 2016

Thursday 5th May - P & C Mother's Day Stall - gifts \$5 each  
Friday 6th May - Zone Boys Touch Trials  
Tuesday 10th May to Thursday 12th May - NAPLAN - yrs 3 & 5  
Wednesday 11th May - Book Club due back to the front office  
Friday 13th May - Zone Girls Touch Trials  
Monday 16th May - ICAS Digital Technologies  
Tuesday 17th May - P & C Meeting, 6:30pm, school library  
Friday 20th May - Zone Netball Trials  
Wed 25th May - National Simultaneous Story Time at 11am  
Thursday 26th May - Assembly by 5C and item by 3SW

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

### P & C Executive

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

## Weekly Bronze Awards



Vanessa Holland - A big effort in reading groups  
 Letrell Allen - A big effort in presenting his news to the class  
 Chanel Stockdale - A big effort in story writing  
 Liam Symons - Working cooperatively in Mathematics groups  
 Damien Nicholls and Isabelle Aitken - Careful listening during visualisation activities  
 Joshua Thompson and Nate Symons - Settled start to the term  
 Amelia Clarke - Being a kind and helpful class member  
 Lilly Thomas - Great contributions to class discussions  
 Zac Hyson - Fantastic effort in Anzac art work  
 Darcy Harris - Great effort in Anzac art work  
 Madison Pollard - Effort in reading comprehension and BTN report  
 Joey Hyson - Having a positive start to a new term  
 Jeremy Clarke - Excellent contributions to class discussions  
 Daniel Worth - Effort in recount writing  
 Charlie Hartshorn - Settling in at Kootingal Public School  
 Sophie Howard - Excellent listening and positive contributions to class discussion  
 Jaeda Symons - Impressive writing skills  
 Megan Bubb - Improved writing skills  
 Isabelle Price - Having an outstanding idea to have solar powered drones delivering mail. Great participating Isabelle.  
 Alexander Cracknell - Great participation during class discussions  
 Tahlia Tull-Watkins - Learning to cooperate and share with others in a respectful way  
 Kelsey Burrell - Outstanding participation and effort when involved in extra sporting events  
 Isabella Vernon - Lovely manners at school  
 Natasha Grant - Citizenship, always happy to help others  
 Sophie Burrell - Great improvement in spelling  
 Taleah Pinnock and Georgia DeBelle - 100% accuracy in Term 1 revision spelling test

Clothing Pool will only  
 be open on:  
 Tuesday and  
 Wednesday mornings  
 9am to 9:30am

Please come to  
 the office.



## Mrs Cracknell's Message

Our P&C Mother's Day stall is this Thursday! A shop window was established in Mrs Chegwyn's and Ms Cook's office window for students to view the product selection. Parents and children are able to view the selection of goods for purchase both on our Facebook page and website (Gallery). All gifts are \$5 each. Students bring their money on the day of the stall.

This Monday, our Year 6 Student Representative Council members attended the latest GRIP Leadership conference in Tamworth. Mrs Ward and her students attended the interactive conference, which concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as school leaders and what they can do now. I am sure our students left the conference with lots of ideas about how they can demonstrate their leadership across Kootingal Public School. I am looking forward to hearing and seeing more in the coming weeks.



Our senior Girls Softball Team played Duri Public School earlier this week in the regional quarter finals. Although going down, our students were gallant in defeat and never gave up trying. They trained hard in the lead up to the game and served our school well. Thank you Ms Cook for providing this opportunity to our girls, and to Mrs Bubb for your support, encouragement and devotion. We will get them next year!

Congratulations to Xavier Wadwell of Year 1. Xavier has been working hard learning to recognise his numbers. He was working so well with Mrs Lawrence that he just had to show me. His wonderful friend, Tahnae Roberts, encouraged Xavier. It was such a wonderful sight. Keep up the great work boys!



Mrs Morrish's class of 2M has been at it again with outstanding work. I had the pleasure of Nate Symons, Amelia Clarke, Cooper Scott, Angus Frewen, Jessie Johnson, Mikyla Phillpott and Elloise Sharpham showing me their work and telling me all about the different types of sharks. They were all so proud of their accomplishments. Well done team!



Student Banking is a weekly activity that is performed by our P&C committee. It is a valuable resource to our community, where students learn the need for weekly savings, taking pleasure in delivering the banking envelopes to our front office area each Thursday morning. This term, Mrs Bubb, our Student Banking Coordinator, is coordinating a colouring-in competition. The Commonwealth Bank has donated wonderful prize packs. This competition is open to all students. All entries must be submitted to the front office by Thursday 19th May.



## Mrs Cracknell's Message

Next week, students in years 3 and 5 will be participating in the *National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy* (NAPLAN) over Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (10th – 12th May). Friday is held as a catch up day for those students absent during the scheduled testing days. All students are assessed using national tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. This is a worthy diagnostic assessment that provides an indication as to where your child is placed nationally within his or her year group and the areas of strength and improvement for your child. The school uses this information to address areas of need and inform our teaching and learning programs to better cater to our students. If any parent has any concerns over the NAPLAN assessment, please don't hesitate to contact the school. Good luck students.

Over the past two weeks, we have had the pleasure of Lila Watts, a work experience student from Tamworth High School. Lila has been working in our front office administration area. She is a devoted student and has worked extremely well in our school. Thank you Lila for considering our school as a work experience placement. We have thoroughly enjoyed your company and welcome you back at any time.

## CWA Country of Study Enrichment Group

Every Monday for the next 5 weeks I am providing an opportunity for students from Years 2-6 to participate in researching and completing a project about Mongolia, the CWA Country of Study for 2016. Each year we support our local CWA branch by participating in this initiative.

The group will be working during the first break in the school library, after students have finished eating their lunch. Please encourage your child to participate in this great learning opportunity. If you would like to know more, or how you can assist your child if they are interested, then feel free to contact me at school. The projects will be collected on Friday 17th June by the CWA.

Anne Doak, Relieving Assistant Principal/Teacher Librarian

### Banking - Thursday

10 banking deposits will gain a Commonwealth Banking prize.

Banking Co-Ordinator, Cath Bubb



### Commonwealth Bank Colouring in Competition

Colouring in sheets have been distributed in class.

(Please write your name on the back of your work for judging)

Due: **Thursday May 19<sup>th</sup>** to the front office.

Winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the next major assembly on Thursday May 26<sup>th</sup>.

## PBL News

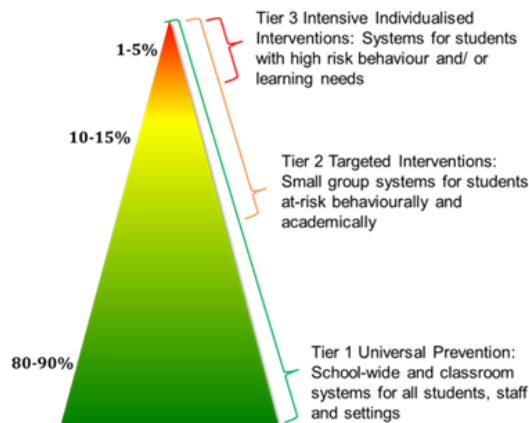
While we have changed some practices and systems in our school, we must ensure that we have the language of PBL embedded first. This is our focus for Term 2 and beyond. Below, we have the PBL continuum and how it applies to all students.

There are three tiers to interventions/systems applied within a school.

The aim of PBL is to establish school-wide systems that promote early intervention, and the teaching and acknowledging of social-emotional skills. PBL helps schools to develop consistent systems to discourage unproductive behaviour. This is Tier 1.

Tier 2 targeted support is a team driven process. It strengthens and builds upon what has been taught to students at the Tier 1 level. Some students, approximately 10-15 per cent, will respond to Tier 1 supports but will continue to exhibit some difficulties. These students may need additional support.

A smaller group of students, approximately 1-5 per cent, may need individualised and intensive Tier 3 supports as well as universal and targeted support. Schools will build upon the foundations of the school-wide system to support these students. Interventions focus on creating and implementing individualised behaviour support plans that are linked to the universal system.



As you can see, PBL is a very coordinated approach to the teaching and implementation of expected behaviour with degrees of intervention of support for all children. At Kootingal Public School, we take the teaching of these expected behaviours very seriously and continue to strive for excellence in this area.

To remind our community, our core values are *Safe, Supportive and Effective Learners* and our logo is a star.

## Term 1 2016 workshops at Tamworth Regional Gallery

Tamworth Regional Gallery is offering art workshops in Term 2. These workshops book out quickly, for details contact the Gallery on 6767 5248.

### Smarty Arty for 5-7 year olds

This block of 4 classes designed for 5-7 year olds will give participants the opportunity to develop their skills in a range of art practices including printmaking, painting and mixed media. These classes encourage students to enjoy the creative process and have fun!

**Dates:** Thursday May 19, 26, June 2 & 9  
**Time:** 4.15pm-5.15pm  
**Cost:** \$50.00 for a 4 class block (includes all materials)  
**Teacher:** Kate Armstrong

Block 2 is a repeat of block 1.

Students **must** wear closed in shoes (no sandals or thongs please) and a paint shirt to each class. Full payment must be made prior to the commencement of class 1 and an enrolment form must be completed.

No refunds available



### Art After School for 8-12 year olds

This block of 4 classes starting in week 4 of term will be conducted by the Gallery's Education Officer Kate. Students will engage students in a program designed to encourage students to try their hand at new and familiar materials. Activities will include painting, mixed media, sculpture and drawing.

**Dates:** Wednesdays May 18, 25 & June 1 & 8  
**Time:** 4.15pm-5.45pm  
**Cost:** \$80.00 for a 4 class block (includes all materials)  
**Teacher:** Kate Armstrong

Students **must** wear closed in shoes (no sandals or thongs please) and a paint shirt to each class. Full payment must be made prior to the commencement of class 1 and an enrolment form must be completed.

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## Canteen News

The Star Cafe is open on Fridays.

If you are available to help out between 9am – 12.30pm on a Friday please call Karleen (Canteen Supervisor) on 0400 495403 or see Karleen at the canteen on a Friday.

### Canteen Roster for Term 2

<b>Week 2</b> 6th May	Natasha Jacobson	Jayne Lees
<b>Week 3</b> 13th May	Cassie Cook	Ben Holden
<b>Week 4</b> 20th May	Lirel Morris	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>
<b>Week 5</b> 27th May	Cassie Cook	Kate Bulter
<b>Week 6</b> 3rd June	Cassie Cook	Melissa Brennan
<b>Week 7</b> 10th June	Kelly Tull	Jayne Lees
<b>Week 8</b> 17th June	Melissa Brennan	Sue Moxon
<b>Week 9</b> 24th June	Cassie Cook	Kelly Tull
<b>Week 10</b> 1st July	Cath Bubb	Tracey Walker

## Good for Kids good for life

### HEALTHY LUNCHBOX INSPIRATION

When packing lunchboxes it's easy to fall into a routine. It can be difficult to think of new, interesting and healthy options to include. Why not try some of the following healthy ideas in your child's lunchbox?

- Pita pockets with tuna/corn/mayo mix
- Sushi rolls
- Rice cakes with low fat cheese and tomato
- Savoury muffins packed with vegetables
- Vegetable fried rice
- Mini pizzas from dinner leftovers
- Triple decker sandwich fingers
- Cheesy tomato vegetable pasta



For more healthy lunchbox ideas visit the 'Packing Healthy Lunchboxes' section of the Good for Kids website:

[www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au](http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au)

**Kootingal Public School  
P&C Association's  
Mother's Day Stall  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016  
Gifts \$5 each**

