



Kootingal Public School

STAR NEWSLETTER

"Caring, Learning and Achieving Together."

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Term 2 Week 4

Wednesday 18th May 2016



4G Playing Hot Shots Tennis

Gold Award
Lilly Thomas



Silver Awards
William Jones
and Shannon
Charters



Uniform Awards
Lotte Boniecki, Liam Jarett,
Colbie Butler, Brendan Thompson,
Shania Coppola-Smith,
Tyler Flemming, Shannon Charters
and Jack Witten

Important Dates to Remember Term 2 2016

Friday 20th May - Kootingal Netball vs Hillvue
Friday 20th May - Zone Netball Trials 1pm to 3pm
Wed 25th May - National Simultaneous Story Time at 11am
Thursday 26th May - Assembly by 5C and item by 3SW
Thursday 26th May - SRC Biggest Morning Tea
Monday 30th May - Tamworth Zone Cross Country
Tuesday 31st May - ICAS Science
Wednesday 1st June - Legends of League
Wednesday 1st June - Storytime
Week 7 - Agriculture and Food Week

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



Lochlan Watts - A big effort in Mathematics. Welcome to Kootingal Public School
 Tyler Francis and Nikita Caldwell-Harris - Beautiful neat handwriting
 Hayden Cook - Participating in class discussions
 Byron Hobden - Improvement in recognising numbers 1 to 10
 Ethan Walker - Recognising numbers words 1 to 10
 Angus Frewen - Working well in all subjects
 Kobi Murray - Working well in spelling
 Jessie Johnson - Excellent efforts in learning times tables
 Mikyla Phillpott - Her attentive listening and thoughtful responses
 Zoe Reid - Being a class helper and for showing determination in her BTN reporting
 Zane Hyson - Demonstrating neat bookwork
 Maverick Ramage - Demonstrating settled working habits and neat bookwork
 Reba Ramage - Effort in Mathematics, striving to be an independent learner
 Joseph Aitken - Enthusiasm and positive attitude to learning
 Janeen Wadwell - Excellent effort in recount writing
 Codie Hogan - Positive attitude to learning effort in writing tasks
 Harry Fields-Waddington - Making a more consistent effort within the classroom
 Jade Nicholls - Making an effort to participate during class discussions
 Elle Atkins - An impressive interpretation of Van Gogh's Starry Night
 Jack Chapple - Impressive spelling results
 Boston DeBelle and Jack Merrick - Terrific work as technology monitor
 Izabella Vernon and Madeleine Jones - Outstanding effort in all areas of her learning
 William Baldwin and Taleah Pinnock - High achievement in a recent Geography assessment
 Jack Clarke - Consistently working well in Mathematics
 Georgia DeBelle - Striving to achieve and improve in Mathematics

Clothing Pool will only be open on:

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings
 9am to 9:30am

Please come to the office.



Mrs Cracknell's Message

Congratulations to our Open Rugby League team which competed in the gala day last Friday. Under the expert guidance of Mr Sebastian Lees, our students performed splendidly. After defeating Tamworth South PS, we took on Tamworth PS in the second round. After a good tussle we unfortunately lost. This meant we were eliminated from the knockout. In our friendly against Nemingha, we won 12-10. Well done boys! Thank you to Mrs Ward for providing this opportunity and to Mr Lees for his unwavering support of our students. Thanks also to the parents who supported and assisted with transportation on the day.



Congratulations to Ethan Walker, Charli Hogg, Nikita Caldwell-Harris and Tyler Francis of Kindergarten. All students presented beautiful handwriting in their first official lesson. Well done and keep up the great work team!



Our successful softballers are at it again! Congratulations to Kelsey Burrell, Natasha Grant and Hannah Turner-Bourke for their selection in the Tamworth Zone Girls Softball team. The North West trial is in the coming weeks. Well done girls and all the best at the next level!



Good luck to our Netball team this Thursday and Friday as they compete in a gala day and PSSA knockout competitions. Thank you to Miss Magann for her organisation and to the parents who are assisting with transportation. Best of luck students!

Thank you to our supportive P&C who donated \$6000 to our school and students at Tuesday evening's P&C monthly meeting. \$1000 will go towards supplementing our guided reading texts for levels 1-10 and \$5000 for specialist playground markings. This brings the tally to in excess of \$16000 donated to our school and your children's education this year. Well done P&C!

Mrs Cracknell's Message

Next week is National Simultaneous Storytime. National Simultaneous Storytime is an annual campaign that aims to encourage more young Australians to read and enjoy books. It is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes. This year National Simultaneous Storytime takes place on Wednesday 25 May at 11am and the picture book is *I Got This Hat* written by Jol and Kate Temple and illustrated by Jon Foye. I can't wait!

Also next week, Ms Cook's 5C class is hosting our next whole school assembly. Mrs Simpson's class of 3SW are performing. In conjunction with the assembly, our Student Representative Council (SRC) is hosting Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for our students to enjoy throughout the break times.

PBL News

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is an evidence-based whole school systems approach that enables schools to establish a continuum of supports that are intensified to meet the needs of every student, uses a problem solving approach and provides a framework for the school and its community to collectively support the wellbeing of every student.

At Kootingal Public School, our implementation of PBL is expected to:

- enable students to respond positively as they have been taught what is expected of them
- increase consistency when staff provide responses to student learning and behaviour
- increase the feeling of safety and caring for our students
- increase involvement of students' parents, family and community in our school
- reduce unproductive and challenging behaviour for most students.

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

Banking - Thursday

10 banking deposits will gain a Commonwealth Banking prize.

Banking Co-Ordinator, Cath Bubb



Sherpa Kids Kootingal



Sherpa Kids Kootingal are already in full swing this Term with plenty of Fun, Games & New Ideas!

Natalie is busy organising a once a week excursion to the local library. Our plan is to have afternoon tea at the centre, walk to the library, and spend time looking, learning and playing, then walking back to the centre by 4.50pm. (Weather permitting, of course).

Parents will know in advance of our travels and will have the choice of picking up their kids from the Library or when we arrive back at the centre.

If you have any other suggestions of local excursions, we would love to hear from you.

Vicky's favourite craft resource, *GLITTER*, made pretty pictures and plenty of sparkles last week. Thank you for the idea, Ella & Ethan.

Sarah joined the Before School Care team and has already captured fans with her tip footy and art and craft skills. Well done Sarah!

If you were looking for a safe, stimulating, friendly environment for the kids to come prior to school and after school, Sherpa Kids Kootingal have vacancies, and would love to invite your family join the Sherpa Kids family. **Enrolment is free** and we offer Permanent as well as Casual bookings.

Our opening hours are Monday to Friday, 7am – 9am, with Breakfast provided, and 3.30pm – 6pm, of which includes Afternoon Tea. We are a registered Centre therefore enabling your family to utilise your entitled Child Care Benefit & Child Care Rebate.

Our fees are as follows, per child, per session, prior to any rebates:

Before School Care - Permanent \$15.50, Casual \$17.50

After School Care - Permanent \$17.00, Casual \$19.00



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 19th** to the front office.

Winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the next major

assembly on Thursday May 26th.

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

Week 4 20th May	Lirel Morris	Sarah Maybury
Week 5 27th May	Cassie Cook	Kate Bulter
Week 6 3rd June	Cassie Cook	Melissa Brennan
Week 7 10th June	Kelly Tull	Jayne Lees
Week 8 17th June	Melissa Brennan	Sue Moxon
Week 9 24th June	Cassie Cook	Kelly Tull
Week 10 1st July	Cath Bubb	Tracey Walker

Marramuli-la Health, Wellbeing & Healing Day

Dance Workshops
Jumping Castle
BBQ
Elders Tent & Meals
Children's Tent with Activities and Story Telling
Face Painting
Arts & Crafts for All Ages
Games and Sporting Activities
Entertainment from Local Artists
Basket Weaving
Corroboree

ALL WELCOME!

There will be **FREE** activities, food, entertainment and workshops for all ages

Sunday 22nd May 2016
From 10am
Bicentennial Park, Tamworth

The day will commence with a smoking ceremony by The Gomeri Dance Company at 10am and will end with a Corroboree. All welcome to join in.

Good for Kids good for life

DROP THE TEMPERATURE, RAISE THE HEARTRATE

Indoor activities don't have to be boring! Although it's getting cold outside there are still plenty of ways to get the heartrate up this winter!

Here are some ideas that involve indoor active fun:

- Free indoor play grounds in shopping centres
- A visit to the science museum (often free entry)
- YMCA kids programs
- Gymnastics
- Indoor Trampolining
- Bowling
- Ice Skating
- Indoor skate parks, sports and swim centres



Why not look into what is available in your local area today and ask if they do discount deals for seasonal entry?

