



Kootingal Public School

STAR NEWSLETTER

"Caring, Learning and Achieving Together."

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Term 4 Week 1

Thursday 18th October 2018



1B are learning to be sun safe



**Effective Learners
Success**



PBL Award

Tom Chegwyn, Lilly Cook, Piper Hammer,
Jayden Kirk, Chadrick Lang, Angus Frewen,
Isabella Cannon and Luke Wilson

Important Dates to Remember Term 4 2018

Friday 19th Oct - Bright Star Transition 9:30am to 12:10pm
Monday 22nd October - Playgroup
22nd to 26th October - Year 5 and 6 Canberra
24th to 26th October - Year 3 and 4 Dubbo
Friday 26th Oct - Bright Star Transition 9:30am to 12:10pm
Wed 31st Oct - Bright Star Transition 12:30 to 3pm
Thursday 1st November - Book Club due
Thursday 1st Nov - Assembly by 1B, item 2P, 2:15pm, hall

Executive Team - Principal - Cara Cracknell
Assistant Principal - (Kinder to Year 2) - Nicole Chegwyn
Assistant Principal (Yr 3 to 6) - Jill Cook

P & C Executive

President: Cath Bubb
Secretary: Tina Sipple
Treasurer: Scott Cracknell

Vice President - Lirel Morris

Weekly Awards

Gold Award

Shyloh Perkins and
Alexander Cracknell



Silver Award

Aliegha Gismondo, Riley Smith,
Joshua Holliday, Zoe Reid
and Alexander Cracknell



Uniform Awards

Sienna Harrison, Hope Sichter,
Greysen Elliott, Johnathon Cook,
Mia Smith, Liam Jarrett, Reuben Haak
and Erika Kamminga-Morris



Message from the Front Office

- * Parents are able to make payments online by going to our website www.kootingal-p.schools.nsw.edu.au and then clicking on make a payment (located on front page). Please email or send into the office a copy of the online receipt.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Breakfast Club is for all students K-6.

Mrs Morrish, Organiser



Library News

Library borrowing days are:

KL - Friday
K/1M - Tuesday
1B - Thursday
2P - Friday
2/3S - Thursday
3/4B - Thursday
5/6C - Tuesday
5/6M - Wednesday

Please ensure children return their library books each week.

Weekly Bronze Awards



Frankie Barber - Excellent number work and counting skills
Briley Moss - Eager responses and contributions during all class discussions
Ryan Hatton - Counting, ordering and recording numbers beyond 100
Reef Mason Fernando and Lewis Parrotta - Improvement in writing during independent tasks
Jeremy Nash and Xavier Rankin - Improved effort in completing set tasks
Keith Sichter - Enthusiastically engaging in creative arts
Emily Barwick-Taylor - Improved handwriting
Ruby Sheumack - Excellent effort in spelling activities
Hope Clarke - Improved written presentation
Mia Smith - Improved participation in class activities
Lochlan Watts - Great work in persuasive writing
Mikyla Phillpott - Her effort improvement and application in writing
Jacyntha Flemming - Commitment to completing all set tasks
Alexander Cracknell - Helping others to achieve and being a wonderful peer tutor
Isabelle Price - Continuing to make gains in her reading
Jaeda Symons - Being a quiet achiever
Georgia Ford - Accepting greater responsibilities in her learning
Jainah Grant and William Morris - Consistent effort in spelling
Beau Robertson - Effort in literacy activities



Clothing Pool will only be open on:
Tuesday and Wednesday mornings
9am to 9:30am Please come to the office.



School Banking
Thursday

Attendance Note

We all know how difficult it is to obtain appointments outside school times, whether they are dental, optometrists, psychologist, occupational therapist or the like. At Kootingal Public School we recognise this and support our students and families the best way we can. However, there are times when these appointments occur and students don't return to school.

The biggest concern for Kootingal Public School is appointments in the morning and students don't return to school. We understand that it may be difficult to arrange transportation back to Kootingal following appointments and families may have other requirements to attend to in town. Nevertheless, full day absences for short appointments add up over time and hinder academic progress and performance when done regularly.

We encourage our families to talk to our teachers about ongoing appointments so we can support their children in the best way possible.

If you have any questions regarding the explanation of absences please contact me during school hours.



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Invites all prospective 2019 Kindergarten students

to our

Bright Stars Transition Program

(Only for students intending to attend Kootingal Public School in 2019)

- Friday 19th October 9.30am – 12.10pm
- Friday 26th October 9.30am – 12.10pm
- Wednesday 31st October 12.30pm – 3pm
- Wednesday 7th November 9.30am – 3pm
- Wednesday 14th November 9.30am – 3pm

Kindergarten Orientation Parent Information Morning

Wednesday 14th November 9.45am – 11.30am
in the School Hall



Mrs Cracknell's Message

Welcome back to Kootingal Public School and Term 4. The term has started with gusto and we are back into the swing of things. There have been some updates over the holidays with painting in the library and new technology systems and hardware for our school. Lots of activity that will benefit our students and teachers.

This week, our Kindergarten *Bright Stars Transition* program commences. This program is designed for students intending to commence Kindergarten at Kootingal Public School. It's a wonderful time of year with lots of planning for 2019 and our impending Kindergarten students really mark the commencement of this process.

As our preparations are well underway for 2019, it is time to inform our community of the staffing arrangements for next year. Mr Ryan Griffiths, Mrs Sharon Ward, Mrs Kerrie Ardill and Mrs Anne Doak will continue their leave. Miss Nicole Magann, Miss Leticia Booby and Mrs Kate Blinman will continue in their current roles. As yet, some positions are not determined due to the nature of the position and leave requirements.

On the last day of Term 3, I was informed by Mrs Jodie Bishop, our substantive Assistant Principal, she was successful in obtaining the Principal's position at Werris Creek PS. She commenced this term. I made contact with Staffing during the school holidays to ensure the replacement process for an Assistant Principal is expedited as quickly as possible. Currently, we are only in the initial steps of the process. It is quite a lengthy process to replace an executive teaching member of staff and I will advise our community as soon as practicable of updates in this process.

Next week, I will complete another External Validation process at Garrah Public School as a Peer Principal. I am looking forward to doing this again as it is such a valuable experience in preparation for the eventual process of External Validation for Kootingal Public School.

A reminder to our families of Year 5 students that nominations for School Captain 2019 are due this Friday, 19th October. I have already received nominations from several students but I know there are more out there. Keep them coming and put yourself forward to represent our school.

Kootingal will be having a Remembrance Day Service on Sunday 11th November at the Kootingal Centaph. Please be at the Centaph around 10:30am for an 11am service.

PBL News

This is the final week of our focus on success and what it means.

The PBL team met at the start of this week to decide the future directions for this term. Our lessons this term are focussing on resilience. The PBL team believes this is the area of greatest need as it leads into conflict resolution, persistence and the ability to get along with others.

As stated previously, we are using the program You Can Do It to deliver these lessons. Unlike last term, the lesson focus will be the same across the school K-6, with differentiation for age appropriate content.

Next week, KPS will not have a PBL focus due to the major excursions occurring for students in years 3-6.

Mrs Cracknell

Below, is the lesson focus for each class this week.

KL, K/1M and 1B

Week	Lesson
Week 1	Putting Success and Happiness into Action Strategies for Embedding Success and Happiness

2P, 2/3S and 3/4B

Week	Lesson
Week 1	Whole Class Activity - "Put on a Happy Face" Strategies for Embedding Success and Happiness

5/6C and 5/6M

Week	Lesson
Week 1	Small Group Activity - "To Be Happy" Strategies for Embedding Success and Happiness



Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?


LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for **LOOP** receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!

Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP and register today!

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Book Club

orders are due:

1st November 2018

Parents please note Book Club online orders through **LOOP** need to be **finalised before 1st November** as online ordering will be closed by 12noon on the 1st November to be able to have orders processed with the school orders. Thank you Mrs Dunn



A, B & C Squads

Mini Squads

Sign On

Kootingal-Moonbi Swimming Club coaches work with all swimmers in our C, B & A Squads to monitor, correct and fine tune their strokes to improve their ability and speed. At this level children can see improvement in their ability as well as achieving at school carnivals, zone, country and state levels.

A, B & C Squads Summer Training Schedule

MONDAY:	5.00pm – 6.45pm (C Squad) 5.00pm – 7.00pm (A & B Squads)
TUESDAY:	*4.45pm – 5.45pm (Training All Squads) *6.00pm – 7.30pm (Point Score & BBQ)
WEDNESDAY:	5.00pm – 7.00pm (A, B & C Squads)
FRIDAY:	5.00pm – 6.45pm (C Squad) 5.00pm – 7.00pm (A & B Squads)



Kootingal-Moonbi Swimming Club's Mini Squad is for those children who can confidently swim 25m freestyle but who may need close monitoring to correct their stroke and improve their ability in other strokes. We have a dedicated coach who focuses solely on our Mini Squad, nurturing each child so they can achieve their potential and move up to the next level.

Our Mini Squad are encouraged to join in our Point Score Club Nights on Tuesdays, giving them the opportunity to socialise with other children in our club and to make new friends. They can also see improvement in their swimming by the times that they achieve.



Mini Squad Summer Training Schedule

MONDAY:	4.15pm – 4.55 pm
TUESDAY:	*4.45pm – 5.30 pm (Training) *6.00pm – 7.30 pm (Point Score & BBQ)
FRIDAY:	4.15pm – 4.55 pm



SIGN ON DAY

Our sign-on day will be held:

Sunday 21st October 2018, 11.00am to 1.00pm (at Kootingal Pool Denman Ave)

Feel free to come along and meet our coaches and some of our existing members and their families. Enjoy a sausage sizzle, cool icy pole and fun dip in the pool. We look forward to meeting you then!

KOOTINGAL MOONBI SWIMMING CLUB