



Kootingal Public School

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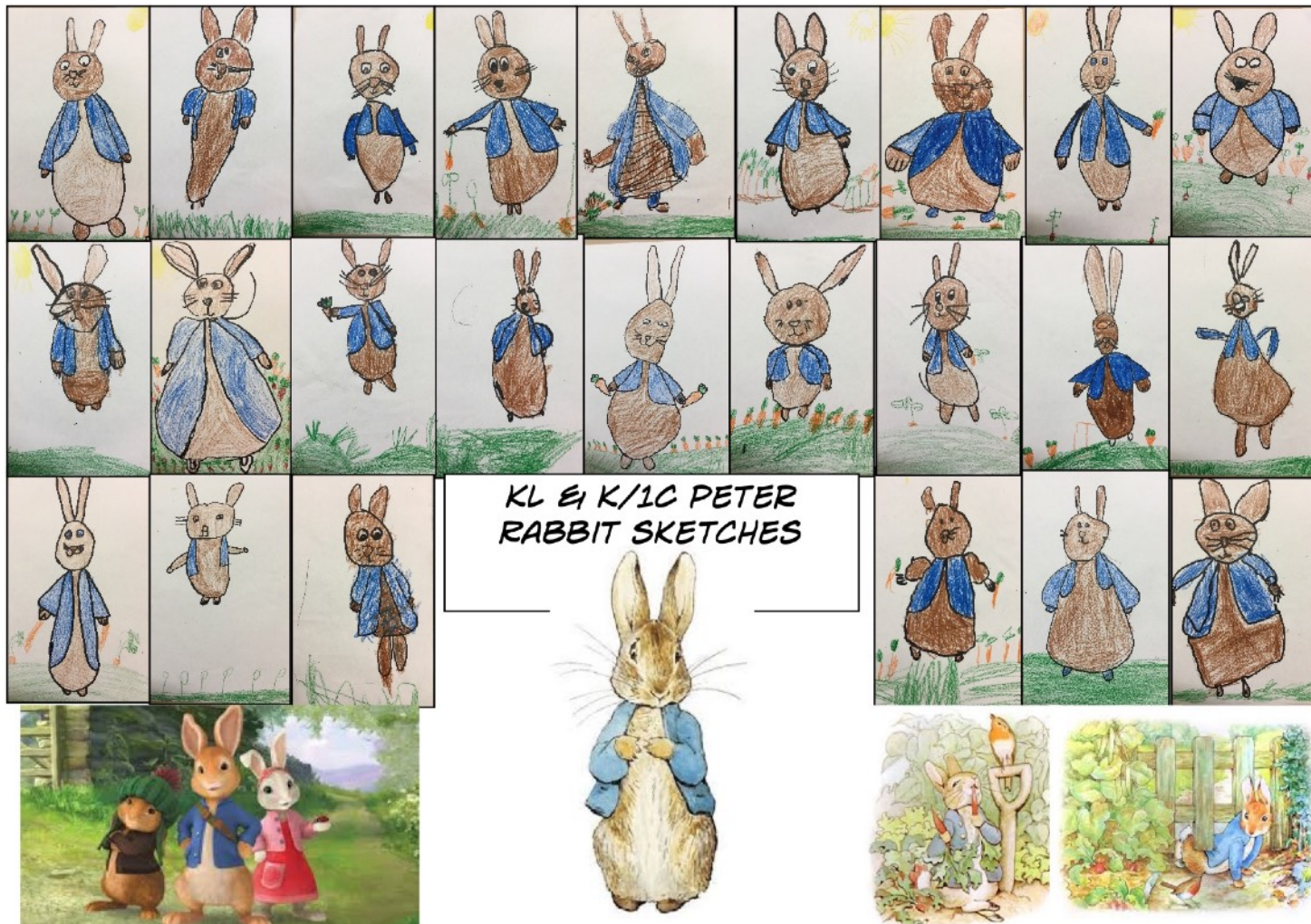
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Term 4 Week 9

Thursday 2nd December 2021



PBL is focusing on expectations for outings, gatherings and excursions

PBL Awards

Heidi Axon, Tate Smith, Hamish Green, Hunter Barnett, Ruby Rakus, Anastazia Rains, Joseph Lulham and Liam Jarrett



Important Dates to Remember Term 4 2021

Tuesday 7th December - Year 6 Farewell
Monday 12th December - End of Year class activities
Tuesday 13th December - End of Year class activities
Thursday 16th December - Last day of Term 4 2021

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

P & C Executive

President: Maree Merry Vice President - Vanessa Johnson
Secretary: Jo Cayzer
Treasurer: Anne-Maree McGrath

Years 1 to 6 return to school on Tuesday 1st February 2022
Kindergarten starts Friday 4th February 2022

Weekly Awards

Merit
Cooper Higgins

Gold Award
Lilly Cook

Silver Awards
Grace Hamer, Jasmine Harris,
Ayla Fox, Alex Murray, Evie Fox,
Tyler Wilkinson, Lilly Cook,
Emma Cook and Lucy Procter



Uniform Awards

Jasmine Harris, Brooklyn-Grace Furney, Maddison Bennett,
Ciara Cwach, Edward Sipple, Kara Johnson, Johnathon Cook
and Meika Haak

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club provides toast, fruit and vegetables to all students every morning.



Messages from the Front Office

Parents are able to make payments online by going to our website www.kootingal-p.schools.nsw.gov.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. If payments are made online signed permission notes must still be returned to the front office.

* Voluntary contribution fees can be paid at the front office or online. They are \$50 per year per student.

Library News

Due to stocktaking all library books must be returned this week. This will also avoid accounts being sent home requesting payment for lost books.

Thank you Mrs Dunn and Mrs Morrish



Out of School Hours Care Service
Esteem Kids Group

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Contact: William
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Weekly Bronze Awards

Dallas Ballantine - Ordering numbers to ten and counting to 20
Eva-Rose Furney - Improved effort in writing
Darcy Dines - Consistent application in Mathematics
Cienna Flemming - Consistent improvement in writing
Koby-Jay Lang - Working hard to learn new content in Mathematics lessons
Paisley Swadling - Working well in our group art activity
Evie Fox - Her outstanding presentation of her project
Lacey Felsman - Excellent improvement in handwriting
Zac Pollard - Being a helpful student in class
Sophie Corbett - Excellent effort in adding detail to her writing
Piper Hammer - Improved skills when typing her writing
Chloe Cruickshank - Improved skills when typing her writing
Brady Moses - Persistence when typing his writing
Noah Saunders - Attempting writing tasks independently
Angus Hamer - Application during last week's 'Big Write'
Elli Cruickshank - Commitment in Mathematics and English. Always trying her best.
Connor Hilton - Offering support and assistance to class members
Ashton Nagle - His creative writing during the 'Big Write'
Deakan Keven-Faulkner - His focus and commitment to completing all set tasks
Lienke Janse van Rensburg - Her happy and positive attitude to all class activities
Jacob Cayzer - Outstanding results in Mathematics this week
Byron Hobden - His "Unexpected Friend" narrative. Keep up the great work



Student of the Month and Silver Assembly Awards - Thursday 25th November 2021

Ava Avery

Ava is a quiet and cooperative member of 1/2M. She consistently demonstrates the values of Kootingal Public School in being a safe, supportive and effective learner. Ava strives to achieve her best in all tasks and effectively applies new knowledge in class activities.



Ava assists her peers and teachers in the classroom without prompting and does not seek recognition for her actions. She is an active participant in all lessons and works hard to contribute to class discussions, sharing knowledge and extending her understanding.

Ava wears her school uniform with pride. She is a respectful and trustworthy student that demonstrates excellent listening skills towards her peers and teachers.

Ava takes on feedback with humility and grace and persists in the face of challenges. She works hard to improve in all she does.

In the playground, Ava is inclusive of all students and shows support towards her peers. Ava is a well-deserving recipient of the Student of the Month award. Congratulations Ava!

Zepplin Goman

Zepplin is a helpful, supportive and diligent student of Kootingal Public School. He consistently follows and demonstrates our school's PBL values of being a safe, supportive and effective learner in both the classroom and in the playground. Zepplin frequently offers assistance to teachers and support to his peers without seeking recognition.



Zepplin demonstrates a positive attitude towards learning across all Key Learning Areas. He is to be commended on his participation in all class discussions and demonstrates sound listening skills. Zepplin engages in all set tasks and displays lovely manners at all times.

Zepplin wears his school uniform with pride. He works hard to improve his work by using his set goals and positively accepts any feedback given to him. Zepplin is a responsible, reliable and trustworthy student and is respected by both his peers and teachers. He is an excellent representative of Kootingal Public School and a deserving recipient of Student of the Month. Congratulations, Zepplin!

- Scarlett Blackwood - Excellent application and academic growth
- Ayla Fox - Improved application and pleasing yearly results
- Lucy Procter - Improved application and pleasing yearly results
- Izaak Campbell-Hicks - Excellent academic growth
- Olivia Hogg - Excellent effort and improvement in reading
- Thomas Capel - Consistent improvement in writing
- Beau Bulter-Farley - Consistently striving for success across all Key Learning Areas
- Bonnie-Jean Sutton - Being a hard working and cooperative student
- Lovayah Wightman - Demonstrating a positive attitude to learning
- Zac Pollard - Being a helpful student in the classroom
- Charlie Wilton - Her effort and improvement in reading
- Chaise Bridge - Improvement in talking and listening skills during news
- Billy Simmonds - Showing enthusiasm in drama lessons
- Abby Hogg - Demonstrating outstanding citizenship
- Xavier Siemsen - Consistent effort in all learning tasks
- Arla Dines - Consistent effort and participation in English
- Isaac Hetherington - Consistent effort and participation in his learning
- Noah Harris - Improved confidence to tackle new tasks
- Jack Davies - Enthusiastic and committed participation in Mathematics
- Briley Moss - Exceptional results in PAT and MTS Mathematics assessments
- Phillipa Cracknell - Exceptional application and progress in QuickSmart
- Ryan Hatton - Commitment in Geography during research tasks
- Katiana Reid - Consistent application towards all set tasks
- Jonathan Cook - His consistent participation and engagement in class discussions
- Ashton Nagle - Always offering assistance without seeking recognition
- Kahliah Day - Her great improvement in Mathematics this year
- Angela Baker - Consistent effort and pleasing improvement across all Key Learning Areas
- Lily Harris - Consistently presenting work to a high standard
- Liam Jarrett - His positive attitude to learning across all Key Learning Areas
- Torah Humphris - Showing persistence in learning and improvements in assessments



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



Principal's Message

We did it! Congratulations families of Kootingal Public School for getting to our target of 50 responses for the Tell Them From Me survey. Our students have earned the right...not to party...to receive an icy pole. There may also be something else up our sleeve. You'll have to wait and see.

The school year is drawing to a close...in very fast fashion. This week we celebrated the achievements again of the children of Kootingal Public School at our Presentation Day ceremony. Like in 2020, we were unable to conduct our usual celebrations due to COVID-19 restrictions. Firstly to all the students who received an award this week congratulations on achieving this honour. To those who didn't receive an award, it does not mean that your achievements this year, in another year marked by a pandemic, were not of a high standard. I am sure all students have tried their hardest and will continue to do so in 2022.

Thank you to our captains, Riley Robinson, Emily Hatton, Joseph Lulham and Sophie Hogg, who conducted the ceremony and were ably supported by Miss Kelly.

Congratulations also to our incumbent captains for 2022, Ethan Walker, Lienke Janse van Rensburg, Chadrick Lang and Charli Hogg. Your utter surprise of your selection made me so proud of your humbleness. I know the four of you will represent our school and community in the light with which it deserves.

Last but not least, thank you to Mrs Dunn. Mrs Dunn was the person responsible for the organisation of the awards, photos and service booklets. We had many revisions of the script, even at the last minute, but we got there in the end.

These past weeks also mark the commencement of reading reports for me as the Principal. While this is a task where procrastination is evident, I know for certain the efforts demonstrated by our students in their work within their classes across the school. Like always, I'm proud as a Principal to read the reports of all our children and I encourage families to reflect on these reports and seek clarification from their child's teacher if necessary.

As stated last week the class structure for the 2022 school year will look very similar to the class structure of this year. Our class structure in 2021 will be:

Kindergarten
Kindergarten
Year 1/Year 2
Year 1/Year 2
Year 3/Year 4
Year 3/Year 4
Year 5/Year 6
Year 5/Year 6.

This structure is not scheduled to change.

iPlay

Congratulations to all students of Kootingal Public School for participating in the 2021 NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge (PSC). This is a 10 week challenge that over 1400 schools and corporate officers took part in with a reach to over 450,000 participants. Kootingal Public School reached Gold standard. Well done everyone and let's keep it up over the holidays! So how do we do this? Below are some simple tips to help keep our children active.

Turn Off Electronics

It's important to have times of the day when electronics are not to be used. Of course in today's world technology is a part of daily life for school, communication and entertainment, but there needs to be scheduled times for the use of these devices, otherwise they can quickly become the dominating focus of a child's life.

Research Fun Activities

If exercise isn't fun it'll be hard to get your child excited to participate consistently. That's why it's important to research a range of activities and sports and find one that suits your child's personality, age, ability, and most importantly, one they enjoy. Holiday sports camps are a great way to trial different sports.

Schedule Time For Activity

Life can be busy for both you and your child, especially teenagers. And it can be easy to skip or simply forget to make time for activity times if they aren't scheduled into their calendar. Sports with specific training and game times are ideal for keeping a regular routine of exercise.

Introduce Them To Healthy Role Models

Every child has idols they look up to. So it's important that you actively introduce your child to quality role models who promote a healthy lifestyle. You as a parent are also a huge role model for your child and can help by leading by example and participating in regular exercise as well.

Provide A Safe Environment

Not every parent feels comfortable letting their kids run around the streets like we used to a generation ago. And depending where you live this may not be practical. So providing your child with a safe, supervised environment where they can play without worry will help encourage more daily activity. Also ensuring the equipment they use is of high safety standards is important too.



Get Active With Friends

If you can find an activity that your kids can share with their friends, they'll be much more enthusiastic. So, talk to the other parents at school or play dates and find activities they can do together. Team sports such as Soccer, cricket, Aussie Rules Football, Netball, Basketball and Rugby are great for getting active, meeting new friends and increasing self-esteem.

iPlay

Encourage Them

The most important factor is that you encourage and help your child become more active. Drive them to practice, find fun activities or programs to do over school holidays, be enthusiastic when they show an interest in a new sport or activity and educate them about the importance of regular exercise. Encouraging your child to be more active during these crucial development years can lead to a lifetime of benefits that promote happiness and success across all aspects of life, including:

- Better social skills
- More self-confidence
- More academically motivated
- Happier about their appearance
- More friends
- Stronger muscles and bones
- Better sleep patterns
- A more positive outlook on life



Presentation Day - Thursday 2nd December 2021

Major Awards



Jacob Cayzer
Dux 2021

Meika Haak
Outstanding All
Round Student

Emily Hatton
Service to School
Award

Nicholas Holliday
Caring and
Learning Award

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Keven-Faulkner
Excellence in Inclusion

Sophie Hogg
Achievement in
Performing Arts



Joseph Lulham
Achievement in
Creative and
Practical Arts

Indi Maher
Stage 1 -
Citizenship

Phillipa Cracknell
Stage 2 -
Citizenship

Liam Jarrett
Achievement in
Sport

Riley Robinson
TTA Award
(Outstanding
Contribution to
Positive School
Culture)

Lienke
Janse van
Rensburg
TTA Award
(Outstanding
Contribution to
Positive School
Culture)

Winning House for 2021
GILL



Presentation Day - Thursday 2nd December 2021

Kindergarten - Mrs Lawrence

Heidi Axon – Consistent application and academic achievement
Hamish Linton – Outstanding academic performance
Nate Rooney – Consistent application and academic growth



3/4M – Miss Magann

Phoebe Capel - Excellent performance and application in all Key Learning Areas
Chloe Cruickshank – Consistent application across all Key Learning Areas
Arla Dines – Excellent application across all Key Learning Areas and a positive attitude towards learning
Riley McDowall – Commitment to learning and ongoing improvement
Edward Sipple – Commitment to learning across all Key Learning Areas



K/1C – Mr Cracknell

Caitlin Cwach – Outstanding academic performance
Seth Gorman – Excellent performance and application in reading
Havanah Williams – Consistent application in all Key Learning Areas



3/4W - Miss Warden

Chloe Cannon – Excellent performance and application in Mathematics and English
Ryan Hatton – Excellent performance and application in Science
Anastazia Rains – Commitment to learning across all Key Learning Areas
Noah Saunders – Improvement across all Key Learning Areas
Oscar Wallace – Achievement and commitment in Mathematics

1/2B – Miss Booby

Hunter Barnett – Excellent all round student
Lacey Felsman – Most improved student
Grace Hamer – Outstanding application in all Key Learning Areas
Regardt Janse van Rensburg – Excellent academic performance



1/2M – Miss Merrett

Ciara Cwach – Outstanding academic performance in all Key Learning Areas
Elliot Douglas – Excellent application and academic growth in English
Angela Hobbs – Commitment to learning and ongoing improvement
Koby-Jay Lang – Academic growth and commitment to learning across all Key Learning Areas



5/6B – Miss Semmler

Abby Corbett – Consistent application across all Key Learning Areas
Kahliah Day – Improved commitment across all Key Learning Areas
Connor Hilton – Excellent citizenship and application to learning
Damien Nicholls – Excellent performance and application



Presentation Day - Thursday 2nd December 2021

5/6K – Miss Kelly

Natalie Bloom – Outstanding citizenship and application to learning
Cooper Higgins – Excellent personal growth and application
Liam Jarrett – Excellent performance and application
Dailen Radmore – Excellence in Mathematics



Kindergarten 2021



Library – Mrs Morrish

Hallie Moxon – Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities
Darcy Dines - Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities
Maddison Bennett - Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities
Zara Steers - Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities
Piper Hammer - Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities
Keith Sichter - Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities
Matthew Pollard - Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities
Ashton Nagle - Library Award for consistent borrowing and participation in all Library activities

Captains 2022



Sporting Blues for 2021

Liam Jarrett – Softball and Football
Phillipa Cracknell – Softball
Ethan Walker – Softball
Joseph Lulham – Softball
Zeppelin Goman – Softball
Riley Robinson - Football



Captains 2021 and 2022