Dear Parents/carers,
Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday. It’s another busy term with Zone Carnivals, Fishing Programs, Mother’s Day, Science Shows, School Competitions, NAPLAN, NAIDOC Day and Children’s University projects.

ANZAC DAY
Congratulations to our 32 students who represented KPS at the dawn ANZAC service during the school holidays. The dawn service at Karuah is beautiful and I would recommend if you haven’t attended before to try and get there next year. All students looked amazing in their uniforms and Laketa along with school leaders represented us beautifully, whilst reading the poem In Flanders Field.

MYALL COAST ROTARY DONATION
A big thank you to the Myall Coast Rotary Club for their wonderful donation of $500. The donation will go towards the installation of two new Comm boxes in our school.

P & C MOVIE FUNDRAISER ~ THE HUSTLE~
Don’t forget the P & C fundraiser being held on Friday night at Scotty’s Cinemas, Raymond Terrace. Tickets can be purchased from Olivia Hurstfield for $15.00 per ticket. All proceeds will go towards helping assist students attending the Year 3/4 Taronga Zoo excursion.

MOTHER’S DAY INVITE
We would like to invite our mums and carers to school on Thursday afternoon, May 9th at 1.15pm to share recess with their child. Please bring along something to share with your child. After recess parents and carers can help make a craft activity in the classroom. Please join us.

STAFF
I would like to welcome Ms Denny to KPS. She is teaching with Mrs Edwards as our Science/Library teacher.

Also welcome to Mr Chris Wilson and Mrs Susan Riddle, who will be working as student teachers during this term.

I will be taking LSL from 20th May till 14th August. I am very excited because I will be helping my son and daughter-in-law with the arrival of their new baby. Yes, I am a grandmother for the second time. I am very pleased to tell you that Mrs Henry will be the relieving principal whilst I am away. Mr Rohan Freeburn will be joining us as the 3/4 teacher from Wednesday 15th May.

MAINTAINENCE
This term our school maintenance schedule will include painting of the canteen and another outside shed construction.
AFTERNOON SPORT
This term we have offered students the opportunity to join an afterschool sport group on Mondays. The group will be staffed by experienced sport teachers, Ms Waterhouse and Ms Druce. The response has been overwhelming with many students on the waiting list. If students do not attend on consecutive occasions their position will be quickly filled.

GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS
A reminder to go into the draw for the $100 Marketplace gift voucher, yearly contribution fees need to be paid by Friday 24th May, 2019. The school contribution for 2019 is $25.00 per student or $45.00 per family or more students). These contributions help cover school costs and include items like photocopying, books and pencils etc. Payments can be made in the school office using cash or eftpos. Payments can also be made online using POP.

POSTPONEMENT OF THE YARNING CIRCLE OPENING
Due to shortage of sandstone blocks for the Yarning Circle, the opening has been postponed and a new date will be advised soon. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

NAIDOC MEETING
There will be a NAIDOC meeting held on Wednesday 22nd May at 2:30pm in the school hall to discuss NAIDOC Day for 2019. Everyone is welcome to come along to this meeting 😊

Kind Regards,
Julie Hubbard
Principal

YEAR 5/6 CAMP NEWS
Just a reminder that the next instalment of $100 for the Year 5/6 Sydney excursion is due by FRIDAY 24th May, 2019.
The dates for the excursion are Wednesday 21st to Friday 23rd August, 2019.
If you have any questions regarding the excursion, please arrange a time at the office to see Mr Lawless

Kind regards,
Mr Lawless

PBL NEWS
This week’s focus is about compliance in the classroom. Students will develop the understanding of why they need to follow the classroom expectations.

Students will understand what respect looks like with everyone, everywhere every time.

How does this look in the community – why do we have to show respect in the community?

Our Aussie 5 focus is I Can Control What I Do and Say.

Week 3’s Aussie 5 focus is I Can Work Quietly

We are learning to Follow Instructions the first time in the classroom and on the playground. Students will develop the correct behaviours needed to demonstrate respect to everyone within their learning environment.

Students will develop a common understanding of respect by speaking politely and following instructions the first time.

How does this look in the Community? Why do we need to speak politely in the community?
PBL Community

PBL community has begun already this term. I am happy to announce our first recipient of the award went to Archer Watt. Archer received this award for his outstanding attitude whilst representing Karuah Public School during all sporting events. Archer also was a great help during the Cross Country Event.

A Community PBL box will be in the Karuah RSL club as well as the IGA. I will be approaching some other businesses to see if they would like to have a nomination box in their shop.

We would like to invite parents, carers and community members to ring the school or drop in a note about a student who you have noticed in the community that is being a great citizen. They may have impeccable manners or may help someone in need in the community or maybe just an outstanding person who you think deserves the award. Every week a student will be chosen to receive the community award and be presented at Raymond Terrace Market Town. Their photo will be displayed in Market Town for the week.

Don’t forget if you would like to nominate a student, please let us know why you are nominating them.

Looking forward to receiving an abundance of support from you so our amazing students are acknowledged for their community spirit.

Kind regards,
Lisa McGowan

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday
Brekkie Club
Weekly Assembly
Scripture
Afternoon Sports (starting 13th May)

Tuesday
Brekkie Club
Homework Centre
Mindfulness

Wednesday
Brekkie Club

Thursday
Brekkie Club

Friday
Canteen

UPCOMING EVENTS/REMINDERS

MAY
- Tuesday 7th – Zone X Country
- Wednesday 8th – Adopt a Farmer – Gold Coin donation
- Thursday 9th – Mother’s Day Stall
- Friday 10th – Newcastle Perm Maths competition entries due
- Monday 13th – Afternoon sport 3 – 4pm
- Tuesday 14th – Science Shows in school hall
- Tuesday 14th – Thursday 16th NAPLAN
- Friday 17th – Get Hooked Fishing Program Yrs 3-6
- Wednesday 22nd – NAIDOC meeting at 2:30pm in school hall
### Student Awards

**Merit Awards**

**Week 10**
- K: Percy, Chelsie
- 1/2: Lachlan M, Mia C
- 2/3: Isabella L, Cameron W
- 3/4: Avah, Max, Jayden
- 4/5/6: Riley W, Eva M
- 5/6: Matilda M, Austyn

**Week 11**
- Iden, Charlotte
- Misha, Avah, Lachlan M
- Cameron W, Alex
- Heidi, Jacob
- Will R, Isaac
- Brock, Samantha D

**Principal’s Award**
- Rachel

**PBL Award**
- Lily

Congratulations to the above students 😊

### Certificate Awards

**Bronze**
- Week 11: Lily, Thomas S, Samantha S, Molly-May, Jasper, Bridie

**Silver**
- Week 10: Summer
- Week 11: Toby, Eden, Lily

**Gold**

**Medallion**

Congratulations to the above students 😊

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**Crunch N Sip**

Don’t forget to send Crunch & Sip to school with your child/ren as this program is an important strategy to encourage them to eat more fruit & vegetables. For more information please feel free to browse the policy or log onto [www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au](http://www.goodforkids.nsw.gov.au)
LIBRARY NEWS

On May 17th, the year 3/4, 4/5/6 and 5/6 classes will attend a fishing incursion at our school called Get Hooked- "It’s Fun to Fish". This program goes for 1.5 hours for each class and teaches our students about the different fishing rules, how to tie a proper knot and how to perfect our casting when fishing. How exciting!

The library has received a wonderful addition of fabulous new books with something to interest all keen readers from Kinder to Year 6. These books have been donated by wonderful community groups, clubs and members from the ANZAC service. Books include stories from talented Australian authors including Jackie French and Anh Do. These books are available to borrow, so remember your library bag on Monday!

Could students with overdue books PLEASE return them as soon as possible. We have a high number of books that have not been returned and therefore, students will NOT be able to continue to borrow.

INSTRUCTIONAL LEADER NEWS

What a fantastic start to the term! During our Staff Development Day, last Monday, I worked with teachers to determine our Term 2 directions for writing. We reflected and evaluated our current practices and planned where we need to go to next. As a result of our evaluation, I will provide professional development to teachers on learning intentions and success criteria for writing. In week 5, teachers will attend training with a Seven Steps for Writing Success Trainer (this training with take place outside normal school hours).

Our spelling program has been modified slightly to ensure students understand the expectation of learning spelling rules and not just memorising words. Homework, for Year 1 to Year 6, will include weekly spelling rules with several activities to reinforce the focus rule.

At the end of last term, I asked for expressions of interest for classroom helpers. I would like to say a very big thank you to Jodie Crocker who has volunteered her time and will start helping out in our classrooms this week. If you are interested in becoming a classroom helper and can spare as little as half an hour a week, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the office or speak to me in person if you are interested. Your support is very much appreciated.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Heaney
Instructional Leader

Don’t forget to return your library books!

Kind Regards
Mrs Edwards and Miss Denny

"You can make anything by writing."
-C.S. Lewis
If you have any concerns or would just like a chat about your child, I am always happy to talk to you. Contact the school office and they can organise a time that suits both of us.

Kind Regards
Lisa McGowan

2/3
Welcome back! I hope everyone enjoyed the break and had a wonderful Easter.

Just a few things to note;

Homework will be handed out every Monday. This term homework will include 2 sheets, 1 based on literacy the other based on numeracy. This is due back every Friday.

Sport will be running on Fridays with a focus on athletics, please ensure that your child comes prepared with a hat.

NAPLAN commences in week 3, good luck to our year 3 students from 2/3!

Literacy: For the next 2 weeks during writing we will be revising persuasive and imaginative text types. This term we will continue with our spelling and grammar program which the students have enjoyed!

Numeracy: Our focus for numeracy this week is time. In week 3 we will focus on 2D shapes. The students have been doing a wonderful job working on their place value and whole number skills.

Let’s have a great term!
Thank you,
Miss Blair
This week and next week, students are delivering a speech to the class about ‘My Favourite Book’. Since the last couple of weeks in Term 1 were extremely busy, extra time has been allocated. The students are more at ease in completing this talking and listening task.

In English and literacy lessons, the students are completing tasks in grammar based on singular nouns and relating verbs. This week, the class will be concentrating on proper nouns and possessive nouns. Literacy rotations are covering reading school magazine articles and comprehension questions, questioning what the students have read. The writing tasks are now based on narratives. The students are using the Seven Steps to Writing approach to improve their overall writing skills.

For Mathematics, the students completed tasks based on reading whole numbers, place value, expanded notation and less than and greater than. This week we will look at 2D shapes and quadrilaterals. The tables focus is 2X and 10X week 1 and 3X week 2.

In Geography, students will continue in Term 2 studying the unit ‘Places are similar and different’.

PDHPE lessons this Term will be based on ‘Personal Health Choices’ (drug education). Sport involves athletics skills and ‘Playing the Game’.

Science lessons are taught by Miss Denny and Mrs Edwards. The unit the students are learning about this Term is based on the physical world.

In Creative and Performing Arts, students will be learning to perform in a whole school ‘Mini-Musical Extravaganza’ in Term 3 Week 3. More information about this fun performance will be detailed about each class routine.

As reported in the last newsletter, the Stage 2 excursion for 2019 will be the Taronga ZooSnooz program and Australian Reptile Park, Central Coast. It has been confirmed that the 11th and 12th September are Karuah PS allocated dates (Term 3). An expression of interest note has been distributed this week. The cost per student is $185. Please return to the office EOI note by Friday 24th May, 2019, with a $50 non-refundable deposit to secure your child’s position in regards to this excursion. There will be parent and carer information meetings held later in the Term.

Kind Regards,
Kath Henry

4/5/6
Welcome back to Term 2. I hope everyone had a relaxing break and a great Easter. 4/5/6 have settled right back into routine and had a great first week back at school. We have been very busy practising for NAPLAN and the students have been producing quality work as well as learning some strategies of persistence when doing tests. We have been trying to incorporate technology every chance we get as NAPLAN is online this year.
After NAPLAN we will be moving on to informative writing - studying animals and biomes which links to our Geography unit. In Maths, we have been looking at fractions and decimals, any extra practise with this topic at home would be beneficial to all students. This week we will be moving on to look at addition and subtraction strategies. Have a great week.

Kind Regards,
Miss Murray

5/6
Welcome back to all students and parents. I hope you have had an enjoyable 2 week break. Term 2 is looking to be a very exciting and busy term. We have many wonderful things planned for you. This term we will be reading the text My Australian Story: Sydney Harbour Bridge by Vashti Farrer. This will be perfect preparation for our Sydney Excursion.

This term, 5/6 will be beginning Project Based Learning. Project based learning is the concept of allowing students more space in their learning to discover individual answers relating to a whole school focus. We are looking at the sustainability of the Earth and how we can improve the environment. Many of the activities will be designing projects with one project being made at home in later weeks.

We are going to be collecting items to be used in our class projects. Items that can be recycled into new projects and art, e.g. milk bottles, jars, bottle caps, newspaper or any other plastic containers. There is a box outside the 5/6 classroom for all recycled items.

That’s all for this fortnight!
Kind regards,
Mr Lawless

UNSW ICAS ASSESSMENTS 2019
Students from Years 2 to Year 6 have the opportunity to participate in a variety of assessments based on different subject areas throughout Terms 2 & 3. Interested students will be handed an information note informing them about dates and costs this Week. Please return notes and monies by Friday 24th May, 2019.

What it is...
ICAS Assessments are online* assessments, designed to recognise and reward academic excellence.

Kind Regards,
Kath Henry

HOMEWORK CENTRE NEWS
Homework Centre commenced today Tuesday 7th May. There are still limited spaces available. If you would like your child to attend, please return the green homework centre note, or see the office for a new one.

Kind regards,
Miss Druce

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS NEWS
Afternoon Sport will commence on Monday 13th May for those who have bought back their note and received an acceptance note. If your child is attending please ensure they have their joggers, hat and water bottle. I am looking forward to teaching them soccer skills.

Kind Regards,
Miss Druce
CROSS COUNTRY NEWS

Congratulations on all students who participated in the KPS Cross Country Carnival. Your enthusiasm and participation in all races has been noted by all staff members, parents and carers, including community members. Considering the weather on the day, students followed instructions promptly and were safely monitored by all KPS staff, with events completed before noon.

Thank you to all KPS staff members for assisting on the day and a big thank you to Mrs April Lilley and Miss Amanda Willis for opening the school canteen, lunch and recess eating times.

Medallions and ribbons will be handed to winning students at assembly Term 2 Week 4.

Zone Cross Country Carnival 2019

Twenty two students have been selected to participate in the 2019 Zone Cross Country Carnival at Lakeside Sporting Complex, Raymond Terrace on Tuesday 7th May. Students will be supervised by Karuah PS Teachers and transport is by Karuah RSL Mini buses or by private transport (parents or carers). GOOD LUCK!!!!!!!!!

Regards,
Kath Henry and Lisa McGowan

MUSICAL NEWS

This term we will begin practise of our mini musical based on Peter Pan. This performance will take place in Week 3 Term 3 in line with Book Week and Education Week. Each class will perform a dance number as well as some student taking on acting roles. Throughout this musical we are able to reach creative and performing arts outcomes as well as providing students an opportunity to perform in costume for the school, parents and visitors. Students will also have to opportunity to create props and costumes and be involved in sound and lighting positions.

Kind Regards
Miss Murray

PREMIERS SPORTING CHALLENGE

This term students and teachers will be participating in the Premiers Sporting Challenge (PSC). Students in years 3-6 are required to keep track of their weekly physical activity in a log book provided by the school. Students in years K-2 will record their physical activity with their teacher. In completing this challenge student receive a certificate signed by the premier. A note with more information on this challenge will be sent home this week.

Kind Regards
Miss Murray
WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program, we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 1st May to Tuesday 25th June or while stock lasts, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths. Sticker sheets are available from your local school.

At the end of the promotion, we will be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you would like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

ADOPT A FARMER ~ MUFTI DAY ~ WED 8.5.19

This Wednesday, students and Karuah PS staff are able to come to school dressed-up as a farmer or farmer style to support all of the struggling farmers in Australia. We are asking for a gold coin donation on the day and there will be some special activities offered for students to participate and be involved. This is an initiative welcomed by the DoE called the ‘Adopt a Farmer’. All proceeds will go to farmers.

'One of the greatest aspects of the Adopt a Farmer campaign, is that school students can write directly to the farmers they are supporting and receive letters in response. I encourage you to consider this opportunity and communicate to your community, the significance of learning about the drought, helping farmers and the reasons why students at your school would like to go to the bush to meet some of the people they have helped. A small group of students and a teacher from NSW, Queensland and Victoria will be flown free by Qantas to meet farmers for a day.

Should you want to take up the opportunity to write a positive message to a farmer, letters are to be sent to:
adopta farmer@news.com.au

Murat Dizdar
DEPUTY SECRETARY, SCHOOL OPERATIONS AND PERFORMANCE
NSW DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Adjunct Professor, School of Education

Kind Regards,
Kath Henry
STEWART HOUSE
DONATION DRIVE 2019

Stewart House and The Smith Family have been partnering for over 50 years to build sustainable reuse initiatives that benefit children and families in disadvantaged communities. The Annual Donation Drive is your chance to win a family holiday to the destination of your choice valued at $4000. Entry is $2. Stewart House envelopes are available from the school office. Donations must be made to the school office by Friday 17th May, the raffle will be drawn on Friday 31st May 2019.

EASTER HAT PARADE

The Easter hat parade was an enjoyable experience for our students. Thank you to staff for helping students to make some fantastic hats and our P&C for an exciting raffle.
IMPORTANT DATES MAY
- Glo Disco 22nd May 5-7pm
- Thompson’s pie drive order form attached to newsletter.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISING
Voting for the Federal Election is on the 18th May, we are holding a cake stall if anyone would like to bake for this. We are after any ingredients families could donate eg sugar, flour, eggs, and butter by the 15th May. These can be left in the canteen as well as any baked goods by the 17th May and. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

WINTER IS COMING – we have jackets size 8-14 for $42 in the uniform shop. Uniform shop will be open in Term 2 every 2nd Thursday 8.45-9.15 starting from this week. Just come see Kylie in the Canteen or order forms are available at the office to fill in & hand back. Payment can be made via cash or bank transfer.

The Mothers Day stall is this Thursday 9th May. There is no pre order this year but a range of gifts are available for purchase from $2. Students will be buying gifts in their class groups. Please pack your child a bag for their purchases after they have shopped. Thank you 😊

DONT FORGET the movie night is being held this Friday 10th May at Scotty’s Cinema 6.30-9.30pm to raise funds for the Year 3/4 camp Roar in the Zoo. Tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite for $15.87 or from the school gate from 30th April for $15. The event is open to the community and everyone is welcome.
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**KARUWA PUBLIC SCHOOL PAC PIE DRIVE FUNDRAISING ORDER SHEET**