

# KEMPSEY SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER | 8TH SEPTEMBER 2025 TERM 3



### 2025 MACLEAY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPRING INTO ART AWARDS

Last Wednesday evening, two Kempsey South PS teachers were recognised for excellence in their profession at the annual MPS Spring Into Art Awards at Gladstone. Miss Tess Harwood and Ms Brienna Elford were celebrated in front of their families, their KSPS colleagues, and their peers from across the Macleay Valley. Below are photos of them being presented with their awards by Mrs Emma Jeffrey - Director Educational Leadership (Macleay Valley Network) and the citation that accompanied the award. Congratulations to both of them, We are very proud of their achievements:

#### TESS HARWOOD

Tess Harwood is an amazing teacher who has impressed staff, students, families and community throughout her time at Kempsey South Public School. Her love, commitment and dedication to her students makes Tess an outstanding Special Education teacher and a vital member of our Support Class structure. Working with highly complex students who have significant additional needs, Tess doesn't miss a beat in her planning and preparation and is admired by her colleagues and school leaders alike. Tess' enthusiasm for public education has her regularly volunteering for organisational roles which provide children with the opportunity to participate in a range of sporting, cultural and artistic activities so that they're exposed to all the world has to offer. In particular, her work around Hockey and Dance has been exceptional. Our Kempsey South family are extremely proud of Tess, we look forward to watching her impact the children of the Macleay Valley, congratulate her on being acknowledged this evening.

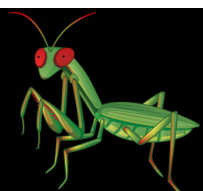


#### BRIENNA ELFORD

Brienna Elford is a highly-motivated educator who goes the extra mile to ensure that the students at Kempsey South Public School are regularly provided with stimulating, relevant, engaging and life-changing learning experiences. Whether it be in the classroom, on the playground, out On Country or in the water, Brienna's organisation and management ensures all activities are successful, enjoyable and linked to the appropriate curriculum. She does this while playing a vital role as part of our highly-successful Primary Support Class structure in ensuring consistency and continuity of learning is provided for those with the highest needs. Brienna has stepped into relieving Executive and Middle Leader roles in 2025 where she has absolutely shone, delivering higher levels of support to staff and students while engaging families and community in a genuinely authentic manner. Her commitment to our school, our community and public education is greatly valued and Kempsey South is enormously proud to call Brienna one of our own. Congratulations on this wonderful recognition.



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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### TERM 3

#### WEEK 8

Mon 08/09/25	3-6 Sydney Camp
Mon 08/09/25	Assembly 1pm
Mon 08/09/25	K-6S On Country Excursion
Tues 09/09/25	3-6 Sydney Camp
Tues 09/09/25	NC Athletics
Wed 10/09/25	5/6 Newington Visit
Wed 10/09/25	3-6 Sydney Camp
Wed 10/09/25	Buthi Wupus 9-11 am
Thurs 11/09/25	Yr 6 visit to Bunnings
Fri 12/09/25	Playgroup 9.30-11am

#### WEEK 9

Mon 15/09/25	MC Camp Stage 2&3
Mon 15/09/25	DENTAL VAN (2 weeks)
Mon 15/09/25	Assembly 1pm
Mon 15/09/25	K-6G On Country Excursion
Tues 16/09/25	MC Camp Stage 2&3
Wed 17/09/25	Fire Station visit Yr 6
Wed 17/09/25	Buthi Wupus 9- 11 am
Thurs 18/09/25	Yuwi Nyinda Youth Summit
Fri 19/09/25	Playgroup 9.30-11am

#### WEEK 10

Mon 22/09/25	Assembly 1pm
Wed 24/09/25	Buthi Wupus 9-11am
Thurs 25/09/25	Newington visit Yr 6
Fri 26/09/25	Playgroup 9.30-11am
Fri 26/09/25	Out of Uniform/Fun colour Day
Fri 26/09/25	Last Day of Term 3

Happy Birthday



Nazaria  
Addison  
Michael  
Tyreece  
Noah  
Tyson C  
Athena  
Mia C

Birthdays next 30 days

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS Week 7

### K/6E

Jesse

### K/6S

Addison  
Floyd  
River

Harntah  
Jhonte

### 1M

Eljen  
Skylah  
Harmony  
Melodie  
Mia C  
Kastiel

### 2/3L

Phoenix

### 3/40

Xavier

Tarrah  
Caelan

### 5/6S

Allindah  
  
Seth  
Ruby  
Scarlette

### K/6E

fantastic effort to improve his Reading

### K/6S

excellent work in all areas  
dedication to all learning areas  
improved effort in Literacy & Numeracy  
improved effort in Literacy  
great effort in Reading and Maths

### 1M

Respectful  
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Resilient  
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Ready to Learn

### 2/3L

great work in our extracurricular electronic group

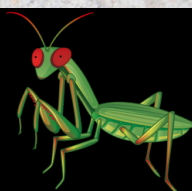
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### 5/6S

assisting her peers to learn new Mathematical concepts  
growth mindset towards Maths  
Over and Above  
great work in our extracurricular electronic group

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**P&C MEETING**  
**1st Wed of every month**

**WEDNESDAY 15th October 2025**

**Please join us for biscuits & coffee/tea in the ARCC at 2pm**

**As a school community we can all benefit and thrive from parent/carer participation and support.**

**We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.**

## **Nutrition Snippet**

### WHAT A WASTE.

**Did you know that the average household throws out 1 in 5 bags of groceries they purchase?**



**Here are some top tips to reduce your food waste to save money and help the planet!**

1. Only buy what you need
2. Store your food correctly
3. Love those leftovers
4. Don't throw away tired fruit and veg
5. Buy odd shaped fruit and veg

**Read more tips and get recipes to help reduce your food waste at:**

**[healthymadetasty.com.au](http://healthymadetasty.com.au)**



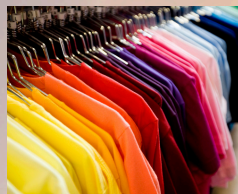
**Cancer Council**  
**Healthy Made Tasty**

## **OUT OF UNIFORM/FUN COLOUR DAY**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

**Come dressed in your favourite colour, footy team, or whatever you like.**

**The P&C will be having a sausage sizzle and a cake stall so don't forget to bring some money.**



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## **Ruby and Ra joined a Zoom Meeting with DOVES**

**The Minister's Student Council (DOVES) is a group of 27 student representatives from the nine public school directorates across NSW. They are united by a common goal: to advocate for meaningful, student-led policy change. They report directly to the Deputy Premier and Minister for Education and Early Learning.**

**Ra and Ruby were asked if they could describe a time when they felt supported and valued in their school. Ruby mentioned she felt supported when she became school captain and was supported by all her peers and staff at school. Ra mentioned when he was chosen by his teacher to be part of the Student Voice Council.**

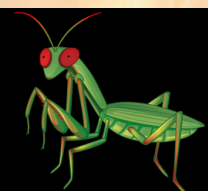
**Then they were asked how we could make our school and all schools more inclusive and welcoming for all students. They mentioned they would like more colour and art around our school and to ensure that our activities that we have at breaks continue or become even more driven by what the students want.**

**The final question they gave feedback on was around what schools can do to support students with bullying. They mentioned our "Berry Street" lessons and programs around teaching about bullying, how it impacts everyone and helps to teach us to have empathy.**

**The convenor of the program mentioned to Ruby and Ra "You have done yourselves, your school and your community proud by giving your input and participate in solutions for students".**

**I couldn't agree more.**

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Come and join us

# KEMPSEY SOUTH

## SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP

9:30am to 11:00am  
Every Friday

Morning Tea Provided  
Everyone Welcome

For further information  
call 65 62 7033

Highly qualified staff  
Supportive play based learning  
Family and community atmosphere

Come & see what

# KEMPSEY SOUTH

is all about

## ENROL NOW FOR 2026

For further information call 65 62 7033  
kempseysth-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

Our Vision and Purpose:  
Through authentic relationships and collaboration with our community, KSPS is a nurturing and innovative learning environment where each student is inspired to thrive and excel in their endeavours.

## COULD YOU FOSTER ME?

WE NEED YOUR HELP

"Help a child find their Path, with Pathfinders"

**Foster Carers needed now**

Pathfinders' foster care team is urgently seeking new or existing foster carers to provide full-time or short-term care for children aged 0-17 across the Mid North Coast and regional NSW.

**Considering becoming a carer?**

Our friendly team are ready to answer your questions. Whether you're looking to start the process of becoming a registered carer or just wanting more information, our team can help.

1800 314 199  
fostering@pathfinders.ngo  
www.pathfinders.ngo

Download our free information pack

## ROVERS COME AND TRY 4 WEEK PROGRAM

**COST: FREE**  
**AGES: ANY PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED STUDENT (OLD AND NEW PLAYERS)**  
**TIME: 4PM - 4:45PM**  
**DATES: 10/9, 17/9, 24/9, 1/10 (ALL WEDNESDAYS)**  
**LOCATION: VERGE STREET CRICKET OVAL**

EACH REGISTERED CHILD WILL RECEIVE A ROVERS BUCKET HAT!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT JACKSON: 0408 275 737

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER.

#wearetherovers

## Nulla Cricket Club

Welcomes you to the 25/26 Cricket Season!

**Juniors:**  
U10's - \$50  
U12's & U14's - \$75  
U14's playing jnr & snr - \$100  
U14's playing jnr & snr - \$200 (incl senior ball fees)

**Seniors:**  
\$280 (incl ball fees)  
\$230 (U18's only - incl ball fees)  
\$130 (excl ball fees)

**New Rego's includes playing shirt and hat**

**Rego's open now!**

We welcome new and returning players

Scan QR code to Register

For more info: please email nullacricket@gmail.com or phone 0458 293 165

## FREE! Nulla Come and Try Cricket Days

Is your child ready to give cricket a go? Nulla CC will be holding Come and Try Cricket Days over 3 weeks in September Designed for kids aged 6-9 year olds Please scan QR code to register.

**Free Nulla hat and soft ball with each rego**

Mon 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Sep 4-5pm - Crescent Head or  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Sep 4-5pm - Verge St Nets

Contact: Sam Preston  
nullacricket@gmail.com  
0458567214

Scan QR code to register

## REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR 2025/26!

**JUNIORS (ALL PLAYING SATURDAY MORNING)**  
UNDER 105 - \$50 (PLEASE CONTACT MATT TO GET A \$25 OFF DISCOUNT CODE)  
UNDER 125 AND 145 - \$75

**SENIORS AND JUNIORS PLAYING SENIORS (FIRST XI, 1ST - 3RD GRADE)**  
OVER 18 - \$275 (INCLUDES BALL FEES)  
UNDER 18 - \$200 (INCLUDES BALL FEES)  
FOR UNDER 18S, USE THIS VOUCHER CODE AT PAYMENT TO BRING YOUR FEE BACK TO \$200 - C4E543F8

\*IF YOU'RE A JUNIOR PLAYING SENIORS REGISTER VIA THE SENIOR REGISTRATION LINK AND MATT WILL TRANSFER YOU TO JUNIORS.  
\*ALL REGOS INCLUDE A PLAYING SHIRT.  
\*YOU CAN USE YOUR CHILD'S ACTIVE KIOS VOUCHER.  
\*ANY REGO QUESTIONS, CONTACT MATT - 0411795271

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

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