



Kootungal Public School

STAR NEWSLETTER

"Caring, Learning and Achieving Together."



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Term 1 Week 5

Wednesday 26th February 2025

Stage 1 Creating and Performing



Silver Awards

Isabela Robinson, Jesse Adams, Dakota Blanch,
Audrey Maher, Thomas Steers, Caitlin Cwach, Ciara Cwach,
Evie Cain and Aariah Dean

Merit Award

Isabela Robinson

Gold Awards

Isabela Robinson



Important Dates to Remember Term 1 2025

24th, 25th, 26th and 27th - Life Education Van
Monday 3rd March - Playgroup 9:30am to 11am
Wednesday 5th March - Captains Induction Assembly 9:45am
Monday 10th March - Silver Assembly - Host 5/6B, item 1/2W
Monday 10th March - Kinder NRMA Bus Program
Monday 10th March - Playgroup 9:30am to 11am
Week 7 and 8 - NAPLAN

Executive Team - Relieving Principal - Rebecah Higgins
Assistant Principal - (Kinder to Year 2) - Nicole Chegwyn
Relieving Assistant Principal (Yr 3 to 6) - Miss Bennett
Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction - Michelle Lord

P & C Executive

President: Maree Merry Vice President - Nicole Chegwyn and
Secretary: Scott Tulley Rebecca Vanella
Treasurer: Anne-Maree McGrath

Awards

Uniform Awards

Fraser Clarke, Dayne Poulsen, Percy Bradshaw, Lacey Hunt, Shelby Fenner, Olivia Hunt, Oaklee Sheumack, Parker O'Brien, Benjamin Walsh, Caitlin Cwach, Hallie Moxon, Jack Lawson, Charlotte Hunt, Ciara Cwach, Ava Moxon, Havanah Williams, Jesse Adams and Kieran Perkins



PBL Awards

Charley Moxon Tahlia Byrnes, Lleyton Clarke, Hunter Ryan, Byron Squires, Adam-Mack Pittman, Ella Flemming, Nixon James, Layne Clark, Lucas Sneesby, Levi Hazell, Isabela Robinson, Charlotte Hunt, Elliot Douglas, Ava Moxon and Aria Dean



Bronze Awards

Chayce Brinkman - Working hard to produce neat bookwork
 Ellis Williamson - Contributing well to class discussions and working hard at his desk
 Indie McIntosh - Taking pride in her bookwork
 Hudson Cocking - His confidence and participation in daily Fundamental Movement Skills
 Raine Barnett - Taking pride in her bookwork
 Jayda Kaluza - Starting year 1 with the attentiveness of an effective learner
 Emilia Stevens - Supporting her peers in writing tasks
 Arlo Patterson - Starting year 1 with enthusiasm and effective learner behaviour
 Shelby Fenner - Always trying to extend her learning
 Oliver Murray-Head - Am amazing start to year 2.
 Patrick Lye - Enthusiasm in English discussions and writing
 Charlee Davis - Demonstrating helpfulness to classmates
 Phillip Coonan - Enthusiastically engaging in conversations about place value
 Abeer Malik - Demonstrating excellent handwriting and book work
 Izaak Campbell-Hicks - Engaging in conversations about place value and multiplication in Mathematics lessons
 Emily Moxon - Enthusiastically engaging in writing activities

Joshua Adams - His insightful contributions and active engagement in class discussions
 Bentley Brown - His commitment to tackling tasks independently
 Nixon Hawke - Showing enthusiasm and pride in visual arts
 Kalem Marchant - A settled start to Stage 2
 Hudson Hurley - Showing enthusiasm at the swimming carnival and eager to show off his skills in the novelties
 Ellie Eccleston - Demonstrating enthusiasm during SpellEx
 Abigail Jamieson - Regular contributions to class discussions about text
 Lovayah Wightman - Enthusiastic participation in fundamental movement skill games
 Abby Hogg - Her commitment to completing all learning tasks across all Key Learning Areas
 Beau Roser - Showing initiative and willingness to share his idea's and knowledge in our Science unit
 Sophie Corbett - Contributing her ideas in both group and whole class discussions
 Regardt Janse van Rensburg - Applying himself to all set tasks and producing quality work in Literacy
 Hunter Barnett - Showing a good understanding of place value when working with decimal numbers



Mrs Higgins Principal's Message

Hello families and students,
What a great fortnight we have had with many things happening in our school. I am looking forward to our Induction Assembly on Wednesday 5th March at 9:45am in our school hall. It is always a special day for our leaders and their families.

It was a pleasure to see our leadership team host the first bronze assembly on Monday. Kootingal students are working hard at following our expectations for assembly and being supportive of our peers. It was a pleasure to hand out awards for so many varied reasons and see our students striving so hard in the classroom and playground. It was wonderful to also celebrate the success of our students from our recent swimming carnival. I cannot stress the importance of teaching your children to swim and the confidence they can receive from this. We would love to see more entries in our carnival next year. Please see the learn to swim advertisement later in our newsletter.

Congratulations to the students who participated in the Zone swimming carnival last Friday and thank you to Mr Cracknell and Mrs Blinman for assisting them. They swam well and represented their school with pride. We wish the following students all the best as they continue on to compete in Armidale on Monday 10th March.

Nate Halloran, Ava Moxon, Madelyn Witchard, Hallie Moxon, Lucy Proctor, Emma Cook and Leilah Higgins.



There has been much excitement in the school at the moment with the arrival of the Life Education Van. Students have enjoyed participating in lessons around friendships, being cyberwise and understanding about the impact of personal health choices on their body. As always, one of the highlights is the arrival of our spotted friend, Harold!

We welcomed Dr Bricknell back for 2025 and she has been busily working with our Stage 2 and Stage 3 students on their writing.

This Friday the school will participate in Clean Up Australia Day, focusing on our school grounds. Our teachers are planning to look at this again during Term 4 during sustainability units.



If you make it along to the Tamworth Show, have a look in the art section and you will see some of our student artworks there. Thank you to Miss Bennett for organising that for us.

Please remind your child that our precious toys are best left at home. This ensures they are safe and do not get lost, broken or confused with someone else. Which brings me to my next point of the wonderful cards, tokens, and objects the supermarkets give away. As it can be hard to determine who it may belong to, we kindly ask that these also stay at home and are not brought to school to trade.

Just a reminder that while payments will come through the Parent Sentral portal for events please ensure paper permission notes are returned to the office.

Year 6 parent's expressions of interest will be coming out next week and while this may seem extremely early, they are necessary and need to be completed online by 28th March 2025. You will receive an email with a link to complete this. Please contact the school if you have any questions regarding this.

Wishing all our families a wonderful fortnight and I look forward to sharing more positive stories soon.

Swimming Champions

Junior Champions - Lachlan Witchard and Hallie Moxon

Junior Runner up - Thomas Steers, Emma Cook and Lucy Proctor

11 years Champions - Heath Green and Madelyn Witchard

11 years Runner up - Tyler Wilkinson, Leo Fenner and Zara Steers

Senior Champions - Zac Pollard, Billy Simmonds and Ava Moxon

Senior Runner up - Audrey Maher

Winning House - Gill



Message from the front office

Parents are able to make payments online through the Sentral Parent Portal. 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.

Attendance

Planning for Family Holidays

When planning for a family holiday or an extended absence during the school term, parents must complete an **Application for Extended Leave - Travel**. An **Application for Extended Leave - Travel** is available from our school's front office. This application is not necessarily an assurance that leave will be granted. As a part of the application it is requested that travel documentation, such as travel itinerary or e-ticket, is attached to the Application.

Where a principal considers that the travel is appropriate during school term, the principal will issue a **Certificate of Extended Leave - Travel**. The absences will be recorded as "L" - Leave. The original certificate will be provided to the parent and a copy of the certificate placed in each student's record

Library Days

KL - Tuesday

KS - Tuesday

1/2G - Friday

1/2W - Friday

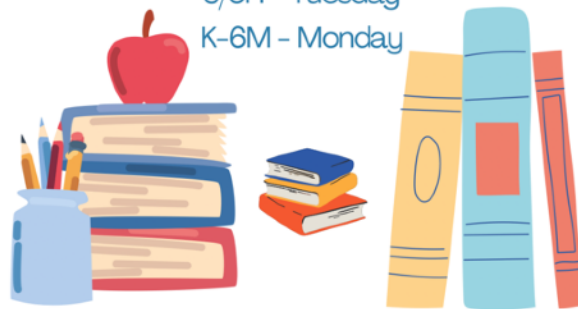
3/4B - Thursday

3/4M - Thursday

5/6B - Monday

5/6H - Tuesday

K-6M - Monday



Our hardworking P&C is looking for slice / cake / biscuit / scone donations for our food stall at The Moonbi Motorshow on Saturday 8th March.

If you or someone you know would be willing to donate, please drop your donations to our school on Friday 7th March by 3.30pm.

For more information please contact Maree on 0461309495.



P&C AGM

Tuesday 18th March

6pm

All positions will be declared vacant

\$2 to become a member and vote



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0410 841 628

info@esteemkidsgroup.com.au

www.estearnkidsgroup.com.au

Clothing Pool will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30am to 3pm.



Please come to the office.



PLATFORM
+ CO.

LEARN TO SWIM 2025!

FREE LTS lessons provided by **Platform & Co** in North West, Central West and Far West NSW.

Commencing March-April (3-12yo)



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Tamworth

**Classes running
Tuesday - Friday
Kindy - Year 12!**

want to act? want to be on stage?
Boost self-confidence, communication and
language skills. Self-development through
drama!

**now enrolling for
Term 1!**

email Ben for an info pack:
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Clubs Term 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 st Break	Chess  Library	Choir  KL	Art / Craft  KS	Library / Lego  Library	Dance  Hall
2 nd Break	GEM  Library	Garden  Garden	GEM  Library	Garden  Garden	GEM  Library

Birthday Buckets

Make your child's birthday special with a birthday bucket. \$20 will get a light up bucket of zooper doopers that will be delivered to your child's classroom with a helium balloon for the birthday child to take home. Please pre-order at least one week in advance at the front office along with payment. Payment can be made online to the P & C Bank Account - BSB 932-000, account number 789117 or cash. Please SMS confirmation of payment to 0461 309 495. A photo of your child receiving the Birthday Bucket can then be sent to you.

Parent Helpers

If anyone wants to help in the canteen on a Wednesday or Friday from 9am till 12pm please email the P&C email with your availability and we will add you to the roster.



Kootingal Public School P&C Canteen Menu 2025

Hot Food

Cheese Pizza	\$ 3.00
Ham & Cheese Pizza	\$ 3.50
Chicken & Cheese Pizza w/ bbq sauce.....	\$ 3.50
Sausage Roll	\$ 4.00
Meat Pie	\$ 5.00
Grilled Chicken Burger	\$ 5.00
<i>Chicken fillet, lettuce, cheese & Mayo</i>	
Cheeseburger	\$ 5.00
<i>Lean Beef Pattie, cheese & tomato sauce</i>	
Fish Burger	\$ 5.00
<i>Crumbed fish fillet, lettuce & mayo</i>	
Lasagne	\$ 5.00
Macaroni & Cheese	\$ 5.00
Spaghetti	\$ 5.00
Chicken Nuggets	\$0.80each
Ham & Cheese Toasted Sandwich	\$ 3.50
Chicken & Cheese Toasted Sandwich	\$ 3.50
Cheese Toasted Sandwich	\$ 3.00
Chicken Gravy Roll	\$ 5.00

Sandwiches, Salads & Wraps

Chicken Salad Tub	\$ 5.50
<i>Sliced chicken breast, lettuce, grated carrot, grated cheese & mayo</i>	
Ham Salad Tub	\$ 5.50
<i>Ham, lettuce, grated carrot, grated cheese & mayo</i>	
Chicken Wrap	\$ 4.50
<i>Chicken tender, lettuce, grated cheese & mayo</i>	
Fish Wrap	\$ 4.50
<i>Crumbed fish fillet, lettuce, grated cheese & mayo</i>	
Chicken Salad Wrap	\$ 5.00
<i>Chicken tender, lettuce, grated cheese, grated carrot & mayo</i>	
Ham Salad Wrap	\$ 5.00
<i>Ham, lettuce, grated cheese, grated carrot & mayo</i>	
Cheese Sandwich	\$ 2.50
Vegemite Sandwich	\$ 2.50
Egg, Lettuce & Mayo Sandwich	\$ 3.00

Drinks

Bottled Water	\$ 2.00
Assorted fruit poppers:	\$ 1.50
<i>Apple, Tropical, Orange/Mango & Apple/Raspberry</i>	
Chocolate & Strawberry Milk	\$ 2.50
Chill J:	\$ 3.00
<i>Raspberry, Lemonade, Apple Cola, Watermelon, Grape & Orange/Passio</i>	

Frozen Snacks

Chocolate Moosies	\$ 2.00
Frozen Juice Cups	\$ 1.00
Quelch	\$ 0.70
Watermelon & Mango Frozen Yoghurt	\$ 2.50
Ice Monies	\$ 1.50

Snacks

Sunbites	\$ 1.00
Cheese & Biscuits	\$ 1.50
Cheese Stick	\$ 1.00
Apple Slices Bag	\$ 1.00
Carrot Sticks Bag	\$ 1.00
Assorted Fruit	\$ 1.00

Extras

Tomato Sauce	\$ 0.70
BBQ Sauce	\$ 0.70
Cheese	\$ 0.70



Sticky Beak Reusable Lunch Wallets
available at canteen \$15

Please clearly label your child's name and class on a brown paper bag or lunch bag.

FREE

KOOTINGAL KIDS CLUB

YEARS K-5

ACTIVITIES
AFTERNOON TEA, GAMES, MUSIC AND SINGING, BIBLE STORIES, CRAFT AND MORE

3.30-5.00PM
EVERY THURSDAY TERM TIME

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welcome to KOOTY MOONBI YOUTH

term one 2025

Fri 14 Feb	youth group pool party	what is this?
Fri 21 Feb	make your own sundae	the best welcome ever!
Fri 28 Feb	end of summer water fight	why go?
Fri 7 Mar	leaders vs youth	
Fri 14 Mar	street teams serving in our local community	
Fri 21 Mar	b/g split night	
Sat 22 Mar	barraba bash combined youth groups 10am-3.30pm @Barraba	before, and after I go?
Fri 28 Mar	park games	how to walk out?
Fri 4 Apr	master chef kootingal	
Sun 6 Apr	front yard church 10am Sunday @ Kootingal Church	
Fri 11 Apr	erin's mystery last night	

Kooty Moonbi Youth Group meet 5.00-6.30pm Fridays in school term at Kootingal Anglican Church. All youth years 6-12 with permission are welcome. For more info contact: Tory 0407 466 459 or Rosie 0478 419 290 or www.kootingalmoonbianglican.com or find us on Facebook

FOOTY ADVENTURE

Tamworth After School Program

CHOOSE YOUR

Students in Years K-2
Tuesdays: 11th March to 1st April (4 weeks)
Time: 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Location: Number 1
Cost: \$65
Registration includes a Sydney Swans Auskick Pack

Register HERE

Students in Years 3-6
Tuesday: 11th March to 1st April (4 weeks)
Time: 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Location: Number 1
Cost: \$65
Registration includes a Superkick Pack

Register HERE

VISIT PLAY.AFL

COME TRY BMX

TAMWORTH CITY BMX

BMX is a family-friendly sport, not to mention exhilarating and addictive.
It's the perfect sport for all Kids from 2+, Teens and Adults of all abilities.
BMX is an all year sport
No Prior BMX experience, required.

What to wear: long-sleeved pants and top (no lycra), long fingered gloves and a full-face helmet.

What to bring: your BMX, dirt jumper, or mountain bike. We have some bikes and gear available to loan.

Try our 4 week free trial Membership

For More information contact the Club via their face book page

Come down and try BMX riding.

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Calendar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 5	Feb 24 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am Life Education Bronze Assembly 2:45pm	Feb 25 K-2 Sport Life Education	Feb 26 Life Education	Feb 27 3-6 Sport Life Education	Feb 28
Week 6	Mar 3 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am	Mar 4 K-2 Sport	Mar 5 Captains Induction Assembly 9:45am	Mar 6 3-6 Sport	Mar 7
Week 7	Mar 10 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am Kinder NRMA Bus Program Silver Assembly - Host 5/6B, Item 1/2W - 2:30pm	Mar 11 K-2 Sport	Mar 12 NAPLAN	Mar 13 3-6 Sport NAPLAN	Mar 14 NAPLAN
Week 8	Mar 17 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am NAPLAN	Mar 18 K-2 Sport NAPLAN	Mar 19 NAPLAN	Mar 20 3-6 Sport NAPLAN	Mar 21 NAPLAN
Week 9	Mar 24 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am Bronze Assembly 2:45pm	Mar 25 K-2 Sport	Mar 26	Mar 27 3-6 Sport	Mar 28
Week 10	Mar 31 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am	Apr 1 K-2 Sport World of Maths Parent/Teacher Interviews 4pm to 6pm	Apr 2	Apr 3 3-6 Sport	Apr 4
Week 11	Apr 7 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am Silver Assembly - Host 3/4B, item 5/6H - 2:30pm	Apr 8 K-2 Sport Parent/Teacher Interviews 4pm to 6pm	Apr 9 School Cross Country	Apr 10 3-6 Sport	Apr 11