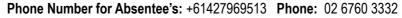
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Term 2 Week 10

Wednesday 2nd July 2025

Student of the Month - 30th June 2025

Charley Moxon

Charley is a quiet, friendly and wellmannered member of the class. She always displays a positive approach to learning. Charley consistently applies herself to the best of her ability across all subjects and takes great pride in presenting her bookwork neatly. She listens attentively in class, answers questions during discussions and works independently.



Charley consistently follows PBL expectations and demonstrates our school core values. She cooperates well and interacts respectfully with her peers. As a supportive classmate, she is always happy to work with anyone. Charley is often seen assisting her peers in the classroom, tidying up, or being a supportive friend in the playground when someone is hurt, sad or needs someone to play with. She consistently completes her home reading each week and wears her school uniform with pride.

Congratulations Charley Moxon on receiving our Student of the Month Award.

Medallion Ciara Cwach





George is a social and well liked member of 3/4M, demonstrating growing confidence in his learning across all Key Learning Areas. kind, polite and thoughtful nature makes him an asset to our school. He is seen laughing and interacting with his friends in the playground, showcasing his inclusive nature and tolerance towards others.



George enjoys acquiring new knowledge and willingly shares it with his classmates. He consistently produces his best work, listens to feedback, and uses it to improve on future tasks. He eagerly participates in all learning activities and tackles new and challenging tasks with enthusiasm.

George interacts positively with both staff and peers. He readily takes on additional responsibilities in the classroom and is always willing to assist when the opportunity arises. His willingness to help others without seeking praise highlights his excellent citizenship.

George's friendly demeanour, dedication to learning, and commitment to our school's Positive Behaviour for Learning values - being a safe, supportive, and effective learner - make him a deserving choice for Student of the Month. Congratulations, George.

Merit Lucy Procter, Ava Avery and Ciara Cwach





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











K-6M TERM 2









Awards

Gold Awards

Charlotte Hunt, Ciara Cwach, Ella Flemming and Matilda Butler



Silver Awards

Charlotte Hunt, Patrick Lye, Ellis Williamson, Thomas Keen, Ciara Cwach, Ella Flemming, Olivia Hogg, Kieran Perkins and Jamie Perkins



Uniform Awards

Dayne Poulsen, Fraser Clarke, Indie McIntosh, Martin Fenner, Jasmine Coonan, Byron Squires, Lilah Blackwood, Dante Smiler, Phillip Coonan, Caitlin Cwach, Lachlan Witchard, Edward Glover, Ciara Cwach, Beau Caterer, Regardt Janse van Rensburg, Audrey Maher, Elliot Douglas and Joshua Adams



PBL Awards

Dayne Poulsen, Ellis Williamson, Harlee-Rose Reilly, Flynn Blacker, Nathaniel Blacklock, Isabelle De Vries, Oliver Murray-Head, Dante Smiler, Bentley Brown, Ciara Cwach, Charlotte Hunt, Rubie Warner, Callum Turner, Regardt Janse Van Rensburg and Indi Maher





Bronze Awards

Riley Henderson - An improved knowledge of sight words and please Term 2 InitiaLit results

Idah Lynch - Improved confidence and results in InitiaLit and reading

Raine Barnett - Her excellent rhythm and beat in Djembe drumming

Indie McIntosh - Her improved confidence in reading

Isaac Bennett - Showing great teamwork and curiosity when trialling different materials for his shelter

Lilly Warner - Using doubling and halving to solve problems in Mathematics

Thomas Jamieson - Thinking deeply about characters and symbols in Gregg Dreise stories

Olivia Hunt - Solving number problems independently using strategies we've learnt

Charlotte-Jane Scarth - Effort in visual arts

Oaklee Sheumack - Finding confidence to start writing tasks by herself

Jackson Price - Insightful and on topic contributions to class discussions

Benjamin Walsh - Excellent effort in Spellex review lessons Jamahri Opie - Working hard to write persuasively in his Big Write

Jax Semmler - Working hard to master multiplication and division work

Zoe Lye - Working hard to master multiplication and division Evanna Brijesh - Settling in well to 3/4M

Jack Lawson - Improved effort and participation in Mr Stone's athletics sessions

Hallie Moxon - Excellent effort during Dr Bricknell's writing lesson on context and perspective

Chayce Tulley - Improved effort and participation in Mr Stone's athletics sessions

Lacey Felsman - Improved participation in class discussions Maddison Bennett - Her contribution to the NAIDOC week Assembly

Kayden Reid - Improvement in writing persuasively

Heath Green - Improved effort in Big Writes

Madelyn Witchard - Taking time and care when presenting work Rylie Sheumack - trying his best in Mathematics

Beau Roser - Outstanding listening in our language lessons Luka Simpson - Being a creative thinker in Mathematics

Kieran Perkins - Demonstrating excellent leadership skills as a

library monitor



Silver Awards - Monday 30th June 2025

Patrick Smith - Improved confidence and skills in reading and excellent Term 2 InitiaLit results

Tahlia Byrnes - Improved InitiaLit results and confidence in learning

Cooper Baily - His improved InitiaLit results

Hudson Cocking - His improved InitiaLit results

Patrick Lye - Writing convincing persuasive texts and accepting feedback to improve

Thomas Jamieson - Always contributing to great discussion during whole class learning

Jasmine Coonan - Working cooperatively and sharing great ideas during our shelter project

Adam Mack Pittman - Making amazing progress in writing Charlee Davis - Setting personal writing goals to improve her persuasive texts

Izaac Campbell-Hicks - Sharing knowledge, ideas and connections during class discussions

Dustin Poulsen - Developing independent work habits

Tyrese Austin - Being an engaged and hardworking member of K-6M

Benji Swinfield - Working hard to develop his writing skills

Ellie Eccleston - Displaying a positive attitude towards learning and improving

Evie Cain - Consistent application across all Key Learning Areas

Lucas Sneesby - Showing continual Improvement in all Key Learning Areas

Zara Steers - Fantastic persuasive writing in our termly 'Big Write'

Koby-Jay Lang - His consistent effort and application in Mathematics

Angela Hobbs - Fantastic writing about donating to the RFS Ariah Dean - Great explaining her thinking when problem solving in Mathematics

Hunter Barnett - Outstanding results in Mathematic assessments this semester

Sophie Corbett - Improved attendance this term









To celebrate the last day of Term 2, the SRC are inviting students to come to school in out of uniform and with their craziest hair.

of laughter!



Gold Coin Donation

All money raised will go back into the school through the SRC to help fund fun activities, resources, and student-led projects.

Reminder: While we encourage fun and creativity, please make sure all outfits are school-appropriate and safe for are still required.



Mrs Higgins Principal's Message

Hello families and students.

We have come to the end of a very busy but successful Term 2. We are halfway through our year, and I could not be prouder of the progress our students are making.

Reports - I have had the pleasure of reading all the student reports and commend our students for the achievements they have made. As you review your child's report, I encourage you to take a moment to celebrate their achievements, both big and small. Look for areas where they have improved, whether it's in academics, creativity, or social skills.

Discussing their progress can be a great opportunity for reflection, allowing students to recognise their growth and set goals for Term 3. Additionally, you may like to consider discussing the areas for improvement, together with your child and how they can approach their learning moving forward.

Remember, learning is a journey and is individual for each child and effort and perseverance are just as important as the results themselves. If you have any questions about the reports or your child's progress, please do not hesitate to reach out to their teachers.

NAIDOC Week - It was a chilly morning, but a beautiful way to celebrate NAIDOC Week on Monday. I would like to extend my gratitude and thanks to Justin and Dermott for their involvement, from the smoking ceremony and sharing their story to assisting the students with their items. I wish to congratulate the students for hosting the assembly. I particularly enjoyed hearing what culture means to them. Student voice is an area I greatly promote, and I believe this was an excellent example.

Thank you to the community for coming and supporting us as well. We have been fortunate that today, Uncle Steve Widders, Reece Sheumack, Jermain Walford and Ruby Sheumack have come in to share stories and knowledge of their culture. The students enjoyed participating in some fun games and asking questions. We greatly appreciate their time in coming to visit and share with our students.

Please see our newsletter for some of the events happening in the wider community during the holidays for NAIDOC Week.

Pie Drive - With the cooler weather upon us, it is the perfect time for the P&C pie drive. This is one of the major fundraisers our P&C holds, and this year the P&C has elected that the proceeds from this and future pie drives will be donated to the school to assist with costs for the Canberra Excursion. This initiative aims to help families with expenses to ensure more students can attend.

I greatly appreciate this initiative from the P&C, as we understand that excursions can be a financial burden to families while still wanting their children to participate in the experience. So, I strongly encourage you to rally family, friends, work colleagues, and neighbours to support this wonderful fundraiser. It also helps that the produce is delicious!

Before and After School Care – Their Care has informed us that they are now taking enrolments. Please see the information sent out via the parent portal on Sentral.

ICAS – Don't forget to register if your child is interested in the ICAS assessment. These are online assessments that give students the opportunity to challenge their higher-order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, and Digital Technologies.

Athletics Carnival – Preparations are underway for our Athletics Carnival next term, which will be held on Wednesday, July 23rd (full day), and Thursday, July 24th (half day).

Students have enjoyed their lessons with Jay Stone, who is offering more training during the holidays for Kootingal students. Please see the flyer in this newsletter.

Parents, caregivers, and the community are welcome to come and cheer on our students. Our P&C will be running a sausage sizzle on the Wednesday (canteen closed, so no lunch orders available on this day).

Sporting Achievements - Congratulations to Regardt Janse van Rensburg and Zac Pollard, who have been selected to be part of the North West Primary Boys Softball team. They will compete in the 2025 NSWPSSA Softball Boys Championship in August. We wish them the best of luck.





I wish all our families a safe and wonderful break, and I look forward to seeing you all in Term 3. Students will return to school on Tuesday 22nd July 2025.

Take care, Mrs. Higgins

Messages 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.



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

Please come to the office.

Attendance

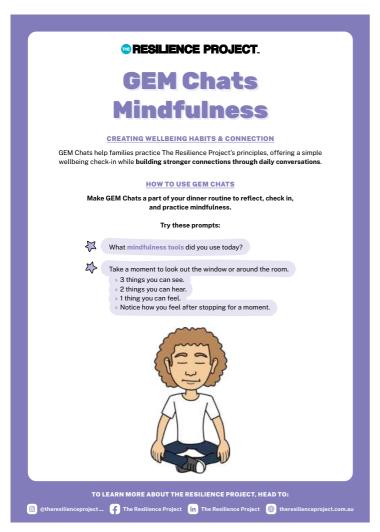
What does KPS do to support attendance?

Kootingal Public School has a set procedure when a student is absent. Each day, Kootingal Public School sends a text message to the parent/carer of an absent student. This text message is from a dedicated number. As a result, you can trust this message is from Kootingal Public School. It is best to save this number in your phone.

When a parent/carer replies to the absence text message, it will be coded according to the NSW Department of Education *School Attendance* policy. If a response is not received from the parent/carer, Kootingal Public School will send another text message at the start of the following week. A parent/carer has seven (7) days to explain an absence.

Kootingal Public School has a Learning and Support Team. At this fortnightly meeting, an attendance report is given by the Principal. It includes students of concern, students below the 85% attendance rate, students currently on the Home School Liaison Officer's caseload, attendance patterns causing concern and progress on attendance initiatives. When a student is highlighted as having an attendance pattern or rate that is of concern, this is marked in Sentral on the class roll. This assists to remind classroom teachers to monitor the attendance patterns of their students.

It is important to note that Kootingal Public School takes attendance very seriously.



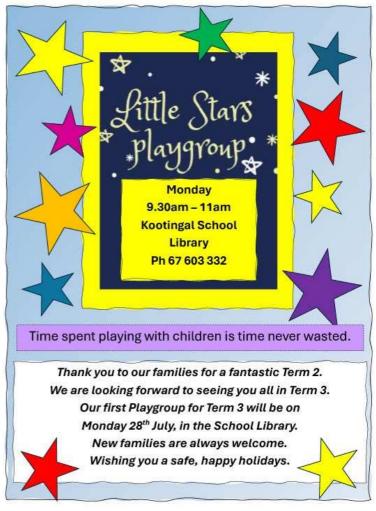


Enrolments now open for

Kindergarten 2026



Kootingal Public School



Parents Café





Drop the kids off and enjoy a cuppa with the grown ups!

WHEN?

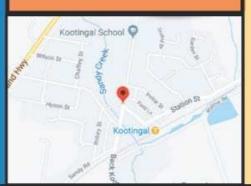
9am Wednesday 9th July to Friday 11th July

WHERE?

Cnr. Denman Avenue and Gate Street Kootingal.

Kootingal Moonbi-Anglican Church has adopted policies and procedures to prevent and respond to abuse of children and vulnerable people. All helpers in our regrams have current Safe Ministry training and a Working With Children Check.







When: 9am-12pm Wednesday 9th July to Friday 11th July

Where: St Andrew's Church, Cnr Denma Ave and Gate St. Kootingal

Who: Children Yrs K-5 and Youth Yrs 6-12

Drop the kids and youth off and enjoy a cuppa with other parents!

Registration form can be found at kootingalmoonbianglican.com.

Thursday Youth Night











Dinner included

10am Sunday

Kootingal Anglican Church Service

All welcome!

Where: St Andrew's Church, Cnr Denman Ave and Gate St, Kootingal

We invite you to our weekly church service. Enjoy gethering with real people for real connection and real hope in Jesus.

Kids and youth program included.

Service live-streamed (Click 'Join us Live' at: www.kootingalmoonbianglican.com).

Great coffee and morning teal

When:



St Peter's Moonbi Church, Corner of New England Highway and Thomas St Moonbi



join others.
Kids welcome (and beneficial to have on your team!).
Creche available for younger children.
Supper included.



Canteen and P&C News

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.

Vegemite Sandwich

Egg, Lettuce & Mayo Sandwich



class on a brown paper bag or lunch bag.



Kootingal Public School P&C Canteen Menu 2025

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Hot Food			<u>Drinks</u>				
Cheese Pizza	\$	3.00	Bottled Water	\$	2.00		
Ham & Cheese Pizza	\$	3.50	Assorted fruit poppers:	\$	1.50		
Chicken & Cheese Pizza w/ bbq sauce	\$	3.50	Apple, Tropical, Orange/Mango & Apple/Raspbe	rry			
Sausage Roll	\$	4.00	Chocolate & Strawberry Milk	\$	2.50		
Meat Pie	\$	5.00	Chill J:	\$	3.00		
Grilled Chicken Burger	\$	5.00	Watermelon, Grape & Orange/Passio				
Chicken fillet, lettuce, cheese & Mayo							
Cheeseburger	\$	5.00	Frozen Snacks				
Lean Beef Pattie, cheese & tomato sauce			Chocolate Moosies	\$	2.00		
Fish Burger	\$	5.00	Frozen Juice Cups	\$	1.00		
Crumbed fish fillet, lettuce & mayo			Quelch	\$	0.70		
Lasagne	\$	5.00	Watermelon & Mango Frozen Yoghurt .	\$	2.50		
Macaroni & Cheese	\$	5.00	Ice Monies	\$	1.50		
Spaghetti	\$	5.00					
Chicken Nuggets	\$0.	80each	<u>Snacks</u>				
Ham & Cheese Toasted Sandwich	\$	3.50	Sunbites	\$	1.00		
Chicken & Cheese Toasted Sandwich.	\$	3.50	Cheese & Biscuits	\$	1.50		
Cheese Toasted Sandwich	\$	3.00	Cheese Stick	\$	1.00		
Chicken Gravy Roll	\$	5.00	Apple Slices Bag	\$	1.00		
			Carrot Sticks Bag	\$	1.00		
Sandwiches, Salads &Wraps			Assorted Fruit	\$	1.00		
Chicken Salad Tub	\$	5.50					
Sliced chicken breast, lettuce , grated carrot ,							
grated cheese & mayo			<u>Extras</u>				
Ham Salad Tub	\$	5.50	Tomato Sauce	\$	0.70		
Ham, lettuce, grated carrot, grated cheese &			BBQ Sauce	\$	0.70		
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Chicken tender, lettuce, grated cheese & mayo	Ψ	4.00	0110000	Ψ	0.70		
Fish Wrap	\$	4.50					
Crumbed fish fillet, lettuce, grated cheese & ma							
Chicken Salad Wrap Chicken tender, lettuce, grated cheese, grated	\$	5.00	icky Beak Reusable Lunch Wallets: available at canteen \$15				
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Ham Salad Wrap	\$	5.00					
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Cheese Sandwich	\$	2.50	Please clearly label your child's n	ame	and		
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Kootingal Public School Term 2, 2025 Calendar

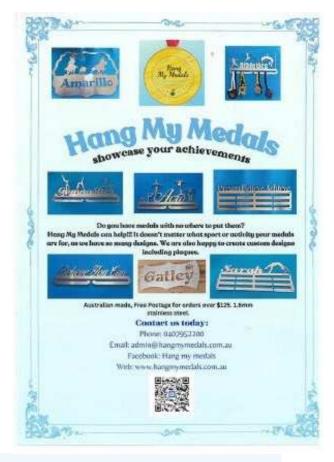
Please be aware dates many change due to unforeseen circumstances throughout the term.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	June 30	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4
	Playgroup 9:30am to 11am	K-2 Sport		3-6 Sport	Crazy Hair Day
Week 10	NAIDOC Assembly, items by Kinder and 3/4M at 10am			Multicultural Public Speaking Competition at Nemingha	
	Silver Assembly - Host 5/6H at 2:20pm				

Term 3, 2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	July 21 School Development Day	July 22 K-2 Sport Boys Softball Knock Out Gala Day P & C Meeting - 6pm to 8pm	July 23 Athletics Carnival	July 24 Athletics Carnival (1/2 Day)	July 25
Week 2	July 28 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am Bronze Assembly 2:45pm	July 29 K-2 Sport	July 30	July 31 3-6 Sport	Aug 1
Week 3 Education Week	Aug 4 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am ICAS Testing - Digital Technology and Writing this week	Aug 5 K-2 Sport	Aug 6	Aug 7 3-6 Sport	Aug 8
Week 4	Aug 11 Playgroup 9:30am to 11am Silver Assembly Host 1/2G, item KS	Aug 12 K-2 Sport	Aug 13	Aug 14 3-6 Sport	Aug 15 Zone Athletics Carnival











In Partnership with BNSW, Tamworth Basketball is proudly holding an 'I am a Girl' July School Holiday Camp for all girls, aged 5yrs—12yrs of age.



Date: Friday 11th July Time: 9.30am-11.00am Location: Tamworth Sports Dome

Cost: FREE



To register for the 'I am a Girl' Holiday Camp, please click HERE and select Camp 3.

'I am a Girl' Holiday Camp presented by our Participation Officer, Emma Higgins.

Cost \$50 Ages: 9yrs – 12yrs

(Girls Only)

Cost: FREE

Time: 9.30am - 11.00am

Time: 9.30am - 11.30am

Ages: 5yrs – 12yrs Time: 9.30am – 11.00am

Camp 2: Thursday 10th July (Mixed)

Camp 3: Friday 11th July 'I am a Girl'

Cost: \$40 Ages: 5yrs - 8yrs



July School Holiday Basketball Camps 2025

Presented by **Emma Higgins and DeAngelo Adkins** Scan the QR code to register





Please bring and a ball (if you have one) to each camp.



Camp 1: Wednesday 9th July (Mixed) Camp 4: Wednesday 16th July (Mixed) Cost: \$40

Ages: 5yrs – 8yrs Time: 9.30am - 11.00am

Camp 5: Thursday 17th July (Mixed) Cost \$50

Ages: 9yrs – 12yrs Time: 9.30am – 11.30am

If you are looking for something fun and active for the kids to do in the School Holidays, then





Register Now – Spots Filling Fast

SCHOOL HOLIDAY **PROGRAMS**

LEARN, PLAY & GROW AT PCYC THIS JULY!



BASKETBALL INASTICS



F/LASER TAG





OLYMPICS



Book 4 Days and Get the 3rd for Free! Active and Creative Kids vouchers accepted.































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Whether you would like to take part in a new activity or hobby, meet new people or just get out and explore, our Support Workers strive to make your community goals a reality. They will actively support you to make your own choices and new connections while encouraging your independence.

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Victoria	03 8692 6610
Queensland	07 3736 3389
South Australia	08 8312 6698
Western Australia	08 9274 7575





We would love your help

Can you sew? Are you interested in making ties for our school? Please contact the school for more

information



ENJOYET YOUR ATHLETICS TRAIN WITH JAY STORE THIS

Kindergarten 2026

COME & TRY DAYS

WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER WEDNESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER WEDNESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

ALL CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOL NEXT YEAR ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

FOR PLANNING PURPOSES PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER IF YOUR CHILD IS ATTENDING



Continue with Training in tamworth

DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

FREE TRIAL AVAILABLE FOR

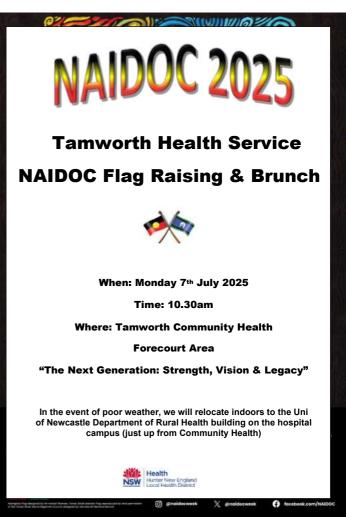


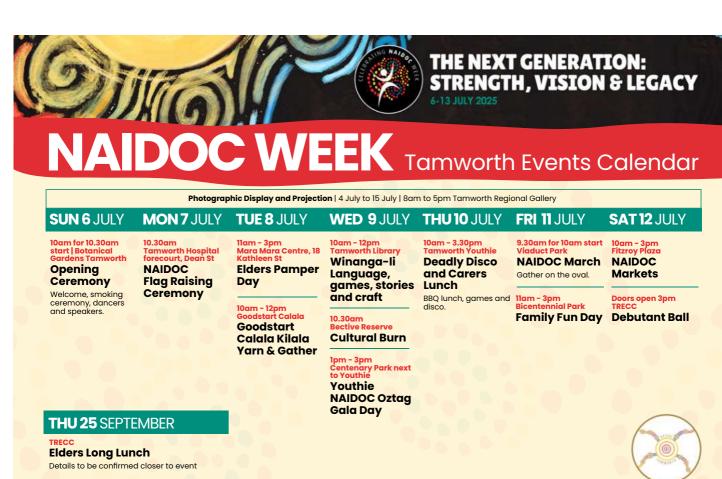


Contact Jay Stone 0402 498 059 just glyding2@yahoo.com www.carvedfromstone.net









Kootingal Public School Athletics Carnival Program Wednesday 23rd July 2025 and Thursday 24th July 2025

Please Note: Times and an estimate only

Kootingal Public School Athletics Carnival - Wednesday

Session	Minor Boys	Minor Girls	Junior Boys Group 1	Junior Girls Group 1	Junior Boys Group 2	Junior Girls Group 2	11 Years Boys & Girls	Senior Boys & Girls			
9:00-9:30		0	W 065	1	500m	W 88	70.				
1 9:30-10:00		March Past in House Groups									
2 10:00-11:00	100m (heats) 200m (timed finals)	Discus/shot put High Jump	Shot put	100m (heats) 200m (timed finals)	Ball games	Discus	High Jump	Long Jump			
3 11:00-12:00	Discus/Shot put High jump	100m (heats) 200m (timed finals)	Long Jump	High Jump	100m (heats) 200m (timed finals)	Shot Put	Discus	Ball Games			
12:00-12:30		Total National	351	1	unch		And the same of				
4 12:30-1:30	Long jump	Long Jump	Ball games	Discus	High Jump	Long Jump	Shot put	100m (Heats) 200m (Timed finals)			
5 1:30-2:30			100m (heats) 200m (timed finals)	Shot put	Discus	Ball Games	Long Jump	High Jump			
6 2:30-3:30			High Jump	Long Jump	Shot put	100m (heats) 200m (timed finals)	Ball Games	Discus			

Kootingal Public School Athletics Carnival - Thursday

	Minor Boys	Minor Girls	Junior Boys	Junior Girls	Junior Boys	Junior Girls	11 Years Boys	Senior Boys	
	minor boys	THE COURT	Group 1	Group 1	Group 2	Group 2	& Girls	& Girls	
9:00-9:30	800m								
7 12:10- 12:40			Discus	Ball Games	Long Jump	High Jump	100m (heats) 200m (timed finals)	Shot put	
8 12:40-1:40	_		_	Relay	/s				
1:40-2:15	2 nd Break								
10 2:15-3:15	100m Finals	100m Finals	100m Finals	100m Finals	100m Finals	100m Finals	100m Finals	100m Finals	