

Kurrajong East Public School Newsletter



Small but Mighty Term 2 Week 8

Term 2 Calendar

Date	Event
26 June	Regional Cross Country
27 June	Stage 2 & Stage 3 OZ Tag Gala Day (selected students)
30 June	NAIDOC Day Activities
1 July	Reports home to parents
2 July	Stage 2 and Stage 3 Excursion to the Opera House
3 July	Stage 3 Enrichment Program – Longneck Lagoon (selected students)
3 July	School Disco
4 July	Last day of term
22 July	Term 2 Begins
23 July	KEPS Athletics Carnival
29 July	P&C Meeting @ 6:30pm
4 – 8 August	Education Week
5 August	Small Schools Athletics Carnival – Field Events
8 August	Small Schools Athletics Carnival – Track Events

Assembly Dates for Term 2

Date	Assembly
11 June	Whole School Assembly @ 2:30pm Class Item: Gulawang
18 June	Special Award Assembly @ 9:30am
25 June	Whole School Assembly @ 2:30pm Class Item: K-2 RFF and Library

Please note the change in the Whole School Assembly start times in Autumn and Winter.

2025 Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with a Bronze Award in Term 2 for being Respectful, Responsible & Focused Learners at Kurrajong East Public School.

Term 2 Bronze Awards	
Alana M	Lucas M
Trent C	Oscar N
Abigail C	Domenic S
Landon CK	Jackson A
Ivy B	Scott A
Michaela B	Alex B
Sasha M	Amelia B
Emma G	Scarlett H
Chase R	Finn V



Dear Parents and Carers,

As the Principal of Kurrajong East Public School, I am proud to celebrate a successful term that reflects our unwavering commitment to educating our young people using NSW Department of Education units of work. Our continued focus on modernising school assets enhances the learning environment, allowing our students to thrive in a space that promotes creativity and collaboration. I would also like to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of our Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association, whose support and enthusiasm make all initiatives not only effective but also enjoyable for everyone involved. Together, we are creating a vibrant school community where learning is engaging and fun, setting the stage for our students' bright futures.

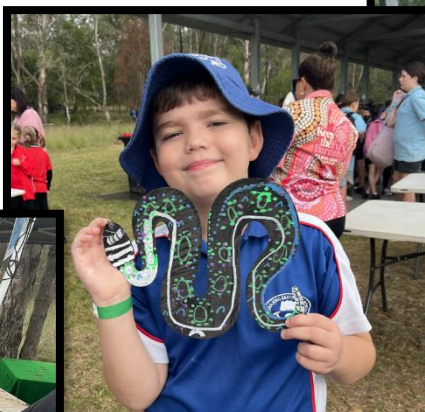
High Potential and Gifted Students - Physical Domain

Crystal and Ashton are excitedly preparing to compete at the regional cross country on the 26 June after their impressive performances at the zone cross country earlier this term, where they secured 2nd and 3rd places, respectively. Their hard work and dedication have paid off, and now they're ready to face new challenges against some of the best runners from neighbouring zones. Congratulations guys, KEPS is proud of you!



High Potential and Gifted Students - Creative Domain

Koda eagerly anticipated his trip to Allowah Day at Shaws Creek Aboriginal Place in Yellowmundee National Park, where he immersed himself in meaningful cultural activities and fostered connections with others. This special day proved to be an enriching experience, as Koda engaged in traditional practices, learned about the rich heritage of the Aboriginal community, and shared stories with peers and elders alike. By participating in this event, he deepened his understanding of Aboriginal culture while building lasting friendships and connections that celebrated diversity and unity.



Visit from The Hawkesbury Network Director - Mrs Mamo

On Monday, we had the pleasure of welcoming the Director of Educational Leadership, Mrs. Mamo, who was thoroughly impressed by our 3-6 students during her visit. She engaged in conversations about their work samples and was amazed at how well the students understood their next steps in learning. Our students articulated the significance of the learning intention and success criteria in their work, showcasing their ability to use feedback for improvement. Mrs. Mamo expressed her delight in witnessing the 'green shoots' of progress at KEPS and encouraged everyone, students, teachers, and the community, to continue striving towards our shared goal of providing a world-class education. Thank you, Mrs. Mamo, for your inspiring visit!



Kurrajong East Public School

Kindergarten Enrolment Now Open!

Give your child a joyful start to lifelong learning.



Why Choose Our Primary School?

- Engaging programs following the new NSW Syllabus documents
- Opportunities for High Potential and Gifted Education
- Agricultural Education
- Safe environment with a quality facilities

A small community feel with a world class education!

Enroll Now @ [www.kurrajong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au](https://kurrajong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au)
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Our core values of excellence, equity, integrity, and trust guide us in building strong partnerships with students, families, and communities, empowering each student to achieve their dreams.

Enrolling for Kindergarten 2026

It is that time of year again where we start to invite our newest little learners to enrol at our fabulous Public School. To do this all you need to do is go to our school website (link will be below) and fill out an online enrolment form. Otherwise please feel free to come into the school office and our lovely office ladies will help you fill out a paper enrolment form.

<https://kurrajong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



Bat Cat Update.....

We recently found an adorable stray cat on East Kurrajong Road, and we decided to name him Bat Cat. Discovered by Mrs. Symko and I, he initially weighed just 470 grams. I couldn't resist taking him home because of his cuteness! Bat Cat had a follow-up appointment at the vet yesterday, and I'm thrilled to share that he now weighs 1.57 kg and is doing well. He'll be coming to visit us once he's finished getting his vaccinations. What a lucky cat indeed!



Little Learners -Term 2 & Term 3

We have had a wonderful start to our Little Learner Program this year! We have made some beautiful friendships and begun our very special learning program focusing on building useful strategies for Kindergarten such as early literacy and numeracy skills, fine and gross motor skills and social and emotional skills. Our program is based on evidence-based strategies to help get your little learner ready for big school in 2026. Please note that in Term 3 our day will move to **Thursday mornings @ 9:30am**.


Everyone is welcome @ KEPS.

Term 2 Information




Kurrajong East Public School
Little Learners
Building long lasting friendships
and
learning new skills ready for Kindergarten in 2026

When:
Monday 9:30am - 10:30am
Dates:
19/5/25, 2/6/25, 16/6/25, 30/6/25
Where:
Kurrajong East PS Library
891 East Kurrajong Road
East Kurrajong
Ph: 4576 3321




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Term 3 Information



Kurrajong East Public School
Little Learners
Building long lasting friendships
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learning new skills ready for Kindergarten in 2026

When:
Thursday 9:30am - 10:30am
Dates:
31/7, 14/8, 28/8, 11/9, 25/9
Where:
Kurrajong East PS Library
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Uniform Update

I am excited to share that the implementation of our new school uniform is progressing beautifully! Together with our dedicated Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association, we are about to review the entire uniform sample featuring our school's name and logo, marking a significant final step before production begins. I am pleased to announce that My School Locker has confirmed they can have the new uniforms in stock and ready for purchase in approximately 10 weeks. This is an exciting development for our school community, and I encourage everyone to stay tuned for more information as we move closer to this important milestone!

Assets Update

I am pleased to update our community on the significant progress of our school improvements. We anticipate that the new fence will be completed by the beginning of week 9, and I want to thank everyone for their cooperation during this time. Please be mindful that school drop-off and pick-up may be affected as we navigate this change, so it's important to park your car in the designated areas and come in to collect your children.

Additionally, our senior classrooms will soon have brand new felt on the walls by the end of the term, enhancing the learning environment. I appreciate the patience of both our students and teachers as we work to finalise this project. The loft is complete and will soon be equipped with new rugs, pillows, and an interactive board, transforming it into a functional space for collaboration.

Excitingly, the Development Application has been approved by Hawkesbury City Council for our double-sided electronic sign, and we look forward to wrapping up this project by the end of November. A heartfelt thank you to our P&C for their tireless fundraising efforts to make this possible—it's a testament to how amazing our small but mighty school truly is!

The P&C

In 2025, P&C meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm in the school library. We will have a renewed focus of what happens at KEPS in these meetings. Every meeting we will have a guest speaker from the school staff speaking about what is happening in the classrooms and around the school. Everyone is welcome through the door and all help is appreciated no matter how small it is!

Our Next Meeting: Tuesday 29 July 2025

Topic: New Uniform Sample Feedback

School Attendance

Why attendance matters
When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...

Learn
Make friends
Build skills through fun

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Days missed = years lost
A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight (represented by 10 circles, 2 crossed out)	= 4 weeks	= over 1 year missed
1 day per week (represented by 10 circles, 5 crossed out)	= 8 weeks	= over 2.5 years missed

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Extended Leave

Completing an extended leave form is important because it allows our school to prepare for your absence. This helps us manage resources effectively and support your child's education during your holiday. Any holiday leave greater than 1 school day requires a leave form and if you are planning for your child to have more than 1 term off – you must sign up for Distance Education.

KEPS P & C NEWS:

What's happening in the P & C.

We have some super exciting events both big & small coming up, we have the Glowtastic Disco on the 3rd of July kicking off at 5pm with stages K-2. We ask that you please remember that parents are responsible for their child/children when outside of the Glow Zone.

Tea, coffee & hot chocolate will be available from the canteen for \$2 while you're waiting for your little dancers to be finished. We also have the T-Shirt pre- orders running as well so be sure to get your orders in so your children can create their own Glowtastic t-shirt. Don't forget to get your tickets & orders close on the 26th of June

We have also now announced our biggest event of the year with a sneaky save the date that went home with your children. We are running a KEPS Spring Carnival on Saturday 18 October and cannot wait to share all the excitement we have been organising.

The P & C run on Volunteer power and try to support the school in any way we can. We are always looking for volunteers whether you choose to become a member for \$2 or simply want to help at events or in the canteen, please get in touch with any one of our members for more information, or simply message the Kurrajong East P & C Facebook page to get in touch.

Save the Date



OOSH Update

OOSH has been actively engaging children with creative activities themed "Under the Sea" they have been very creative while learning how we can help the environment. We had a popular cheese toasties day where the kids helped to make cheese toasties it was great to keep warm on these cold days. The children completed a cryptic treasure hunt having to work out the clues and then find the location, they all worked well together and solved the questions. They have a great time playing with their friends and developing social skills.

Families may reduce their fees through the CCS rebate system, with examples provided for potential costs based on different rebate percentages.

CCS Rebate (Percentage)	Estimate on what you would pay (Gap)
0%	\$25.00
44.96%	\$14.32
66.66%	\$9.17
70.98%	\$8.15
88.66%	\$3.95
90%	\$3.65

Book your child at:

<http://kurrajongeastoosh.fullybookedccms.com.au/family>

Get the Child Care Subsidy at:

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/child-care-subsidy>

If you would like to enrol or need assistance, please contact Christine at kurrajongeastoosh@gmail.com or pop into the OOSH room before or after school

Canteen Update

Thank you to all the volunteers who assist each week, allowing the canteen to operate two days a week.

Thanks to P&C, an air conditioner has been installed in the canteen, which is beneficial, especially during cold mornings.

Last week, Nacho Day was held and proved to be popular on a cold day. Appreciation goes to everyone who contributed.

On Tuesday, warm Ham and Cheese Rolls will be available for purchase over the counter for \$2. Additionally, Pretzels and Grain Waves have been added at 60 cents per packet.

If you would like to volunteer in the canteen, please see the office to complete a form.



Kind regards and take care

Ms Rosemarie Rothwell

Principal