Welcome back to Term 2. What a fantastic term we had at Karara State School. There were many highlights, but some key moments that stood out for me included, Friday afternoon swimming lessons, Joshua’s Leadership Ceremony, Coby’s continued improvements in his reading, Jarred’s Character Analysis for English and the eagerness and hard work of the new P and C Committee.

Kyle Low

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY – Thursday 24th April

The ANZAC DAY ceremony will be held at Karara State School on the morning of Thursday 24th April. The ceremony will begin at 9:30am and following the ceremony there will be Morning Tea and Refreshments at the school. Please bring along a plate to share for morning tea.

Follow 2014 Premier’s ANZAC Prize winners’ overseas journey

You can follow the epic journey of the five QLD students 2014 Premier’s ANZAC Prize winners as they travel to Gallipoli and the Western Front. The group departed Brisbane on Easter Sunday and photos, video and travel journals from their 14-day trip will be regularly uploaded to http://education.qld.gov.au/students/grants/scholarships/anzac/2014.html.

Parent Teacher Interviews

We will be holding Parent Teacher Interviews in week 3 this term. Next week’s newsletter will contain a preference form for times. If you could please complete the form and return to the school, interview times can be arranged.

Emergency Contacts

In case of an emergency it is important to notify the school of any parent/carer contact details that may require updating. Keeping our student data as accurate as possible will ensure we meet our duty of care. If you have recently changed your address, phone, email or emergency contact (other than the parent/carer) please contact the school.
Karara State School Times

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NAPLAN 2014

NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australia in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9 annually in May. It tests the types of skills developed over time through the school curriculum that are essential for every child to progress through school and life. NAPLAN is made up of tests in four areas - reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation and numeracy. A report of student performance is issued later in the year. It is expected that students participate in NAPLAN. Please note the dates below for each of the tests.

Tuesday 13th May - Language Conventions and Writing

Wednesday 14th May – Reading

Thursday 15th May – Numeracy

Excellent information and tips about helping your child in literacy and numeracy and examples of NAPLAN test formats are available on the NAPLAN website at http://www.nap.edu.au. The ‘helping your child at school’ information can be accessed in multiple languages and is supported by video clips. Example NAPLAN tests are available in all test areas for each year level. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

iPad Competition – Warwick Daily News

A big thankyou to everyone who passed their tokens to the school for the Warwick Daily News iPad competition. Although we collected 276 (which was 46 per student), Freestone State School collected a whopping 3551 tokens (which was 118 per student). Congratulations to Freestone State School.

Upcoming Event – Cunningham CWA Mother’s Day Function

What: Cunningham CWA Mother’s Day function
When: Wednesday 07th May 2014, 10AM
Where: Cunningham Hall
Details: Fashion Parade, Skits
Bring Buy Stall
Cent Sale
Cuppa on arrival
Lunch
Bookings: 07 46614612
Admission: $15.00
Free Bus: Departs from Crisp’s Depot, Grafton Street, 9:30am

Newsletter Advertising

If you have something you would like advertised in the newsletter please contact the school with the information. The Newsletter goes out to over 70 households in the surrounding community. Information needs to be at the school by Tuesday afternoon.