Welcome back to Semester 2!

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Welcome back students and parents to an exciting Semester 2. There is a lot happening from now till the end of the year. There are several excursions that are being planned for the Preps and an awesome camp awaits our 3-7’s in November.

Term 3 is a longer term (being eleven weeks) instead of the previous 10 week terms last Semester. Parents are encouraged to check the school’s website to stay informed as it will be updated regularly throughout the Semester with important information.

Parents are also reminded that if they would like to chat regarding their child’s Report to call the school and set up a time with Mr. Pedley.

Thanks!

A quick thanks to The Benham and Davis families for taking such great care of the grounds over the holidays. They look great!

Independent Public Schools

As you may be aware, the Minister for Education, Training and Employment recently announced the Queensland Government’s Independent Public Schools initiative. This initiative aims to increase autonomy in decision making, cut red tape and remove layers of management to improve outcomes for students.

All Queensland State Schools have been invited to apply to become one of the first 30 Independent Public Schools to commence in 2013.

Key features of the Independent Public Schools initiative will include:

- enhance local governance
- opportunities for innovation
- locally tailored workforce
- increased financial flexibility

If you would like to know more about the Independent Public Schools initiative visit the Education Queensland website at www.education.qld.gov.au/schools/independent-public-schools

This is for public information only and Karara State School has no intention of taking part in the application process at this time.

Students of the Week this week are:
George Benham and Adelaide Benham
Congratulations!
Fundraising News
Raffle tickets have been handed out and there has been a great response to selling tickets so far. If you need more tickets please contact the school or Kerry Wilson. The prizes are as follows:

1st prize - 1/2 butchered weaner
2nd prize - 1/2 butchered weaner
3rd Prize - butchered Hogget
4th prize - Trailer load of fire wood
5th prize - $100 gift voucher from Bunnings
6th prize - $60 chicken tray

We will be selling tickets in town on 19th, 20th and 21st of July. Any help to sell tickets would be greatly appreciated.

The raffle will be drawn on 3rd of September.

Sock Drive
If you do not have a catalogue please let the school know and we can get one to you. Don’t miss your chance to purchase some quality Aussie made wool socks.

Karara School Cookbook
The cookbook is looking for some good home recipes and favourites that you would like to share. Meals, cakes, jams, pickles etc. are most welcome. Please forward any recipes to Kerry Wilson at jonandkerrywilson@live.com.au or place it in post box 38 at the Karara Pub.
Please contact Kerry if you have any questions.

Music Semester 1

Above: Students get into music with Mrs. Shelly

Newsletter Deadline
Just a friendly reminder that all items wishing to go into the Newsletter need to be submitted to the school no later than **Tuesday, 3:30pm**. The Newsletters are composed that afternoon ready to go be compiled first thing Wednesday morning. If the deadline is missed, your Newsletter item cannot be guaranteed to be placed into that week’s Newsletter edition.
Thank you for your understanding.

Tuckshop
Remember your order for Warm Wednesday. A new menu will be released next week. Thanks,
Kerry Wilson

P&C News
Date of next meeting is **August 20th** 2012 at 3:30pm.