What an Effort!

The school's students took Thursday morning before swimming to help in the efforts to get Karara State School's library up and running once again. The new carpet is installed, shelving erected, and new interactive whiteboard activated. It is an exciting time and the kids can't wait to get back in there for their lessons and library sharing.

Despite being very excited to enter the renovated building and see how awesome it looks, the kids probably walked away learning more than they thought. Below are just a few things the kids would have learned without knowing they were learning (the best kind of learning!)

* Awareness of just how well resourced the school is
* Excellent team building in a systematic relocation of materials- the importance of order and relaying messages
* Problem solving opportunity
* Sharing and assisting, maintaining team spirit, taking turns, being considerate of others
* Movement with a purpose
* Working towards a common goal
* Unpacking their new resources (you would think it was Christmas)
* Responsibly dealing with packaging materials, recycling and cleaning up
* Seeing the results of their efforts- being part of making a better learning environment!

It was a great team effort. Thanks again students and staff for all your help!

Getting a GRIP

The Karara State School leaders had the opportunity to attend a leadership seminar in Toowoomba this Wednesday. It was an excellent chance for the students to refine their leadership skills and meet other student leaders from across the region. The conference run by GRIP (Growth, Relationship, Integrity, People) saw our two school leaders Joshua Wilson and George Benham join in on various activities throughout the day focusing on enhanced leadership skills. On more than one occasion, as seen above, students jumped up on stage and engaged in leadership activities. The boys represented their school well and came away better prepared for the 2013 year.

Garden Growing

The students hard work planting, watering and tending their gardens has paid off! A number of plants have popped through the surface, promising veggies to come in the near future. The veggies will make great snacks and additions to our tuckshop menu when ready to be harvested.

Students of the Week are:
George Benham and Jacob Davis
Community Newsflash

Craft Morning Tea
The ladies of the Karara QCWA Craft Group would like to invite you and your friends to morning tea on Friday 1st March 10am. Children are most welcome. If there are any craft items you may be working on feel free to bring it along and join us afterwards to do some craft or just sit and talk. We will be having a small display of the various crafts that we do.
Elly Beasley
President
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Warwick Football Development
Pre-Season Football Development Clinic
Pre-Season Football Development Clinic for ages 12-14. Starting Feb 14th for 6 weeks at 4pm at the Warwick football grounds. Cost $50. Contact Derek Kane 0400 185 077.

Dates to Remember

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Freestone Trivia Night
Freestone Trivia Night Sat 16th March
Freestone State School P&C are having their annual Trivia Night fundraiser on Saturday 16th March. Book your teams in now! It’s a great night out with lots of cash and prizes up for grabs. The $10pp entry fee includes a light supper. We will also have a licenced bar running. So grab some friends and come on out for some fun!!
For bookings phone Helena 4666 1726.

Queensland Flood Appeal
The recent damage resulting from the winds and flooding arising from ex-Cyclone Oswald has had a severe financial and emotional impact on many Queenslanders.
Thousands of people have lost their homes, their possessions and their livelihoods and it will be a long road back to normality for them and their communities.
To help those Queenslanders most at risk the Queensland Government has established the Queensland Flood Appeal 2013. If you would like to donate to the appeal please do so at the Australian Red Cross website.


Again
Leadership Induction!
Karara State School will hold it’s annual Leadership Induction celebration later in the term once shirts and name badges arrive.
Once a date is established the school community will be notified and be asked to bring a slice for morning tea.
It is a big milestone for Joshua Wilson and George Benham who will succeed Adelaide Benham and Amy Whear as Student Leaders. While only being in Year 6, I know they will be up to the job and do a fantastic job of leading the student body.

Tuckshop
There will be Tuckshop this week. Please have your orders into Kerry on Thursday.

P&C News
The next P&C Meeting will be the AGM. The Meeting has been cancelled for February 25th.
A new date will be advised shortly.

Old News Worth Reading