Welcome Back

Welcome back to all our budding academics and staff members to semester 2. Semester 2 is slated to be a busy one with most of our sporting events taking place late July and early August.

Students are looking forward to the challenge of competing against other schools in their various events. Staff and parents are also keen to redeem themselves after last years disastrous relay showing at the Wheatvale Sports Day. Rest assured community, the relay team has been practicing and is looking forward to reclaiming Karara dominance at the sports day.

School Website

Remember that Karara State School has a great website available with everything you need to know about the school. If you have missed a newsletter or simply want to have a look at past events, please stop by the website and have a look.

The school has chosen it's QSR Planning Committee that will help shape Karara's 4 year improvement agenda

Quadrennial School Review

Every four years schools across Queensland complete a Quadrennial School Review. The review insures that the school has a strategic plan that addresses needs of the school and community in it's continued pursuit of better student outcomes. Many factors contribute into the writing of such a report including teaching and learning audits, school performance profiles, internal monitoring frameworks, previous strategic plans, previous school annual reports, and annual implementation plans.

A committee (listed above) is established to examine and analyze all key documents in an attempt to establish a future improvement agenda. Regular meetings and updates will occur at scheduled events and P&C meetings.

If you have any questions about the review please contact Ryan at the school.

Above and left: Karara Trailbike rides newest pamphlet. Kornet is back at school and right back into it!
School Swag-Out

The schools swag-out was a great success and a lot of fun! Students had the chance to unwind after a busy semester and have some fun with fellow classmates and teachers. Students enjoyed playing spot light on the school grounds, watch some movies, play some hockey and eat a delicious dinner and snacks. Although it was originally planned to sleep outside, Mr. Pedley made the executive decision to move the swags into the library for fear of hypothermia. Thank you to Mrs. Batterham for making a delicious feed for dinner, and to Kerry Wilson for getting us up nice and early for a scrumptious breakfast.

The next swag-out will happen at the end of semester 2 to celebrate the 2013 school year.

Premiers ANZAC Prize

Submissions now open for 2014 Premier’s Anzac Prize
Do you want to learn about our Anzac tradition and go on an educational adventure of a lifetime? Year 8–11 students can now submit a two-to five-minute multimedia presentation for the 2014 Premier’s Anzac Prize with five lucky winners touring Gallipoli and the Western Front next year as part of Anzac Day commemorations. The 2014 will tour will take in historic sites and cities including Anzac Cove, the Menin Gate, Villers-Bretonneux, Istanbul, Brussels and Paris.

Videos, photos and journals from the 2013 tour group — along with other resources — are available on the Premier’s Anzac Prize web page www.education.qld.gov.au/anzac-prize/

Old News Worth Reading

NAB Schools First Awards

Applications for the NAB Schools First Awards are open and students with an idea for a great partnership our school could organise with the community could win $5000 and an iPad! The application window closes on 28 June and the NAB Schools First Awards website has all the details: http://www.schoolsfirst.edu.au/apply

Tuckshop

There will be tuckshop this Friday. Thanks for the continued support!

P&C News

The next P&C Meeting will be on Monday, July 22nd at 3:30pm.

Dates to Remember

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Karara Speed Shears

A Meeting will be held at the Leyburn Hotel on Saturday 20th July, commencing at 3pm. Everyone is invited to attend! The Karara Shearing Association

Karara Campdraft

There will be a Karara Campdraft Association Annual General Meeting on July 16th, 7pm at the Hall. All are welcome to attend.

QSchools App

You can now download the QSchools app and subscribe to receive the latest news from our school on your smart phone or tablet. QSchools is free and available from the iTunes store and Google Play.

Above: Karara student’s take their hockey playing to a new level at the swag-out.