*Karara State School*

**Term 3 Week 2**

### Improvement Agenda for 2020 – Reading, Engage, Attending and Learning

Our school focus and the Darling Downs South West regional focus is Every Student Succeeding. At least one year’s growth for one year’s schooling.

### Term 3 Dates

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**Karara State School News**

What a challenging year 2020 has been so far. I would like to ‘Thank’ all of our families and community members for continuing to support us during these uncertain times. The outbreak of Covid-19 has changed our routines in our communities. Our parents have faced embraced learning at home and met with some great success stories in personally observing their children’s growth and learning.

The following weeks will see the recommencement of Religious Instruction at Karara. I can also confirm we have purchased an automatic ball thrower to ensure our students are utilising our tennis court facilities and getting some genuine tennis practice in.

**Farewell**

It is with great sadness that I say goodbye to Karara this week, unfortunately personal circumstances have forced my hand to take leave for the remainder of term 3 and now term 4.

My time here has certainly been made joyful by the observable learning done by our students, the wonderful relationships with families and the generous, kind and loving staff. The support by the community particularly the Rural Fire Service has been fantastic. You have all gained a place in my heart and I look forward to seeing and hearing of your successes in the future.

I would like to share some highlights with you of my 18 months of at Karara and the great successes that have been had.

- Visits and contributions by the Karara Rural Fire Service
- The Big Lift dynamic garden building and clean up

- Sharing crafting mornings on Fridays with the lovely ladies of Karara district
- Provision of the Australian Curriculum with fidelity
- Introduction of Love and Logic behavioural strategy
- Implementation of 3 year curriculum plan
- Installation of two new garden spaces for student wellbeing and learning
- New Cubby House
- Clean up and sorting of sheds
- Welcoming of brilliant new staff members
- Saying ‘Thank-you and farewell,’ to some amazing long term staff members
- Reinvigorating community connection with the school
- Growth of the school P&C
- Installation of a new Smart Board in main classroom
- Upgrade of all standalone computers
- Purchase of new furnishing for classrooms
- Upgrade of school library including new shelving and furniture
- Professional Development for all staff in phonemic awareness
- Support throughout 2020 and the ongoing challenges of Covid-19

I trust you will all welcome the new A/Principal and I would like to ‘Thank the Karara community for welcoming and making my time at Karara wonderful.’

**Karara State School P&C News**

The next P&C meeting will be held this coming Tuesday at 3:15pm. The P&C committee would like to welcome all community members.

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