

KEMBLAWARRA PUBLIC SCHOOL

SOARING TO EXCELLENCE

Term 3 Week 8 7 September 2023



UPCOMING EVENTS-Term 3

7 September School Assembly - Week 8

15 September P-2 T Ball Gala Day

3-6 Dragon Tag Gala Day

19 September Science Week/Pyjama Day

20 September Education Week-Book Week Parade

21 September Special Assembly/Open Classrooms

22 September Canteen Special Day

Rainbow Dash

Last Day of Term 3

Principal Message:

Preschool 2024

Preschool enrolment meetings for the year 2024 have officially begun! If you have a child who will be attending Kindergarten in 2025, we urge you to reach out to the school promptly to secure their preschool spot for 2024.

Our preschool program is thoughtfully designed to prepare children during the year leading up to Kindergarten. It's all about ensuring that your child enters Kindergarten fully equipped and ready to excel.

Our program is more than just educational; it's a delightful and interactive experience. Through a play-based curriculum, we introduce children to essential structure while they master early literacy and numeracy skills. The emphasis is on learning through enjoyment, ensuring that children not only gain knowledge but also have a great time doing so.

With this strong foundation, your child will enter Kindergarten equipped with everything they need to thrive and succeed. Don't miss out on this opportunity to give your child the best start on their educational journey. Reach out today to secure their place in our enriching preschool program for 2024!

Celebrating the Unsung Heroes: PSA School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week

It's that time of year again when we come together to recognise the invaluable contributions of our School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS). The Public Service Association (PSA) encourages schools across NSW to join in celebrating these unsung heroes during PSA School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week.

Why is this week important?

Behind every smoothly running school, there is a dedicated team of administrative and support staff who work tirelessly to ensure everything runs like clockwork. From the front office to the maintenance crew, these individuals are the backbone of our school community. PSA Recognition Week is our chance to shine a light on their hard work and dedication.

Acknowledging their efforts

Throughout the week, we invite each and every member of our school community to take a moment to acknowledge and thank our SASS team. Their efforts often go unnoticed, but their impact is profound. Whether it's the warm smile at the front desk, the well-maintained facilities, or the smooth logistical coordination of events, SASS staff make our school a better place.

Principal Message Continued:

Get Involved

Here's how you can get involved in celebrating PSA School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week:

<u>Personal Thanks:</u> Take a moment to express your gratitude to the SASS team members you encounter daily. A simple "thank you" can go a long way.

<u>Share Stories:</u> If you have a special story or experience that highlights the dedication of our SASS team, share it with us on social media using the hashtag #SASSRecognitionWeek.

<u>Community Appreciation:</u> Let's come together as a school community to show our appreciation. On Wednesday we organised a special morning tea for our SASS staff with an appreciation wall of 'thanks'.

<u>Create Awareness:</u> Educate others about the vital role played by SASS staff. Raise awareness about the often-unsung heroes who keep our school running smoothly.

PSA School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week is an opportunity for us to recognise and appreciate the unsung heroes who make our school exceptional. Their hard work, dedication, and unwavering support are the pillars upon which our educational community thrives.

Let's take this chance to say a heartfelt "thank you" to our SASS team and ensure that their contributions are acknowledged and celebrated.

Curriculum Reform

This week marks another milestone in our ongoing commitment to delivering a top-tier teaching and learning program at Kemblawarra Public School. We are proud to announce our third school visit this year, where educators from various schools gather to witness firsthand the excellence embedded within our educational approach.

At Kemblawarra Public School, we've made it our mission to provide high-quality teaching and learning routines that are firmly grounded in the science of learning and reading. This dedication to excellence has attracted not only local but also international schools, all eager to observe and learn from our experienced teachers. Through these visits, educators have gained invaluable insights, enriching their own teaching practices.

Our journey towards curriculum reform has spanned eight school terms, during which we've tirelessly upskilled our staff and collaborated with experts to enhance our teaching methods. The fruits of this labour are evident as we observe an upward trajectory in student performance and output.

Principal Message Continued:

As part of our commitment to continuous improvement, we've partnered with 24/7 Training to further refine our educational approaches. Additionally, we are on the cusp of leading a network of schools in collaborative efforts to enhance collective efficacy and shared professional learning within our teaching community.

Rest assured; we will continue to keep you updated on our curriculum initiatives as we remain dedicated to providing our students with the finest education possible. Thank you for being an essential part of our educational journey at Kemblawarra Public School.



Daphne Brumwell the Superintendent of Education for the Northeast Catholic District School Board and Angela Tozer the Director of Education for James Bay Lowlands Secondary School Board and Moosonee District School Area Board.



Ontario Canada visit 24/7
Training team experts in science of learning and reading

Elevating Our Standards

At Kemblawarra Public School, we are constantly striving to raise the bar when it comes to our educational practices. Recently, in collaboration with our Community of Schools (CoS) partners, we organised a special professional learning session focused on high expectations and self-motivation.

This collaborative effort saw the participation of not only Kemblawarra PS but also our esteemed colleagues from Port Kembla PS, Cringila PS, and Lake Heights PS. Together, we engaged in an enlightening session led by Brett Connellan, whose inspiring journey was captured in the hit documentary "Attacking Life" available on Stan. In this documentary, Brett shares his profound insight: "It's not about what happens to you. What truly matters is how you respond. That is where pride lives."

Principal Message Continued:

You might wonder, how does this philosophy relate to our work in schools? For Kemblawarra Public School, this unique opportunity allowed us to further refine our approach to ensure that our students consistently receive the highest quality education.

In essence, Brett's words remind us that true growth and success come from setting high expectations and challenging ourselves. It's not about aiming too high and missing the mark; it's about aiming high and pushing ourselves to reach our fullest potential.

At Kemblawarra Public School, we are committed to nurturing an environment where our students are encouraged to set their sights high, and where we, as educators, aim to provide them with the very best. We believe that in doing so, we empower our students to unlock their full potential and embrace a future filled with endless possibilities.



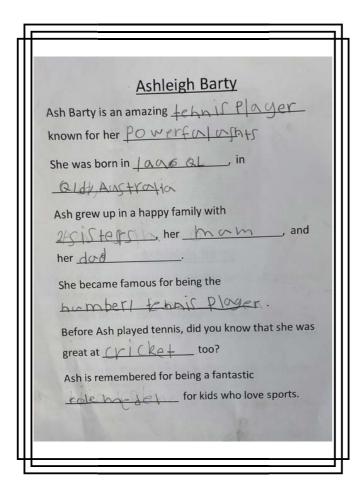
Class News: Bisque

As we wrap up the term, we're excited to give you a peek into all the amazing things Class Bisque have been up to. This term, Bisque have been on an awesome journey exploring the lives of famous explorers and some Aussie sporting heroes.

In the world of exploration, Bisque have been researching everyone from old-school adventurers to today's trailblazers, and they've put together some interesting biographies. Through their writing, they've shown their creativity and passion for learning in a big way. Plus, Bisque have created visually appealing art pieces relating to their unit of work.

But that's not all – Bisque have also been checking out the stories of Aussie sporting legends, some even local to us. From cricket champs to Olympic heroes, our students got to know the challenges these people conquered and the legacies they are left behind.

Bisque have shown dedication to taking on challenges and blending art with their learning. I am excited to witness the amazing achievements that await these students in the days to come.





Upcoming Events:



3-6 PSSA GALA DAY

Friday 15 September, 2023

DRAGON TAG



REED PARK, DAPTO



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PRESCHOOL 2024 INFORMATION

PARENT INFORMATION
SESSION

Thursday 23 November 9:30am in the School Hall

PRESCHOOL TRANSITION SESSIONS

*Thursday 16 November *
*Thursday 23 November *
Thursday 30 November
Thursday 7 December
Session Times: TBA

Art. Craft. Music. Food.





Scarborough ArtShow

7 & 8 October

Scarborough Public School 10 am - 4 pm Entry: \$5 Adults \$3 Concession (Children under 13 free)

SCARBOROUGHARTSHOW.COM