



# Newsletter



Kororo Public School

Dear Parents,

***Week 1 Term 4, 8th October 2014***

Welcome back to the final term of the 2014 school year. It is hard to believe that the end of the school year is fast approaching, with Christmas just 78 days away! Yikes! The calendar for the term has been posted on the school website for your information and forward planning, particularly around key events like Presentation Day and Year 6 Farewells.

Over the recent school holidays our Mango Area has been brought back to life! A huge thank you to our P & C for supporting and funding this rejuvenation which is also a symbol of remembrance for the late Sharyn Treadwell. The seating area is called a yarning circle which we hope classes and groups of students will utilise for collegiality and communication – developing the skills of Habit 5 – ‘Seek First to Understand and then be Understood’. Please pop in and have a look at the wonderful aesthetic transformation!

Each term, our classes are keenly focussed on our inherent responsibility to provide a quality education for all of our students and Term 4 is no exception. Term 4 assessments for end of year reporting, will commence from Week 4 and will continue across a couple of weeks. Attendance has a significant impact upon academic progress, so please ensure students are at school every day unless there is a very valid and explained reason. If you are going to be away during the assessment period, please let your child's teacher know in advance so that plans can be adjusted.

## Quote for the week:

*"You only have to do a very few things right in your life so long as you don't do too many things wrong." – Warren Buffett*

Buffet is widely considered the most successful investor of the 20th century and is one of the wealthiest people in the world. His quote on focus and doing a few things right can be interpreted as finding your niche and excelling at it.- Habit 8! 'Find your Voice'.

All systems are go for a busy and productive Term 4 at Kororo. Enjoy the gorgeous weather this week!

Sue Mackay  
Principal

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## Parent Surveys

During the previous term, two surveys for parent response were advertised in the newsletters. The surveys are Parent Satisfaction and School Anti Bullying. It would significantly help in capturing the feedback. The links to the surveys are listed below and they have also been posted on the school website. The school is very genuine in its interest of parent ideas and the more information we have, the better we are able to respond. At the time of publishing we had six respondents to the surveys out of close on 400 families!

An integral part of our school review process each year involves ascertaining parent satisfaction with elements of the school's operations. The survey is a gathering of information and suggestions for future growth and development in the school covering a range of areas – grounds, communication, responsiveness etc. The survey can be accessed through the link below which will direct you to our Survey Monkey questionnaire.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TPB77C5>

## Anti Bullying Survey

Please use the same process as above and use the link below to access the Anti Bullying Survey - the responses to ten short questions will assist the school in our future work. We are constantly refining practices to ensure the school is proactive in our work with anti bullying strategies.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/TPT63WN>

Thank you so much for giving your time to complete the surveys. It is very much appreciated.

## 'Tell Them From Me' Survey

Early in Term 2 students in Years 4, 5 and 6 participated in the 'Tell Them From Me' Survey. The survey aims to provide the school and the Department with valuable information and feedback on what students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. The survey is completed online at school. Staff in the school are unable to identify individual students from their responses.

In a couple of weeks the students will be given the opportunity to revisit the survey to see how perceptions and attitudes may have altered after two terms of school. This information will assist us to set targets for student engagement for the coming school year. If you do not wish for your child to participate in the follow up survey, please send a brief note in to that effect to your child's teacher.

## Thank You Stage 2

*I would like to pass on a huge thank you to the teachers & staff involved in the organisation of the Year 3 & Year 4 camps. The kids had a great time and are already talking about next years camp!*

*Kororo school is very fortunate to have a lovely group of dedicated teachers that go the extra mile.*

*Thanks for taking care of our precious Kororo Kids and making them smile.*

*Suzi Atkinson.*

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

**NEXT TUESDAY, 14th OCTOBER**

Payment envelopes were sent home yesterday for individual photos. We have spare envelopes in the office if you missed out. Sibling packages can be collected from the school office.



You need only complete ONE envelope per family. The order envelopes are to be returned to one of your child's class teachers no later than Friday 17th October. All of the children will have their photo taken on the day whether it is paid for or not.

As usual, there is the option to have siblings photographed together. If you choose this option, please collect a YELLOW order envelope from the front office. Please be aware that **sibling photos will only be able to be taken on the main photo day**. If your child is absent on the main shoot day there will not be an opportunity to take sibling photos. Orders for sibling photos MUST be brought to the school on or prior to Tuesday 14th October. No YELLOW envelopes will be accepted after this date.

Please make sure your child/ren are dressed in their full school uniform on Tuesday (not sports uniform).

## CANTEEN NEWS

### SUSHI FRIDAY

Don't forget to pre-order sushi on Thursday for Friday's lunch - \$2.50 per roll.

Flavours are Chicken Teriyaki, Tuna and Mayo and the Kororo Roll - (Carrot, Cucumber, Cream Cheese) 10c for soy sauce.

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FRESH FRUIT SALAD TUBS are available for only \$4.00 and FRUIT SALAD CUPS are \$1.00.

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Don't forget if you have any time to spare at all we are always looking for helpers, particularly on Thursday and Friday.

## Important Dates



Tuesday, 14th October	✳ SCHOOL PHOTOS
Monday, 20th October	✳ Year 6 School Excursion to Sydney/Canberra
	✳ P&C Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday, 22nd October	✳ CSIRO Science Show
Thursday, 23rd October	✳ Year 5 Art Gallery Excursion

# KORORO PUBLIC SCHOOL TERM 4 PLANNER

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	6	7 School Resumes for Term 4	8	9	10
2	13	14 SCHOOL PHOTOS	15	16	17 <b>Assembly 2LB</b>  Make Up Photo Day
3	20 Year 6 Canberra Kinder - Grandparents' Day. P & C Meeting 7.30	21	22 CSIRO Science Show	23	24 Art Gallery Year 5
4	27 LCOPS Concert 11.45 Rehearsal	28	29	30	31
5	3	4	5	6	7 <b>2VW Assembly</b> <b>5LF Assembly</b>
6	10 Swimming School SRC 2015 briefing/ nominations home.	11	12	13 Kinder Orientation	14 Kinder Orientation
7	17 Swimming School FOOTSTEPS Week P & C Meeting 7.30pm	18	19 Woolgoolga HS Orientation SRC 2015 nominees write speeches school	20	21 <b>KS Assembly</b> <b>5BT Assembly</b>
8	24 SRC 2015 nominees present speeches to Yr 5 Yr 5 elect candidates	25 Year 6 holding a Mufti Day – Super Six!	26 SRC 2015 Candidates write speeches at school	27 Kinder Orientation	28 <b>1RP Assembly</b> Kinder Orientation Surf Safety 5LF/5LS
9	1 ES1 Hills Beach Excursion Year 6 Sex Educ. Talks	2 Stage 3 Talent Quest Heats	3 CHHS & OHS Orientation Day SRC 2015 candidate speeches /voting	4 Surf Safety Yr 6 Thank You Morning Tea	5 <b>KR Assembly</b> Surf Safety 5BT/5LS
10	8	9 Presentation Day 10am	10 SRC Assembly ES1 / S1 Talent Quest Auditions	11 Yr 6 Farewell	12 REPORTS Home Yr 6 Pizza/shirt signing Talent Quest Final
11	15 P & C Meeting (Carols by Kororo Light) Big Banana Stage 3 St 2 Hills Beach ES1/S1 Wet and Wild	16 ES1/S1 Disco and Class Parties	17 <b>Last Day for Students</b>	18 Staff Development Day	19 Staff Development Day



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