

# KAWUNGAN COURIER

# Helping Each Other Achieve Excellence

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# **KEEPING IN TOUCH**

It has been a busy time at school recently, with many exciting events taking place.

#### Year 6 Market Stall

Wednesday was a hive of activity as our Year 6 students hosted a market day to sell products that they created through their design technology unit. This was a great culminating activity for the students that was well supported by the younger students at Kawungan. Through this unit, students gained valuable insights into concepts such as design, marketing and sales. A big thank you to our Technology teacher, Mrs Tinker, for the time and effort put into this great initiative.



#### **Grandparents Day**

Last Friday afternoon we were joined by hundreds of grandparents, eager to venture into our classrooms and visit their grandchildren. It was encouraging to see so many grandparents coming into Kawungan and showing such a keen interest in their grandchildren. A huge thank you to our 2 school choirs for entertaining our special visitors and to 4 of our student leaders (Thea, Elodie, Maddox and Aiden) for sharing some special

thoughts about grandparents and reciting some beautiful poetry.

#### **World Teachers Day**

Last Friday was also World Teachers Day. We are privileged to have amazing teachers at Kawungan who create welcoming learning environments for our students each and every day. We hope all of our teachers had a great day last Friday!

#### **World Tuckshop Day**

Today is World Tuckshop Day. A special shout out to the amazing staff and volunteers in our school tuckshop for the exceptional and friendly service they provide to students and staff. We appreciate you!



#### Day for Daniel

Day for Daniel was held last Friday. This event reminds us of the importance of creating safe communities for our young people and reinforcing to them the importance of being safe.

Many of our students took the opportunity to wear a red shirt for the day and make a gold coin donation to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation to support them with their incredible work





#### Zak – Kawungan's Therapy Dog

An exciting initiative between the P&C and school is the acquisition of Zak, our very own school therapy dog. Zak is starting to make some short visits to Kawungan as part of his training. We are very excited to get to

know Zak and welcome him into our school community for many years to come.

A huge thank you to the amazing P&C team for supporting this incredible initiative!

#### **E-Scooters and E-Bikes**

The Queensland Police have asked schools to promote important information to families regarding the rules pertaining to E-scooters and E-bikes in a bid to keep our students safe.

You will find information at the back of this newsletter detailing the legal requirements when using an E-scooter or E-bike.

# P and C

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

• The Uniform Shop is open Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, 2:15pm-3:15pm.



# KAWUNGAN STATE SCHOOL SCHOOL UNIFORM

- Prep Light Blue Polo, Years 1-6 -Dark Blue Polo, Year 6 -Senior Polo
- · Sport shirts (Friday only!)
- Kawungan school dress
- Plain black or Kawungan school emblem shorts, skorts or skirts
- If you are wearing tights/leggings, shorts/skirts must me worn over the top
- · White or black socks
- Sneakers, Neutral colours, Black preferred
- · Kawungan emblem wide brim school hat

Uniform Shop Opening Hours
Tuesday 2:15pm - 3:15 pm
Wednesday 2:15pm - 3:15 pm





#### **TUCKSHOP**



Our Tuckshop, The Kawungan Lunchbox, is open Tuesday – Friday from 8:15am. Orders must be placed before 8:30am. If this cut-off time is missed, orders can be placed from the

'late menu' only and only until 10am.

#### **Break-Up Day Class Parties**

Classes will be holding end of year celebrations on Thursday, 11 December 2025.

As part of these celebrations, we will be sharing a special Break-Up Day morning tea and lunch. Students are encouraged to be part of the lunch but can bring their own lunch if they prefer or if they will need more food or different food than is being provided.

#### Orders via Qkr! (preferred payment method)

Prep - Year 3	2 slices of pizza	Years 4-6	4 slices of pizza
1.20	1 iceblock		1 iceblock
\$10	1 juice poppa	\$12	1 Glee sparkling juice
¥	1 cupcake		1 cupcake
	(Gingerbread students for DF/GF)		(Gingerbread students for DF/GF)

**NO LATE ORDERS** to ensure our suppliers can prepare accordingly. **No** refunds or credits.

Orders open on Qkr!: Monday 3 November Orders close: 2pm, Friday 28 November

#### **Happy World Tuckshop Day!**

Today is World Tuckshop Day, and we'd like to take a moment to recognise and thank our amazing tuckshop staff Richelle, Carlie, Liz, and Kristy along with our wonderful volunteers.





We are so lucky to have this wonderful service at our school. It takes a dedicated team of staff and volunteers to keep a service like this running, and we're so grateful for all the time and effort they give to support our Kawungan students and staff.

A big thank you also goes to our P&C Executive Team for the ongoing time and effort they put into supporting our tuckshop. Your behind the scenes work truly helps make it all possible.

Thank you to everyone who plays a part in keeping our tuckshop running. Your commitment and teamwork make a real difference every day!

# Happy World Tuckshop Day

### **FUNDRAISING and EVENTS**

Graduation Gifts have been ordered and they will be delivered straight to classrooms.

(Limited stock available from the Tuckshop/Uniform Shop if you wish to leave an expression of interest to pay cash).

#### **Happy State Education Week**



Last week P&C the spoiled our staff with some treats from our snack trolley in the staffroom in honour of State Education Week. Additionally, each Staff member was entered into daily draw for a Tuckshop Voucher. Congratulations to the winners!

State Education Week is a great opportunity to recognise and thank all our incredible educators and staff at KSS! We really do have the best!

World Teachers Day 31st October

Last Friday, we celebrated our amazing teachers at Kawungan State School. Our teachers deserve our thanks for everything they do, and we want them to know how much we appreciate them.

#### "Thank you for making us SMARTIES"

#### Questions

If you have any questions, please contact Team P&C at pandc@kawunganss.eq.edu.au.

#### Important P&C Dates for Term 4:

P&C Meeting: 24th November
 Break-Up Day class parties: 11th November
 Orders close: 28th November
 Tuckshop <u>CLOSED</u>: Last three days of school – 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12 December



Have a great fortnight. **Team P&C** 

#### **SCHOOL NEWS**

#### MATHEMATICS EXTENSION

We were proud to present certificates to our Year 4-6 students who have participated in our Mathematics Extension Program this year.

#### **Year 4 - Maths Explorer Competition**

1st	Nate S
2nd	Alexander A, Daisy H, Lincoln B, Nicole C and Ridhant M
Effort Awards	Anae R, Kyrie B and Romy P





**Year 5 - Maths Olympiad Competition** 

1st	Dominic R and Indie B
3rd	Emily S, Frankie W and Sophie R
Effort Awards	Charlie W and Kyah G
Most Improved	Ava G



**Year 6 - Maths Olympiad Competition** 

1st	Laura B (APSMO- Olympiad Badge for top performers in AUS/NZ)	
2nd	Nixon B	
3rd	Tide H	
Effort Awards	Tate D and Thea B	
Most Improved	Ariana Z and Harlan J	



Faced with complex challenges and unfamiliar problems, they demonstrated not only skill but determination, resilience, and a growth mindset. We couldn't be prouder of the perseverance and growth shown by all students.

Mr Brain and Mrs Shaw

Principal's Award
Term 4 Week 4
"Understanding Others' Perspectives"

Rory, Gamela
Sophie, Imogen
Lucy, Ammar
Mason, Adalind
Isla, Rachel
Savannah, Charlotte

1A	Xander, Elise	
1W	Charlotte, Oliver	
1U	Amihan, Blair	
1N	Lolo, Joseph	
2K	Eeri, Matilda	
2A	Oliver, Mia	
2W	Anthony, Liliana	
2U	Luna, Adam	
2N	Sophia, Ali	
3K	Frankie, Emma	
3A	Matilda, Ava	
3W	Ada, Korra	
3U	Blake, Vincent	
3N	Kaiser, Evlynn	
3/4M	Anae, Elissa	
4K	Courtney, Noah	
4A	Elina, Paige	
4W	Harlan, Olivia	
4U	William, Jaxon	
5K	Archer, Jahvaze	
5A	Ella, Amy	
5W	Lexi, Jayden	
5U	Jake, Kalahi	
5N	Katana, Luke	
5/6M	Josephine, Luke	
6K	Charlotte, Serge	
6A	Khalia, Chase	
6W	Olivia, Cruze	
6U	Xzavier, Maggie	
6N	Rueben, Noah	

#### **Class Arrangements 2026**

We are currently considering class arrangements for 2026.

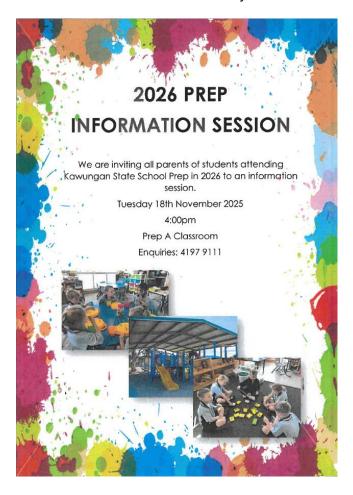
- If your child/ren will be moving from Kawungan State School at the end of the year (other than Year 6) we ask that the school be advised.
- If you would like to provide information regarding friendship groupings for your child for 2026, please do so in writing, and submit to the office by 31<sup>st</sup> October. This information may be then used to assist with groupings of students next year.

# **Prep 2026**

Our last Prep Open Day this year for students turning 5 before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026 will be on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 3:15 to 4:15pm**. We still have vacancies available for Prep in 2026.



The next day for interviews will be 3<sup>rd</sup> December. If you have not had your interview, please contact the office to book a time on this day.



#### **MUSIC NEWS**

#### **Music Department Update**

It was a proud moment to see 14 of our Year 6 **Bel Canto** students beautifully perform the school song as part of the tribute to Mr Geoff Harper — a special way to honour his legacy.

Congratulations also to our wonderful **Piccolos** for their performance at parade on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October! And then again on Friday for Grandparents day! There were a few nerves, but plenty of excitement and enthusiasm shining through.

A big congratulations to all our choral students Bel Canto and Piccolos who performed at **Grandparents Day on 31st October** — Our special guests enjoyed their beautiful voices and smiling faces.

Students are now busily preparing for our upcoming Music Awards Night — save the date: Monday, 17th November, at Urangan State High School.

Performer notes were distributed in Week 3. There will be rehearsals on the day AT SCHOOL, please ensure instruments and music are at school too. If your child is performing and you haven't received a note, please contact **Mrs Molen ASAP**.

A reminder that **morning ensembles and lessons will continue through to Week 8**.

Bel Canto: Tuesday 7.45am
String Orchestra: Wednesday 7.30am
Piccolo Choir: Wednesday 8am
Concert Band: Thursday 7.30am

Next week is our last chance to have a full rehearsal before awards, please ensure everyone is present.

Instrumental recruiting interviews occurred last week. Students demonstrated their knowledge and letters will be coming out in the next couple of weeks with the results. If your child was absent on Wednesday or Thursday and missed it, please contact Mrs Molen to reschedule. Also, if your child is wishing to participate in the Instrumental Music Program next year and they are in Year 2 or 3 could you please contact Mrs Molen and we may begin this process.

There is much to celebrate with the amazing musicians at Kawungan State School! Keep up the great work.









#### PE

Below are the significant dates for school sports and HBDS this term.

Sports Dates Term 4	
05/12	School Swimming Carnival (Years 4-6
	and some Year 3's)

Our school swimming carnival for Years 4-6 (and some Year 3's) will be on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Notes will be sent home this week for students in Years 4/5/6 and once students in Year 3 have been timed next week they will be given their note if they have made the top 8 fastest times for 9 years 50m events.

Students in Years 5 and 6 can submit 50m times for their chance to compete in those races, the rest of the students will have the opportunity to swim in the 25m races. Students can get nomination forms from Mrs Robertson or class teacher. Year 3 and 4 students will have the opportunity in swimming lessons to have their 50m strokes timed to see if they are the top 8 fastest for their age group. The nomination forms

are due back to Mrs Robertson by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Kawungan Futsal trials

Our students in Year 3 have been trialling for the Fraser Coast Futsal Titles at the beginning of 2026 and students in Years 4 and 5 will trial in the coming weeks. If your child does not make the teams they can still sign up at the PCYC for the Term 1 Futsal on Monday afternoons. When flyers become available Mrs Robertson will hand them out. It is great to see so many students interested in learning about this sport and getting active!





#### **AFL Trials**

Our Year 4 and 5 students have started trialling for the AFLQ Schools Cup in Term 1 2026. If your child does not make these teams they can sign up in town for the AFL community competition. Many Kawungan students go on to make significant contributions to the local clubs and gain much experience.

Some of our students who played on our AFLQ Schools Cup team at Maroochydore and also played for AFL clubs in town this year.





### STUDENT LEADERS















#### -WORLD TEACHERS DAY-

In week 4, Kawungan State School celebrated World Teachers Day. We held activities in the library such as cards, colourings, and sheets to fill in about your teacher. Many kids participated in these activities during lunch times. On parade, our 2025 leaders and deputies shook the teacher's hands, gave them a certificate, and announced one nice thing a student said about that teacher. Every teacher works super hard to maintain the beauty of our school and help students improve with their learning. Thank you, teachers!

Written by Ariana and Shanaya



# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



#### A MINIATURE CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

Will be held

At

St John's Anglican Church

Cnr Doolong Rd and Gilston Rd, Wondunna

Monday 15th December-Friday 19th December

5.30pm-8pm

Come and discover the joy and wonder of the Christmas story told through enchanting miniature scenes.

TUCKSHOP CONVENOR - Sandy Strait State School.

https://smartjobs.qld.gov.au/jobs/QLD-NCR669281-25P



# E-scooters



Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs) include e-scooters, e-skateboards, solowheels and similar devices.

#### Who can ride



Riders must be 16 years old or older 12 – 15's may ride, but must be supervised by an adult.



**No Doubling** 

Passengers are not allowed, regardless of age or size. This includes children doubling with parents.



Always wear a helmet Must be properly fastened.

# **Speed Limits**



12km/h on footpaths/ shared paths (unless otherwise signed).



Max speed

E-scooters can never travel faster than 25km/h.



Fines
Fines of more than
\$660 can apply
to speeding.

#### Where to ride e-scooters



Paths
Footpaths,
shared paths and
separated bike paths.



On-road bike lanes with speed limit of 50km/h or less, or where the bike lane is physically separated from the road.



**Local Streets** Speed limit of 50km/h or less, no dividing line.

# **Riding rules**



Leave your phone alone



Don't drink and ride



Obey give way & stop signs



Be visible at night (light and reflector)



Give way to pedestrians on paths



Ring your bell to warn pedestrians



Keep pedestrians in mind – park safely



Stay at the scene of a crash and exchange details







# E-bikes



Electric bikes, also known as e-bikes, are vehicles which are assisted by a small motor when riding. E-bike rules are different to e-scooters.

#### Who can ride



No age limits apply



Only carry passengers if bike is designed for it



Always wear a helmet Must be properly fastened.

# Where to ride & speeds



Permitted wherever bicycles can ride.



No riding on motorways or where no bicycle signs are installed.



Follow the signed speed limits on paths, bridges, roads and bikeways.

# E-bike device requirements



Motor assistance up to 25km/h only.



Pedals are the primary source of power.



250 watt maximum continuous power output.

# Illegal devices

Some e-bikes are too high-powered to be legally ridden on Queensland's roads and paths. Illegal devices are considered non-compliant motorcycles. Total fines can be more than \$1640. Devices can be impounded or confiscated by police.



Internal combustion engine

E-bikes must have an electric motor.



Throttle powered only

Throttle power is permitted at speeds up to 6km/h to get started. After this you must pedal to activate the motor assistance.



**High powered motors** 

High-powered devices with a motor more than 250 watts are not permitted. This includes high-powered devices that are locked to lower limits.

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**DELIVERING** FOR QUEENSLAND

