

KULNURA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

1 December 2021
Week 9 Term 4



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Diary Dates

Thursday 2 December

- Kinder Orientation – 9:10 to 11:10am
- Library
- Lunch canteen available – pre orders only

Tuesday 7 December

- **LAST** Recess canteen for 2021 – pre orders only
- Combined Scripture Groups Christmas Assembly – 2.20pm

Wednesday 8 December

- Presentation Day – 3:00pm

Thursday 9 December

- Library – NO Borrowing. **Please return all library books.**
- **LAST** Lunch canteen for 2021 – pre orders only

Thursday 16 December

- Last day of Term 4 for students

TERM 1 – 2022

Friday 28 January

- Staff return to school for Staff Development Day 1 – **Pupil Free day**

Monday 31 January

- Staff Development Day 2 – **Pupil Free day**

Tuesday 1 February

- School resumes for all students K-6

Principals Message

Vale Cindy Berwick, a proud member of the Ngunawal nation and a tireless advocate for the power of education to help Aboriginal people achieve equality and self-determination.

I am proud to commence this week's newsletter in honour of a great person who I knew personally, as well a supervisor and a professional work colleague. I understand that no one within our community would know Cindy but her tireless efforts for “**education for all**”, is the major ideology every person should take a stand for.

All people have the opportunity to make change and a good education is the steppingstone to student achievement and lifelong success. A value we aspire to at Kulnura Public School for all our students.

A funeral service for Ms Cindy Berwick took place today and as a mark of mourning and respect, we flew our flags at half-mast for today Wednesday 1 December 2021.

Cindy was President of the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) for more than 10 years. In that role, she was instrumental in co-leading and contributing to many state and national policies and strategies that have made a considerable impact on Aboriginal students and Aboriginal people more generally.

Ms Berwick influenced the NSW Government and the department to work with the AECG to co-design the Connected Communities Strategy, which she ensured was underpinned by authentic Aboriginal community input and direction. Cindy worked in many roles in the department from 1984 onwards, including as a head teacher, Aboriginal Education Consultant and Aboriginal Education and Community Engagement Officer.

Cindy Berwick - a passionate Rabbitohs supporter and a fierce advocate for education of our Aboriginal students and communities. She changed so many lives and will be sadly missed by all whose lives she touched.



New Kulnura PS Uniform: Congratulations to the P&C and Rachael for finalising the new uniform style for our school. The one uniform for all school activities will be very convenient for families and good for the family budget. We all look forward to seeing the students in their fit for purpose uniforms in the new year. As the information indicated, the uniform will be phased in over the next 3 years to allow families time to purchase new uniforms as their children grow. Please note that all students are expected to be in full school uniform each day.

Kindergarten Transition: Tomorrow our new Kinders will be having their orientation day. Mrs Booth has activities planned and will have helpers from other grades to assist. Our new students will also have the opportunity to meet their peers and the teachers at their new school. We look forward to welcoming them to Kulnura Public School.

Also, our Year 2 students will be participating in their transition program to the primary class, with activities planned over the next couple of weeks with KPS2. The transition will enable our Year 2 students to experience lessons and learning with the primary students. We are fortunate that our school is small in numbers and all students are familiar with each other.

Share Our Space opens NSW schools to our community to share quality space during the school holidays. This initiative supports our aim to place our schools at the heart of their communities. Share Our Space opens from the first Monday until the last Friday of each holiday period from approximately 8am to 5pm each day, including all public holidays. **Parents/Carers are expected to provide appropriate supervision for their child or children.** This is also stated on the signage for our fixed equipment and traversing wall.


Presentation Day will be held at **3.00pm on Wednesday 8 December** at the front of the school. Parents wishing to watch the presentation from outside the school grounds are reminded to adhere to social distancing guidelines and be mindful that the **afternoon school bus will arrive at the school approximately 3:15pm.** P&C will draw their annual Christmas Raffle at the presentation, please ensure all tickets/money are returned to the school prior to the day. We are hoping that 2022 is free of lockdowns and restrictions allowing us to come together once again as a school community.

NSW Health Primary School Dental Program: The mobile dental van will be visiting Kulnura Public School in the first week of school next year. Information and consent forms have been sent home with students today. If you would like your child/ren to visit the dental van and received a **free check-up**, please complete and return the consent and Medicare forms to the school before the end of this term (Thursday 16 December, 2021). Please see page 3 for further information.

Changes to Staff Development Days: At the commencement of 2021, there were amendments to our Staff Development Days (SDD's). These amendments impact Term 1 and 4 only. As a result of the changes there will no longer be two SDD's at the end of Term 4. Instead, there will be two at the beginning of each school year. **Therefore, last day of school for all students this year is Thursday 16 December 2021.**


The 2022 school year will commence with two Staff Development Days. **Therefore, the first day of school for 2022 for all students K-6 will be Tuesday 1 February.**

Steve Collins
PRINCIPAL




Why attendance matters


When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

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Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight	= 4 weeks	= Over 1 year missed
1 day per week	= 8 weeks	= Over 2.5 years missed

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NSW Health Primary School Dental Program

NSW Health is working with public primary schools to offer **free dental check-ups** and preventive care to students as part of a school-based mobile dental program. Your child's school has been selected to participate in this program.

The program involves a mobile dental team making scheduled visits to your child's primary school. During the first appointment a dental check-up and preventive care package will be provided, subject to parental consent.

The program is scheduled to visit your child's school from 1/02/2022 to 4/02/2022.

Parent Information and Consent Packs have been sent home, including information sheets, consent forms and the program privacy statement. Parents/guardians who want their child to receive care are advised to:

1. Read all the information provided
2. Carefully complete the consent forms
3. **Return the consent forms to the school before the end of this term (16/12/2021)**

More information about the program is available on the NSW Health website:

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/oralhealth/primaryschool dental/>.



From July 2019, children attending participating primary schools in The Central Coast will have access to free dental care through the NSW Health Primary School Mobile Dental Program.



Whole School Fitness

KPS2

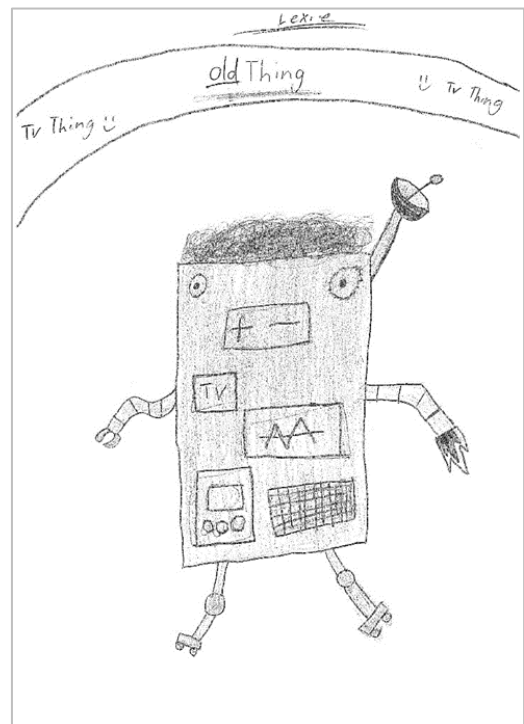
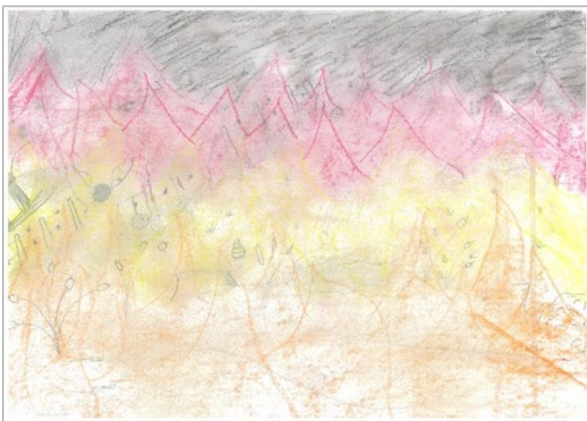


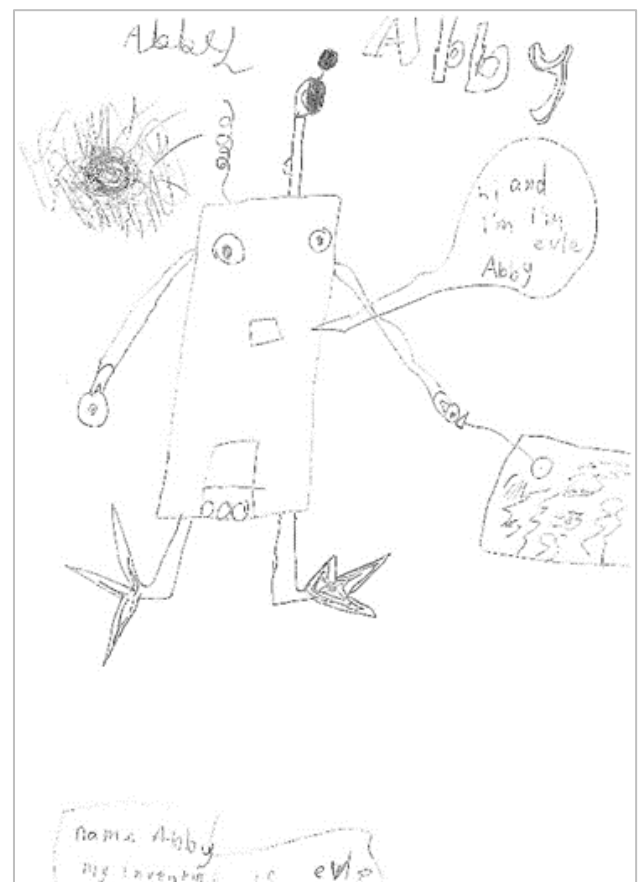
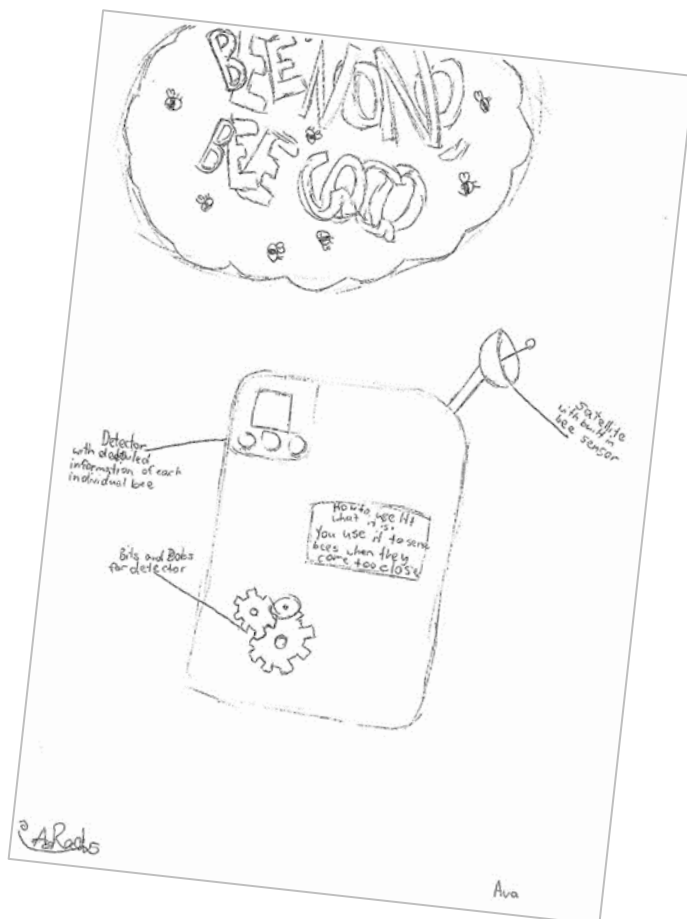
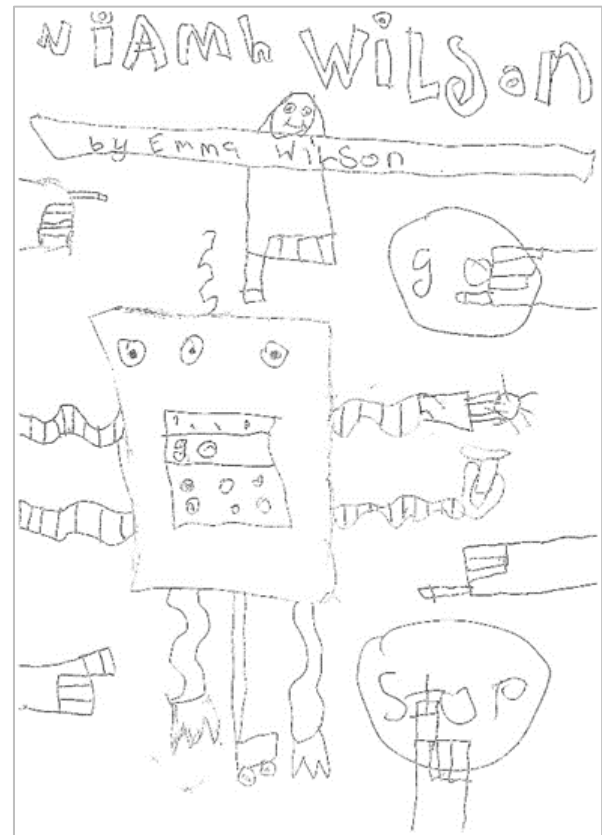
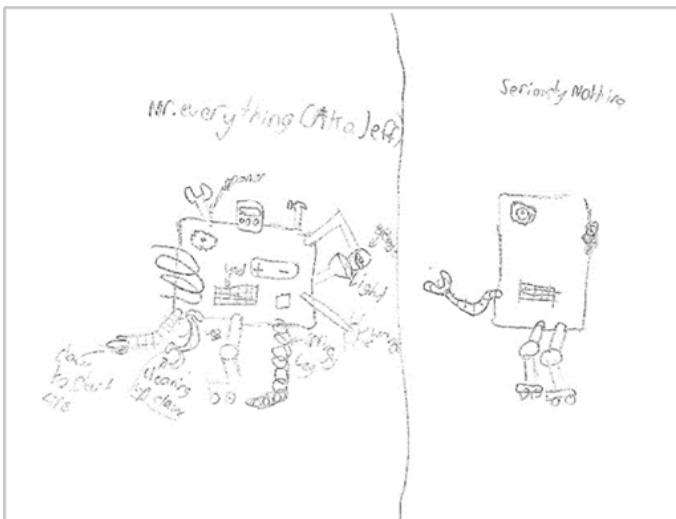
KPS2 – Visual Arts

Bushfires



“Little Big Ideas – Inventions”





Kulnura Public School P&C

P&C ANNUAL CHRISTMAS RAFFLE!

Each year, the P&C hold a CHRISTMAS RAFFLE in conjunction with the students end of Year PRESENTATION DAY!!

This is the P&C's LAST FUNDRAISER for the year!

The P&C are kindly asking for DONATIONS of any CHRISTMAS HAMPER RELATED ITEMS:
(Biscuits, tin food, nonperishable items, Craft, cooking etc.) to help US create some wonderful prizes FOR YOU.

1 item per child if possible, please.

For each item donated, your child will receive ONE FREE RAFFLE TICKET!

ALL DONATIONS TO BE HANDED INTO SCHOOL OFFICE

NO LATER THAN: MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Please ensure all items are CLEARLY MARKED with CHILDS NAME.

RAFFLE TO BE DRAWN

AT THE END OF PRESENTATION.

EACH FAMILY WILL RECEIVE A BOOK OF TICKETS, PLEASE SEE THE OFFICE IF YOU REQUIRE MORE!

Proceeds from the raffle go back to the school, helping fund things like WHOLE SCHOOL BUS TRIPS, SCHOOL SWIM SCHEME



Kulnura P&C Christmas Raffle Prizes

Stay Calm People...

Don't Forget!!

Get your tickets in for the

KPS MONSTER RAFFLE

PRIZES INCLUDE

A truck load of Rotomill from MLS delivered locally

Fruit trees from Gale's Citrus

Bunnings Vouchers

\$100 Thinkwater Voucher

Car Battery Charger from Peats Ridge Auto Electrical

Golf Vouchers from Mangrove Golf Club

Christmas Hampers full of Goodies

Tickets must be back at school by Tuesday 7th December

More tickets available at the office!!

Raffle Drawn at end of year Presentation

BE IN IT TO WIN IT!!!!

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

YOU'VE GOT TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

Drawn at PRESENTATION DAY

December 2021

At Kulnura Public School

Tickets \$2 EACH

Raffle Tickets - sent home last week. Additional tickets can be obtained from the school office.

Community Announcements



Come along and check out Floorball, a fun and fast-growing sport for all skill levels! Our local club, Peninsula Floorball, plays every Tuesday afternoon/evening in the Peninsula Leisure Centre, Woy Woy. We are a fun and inclusive team and welcome new and experienced players at any time. What are you waiting for?

For more information, please contact us on peninsulafloorball@hotmail.com

www.peninsulafloorball.org

COME AND TRY SESSIONS

11 JANUARY 2022 and 18 JANUARY 2022,

11AM-12PM, \$5 PER PLAYER.

**Central Coast
Summer Chess
Tournament
for ages 6 to 17**



**New venue...
previously
at Mingara**

Entry fee \$20

includes lunch-pack

Payment details and food
options on contact with...

Gary Losh

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Monday 10 January

Must pre-enter by Wednesday 5 January

Coast Community Church, Adelaide St, Tumby Umbi
9.30am – 4.00pm

With an educational chess puzzle competition
and lots of prizes. Practice puzzles provided on entry.

**Minimum ability: Must know how to move the
pieces and complete games largely unassisted.**

OCCI-CC is a volunteer marine conservation organisation based in NSW. It aims to promote and educate the community on marine and coastal environmental issues. It also participates in programs that conserve and protect these spaces



Why not Join our FREE SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



Come and explore, **rock pool and saltmarsh** environments with OCCI guides this **December/January** school holidays, and learn about the fascinating creatures that live there including the birds of our waterways.

We have a **Maximum of 25 people** per walk **so bookings are essential.**

Most suited to ages 5 years to adult. **All Children** need to be accompanied by **an adult**, who will be responsible for them.

All participants are required to wear **closed in shoes** for protection (which will probably get wet!). Covid safety measures will be in place.

Dates, walk types and 'venues':

TUESDAY, 21.12.21 @ 10am Salt Marsh discovery/pond dip, Tuggerah Parade/Salt Water Creek
TUESDAY, 4.1.22 @ 4pm Rock pool Walk, Terrigal Haven
TUESDAY, 11.1.22 @ 10am Salt Marsh discovery/pond dip, Tuggerah Parade/Salt Water Creek.
TUESDAY, 18.1.22 @ 3.15pm Rock pool Walk, Terrigal Haven

To book, please text Linda on 0404 450 429 - You will need to write:

1. Your name,
2. Phone No. Preferably mobile;
3. Children's names, 4. Children's names and ages.
5. Date & walk location you wish to join. 6. Source of information.

