



Aim High Go Far

As learners and leaders: we are respectful, responsible, safe, and resilient

Principal's Report

This term is flying—only one newsletter left before we're wrapping up 2022 like a Christmas present, and welcoming in the New Year in 2023!

Attendance matters, and we've got some strong contenders for our attendance champions for Term 4. If your child/ children attend each day this term—and arrive on time—they will receive a brand-new iPad at the Graduation/ Awards night on Thursday December 1st! What an incentive to prioritise learning!

Also taking place at the Graduation/ Awards night is Karumba's Got Talent. Students and staff are gearing up for their collaborative acts and considering what solo or small group acts they might also like to showcase. We're looking forward to seeing everyone there in week 9!

Matt from AFL Cape York Limited ran his last clinic here with our P-6 students this week. Everyone had a great time and learnt a few things about AFL along the way. We look forward to Matt's visit this time next year.

Wonderful news for our school community is that, after a long year of work behind the scenes, Karumba State School will have a fully functioning, up-and-running P & C in 2023. This week we held a School Community meeting, where attendees were able to nominate and appoint temporary Executives to take up President, Treasurer, and Secretary positions until such time as a financial audit and AGM can be held early in 2023. Thank you Miss Hannah, Miss Aroha, and Miss Krys for stepping up and into these positions so that our kids can enjoy the benefits of an operational P & C. Please contact the school for a membership form, or come along to the next meeting in 2023 to become a member.

Some more exciting news is that Karumba State School will be starting up a Playgroup for our pre-school-age children, early in 2023. At Karumba State School we value the transition to school process, and this begins well before students walk through the school gates on their first day of Prep. Our wonderful Miss Hannah will be heading the Playgroup activities; bringing with her a wealth of knowledge and expertise from her background in Early Childhood Education and Care. Stay tuned for more information!

Yours in teaching and learning,

Tamsyn Gardiner
Principal Karumba State School

P-2 Classroom—Mrs. Gardiner

English

Our little poets are blowing me away with their ability to identify, describe, and apply language features and devices in poetry they read and write. We've completed the first component of our assessment—analysing poetry, and have commenced work on writing our own poems. We have worked on adapting a poem that we've read in class by changing the setting from the seaside to the garden. We've ventured into the Garden Club here at school to experience what we see and hear so that we can incorporate these senses into our writing in descriptive ways.

Mathematics

All students have done amazingly well in their Number and Algebra assessment. Our daily counting practice really paid off! We've begun working now on our final strand for the year, which is Money and Financial Matters. We've had loads of fun making different coin and note combinations, practising counting money amounts, doing scratch drawings and identifying features of all six Australian coins, and role-playing making purchases. If your child is in P-2 they will have come home with a bag of coins and notes to practise counting. This is for them to keep and continue learning with—we don't need it back :)

Science

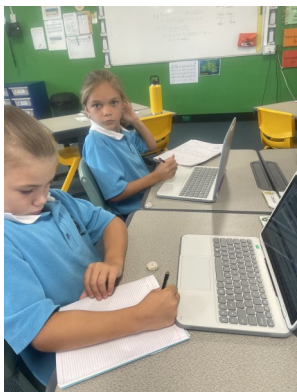
Objects and materials and properties, oh my! Students have been engaging with a variety of objects within experiments, where they can identify the materials they are made of, as well as what properties they have. For example, a staple (object) is made of metal (material), and is flexible, hard, and water-resistant (properties). This week we investigated glue by making our own glue with flour, water, and salt, and then comparing its strength with that of PVA glue and a glue stick. We established that different glues have different properties and are made differently for different purposes. This knowledge will come in handy when the P-2 students need to select specific materials to design a durable and water-resistant food storage object for their assessment.

HASS

We're on the home stretch with HASS—as it spans two terms, it always feels like quite an accomplishment to have it completed at the end. P-2 students have been looking at caring for a special place within the school, and ended up choosing the Garden Club. The year 3-4 students have been spending some time in our class and learning about ways that we can reduce, reuse, recycle, and repurpose items so as to increase sustainability and decrease the amount of waste that goes to landfill. We have started keeping our food scraps and paper waste and composting it in our Garden Club.



3-6 Classroom—Miss Achurra



English

Our English unit has come to its final week of learning before we head straight into finishing the remaining parts of our assessment. Over the next two weeks the students will be creating their own poem based off an adaptation of the poem within their assessment. The poems that the students have been exploring in their assessment are: Seaside Strand, B-side the C-side, and the Ocean's Lament. Once the students have completed their poem they will need to present their poem to the class or small group.

Mathematics

Our final Number and Algebra unit is now complete and students tried their very best throughout their assessment. We are now in week two of our Money and Financial Matters Mathematics unit. I am blown away with how fantastic the students are with all things money; such as their use of notes and coins in a variety of situations. I was pleasantly surprised and it's great to see the students are getting exposed to money within their daily lives. With the remaining two weeks of this unit I can't wait to see what the students will achieve.



Science

We are still in full swing within our Science unit, and the students have been exposed to a variety of concepts that are related to their daily lives. For example: the grade 5-6 students have been investigating rust, freezing, and evaporation. The grade 3-4 students have been playing around with ochre this week and have created their own artwork using traditional Aboriginal materials and symbols to create some beautiful pieces. In the upcoming week, the students will be underway with their assessment and completing the experiments within.

HASS

Our HASS unit for the semester is in the completion stage with the grade 5-6 students finishing off their business plan, and grade 3-4 finalising their waste management ideas that can be implemented into our school community. This HASS unit was complex with a variety of parts, but I was very proud of the student's efforts and commitment to the task.

In Other News.....



Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the Queensland Premier's Reading Challenge.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is an annual state-wide initiative for Queensland students from Prep to Year 9. The PRC aims to improve literacy and encourage children to read for pleasure and learning. Our students should be exceptionally proud of their efforts.

Book Fair

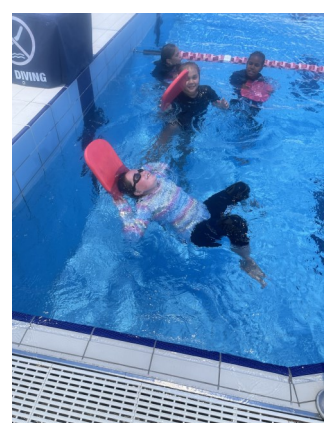
A huge thank-you to everyone who took the time to come to our Book Fair in week 4. We reached our sales goal and had a heap of fun along the way.

Congratulations to all of the students who won prizes with costumes, guessing games and colouring in competitions.



Swimming Lessons

We are now in the final weeks of swimming lessons this term. Our last lesson will be on Friday 25th November.



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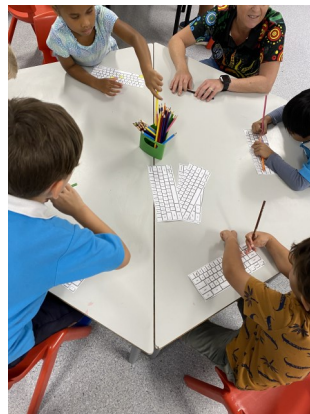
Day For Daniel

On Friday 28th of October we completed our walk for Daniel. Thank-you to Acting Sergeant Jodie for giving us a safety talk and for letting us decorate the police car! As always Carpentaria Shire Council put on a great BBQ. Thank you for all the other helpers that were involved on the day.



Kindy to Prep Transition Morning

Monday 31st of October saw the Prep-2 class open their doors and warmly welcome the Prep students of 2023. Students and Kindy children enjoyed a variety of activities throughout the morning that will pave the way for a great start to their school journey in 2023. We look forward to seeing all of their bright smiles on the first day of Term 1 2023.



In Other News Cont.....



AFL Cape York

This week seen our last AFL session with Matt from AFL Cape York. The students have loved getting out and kicking the ball around over the past few sessions. We look forward to having Matt back next year for some more AFL fun.



A Note From Our Seniors

This weeks question.....

What are you most excited about for Grade 6?

I'm excited to learn more maths, English, science and HASS when I'm in grade 6. I am most excited to do sports such as HPE. I am excited about the swimming carnival next year.

Shalom Talonia



I am excited for more maths and HASS. I am also excited for my last year in primary school. I hope to help with under 8's day, just like I did this year.

Emily Coxhead



Awards

Super Spellers

Week 3



From Left: (back) Isabella, Bianca, Shalom, Zahara (front) Lavin, Albie

Week 4



From Left: (back) Peyton, Shalom (front) Albie

Week 5



From Left: Peyton, Lavin

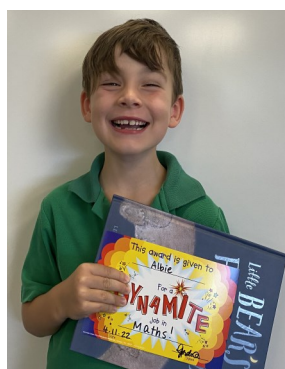
Student of the Week P-2 Class

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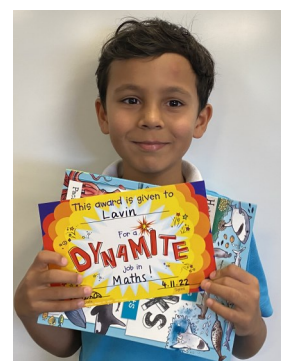
Georgia Coxhead

Week 4



Albie Gardiner

Week 5



Lavin Monga

Student of the Week 3-6 Class

Week 3



Isabella McGee

Week 4



Bianca Gofton

Week 5



Peyton Chilman

Karumba SS Calendar

Term 4, 2022						
Week 1	Public Holiday	4/10 Term 4 begins!	5/10	6/10	7/10 Swimming	8-9/10
Week 2	10/10 Mrs. Gardiner Principal Conf. P/S teacher Amy's first day	11/10 Mrs. Gardiner Principal Conf.	12/10 Mrs. Gardiner Principal Conf. AFL Cape York	13/10 Mrs. Gardiner Principal Conf.	14/10 Swimming	15-16/10
Week 3	17/10	18/10	19/10 AFL Cape York	20/10	21/10 Swimming	22-23/10
Week 4	24/10	25/10	26/10 Miss Achurra's Birthday	27/10 Book Fair—Paws for Books Family & Community Event	28/10 World Teacher's Day Swimming Day for Daniel	29-30/10
Week 5	31/10 Prep transition morning 8:30- 10:30	1/11	2/11 AFL Cape York	3/11	4/11 Swimming Last day for Amy	5-6/11
Week 6	7/11	8/11	9/11 AFL Cape York	10/11 ARD Phil Sweeney visiting	11/11 Remembrance Day Swimming	12-13/11
Week 7	14/11	15/11 Mrs. Gardiner at school review	16/11 Mrs. Gardiner at school review	17/11 Mrs. Gardiner at school review	18/11 Mrs. Gardiner at school review Swimming	19-20/11
Week 8	21/11	22/11	23/11	24/11	25/11 Swimming	26-27/11
Week 9	28/11	29/11 Go Gulf visit 8:30- 2:30	30/11	1/12 Graduation & Karumba's Got Talent	2/12 Last day for 2022—break-up party	3-4/11

Week 6, Term 4, 2022