Principal's Message

Thank you staff, students and parents for making me feel so welcome at Koonawarra Public School.

Prior to taking up the position at Koonawarra Public School I was a Principal of a smaller school in the Southern Highlands.

I have visited all classes over the last two weeks. It was a pleasure to witness the students all working hard; concentrating on their writing, reading activities or maths skills.

It is wonderful to be greeted by so many lovely friendly children each day. The red and blue uniform of Koonawarra School is very impressive.

This week I had the pleasure at attending the Koonawarra Public School ANZAC Ceremony this week. The SRC students presented themselves beautifully during the assembly. Thank you: Taneisha King, Malaki Donovan, Logan Vallance, Rachel Davis, Mason D’Amato, Taleisha Shipley, Lachlan Campbell and Brayden Saunders.

Mr Rod Gunning the first principal of Koonawarra School was also present at the assembly and regaled me with many funny stories about his time at Koonawarra School.

I look forward to meeting more students and parents over this term.

Jacqueline Murphy-Cann

Principal
Koonawarra Public School

Helpful APPS

Are your children whizzes on an iPad, tablet or just like playing on them?

If so, there is a great app to help children and parents with home reading, it is called:

- Read Me Stories
  - Children's Books (iPad)
  - Or
  - Stories (Android tablet)

This interactive app's features:

- Read to them
- Read along
- Activities for understanding

By the way it’s free!!!

Thank you to Jenny Lightowlers

Dates to Remember...

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THE BIGGEST MISTAKE YOU COULD EVER MAKE IS BEING TOO AFRAID TO MAKE ONE.

*FUN *RESPECT *RESPONSIBILITY *PERSONAL BEST

Address: Cnr. Byamee St. & Fowlers Rd. Dapto 2530
Phone: 4261 2880  Fax: 4262 2046
Celebrating Koonawarra Kids

Thank you to Mr Bob Winston, Mr Denis Dowsett, Mr, Mr Ted Evans, Doug Rhymer, from Dapto RSL Sub Branch, Mr Rod Gunning first principal of Koonawarra Public School, Mr Alan Sheather and Mrs Julie Geraedts from Lakeside Memorial Park. These honoured guests attended our Koonawarra ANZAC assembly. Our SRC spoke beautifully when they presented information regarding the experiences of people during World War 1. Mr Dowsett spoke about the meaning of ANZAC and the events at Gallipoli Cove. Mr Denis Dowsett presented Koonawarra School with a memorial plaque to celebrate 100 years since the ANZAC’s landed at Gallipoli.
**Community News**

**SHELLHARBOUR CITY STADIUM**
Croome Road – Albion Park Rail  
42 573468

**REGISTER NOW**

**Basketball Competition and Development**
» Junior Ages 6 - 15 years  
» Cadets High School Age

**Skills 4 Life Program**
» Pre-school Age Children from 3 Years  
» Fun sports development program

**Sports Birthday Parties**
**NEW Bubble Soccer Parties**

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**FREE fun program for kids to become fitter, healthier and happier!**

Go4Fun® is a healthy lifestyle program for kids aged 7 to 13 years who are above their ideal weight. The program runs one afternoon per week over the school term and aims to improve health, fitness, self-esteem and confidence. Program highlights include active games, tips on healthy food, label reading, portion sizes, a supermarket tour, plus much more!

Term 2 programs will be held at:

- Horsley Community Centre every Tuesday from 4 – 6pm and
- Albion Park Rail Public School every Thursday from 4 – 6pm

**REGISTRATIONS ARE STILL OPEN FOR TERM 2**

For more information or to book in to a program please phone 1800 780 900, SMS for call back 0409 745 645 or visit [www.go4fun.com.au](http://www.go4fun.com.au).

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**Did you know?**

The Aged Care, Community Care and Disability Services sector is the largest and fastest growing employer in Australia...

- Transport
- Maintenance
- Recreation
- Finance
- Health
- & more...

...are you ready?

Ilawarra Aged Care Community Care and Disability Services Sector Careers Expo

Tuesday 5th May 2015 - 12 to 7pm  
Cafe Essay & Conference Centre 11-13 Burell Street, Wollongong NSW 2500

For more information phone (02) 4256 4333 or visit [ilawarraforum.org.au](http://ilawarraforum.org.au)

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**Go4Fun**

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**KOONAWARRA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

*A proud member of the Dapto Learning Community*  
Term 2, Week 2, 2015

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As school has started back for term 2 this is friendly reminder to all parents, carers and friends regarding **School Zone** parking.

**SCHOOL ZONE PARKING OFFENCES**

Current as at 1 July 2014

- **NO STOPPING**
  - Means that in the area in the direction of the arrow, you must NOT STOP your vehicle at any point on the road or kerb, unless there is a medical or other emergency.
  - Maximum Penalty: $415 + 2 Demerit Points

- **Drop-off or pick-up**
  - Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups of passengers or goods and the driver must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.
  - Penalty: $173 + 2 Demerit Points

- **BUS ZONE**
  - Means that in the direction of the arrow or arrows you are not allowed to stop your vehicle unless you are driving a bus.
  - Penalty: $311 + 2 Demerit Points

- **DOUBLE PARKING**
  - You are NOT PERMITTED to stop or park your vehicle alongside another vehicle that is already parked parallel to the kerb.
  - Please Note: Fees subject to change without notice.
  - Permitted: $311 + 2 Demerit Points

**STOP in a NO STOPPING zone:**

- STOP on or near a Children’s or Pedestrian Crossing (within 20m on approach & 10m on departure side of crossing): $415 + 2 Demerit Points

**STOP on path/strip in built up area:**

- STOP on path/strip in built up area: $173 + 2 Demerit Points

**ILLEGAL PARKING AROUND SCHOOLS ENDANGERS YOUNG LIVES**

Don’t double-park, or stop in pedestrian zones, bus zones or on footpaths.