

Term Dates:
Term 3: Wed 26 July - Fri 22 Sep

Term 4: Tues 10 Oct - Fri 15 Dec

Term 3		
Date	Time	What's On
Week 7		
06/09/17	Lunch, Preschool and Primary	Snack Attack - Preschool
07/09/17	Morning Sessions	Tinkering
Week 8 onwards		
12/09/17	8.30am - 9.30am, Hall	Photographic Display – a celebration of our students
13/09/17	Lunch, Preschool and Primary	Snack Attack *Helpers needed
14/09/17	Violin in Primary last day	Violin in Library
20/09/17	Lunch, Preschool and Primary	Snack Attack *Helpers needed
20/09/17	7pm, Admin Meeting Room	Board Meeting
22/09/17		Last Day Term 3
Term 4		
10/10/17	9am	First day Term 4
26/10/17	9.30am, Hall	Open Morning for interested families
04/11/17	TBA	Kinma Auction Fundraising Night
12/11/17	Preschool and Primary	Kinma Care Day
05/12/17	9.00 – 10.30am Primary	Kids Christmas Market – all welcome
09/12/17	4pm, Hall	Gratitude Celebration
15/12/17		Last day T4
Dates for 2018		
31/01/18	9am	First day Term 1
13/04/18		Term 1 finishes
02/05/18	9am	First day Term 2
06/07/18		Term 2 finishes
01/08/18	9am	First day Term 3
28/09/18		Term 3 finishes
16/10/18	9am	First day Term 4
14/12/18		Term 4 finishes

The new classroom: May the fourth be with you...

You've read the newsletters, some of you have seen the plans at Kinma care day – the fourth classroom for Kinma Primary is on its way.

With the school growing as planned and an increase in demand for children joining group 1, this will be a much needed new space for the benefit of the whole school, completing the vision set out in the 20 year master plan developed in 2000.

There is funding in place to get the building up. What is still needed is the final [10 per cent or \$40,000] to cross the finish line and have a fully operational classroom ready early in the 2018 school year.

We can help achieve this and the auction night on Saturday 4 November will be all about raising money for our new classroom. In the meantime there's another way we can help. Every term we are asked if we'd like to contribute to the Kinma voluntary building fund. If every family contributes to this fund, even for just this term and next term, it will raise around [\$5000] for the new classroom.

Between us all the small sums add up and make a difference so please keep supporting our school and make your contribution to the building fund. You can do this by contacting Claire and Julie in the office.

Sam Hall (mum of Joe in group 1 and Eloise in preschool)

Board

Feedback is the lifeblood of a learning, growing community and it is no different at Kinma. Without understanding the views and experiences of community members, it can be hard to know when something is going well or when something needs to be adjusted. Much feedback from Kinma parents is offered directly to staff, but often in the mix of busy school and outside-of-school life, we don't always pass on our gratitude or note that something might need attention.

This is where the Kinma primary parent survey comes in. Kinma has been collecting feedback from parents in a structured way for many years, but last year it was redesigned as a survey with closed and open ended questions, and programmed in Survey Monkey - to make a bit more streamlined. Thank you those who were able to complete it late last year. Your feedback helped staff and the board of Kinma see things from a broader perspective, decide which areas to focus on and how (including Parent Learning Forums, Newsletter redesign and format and marketing ideas for the school).

The 2017 survey will soon be sent out. And we would love you to respond. Yes, it is shorter than last year (by 30%) and is still mostly closed ended questions to make it quick and easy, but also has open ended text boxes in case you have specific feedback that doesn't fit elsewhere.

For those of you with more than one child at Kinma, just fill it out multiple times, indicating which child it is each time. And if you are co-parenting your children with someone in a different household, it is possible (but not necessary) for each of you to fill in the survey about the same child.

Any questions or comments about the survey please direct them to Julie C or myself.

Much gratitude

Anne de Silva

Board Member, on behalf of Education Committee

Admin

This week we met with the lovely Preschool families who are coming down to Primary in 2018. As well as chatting about life in Group 1 with teacher Andy, there was also some conversation about the building being built in Primary. It's great that there is excitement in our community being generated by this new building project.

Community Afternoon Tea

Friday 1st September - Join us in Primary for afternoon tea and to celebrate the impending arrival of Andy's baby. Julie and Anne de Silva will be talking about the new building, and would love you to come to hear more.

2.50pm – Primary lunch area, please bring a plate to share. All welcome.

The Great Tea Debate

Watch this space for more info!

Photos

It's been wonderful to watch our photographer Kath's amazing eye with your children these past 2 weeks, making them feel comfortable and at ease – lots of happy moments captured.

Come and join us in the hall on Tuesday 12th September, from 8.30-9.30am, where you can see the exhibition and order copies of your photos.

Acceptance

I am calling all adults to take a deep breath before they speak about someone else's differences. Every day staff endeavour to help children see that we are all different and that we are all unique. We start these discussions in Preschool and continue throughout primary. As adults we have such a responsibility to allow our children to deeply understand that we are all made different – BUT our different is ours and we have it for a brilliant reason.

Have a relaxing week end.

Julie, Carin and Claire

Group 2 News

Our enthusiasm towards all things chemical has continued in Group 2's Testing Chamber.

We managed to bring water to the boil in a test tube using a creative set up to hold the test tube in position over the flame, while the kids took it in turns holding the thermometer bulb submersed in the top of the water (if we had let it sit in the test tube it absorbs the high heat from the flame and quickly bursts the thermometer!). While the water was slowly heating up, we tracked the temperature every two minutes in our data table.



We had a few grains of sand in the water to allow the bubbles to form more gently and we were so excited when it started to boil. We can't wait to graph the results!

Many have continued building their ideal classrooms in PIG time. Designs are in and it's just a matter of time before those dreams become reality (just a smaller reality). It takes amazing maths, spatial creative and engineering skills to not only plan this in two dimensions but to then create this (roughly to scale) in three dimensions using classroom materials.



Amazing bubble art has continued...



and the search for the Ultimate Bubble Blowing mixture was explored by combining different amounts of baking powder, glycerine, dishwashing liquid and water.



Exact measurements were made and recorded in our lab notes.



Then we measured the pH levels and tested the mixtures to see how robust the bubbles were by timing how long they lasted.



Our fantastic periodic table is slowly take shape on the wall in the Testing Chamber too.

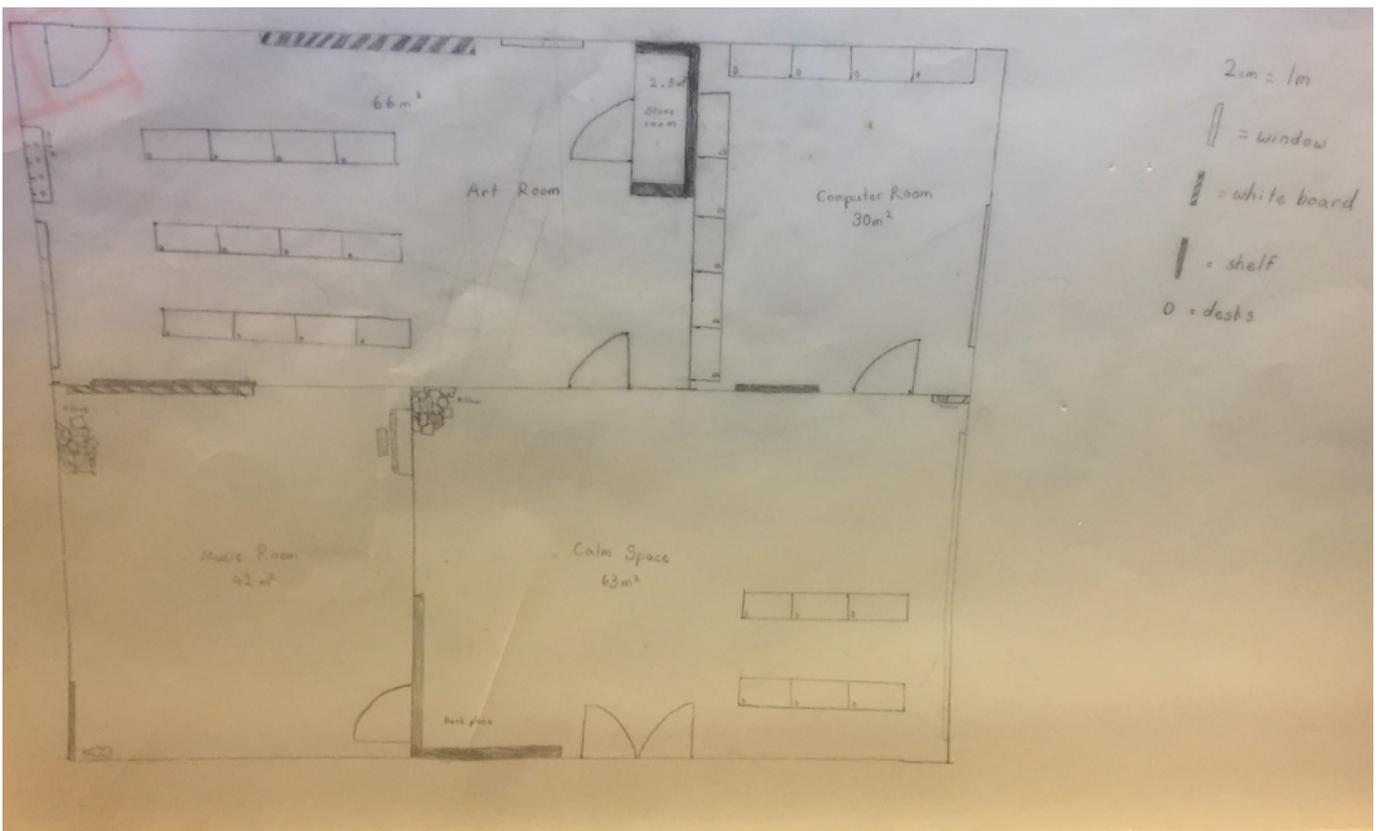
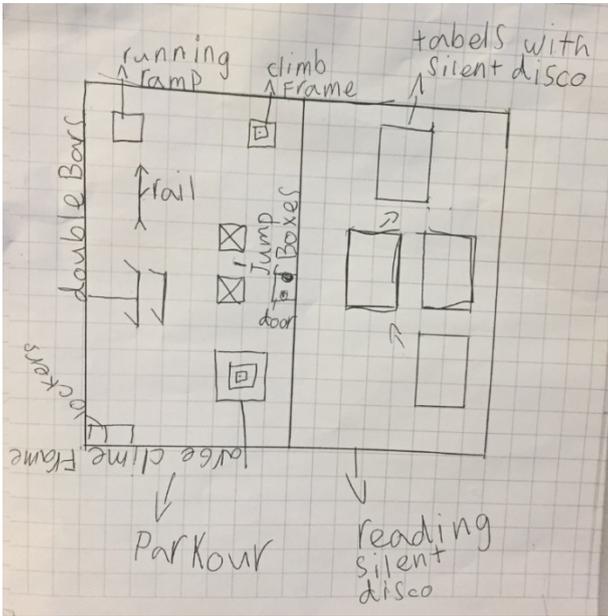


Until next time...

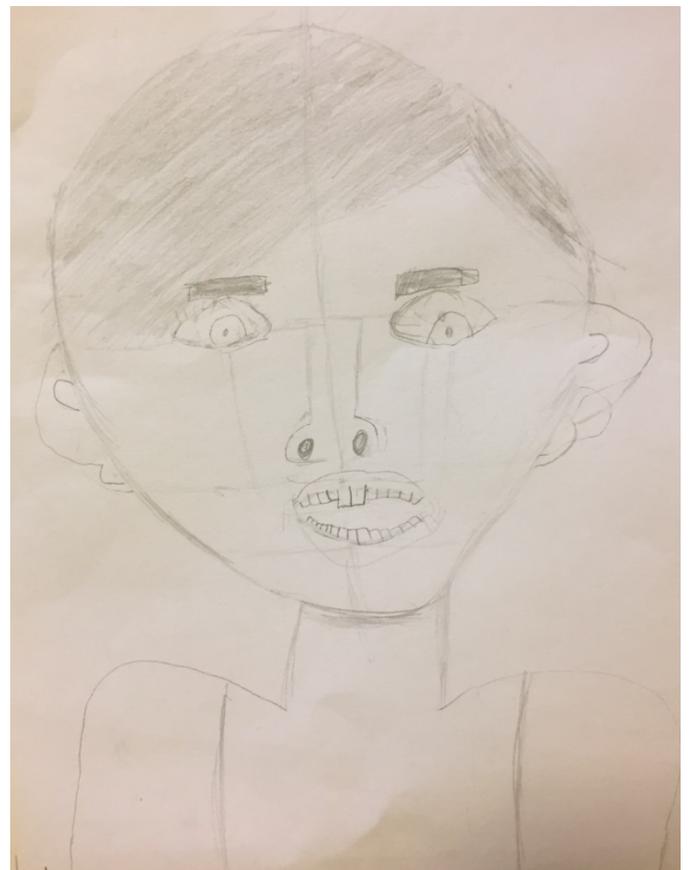
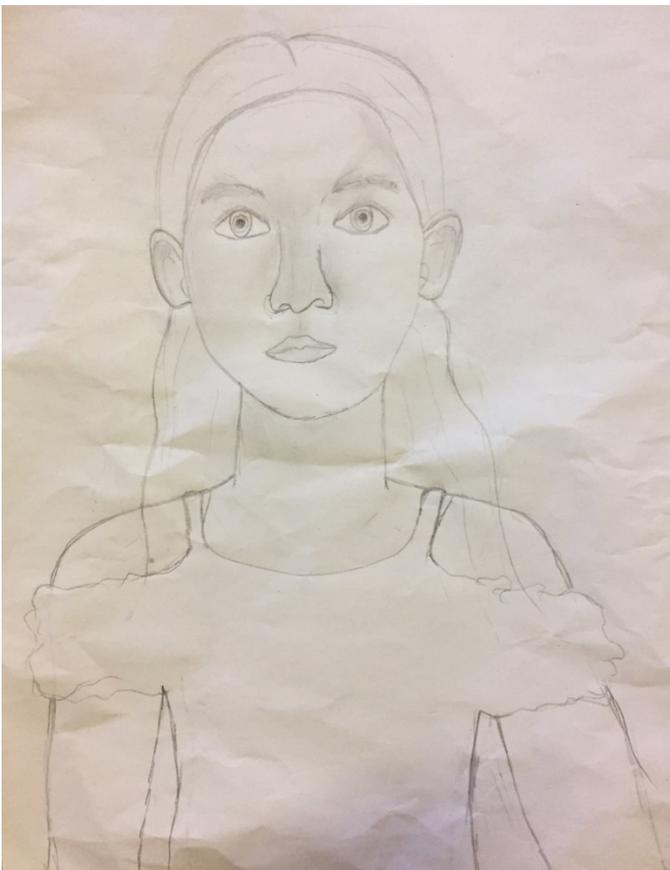
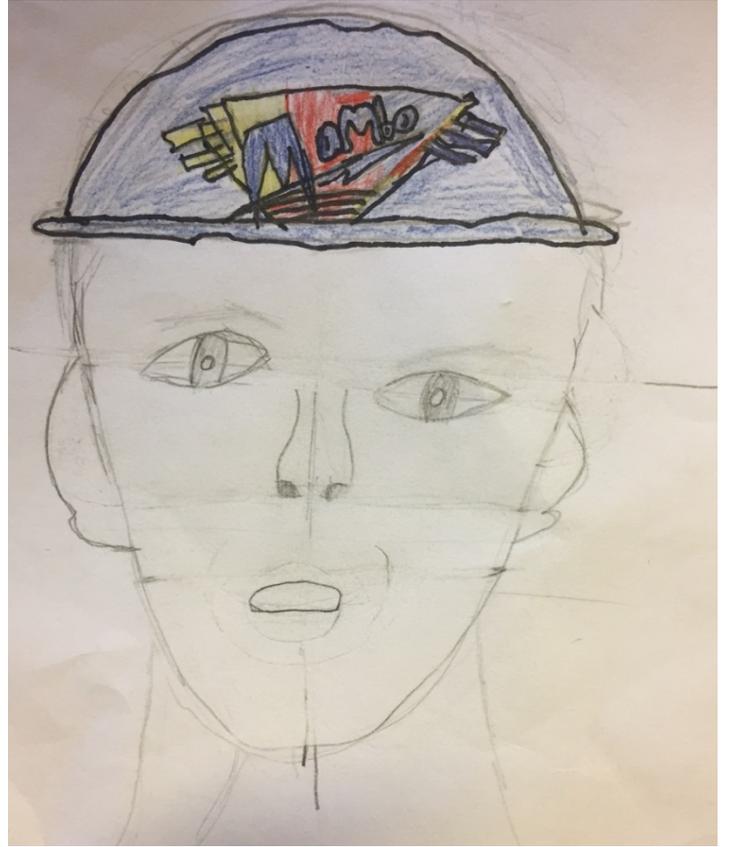
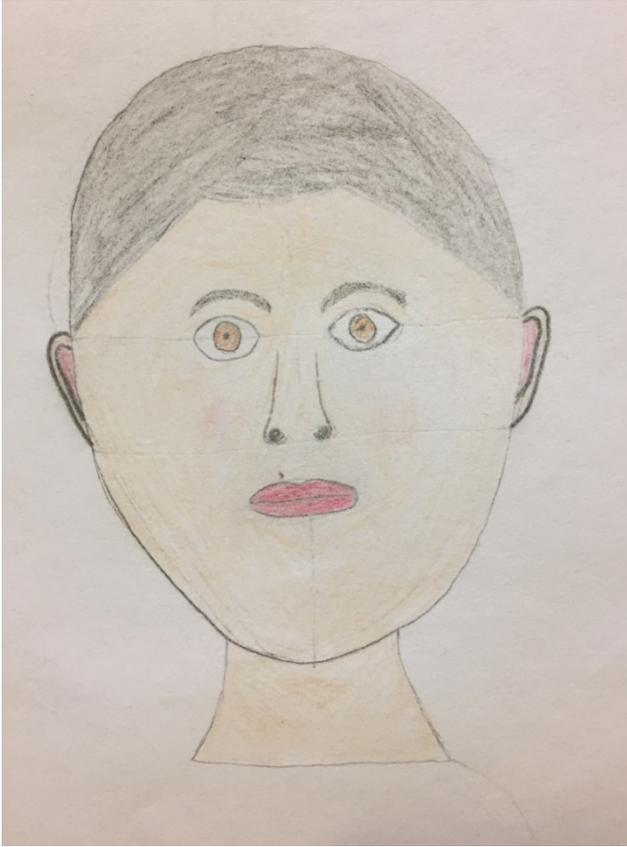
Love from Tristan and Deepika.

Group 3

The new Kinma building – this is where Group 3 would like us to be heading...



As well as designing our new building we've been creating portraits of each other.



Middle Kai and Gop3



NARRABEEN NIPPERS REGISTRATION

SUNDAY 1TH & 17TH SEPTEMBER 2017
10.00AM - 12NOON



Thinking of joining nippers? Well don't wait any longer! Getting involved with the Narrabeen Beach SLSC is a great way to meet new friends and interact with the community. Nippers encourages confidence, learning and having fun whilst being in a safe and controlled environment.

"The youth of today are the future of Surf Life Saving tomorrow".

What to Bring on Registration Day: Birth Certificate (new members) and a smile.

Nippers starts 15th October 2017

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