

The Meadows Mag

A vibrant and caring learning community

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Issue 1 - Term 1 - Week 2

Friday, 7th February, 2020

Office Hours Monday to Friday 8:20am - 3pm	Canteen Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:20am - 2pm
Before & After School Care  Enrolments can be made online at: www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/ or for more information contact head office on 1300 778 444	Uniform Shop Uniforms are sold in the canteen Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:20am - 9am Payment by cash & cheque at school OR prepay online using MasterCard or Visa 

Calendar

Important Dates in Term 1, 2020

Week 3

Tuesday, 11 th February	P&C Meeting 9:00am
Tuesday, 11 th February	Hockey Clinic Years 1-6
Wednesday, 12 th February	Sport in Schools (K-2)
Thursday, 13 th February	Student Leader Induction Assembly 2:00pm
Friday, 14 th February	PSSA Zone Team Trials

Week 4

Wednesday, 19 th February	Sport in Schools (3-6)
Wednesday, 19 th February	Meet the Teacher
Friday, 21 st February	Summer PSSA Round 1

Week 5

Monday, 24 th February	CommBank Start Smart Prog.
Tuesday, 25 th February	CommBank Start Smart Prog.
Wednesday, 26 th February	Sport in Schools (K-2)
Thursday, 27 th February	K-6 Assembly

Principal's Message

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to all of our families for what promises to be another busy and rewarding year at The Meadows Public School in 2020. I especially extend a very warm welcome to any new families who have joined us for the first time. I am incredibly proud of the way in which all of our new students have settled in this year. We have formed 13 classes with 271 students in total.

Our Kindergarten students have been simply outstanding in their first 7 school days and the new enrolments across Years 1-6 have settled in extremely well. This is due to the combined effort of supportive, positive parents and teachers and our caring student body. I credit you all for a smooth start to the year. Our students are eager to learn and we look forward to a year of tremendous growth in all areas.

2020 Classes

Our Class Teaching Staff for 2020 are as follows:

KH – Miss Jennifer Hassmann (Assistant Principal)

KP – Miss Lyn Phan

KS – Miss Stacey Sammut

1/2B – Miss Josephine Byun

1/2C – Miss Hayley Cassel

1/2R – Mrs Amy Russell (Relieving Assistant Principal)

2/3A – Mrs Christine Archer

3/4R – Miss Maria Reyes

3/4T – Mrs Natasha Tautz

5/6A – Mr Caleb Hobby

5/6H – Mr Thomas Haynes (Assistant Principal)

5/6S – Miss Dominica Simmons

3-6TK – Mrs Taleah Thornton (M/Tue) &

Mrs Pho Kirkland (Assistant Principal) (W-F)

Other teachers who will teach your child each week:

Librarian / History – Mr Michael Prants

Personal Development, Health & Physical Education – Mrs Diana Regan

Personal Development, Health & History – Mr Aiden Keenan

And that's not all the staff! In future newsletters this term, I will provide some photos and some information about our support and administration staff. We are one big team and it's good to get to know all of our staff as many teachers and other staff members play a key role in the day-to-day care and education of your children.

Sports in Schools Australia (SISA)

Thank you to the parents and carers who have already completed their full \$20 payment for the Sport In Schools Australia (SISA) program for 2020. The program features 20 fortnightly lessons of 50 minutes duration across the year with focus areas including athletics, gymnastics, sports skills and social skill / teamwork development. The students in Years 3-6 enjoyed their first session last Wednesday and our students in K-2 classes are eager for their sessions to commence next Wednesday, 12th February. If you have misplaced your permission notes for this program, please send your child to the office to collect another. Payments are due by Wednesday, 19th February.

School Drop-offs / School Pick-ups

If you travel by car to and from school for drop-offs and pick-ups, please ensure to follow the road rules. A number of parents in 2019 were reported to be allowing their children to exit their cars at the pedestrian crossing. I have been made aware that parking rangers and police have been in Fuller and Carrington Streets on a number of occasions and that a number of parents received fine notices for illegal parking and dropping off of passengers in unsafe situations.

Parents and carers are also requested to enter the school via the main pedestrian entrances at the Fuller and Carrington Street gates, rather than entering the carpark and already busy office area. Thank you in advance for your understanding. We always act in the best interests of the safety of your children.

P&C Meeting

Our Parents & Citizens (P&C) team meet on the second Tuesday of every month. This means our first meeting for 2020 is next Tuesday, 11th February at 9:00am. Our first meeting will be held in the Staff Room in our main office block. Our P&C has increased in membership in the past 4 years, peaking at 25 members for one meeting last year! But we can always get bigger and better! The P&C is YOUR opportunity to help guide some of the decisions of the school. We normally meet for about an hour and there's always coffee, tea and some tasty treats too! Please come and join us for our first meeting for the year next Tuesday morning. The P&C's big event for 2020 will be the P&C Movie Night, currently pencilled in for a Term 4 date on Friday, 27th November.

Student Mobile Phones

In the 21st century world we live in, there are many advantages to the technology that surrounds us. However, due to the inappropriate use of such technology by a small minority, technology provides society with plenty of problems too! Every school I've been attached to in the past decade has had incidences of inappropriate use of mobile phones by students. It is my preference that students in Primary School don't have mobile phones. However, I respect the opinions of all parents and carers and accept the need for some students to bring phones to school if they walk considerable distances without adult carers to and from school.

If your child is in such a situation, has their own mobile phone, and it is brought to school, it is an expectation that the phone is handed in to either the front office, or preferably, your child's class teacher. Students whose phones have not been handed in after morning roll call will face disciplinary action and parents will be contacted to make arrangements for the collection of phones.

Student Leaders Induction Assembly

Parents and carers of our 2020 student leaders have been sent invitations to our **Student Leaders Induction Assembly** on **Thursday, 13th February**, commencing in our school hall at 2:00pm. Overall, 19 young leaders will be inducted into their leadership roles: School Captain, Vice Captain, 2 Prefects, 4 House Captains, 4 House Vice Captains and 7 SRC Representatives. These students and their families have also been invited to join us for a short afternoon tea at 2:30pm.

Meet The Teacher

A note will be sent home on our regular note day next Tuesday regarding **Meet the Teacher** evening. This event will take place on **Wednesday, 19th February**. Each classroom will be open for half an hour with each teacher giving a presentation and providing key information about this year's programs and procedures. As outlined on the note, K-2 classes will have Meet the Teacher sessions at 5:00pm, Years 3-4 classes and 3-6L will meet at 5:30pm and Years 5-6 classes will meet at 6:00pm.

There will also be a **free** sausage sizzle operating next to the canteen between 4:45-6:45pm. A range of drinks will be sold at the stall. Parents are urged to return their invitation notes by Monday, 17th February to allow for accurate catering to take place. Thanks in advance!



Uniform Shop

Our Uniform Shop is linked to our school canteen and therefore is only open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:20am. The canteen closes at 1:50pm each day. The office will no longer be selling uniforms except for the case of new students who start school on a 'non-canteen' day. Thank you for your understanding of these arrangements.

Attendance / Lateness

School attendance and punctuality to school are once again targeted areas for school improvement in 2020. If your child is absent from school, please ensure you provide a note explaining the absence upon your child's return. Parents and carers who fail to do so will be issued with an Unexplained Absence note to return to school.

At this point in time, we have just commenced a brief trial whereby parents will receive a SENTRAL system-generated text message asking for an explanation of student absence. These messages are intended to be sent out at 2.50pm on the day following your child's absence, in the event that an explanation note has NOT been received. We will inform the community if this trial becomes standard procedure.

Additionally, if your child is late to school without an explanation, your child will be issued a note informing you of the unexplained late arrival to school. Let's work together to make a difference this year. "In line, on time, at 10 to 9!"

Facebook

We are now into our 5th year of having our official Facebook page. You will know you are 'liking' the official page when you see this profile picture.



We now have over 500 followers of our page! Like us on Facebook now to keep up to date with everything happening at our wonderful school.

Look after each other,

Scott Staveley

Principal

CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!

Week 1

Teacher's Awards (2 points)



1/2B Habishika
Shanen

1/2C Bailey
Luselina

1/2R Braxton
Raksha

2/3A Adyaan

3/4R Akid
Jasper

3/4T Havin
John

3-6TK

5/6A Grace
Rettalia

5/6H Isabella
Laurence

5/6S Zac
Jared

Week 2

Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KH Achchudan
Christine

KP Akshita
Divine

KS Kristina
Dominic

1/2B Ijaz
Sam

1/2C Joshua
Levine

1/2R Jerekai
Saahir

2/3A Smit

3/4R Chloe
Disha

3/4T Aiden
Vedanshi

3-6TK

5/6A Hari
Levi

5/6H Leila
Luc

5/6S Isabella
Lachlan

**At The Meadows we are Safe,
Responsible Learners !**

SCHOOL PROCEDURES

We impress upon children not to leave money in school bags or classrooms as stolen money creates unhappiness and inconvenience.



PAYMENT FOR EXCURSION, ETC.

When students are issued with a note for an excursion, student activities, carnivals, etc. they are to return the permission note & money in a plain envelope or plastic bag from home. Please write or child's name, class and what you are paying for on the envelope and return to the class teacher or administration letter box located in the administration foyer.

If your child has not received a note due to being absent, please see your child's class teacher as they should have any notes that were not initially handed out.

All receipts for payments will be sent to your child's class during the day and handed back to the student the next day.

No late payments - please endeavour to make payments before the due date as paying on the due day could result in your child missing an activity. No late payments after the due date will be accepted.

No change - no change will be given at the front office. As a school we bank daily, consequently we do not have change.

LATE ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL

Please proceed to the office for a late note before going to class.

EARLY LEAVERS

When signing children out early of an afternoon, for appointments etc., parents are asked to do so before 2:40pm. Students will not be signed out after this time as this causes disruption to the class teacher who is trying to finalise the day's lessons so students can leave on time.

MESSAGES REGARDING LATE COLLECTION OF STUDENTS

Please phone before 2:40pm with any messages if you will be late picking up your child.

SCHOOL CAR PARK

Parents are reminded that the school car park is for **STAFF PARKING ONLY**. Parents are asked not to park in, or walk through the car park. This is for the safety of our students.

Excursions & Activities in Progress

Excursion/ Activity	Date of excursion/ activity	Amount due	Payment due by
Sport in Schools	Every Wednesday	\$20 for the year	Wednesday, 19 th February
PSSA	Terms 1 & 4	\$40	Friday, 14 th February

HAVE YOU TOLD US?

If you have changed:

- ◆ Your address,
- ◆ Your home phone number,
- ◆ Your mobile phone number,
- ◆ Your work contact number,
- ◆ An emergency contact if you are unavailable.



Please notify the school as soon as possible so our records are accurate and we can reach you in case of an emergency.

Parent Online Payments

Did you know that you can make payments to your child's school online?

We have an online payment portal linked to our school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related payments. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

What expenses can be paid online?

- Voluntary School Contributions,
- Excursions & incursions,
- Sport
- Sales to Students eg uniforms

How?

Log onto the School website at:

www.themeadows-p@schools.nsw.edu.au.

Click on "Make a Payment" and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa, MasterCard or debit card. Please remember to return completed permission note or uniform order form to the school, including your online payment receipt number.

For any further enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.

Community Noticeboard

The Meadows Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events that may be of interest. The Meadows Public School does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events



Casual Work

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Help protect our vibrant school communities

Become a Casual School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Shifts fall between the school zones hours 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm, with a minimum of one, one hour shift as and when required Monday to Friday during the school term.

Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
- ✓ Good communication skills
- ✓ Community spirit
- ✓ Positive energy

✓ If it does, visit or go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au to apply today!

Applications close 11.59pm Sunday, 9th February 2020



Transport
Roads & Maritime
Services

Reading Corner

A program run by school staff that aims to promote literacy.

Reading helps the mind grow.



Reading is fun!

Children can learn about the world through reading.

Through reading, children develop confidence and their imagination.

Stories help children cope with feelings and problems that they may experience in their day.

Encourage your child to attend Reading Corner.

Help your child develop a love of reading. It's the greatest gift a parent can give their child.

Let's enjoy reading.

When: Mondays & Wednesdays

Time: 8:20am - 8:45am

Where: Heritage Building



Free GetStarted Zumba



A Social Group for Women

GetStarted Zumba is a social group designed to enhance health and general wellbeing for women and their families.

Zumba classes (9:15am - 10:15am) are designed for all levels and are led by a qualified Zumba instructor.

It is a fun way to keep fit and meet new friends, share ideas and experiences, learn new skills and receive relevant information!

Social group (10.15am - 11:30am), we focus on relaxation, self-care and creativity. Some of the activities we do include: mediation, floral arranging, art and craft, we have guest speakers, or sometimes just chat over a cup of coffee.

When: Tuesdays

Time: 9:00am - 11:30am

(Zumba 9:15am - 10:15am)

Where: Meet in SaCC Room (Block I)

(in the grounds of The Meadows P5, Fuller Street, Seven Hills)



Limited free child care places are available upon request. Please phone for child care arrangement or just show up on the day if child care is not required.



For more information, please phone 9896 7514.



The kids And Parents Learning Playgroup



Offering high-quality, free fun, structured & unstructured Play space for families with children from 0- 5 years

Play based learning aimed at supporting & enhancing positive early childhood experiences & development before children start school;



Information Sessions for Parents & Carers



Games, Outdoor play, Story time, Excursions, and helpful Information for Parents & Carers during program sessions to help support positive child development

Parents, Grandparents, Uncles, Aunties and Caregivers are all welcome

So Come along and join us.

Where: THE MEADOWS PUBLIC SCHOOL, Fuller Street Seven Hills NSW 2147 (Block I) The Meadows School as Community Centre

When: Fridays 9:00 am - 11:15 am (During School Terms)

For more information & registration, please phone 9896 7514 or 96881084

Or, simply turn up on the day

AUSTRALIA'S YOUTH PRESENTS

**A SELF DEFENCE KARATE
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For boys and girls
Ages 5 – 16
In Sydney Since 1994

Website – karate-kids.com.au

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FOR TEACHING CHILDREN AND TEENS

SELF DEFENCE ONLY IS TAUGHT

CLASSES DIVIDED BY AGE
AND EXPERIENCE

FROM BEGINNER TO
BLACK BELT



DEVELOP SELF CONFIDENCE

IMPROVE CONCENTRATION

BUILD COORDINATION

BUILD SELF ESTEEM

IMPROVE STUDIES

MAKE FRIENDS

Only \$14.00 Per Week
With a \$2.00 Rego per term
No Extra Grading Fees!

Location: Metella Road Public School
Entrance on Cornelia Rd., Toongabbie

Classes are every Friday for 10 Weeks (Every School Term)
New and Returning Registration: Friday, 31 January, 2020
New Students can also join on: Friday, 7 Feb., 14 Feb.

New and Returning
Students
Ages 4-6
Class Time 4:15 - 4:55 PM

New Students
Ages 7-16
and Returning Students
Class Time 5:00 - 5:40 PM

Returning Students please see website at www.karate-kids.com.au for class times.

REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED UP TO THE THIRD WEEK OF TERM. NO PRE-REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY,
JUST TURN UP 10 TO 15 MINUTES BEFORE CLASS TIME ABOVE IF POSSIBLE. WE ACCEPT CHEQUES OR CASH.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, SEE WEBSITE AT www.karate-kids.com.au.

SEVEN HILLS COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

Proudly brought to you by Seven Hills Community Festival Committee



Saturday 28 March
10 am to 4 pm
Grantham Reserve, Seven Hills

For more information contact Seven Hills Community Festival Inc
on 0470 011 358 or sevenhillscommunityfestival@gmail.com

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DO YOU WANT TO PLAY SOCCER IN 2020?

JOIN US AT

TOONGABBIE DEMONS SOCCER CLUB
REGISTRATIONS CLOSING SOON

REGISTER ONLINE at www.toongabbiedemons.com.au and follow the links.

Please ensure you have a **recent** headshot photograph of player to upload during the registration process

AGE *	FEES	Registration Includes
Under 5	\$240	- Club uniform (socks, shorts and training shirt)
Under 6 - 7	\$250	- Club ball**
Under 8 - 12	\$270	- Club backpack
Under 13 - 18	\$280	- All fees and insurances
Student	\$330	
Senior	\$360	

* "Age" is the age PLAYER turns in 2020

** ONLY Under 5's - Under 11's age groups

NEW PLAYERS, please email a copy of birth certificate to toongabbiesoccer@live.com.au

Don't forget you can save \$100 on your registration by taking advantage of the NSW
Governments Active Kids Rebate initiative for school aged children

Registrations Close Friday 21st of February

For further information please visit our website – www.toongabbiedemons.com.au

Shamrocks

NETBALL CLUB



Register NOW for 2020

Shamrocks Netball Club have been part of the
Blacktown City Netball Association for 50 years.

We train at Best Road reserve, Seven Hills

Registration Online from 1st January

In person:

18th January, 1pm - 4pm at Pendle Inn

1st February, 10am - 2pm at Seven Hills Centro

8th Feb, 1pm - 4pm at Pizza Pasta Kitchen, Toongabbie

New players will require proof of identity; photo id (preferred) or birth certificate.

For more information

shamrocks.registrar@gmail.com



Active Kids Program

Shamrocks Netball club is registered.

For program info and to download your voucher go to:
sport.nsw.gov.au/sectordevelopment/activekids

Students in Year 6 2020 can already access our Selective Stream via the Selective High School Placement Test held each year in March. Unfortunately however, this class is capped at a maximum of 30 students per year group, which often prevents access for some very capable students.

An alternative pathway to advanced academic study at Blacktown Boys is available via the school based GTI test held in February.

Blacktown Boys
A Partially Selective
Boys High School



GTI Entrance Test for 2021

On 20th February 2020

What is GTI?

Our **Gifted Talented and interested** class is designed for students in year 6 2020 who have above average academic ability and who may possess talents not always reflected in the style of test provided by the Selective High School Placement Unit, such as arts, computers and music.

Why choose GTI?

The **Gifted Talented and interested** class follows the same curriculum as the Selective class and undertakes the same internal assessment processes.

It has the added advantage of being a pathway to positions in the Selective class should vacancies occur, subject to formal application procedures.

How to gain entry?

Main entry is via the GTI test held at Blacktown Boys High (registration details below), with a small number of places reserved for Primary School recommendations and further testing.

Test Details:

This test will cover literacy, numeracy and general knowledge.

The test for registered students will be held in the **Blacktown Boys Hall** at 4.00pm to 5.45pm on Thursday 20th February 2020.

A place can be registered either in person, by phone, or by filling in the Parent Nomination Form available on the school website, no later than the 17th February 2020.

All materials will be provided by the school on payment of the **non-refundable \$10** entry fee covering printing and marking costs.

This fee can be paid in advance over the phone via eftpos or **cash only** on the day.

To register a position for the test, or for any other enquiries, please call the Front Office between:

8.30am and 2.00pm

3rd February 2020 to

17th February 2020

Monday to Friday

9622 1558



SPARTAN

Registrations Are Open

Hello Parents

Blacktown District Rugby League Spartans pride ourselves on being an inclusive club diverse in culture, a club where all families are welcome.

Being our second year in the Glenwood area we are reaching out to the local and surrounding community offering the opportunity for all members of your family to become involved in rugby league at a club that is new and looking to grow in junior and senior participation.

With the Service NSW Active Kids voucher it's never been easier to enrol school age children and teenagers in sport.

A child aged as young as 4 can register and start having some outdoor fun learning all the required skills to play in a team, improve their motor skills, being in a team creates a feeling of belonging not to mention new friendships some of which become lifelong.

If you live locally to Glenwood then we are not hard to find with our training and game facilities at Exeter Farm Reserve on Meurants Lane Glenwood, we would enjoy your support of a local club sport that's in your area, our club participates in the Parramatta District Junior League competition.

We cater to all ages from under 6 teams to adults and always looking for parents who would like to participate in their child's sport and become Volunteers it can be extremely rewarding and a great way to meet new people.

If you would like to learn more contact us via call or text to 0466 509 790 or our email blacktown.districtrl@gmail.com

Age groups are U/6, U/7, U/8, U/9, U/10, U/11, U/12, U/13, U/14, U/15, U/16, U/18 and Open age in boys and girls, women and men. The season runs from February to early September.

Some of our teams are already training and you can drop in and see us Tuesdays and Thursdays at our facilities mentioned above we are there from 5pm to 8pm to assist you with any information you may require.

We look forward to participating in and working with our new community

REGISTRATION FEES 2020		
Age Group	Registration Fee	Registration Fee with Active Kids Contribution
Under 6 To Under 8	\$100.00	\$ 0.00
Under 9 To Under 11	\$140.00	\$40.00
Under 12 To Under 18	\$160.00	\$60.00
Seniors 19 and Over Should make contact with the club for details		

BE THE WARRIOR

Check us out on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/BlacktownDistrictRL/>



NSW Department of Education

Calendar 2020

January	February	March
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April	May	June
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July	August	September
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Key dates

Term start and end dates*

Term 1 – 28 Jan to 9 Apr 2020

Western division – Term 1 – 4 Feb to 9 Apr 2020

Term 2 – 27 Apr to 3 Jul 2020

Term 3 – 20 Jul to 25 Sept 2020

Term 4 – 12 Oct to 18 Dec 2020

School development days*

Eastern division – 28 Jan 2020

Western division – 4 Feb 2020

All schools – 27 Apr, 20 Jul, 17 Dec, 18 Dec 2020

School vacation dates 2020

Summer – 23 Dec 2019 to 27 Jan 2020

Western division – Summer – 23 Dec 2019 to 3 Feb 2020

Autumn – 13 Apr to 24 Apr 2020

Winter – 6 Jul to 17 Jul 2020

Spring – 28 Sept to 9 Oct 2020

Summer – 21 Dec 2020 to 26 Jan 2021

Western division – Summer – 21 Dec 2020 to 2 Feb 2021

Education Week

3 Aug to 7 Aug 2020

Exam dates

Selective high school placement test – 12 Mar 2020

NAPLAN paper test – 12 to 14 May 2020

NAPLAN online test window – 12 to 22 May 2020

Opportunity class placement test – 29 Jul 2020

HSC written examinations – 15 Oct to 6 Nov 2020

Public holidays

*Check with your local school as some dates may change.



School zone speed limits apply on all school days, including school development days.

Get connected

Follow us on Twitter @NSWEducation Follow us on Facebook @NSWDepartmentofEducation

Visit education.nsw.gov.au/calendars for more details.

WELCOME TO OUR FIRST NEWSLETTER FOR 2020!

The holiday season has been a time of much tragedy for those impacted by the many damaging fires across our country. It has also been a time of much giving, from all of the amazing volunteers who have been fighting the fires, from all those who have been supporting the volunteers and to those who have given from the heart to those in need. Thank you to all those who have given and continue to give until we are no longer at risk and have started on the road to recovery.

I would like to welcome back all of Karabi's participants and the visitors from our local communities, our dedicated volunteers and staff who are returning to our Karabi Community Centres for a year filled with programs, activities, outings and celebrations.

I also welcome all of our new community participants and hope that we get to know you better throughout the year ahead.

In 2020 we welcome new opportunities to support those who come to our centres and will give Karabi the ability to provide programs and activities where the community have indicated there is a need. If you have a suggestion for new programs, groups or activities please speak to one of our centre staff.

Karabi also welcomes volunteers at all of our centres. Volunteers do a variety of activities from administration to supporting groups or programs, working closely with one of our staff members or helping the aged and frail members of our community in daily outings and shopping. If you are interested in volunteering please call one of the centres.

I invite you to visit one or all of our centres to find out how we can support you and your community.

Kind Regards, Vicki Wilde
Executive Officer, Karabi