

Koumala Parent Notices

Term 3 Week 8

School Philosophy

At Koumala State School we:

- Are Purposeful in what we do
- Always AIM for Improvement.

Four Year Strategic Plan

- Quality Teaching
- Data Analysis
- Early Years/Early Start
- School Community

*“It’s not who you are that holds you back,
It’s who you think you’re not”*

Week 8

The school should be a little lighter this week with camp on. With three weeks to go it is the final push towards finishing assessment. Keep up the expectations and despite the tiredness coming and the holidays around the corner keep doing what you all do so well - supporting students to learn.

Research Article

“Samantha Smith was the ‘dean of success’ in her high school. She plotted all 1000+ students’ achievements over the previous five years in reading and math. She used this data to project the expected number of credits at the end of the year. She then gave these to the teachers and asked them to read them, to see if they agreed and to consider whether they would be willing to set slightly higher targets than projected. Half the teachers agreed and the other half refused. At the end of the year, the teachers in the first group greatly outperformed the resisters. Targets make a difference”. **Hattie** 2012, *Visible Learning*, pg 131

Four Year Strategic Plan

Quality Teaching

Data Analysis

Early Years

School Community

Comments heard by a teacher in a classroom while speaking to students

“No, don’t say that you can’t do it, say that you can’t do it yet”

Keep up that Growth Mindset talk!

You Can Do It – Organised

Explain the purpose of setting goals using the following illustration:

1. A truck driver is about to go on a trip. He has the best truck you can buy and a full tank of fuel. The only problem is he does not know where he is going. How will he get there if he does not know where he is going?

Explain that setting goals is like deciding where to go on a trip. We have to know where we are going, to move in the right direction to get there. We have to set goals to know what we should

do. Once we have set a goal, we have to keep working until we reach it, just like the truck driver has to keep driving to reach his destination.

Weekly Behaviour Focus

Be Safe Camps Clean Up after yourself

This Week

- Monday – school camp starts
- Tuesday – Staff Meeting – Jodie running it
- Wednesday – First Aid training – Dundula after school
- Thursday – Prep/1/2/3 planning day – needs based (History, Geography, Science) to create Know and Do's
- Friday – camp returning