



Strive to do your best

From the Principal

At Kangaloon we provide strong foundations for your child's future in a beautiful rural setting.

We are a small school with small class sizes that provide a wide range of academic and extracurricular opportunities for our students in a well-resourced and modern learning centre.

Our students are encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning and to challenge themselves with the support and guidance of their teachers.

Lessons are designed to respond to the needs, learning styles and rates of progress of individual students. We offer a nurturing environment with a culture of high expectations for both students and teachers.

As part of the Bong Bong Learning Community of small schools, our students participate in a range of social and sporting programs with other schools.

Our dedicated teachers create teaching and learning environments that enable students to be healthy, happy, engaged and successful.

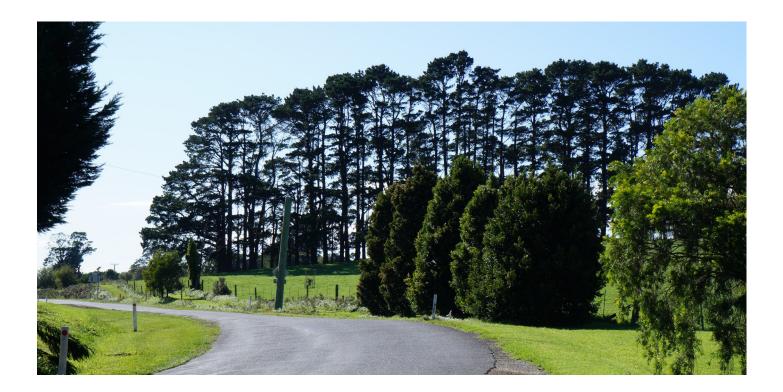
Jenelle Lawrence Principal



Mission Statement

School Excellence is at the core of all work across NSW Public Schools, focusing on continuous school improvement.

Our aim is for all students at Kangaloon Public School to become skilled, effective, confident learners and to ensure growth in student learning outcomes, supported by our school community. We build the capacity of teachers through shared expertise and professional learning to respond to the needs of every learner in literacy and numeracy





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We have physical activity programs for children from Kindergarten to Year 6, with a focus on fundamental movement skills. Kangaloon Public School regularly fund Athletics & Gymnastics coaches to enhance students abilities.

There are opportunities to represent our school at interschool, and state wide sports competitions. All students participate in small school sport days in conjunction with other small schools throughout the year broadening their social development.

A strong creative arts and music program includes weekly lessons K-6, group and individual lessons in drums, recorder, piano, violin and guitar. Students have the opportunity to attend a week long camp in Years 5 & 6 with schools from the Bong Bong Learning Community of Schools which promotes their team working ability and enhances their social skills development.

Kangaloon Public School maintains strong links with the local community and students participate in the Robertson Show, ANZAC Day ceremonies and other community events.



Sustainability

At Kangaloon Public School we promote and develop environmental education across the school. The students are active in sorting and recycling waste, growing and collecting produce from the vegetable garden and eggs from the chickens to sell in the school co-op.

Kangaloon Public School have secured a Sustainable School Grant to install a Bush Tucker Garden within the school grounds. Initial work has involved the clearing and steam weeding of the selected site.

Students and staff are looking forward to working in partnership with local Aboriginal Elders and National Parks and Wildlife to develop our Bush Tucker Garden and outdoor learning space.





The Story of our School

History

The application to establish a school at West Kangaloon was made on 13 November 1867 by a Local committee. This committee undertook to raise sixty pounds, this being one third of the cost of the project.

By 12 March 1868, James Dorrough, the treasurer had deposited twenty six pounds to the Council and lodged the land title for transfer to the Council

The schoolhouse was erected by John Dorrough and was completed on 14 July 1869.

The first Kangaloon Public School Board held its first meeting on 19 August 1870. It elected William Porter as Chairman and James Dorrough as Secretary.

Mr John Rea was the first teacher at the school, appointed on 21 July 1869.

The Kangaloon Junior Farmers Club was established in 1934 which was organised and supervised by the teachers.

Kangaloon Public School has continued to be a rural school providing quality education for the families in the Southern Highlands over the past 150 years.



Creativity and expression

Kangaloon Public School prides itself on offering drama experiences for all students. Annual drama productions are directed by the teachers who are supported by parents and grandparents with set design. Professional lighting and sound make these productions a "must see" each year.

Students are encouraged to participate in Premiers Debating Challenge and Interschool public speaking competitions.

Technology is an integrated part of our curriculum and students are taught how to use technology as a tool to support their learning and develop skills in programming, touch typing and problem solving.





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