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Term 4 Week 5

Thursday 15 November 2018



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Tues 13

~ P&C meeting 4.30pm

Fri 16

~ K-6 Assembly

~ BBO

Week 6

Wed 21

~ Kindy O

Thurs 22

11.30am - 2.50pm Chess & Draughts

Day

Fri 23 ~ Hot Dogs

Week 7

Mon 26 - Fri 30

~ Intensive **Swimming**

Fri 30

~ K-6 Assembly

~ BBO

Week 8

Mon 3 - Fri 7 Dec

~ Intensive Swimming

Fri 7

~ Hot Dogs

REMINDER K-6 Assembly tomorrow All Welcome!



Education

Remembrance Day

Thank you to the small group of students and parents who joined in the Remembrance Day celebrations last Sunday at the Community Hall. Each student and some parents were asked to contribute to the service by reading the names

of some past Broadwater servicemen and planting a poppy in front of the cenotaph. It's a big ask on a weekend kids, so your efforts are certainly appreciated.



Kinder Orientation

Our second Kinder Orientation will be held next Wednesday 21 November. At last count we have 11 or possibly 12 new Kindergarten students joining us. The session will commence at 11:30 and finish at the end of the day (2:50pm).

Our new students may even like to come a little early and join us for the recess break (11:00am). Pre-schoolers should bring along their lunch, a water bottle and their broad brimmed hat for play time. The older students are looking forward to

seeing our pre-schoolers again!







Pre-school Visits

I had a great time visiting our three local pre-schools on Monday morning to see our new kinders for 2019. It was wonderful to chat with many of them and to observe them in their pre-school environments. It is always such a special time of the year meeting up with our new students and their families.

We are all looking forward to our second orientation session next Wednesday!

Mrs Williams

1000 Words Art and Literacy **Program**

Written responses for the art exhibition have been submitted today.

Congratulations to the following ten students whose written responses have been chosen for display at the Northern Rivers Community Gallery in Ballina.

K/1 – Emma, Kaitlin, Bailey, Arley

1/2/3 – Miley, Clay, Jaxon, Isabella

4/5/6 – Millie, Hayley

Teachers sought input from students and staff to assist in the selection



process due to the number of quality responses. Thank you everyone and we look forward the gallery excursion on Friday, 14 December 2018!

External Validation

Today our school underwent its first External Validation. This is a relatively new concept introduced by the DoE in 2016 and involves a panel (Principal School Leadership and a Principal from another school) who meet with the principal (Mr Curtin) and another staff member (Mrs Bebb) to discuss where we have placed ourselves on the SEF (School Excellence Framework).

The preparation of this document has taken over two terms to develop and countless hours. Some feedback on our submission and the panel report will be provided in next week's newsletter. I would like to thank my dedicated staff whose determined efforts enabled us to prepare a well-presented document.

Chess and Draughts

This week has seen some playoffs for the chess and draughts competition to be held at Rous Public School next Thursday 22 November. Congratulations to the

following students on their selection: Draughts: Stage 3- Kya and Minyani

Chess: Stage 2- Oceanah and Jacinta

Stage 3 - Hayley and Millie



These students have received an information and permission note for this activity. As in previous years we do require a couple of parent drivers to transport our representatives to and from the event. Parents are NOT required to remain with the children at the event. Parents are asked to complete the note and return to school by next Monday.

Positive Learning Behaviours

This week classes have been engaged in activities to learn and investigate those behaviours expected around "Eating Times". These behaviours are based on students being Safe, Respectful and Responsible at our school. We have had some very productive discussions in our classes, even to the extent where some of our original suggested

behaviours will be supplemented by the ideas of our students.

This is wonderful and so important that our students'



are having input into the components of this program.

Performance Evening

Our school held its first rehearsal for our Performance Night yesterday afternoon. The rehearsal enabled staff to determine the approximate length of the performance and it also allowed students to have a first practice in front of an audience (which can be daunting in itself).

The rehearsal went well and we are now aware of where we need to focus over the next few weeks. Parents are



Good Deed Awards

Rosie Ruben x 2

Wade Adrian

Clav

Caleb

Trae

Kveesha



asked to diarise Thursday 13 December as our Performance Evening which will commence at 6pm.

We are currently organising the choreography, costumes and stage set up for the evening. Please keep



an eye for any support parents may be able to provide to assist in the preparation for the evening. This may include creating costumes and making props. Thanks in advance!

Intensive Swimming

Students and staff are looking forward to participating in our intensive swimming program due to commence on Monday 25 November at the Woodburn Pool. The viability of the 10 day program is governed by all students being involved. There will be no staff remaining at school during the swimming session which is from 11.30am to 12.30pm. We have been very fortunate in reducing the cost of the program with a sporting grant which will help cover bus costs.

The total cost of the program is \$25.00 which is for pool entry only. Parents have the option to pay on a weekly basis with two payments of \$12.50 or with a full payment of \$25.00. If you are experiencing financial difficulty,

please contact the school to discuss payment options. We still require parent helpers to assist with s



wimming groups, no experience is needed. If you are able to help, please indicate your availability on the attached roster and return to the office asap. Thank you to those parents who have already offered their help. Please return the attached permission note and payment by Thursday 22 November.

Semester 2 Reports

Staff are currently implementing their class assessment

programs in preparation for our Semester 2 Reports. Our current plan is to distribute reports to families in Week 9.



Uniform Orders- URGENT

All families who require uniforms for 2019 are reminded that orders need to be returned by **TOMORROW** Friday 16 November to ensure adequate stock is available. (Payment will not be required until pick up.) Please return order forms to the office or contact Helen with your order. Faulty Batch

Please check the hems/stitching on your child's current uniforms and if faulty please contact Helen Patterson on 0487 661 768 to discuss a free replacement. These must be finalised by tomorrow so a replacement can be ordered.

P&C Christmas Monster Raffle

The P&C will be running their annual Christmas Raffle again this year and we are asking families to please donate an item for the hamper.



Each item you donate will give you a free ticket in the draw. Every family will receive a book of tickets to sell at \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and these will be sent home next week. Thank you in advance for your help with our fundraising efforts. P&C Committee.

Library News

New books have arrived again purchased with the Book Club incentive points. This is because of the families who order through the Book Club.

One of the new books is called "The gum family finds a home" and it is about a family of koalas who travel around Australia. Cleverly the author, Tania McCartney, has woven facts into the narrative. There is so much to learn about places in Australia when you read this book and enjoy the illustrations. K/1 class enjoyed hearing it during this

week's Library lesson.

Two other new books are called "What do you think?" and "What would you do?" Both



are written by Linda Schwartz. Reading these books are great ways for students to practice using Creative and Critical thinking skills in everyday life situations.

1/2/3 class are making good progress on their "Geronimo

Stilton" style stories. 4/5/6 class are using creative ideas 10th and 15th out of 39 people. I jumped a new personal in their "Treasure Island" theme stories. They are writing about their own island adventure.

Well done for excellent Library borrowing this week. Keep

Mr Schofield

State Athletics

Two weeks ago on Wednesday the 31st of October mum and I flew to Sydney so I could compete in the State Championships for high jump. When we arrived at Sydney we jumped off the plane and made our way to our hotel. The hotel we stayed in was right across the road from the Athletics Centre where I competed so there were a lot of other people staying there too.

The next morning we woke up early and headed over to the Athletics Centre because this was the day I was competing. All of the North Coast people were sitting together. Soon my event was called. The people running high jump told us all of the rules then we got started. I came between best which was 1m 40cm and my old record was 1m 32cm. Sydney was an amazing experience!

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Community News



Canteen Roster Term 4 Week 6 - 20/11/18 Hannah M & Casey L Pikelets - Sandy E **Amy Davey**



