

Frank Partridge VC Public School

Educating your child for a bright future



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Newsletter Issue 33

Term 4 Week 4

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Welcome to Week 4 of Term 4.

I must begin with a huge thank you to our P&C who gave up their Saturday morning to help make a start on our new drop off zone. We are planning on creating a large round-about style drop off zone just below Car Park 2. When complete, we will have a safe and effective drop off and pick up zone for our parents and carers that should tick all the boxes. Our dedicated team of volunteers cleared a path so that we can get in some bigger equipment and fully prep the area ready for some road base and signage. Thank you to all involved!

On Monday last week we completed our Fire Evacuation Drill. We had all staff and students in a safe area within 10 minutes. The kids were great and really took responsibility for making the practice effective. We have collated staff feedback and will make any minor adjustments that may be needed to ensure we can keep your children safe at school every day. All parents should have received a note last week indicating the DEC policy in regards to a catastrophic fire conditions day. There was some work included that can be put in a safe place should we ever need to close the school. Feel free to give me a ring should you have any questions.

Thank you to all of our families who participated in our Year 6 Mini Fete Garage Sale on Wednesday. We raised some more much needed funds for our Year 6 Graduation. Thank you also to Mrs Smith and her team for all of the organisation.

Intensive Swimming will take place this week. 22 children have made the most of this wonderful opportunity to learn and develop those skills that will keep them safe around water throughout the summer. Miss Campton is coordinating the week's activities and I am sure that the kids involved will have a great time.

We will be finishing off the week with our infants Halloween Disco from 2:00pm on Friday. The kids will have a chance to dress up and enjoy a fun filled afternoon. A great reward for all of their hard work so far this year.

Finally, a reminder that it is so important that our parents and carers get their kids to school on every day possible. I know that it seems obvious but, if students are not at school then we cannot teach them. Please try to keep absences to a minimum so that we can ensure each and every one of our students reaches their full potential in all areas of their development. It is so easy for absences to creep up on us and before you know it your child has missed a large chunk of their learning throughout the year. For example, an attendance rate of 80% is actually 1 day off per week or 10 days per term or 40 days throughout the year. This is an incredible 8 weeks! Almost a full term!

We will have our last Rugby League and Literacy session on Friday. Brandon and his team have done a great job engaging our infants kids in their learning through rugby league. I have had the pleasure of watching these sessions from my office and all of the kids seem to be having a great time.

Have a great week. Todd

Diary

Wed, Thurs, Fri This Week

Intensive Swim
Program
9:30am-12:30pm

Thurs 30th October

Kickstart
Kindergarten
Transition
12:30pm - 2:30pm

Thurs 30th October

Year 6 Forensics Day
at NHHS

Fri 31st October

K-2 Halloween Disco

Mon 17th Nov

Stage 3 Excursion to
Canberra

Banking Days

Every Mon, Tues,
Wed, Thurs

Gumbaynggirr

Word of the Week

Giina?

Meaning

How are you?

Kickstart ~ Our Kindergarten Transition Program



Year 3 and 7 Bus Applications for 2015

If your child has a bus pass and they are entering Year 3 and Year 7 in 2015, The Ministry of Transport requires a new application to be lodged. Busways have sent out new applications to students who use their bus service. Please make sure these are returned to the school as soon as possible so their Head Office can issue new bus passes ready for use in 2015.

P&C Portrait Fundraiser

Please find enclosed in today's newsletter a flyer for our P&C's Portrait Fundraiser. Please help support our school's P&C!



Nerida reads 'Gami's Place' to 2/1C, 2/1E and SU1
@ My Library!



2014 Variety Special Children's Christmas Party

2014 Variety Special Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday 14th December at the Coffs Harbour Showgrounds from 10am to 1.30pm. If unsure of criteria, please contact the school. A limited number of bus seats are available at \$10 per seat for your child and one parent/carer. Please let your classroom teacher know if your child will be attending before Thursday 30 October so invitations can be ordered. If you do require bus seats, please send the note and money to the school, also by Thursday 30 October.

Caught Being Good

Jamison Rigby 6/5S - Sitting and eating, Maddison Gordon-Lichaa 2/1C - Helping @ My Library, Marley Dahlstrom 4/3W - Sitting and eating, Yolanda Jones 4/3W - Helping Denise.

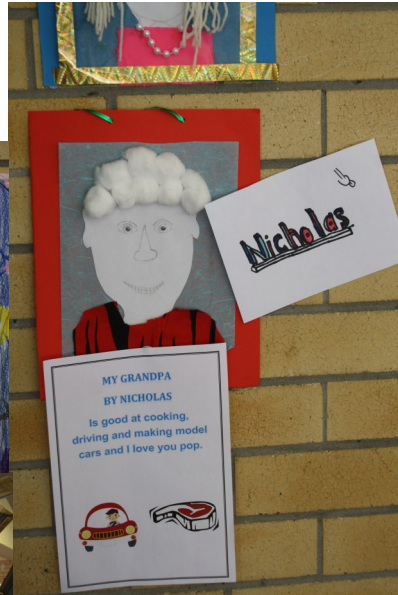
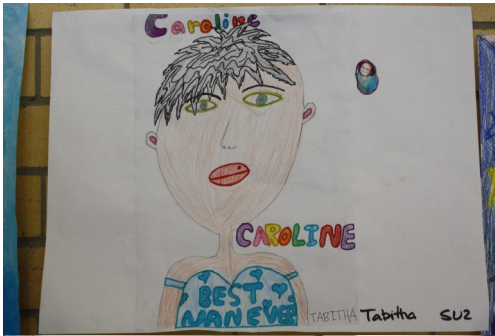
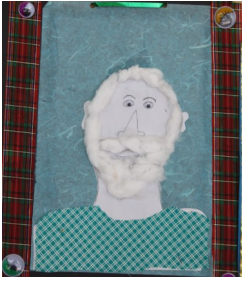
Class Merit Awards: **KC:** Caitlyn Jones, Tahlia Cadman Pou, Amber Rose Cox-Gardam, Ciara Carey, **2/1C:** Tarran Jarrett-Marks, Thomas Farnsworth, **2/1E:** Drew Argent, Katelyn Jones, Ethan Dungay, Patrica Stewart, **2/1H:** Matthew Daley, **4/3F:** Jaiye Langford, Daniel McElroy, **4/3M:** Zane Beuzeville, **4/3W:** Mitchell Summers-Whalley, Holly Behan, **6/5L:** Sonja Stone, Ayla Ashenhurst, **6/5M:**

Ronald Cohen, Hannah Deger, **6/5S:** Jake Jones, Nicholas Schram.

Class of the Week - Stage 3!

Congratulations

Thank you to our families for making our Grandparents' Day so special!



WEDNESDAY 29th October	THURSDAY 30th October	FRIDAY 31st October	MONDAY 3rd November
Name: _____ Class: _____	Name: _____ Class: _____	Name: _____ Class: _____	Name: _____ Class: _____
Chicken Snitzel & Lettuce Aioli Burger	Bacon & Egg Roll	Beef & Bean Nachos (Beef mince, kidney beans, cheese, corn chips & sour cream)	3 Party Pies With Tomato Sauce & Nippy Flavoured Milk Choc/Straw
Price \$5.50	Price \$4.50	Price \$5.50	Price \$4.00

COMMUNITY NEWS



GET YOUR KIDS INTO THE T20 ACTION

MILO T20 BLAST

MILO T20 BLAST GIVES GIRLS AND BOYS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY FUN GAMES OF CRICKET IN AN ACTIVE AND SOCIAL SETTING, JUST LIKE THEIR BIG BASH LEAGUE HEROES!

It's loads of fun and everyone gets a go at developing their batting, bowling and fielding skills whilst playing in teams.

PLUS ALL KIDS RECEIVE A BONUS PLAYER PACK WHEN THEY REGISTER!

REGISTER TODAY AT T20BLAST.COM.AU

play cricket .com.au

Nambucca Valley Netball Association

2015 Representative Trials - Open to all netballers turning 12 and above in 2015.

Sunday 23rd November 2014 - Macksville High School Stadium

9am - 10am 12 + 13 Years

10.30am - 12pm 14 + 15 Years

12.30pm - 2pm 17 Years & Over

PLEASE ARRIVE HALF AN HOUR BEFORE YOUR AGE ALLOCATION FOR WARM UP!

For more information contact Vicki Wassens on 0420488315

For registration forms contact Nicky Hallett on 0429685160