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Newsletter Issue 4

Term 1 Week 5

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Welcome to Week 5. As we approach the half way mark of Term 1 it is pleasing to see most students settling into their tasks. Our classrooms are quite settled and teachers have done a wonderful job of setting clear and concise expectations in regards to the learning environment that we provide for all of our students each and every day. I take great pride in the expertise of our staff and the work ethic of our students as I walk past classrooms each morning. The role that our supportive parents and carers have played in developing this culture of learning should not be underestimated. Thank you!

We will be having an evacuation practice this week. All students and staff will take part in this event as we ensure that our processes are sound when it comes to the safety of all members of our school community. I will be sure to let you know how we went and of any areas that we may need to improve in. Please be sure to ask your children about the procedure as this helps to reinforce their understanding of what we are doing, and how it is designed to keep them safe.

Whilst we are talking Work Place Safety it appears that several parents and carers have started to double and even triple park in our car park when picking up students. I know that this makes it easier for you, but our car park is just too small for this to become common practice. If you are picking up your child in the afternoon then it is paramount that you are parked in a designated space. Any other areas place the safety of our students at risk, and this is not something that we are willing to tolerate. I know that a larger car park would be lovely, but this is just not the case. Teacher's car parks take priority as they are here all day. Please ensure that you keep our kids safe and do not park anywhere other than designated car parks.

Scripture started last week. By all accounts our classes were quiet and respectful. We are very lucky to have such a group of dedicated volunteers involved, and I look forward to supporting our Scripture teachers throughout the year.

As per DEC policy, our Personal Learning Plans for Indigenous students are well under way. Nerida, Mrs Parkins and Mrs Bekis have done a wonderful job preparing this document. Classroom teachers and students will complete a large proportion of the plan and then we will invite parents in to consider the goals and other aspects of the plan. Should you be unavailable for comment we will send a copy home for your consideration. Your involvement as a parent or carer is vitally important to this process so we will do our very best to ensure access for all. These plans look so good we are thinking of extending them throughout the school student population. Further updates will

Diary

**Friday 28th
Feb
Assembly
1pm**

Monday 3rd Mar

**Zone Swimming
Carnival**

**Monday 3rd
March
AECG Meeting
At Muurrbay
1pm**

**Champion House
Results**

1st - Bradman
2nd - Newcombe
3rd - Fraser
4th - Ella

follow.

Congratulations to our District swimmers Jaiye Langford and Jake Jones who will be going on to the Zone Carnival. Thank you to Miss Morrison for all of her efforts organising and running both our school and District carnivals. This is not an easy job, and along with Mrs Smith she did a wonderful job.

Many of our school sports teams are beginning to train at lunch times and recess. We will have teams in the PSSA knockout in Soccer, Basketball, Netball, Touch and Rugby League. Representation of our school in any of these teams is a privilege, and we will be stressing this to all of our students who are keen to be involved. Unfortunately we cannot pick everyone who tries out, but we will be considering attitude, application in the classroom, team-work, work ethic and a number of other attributes as we use these sports as a vehicle for engaging and enthusing our students about all aspects of their learning, both in the playground and in the classroom.

Have a great week, Todd.

Auslan Sign Language

6/5S students have thoroughly enjoyed learning Auslan Sign Language in class.



Assembly Invitation

This Friday at 1pm during Assembly we will be presenting trophies to our swim champs and Champion House. Parents and carers are invited to attend as we recognise our students' success.

Head Lice

We have had a couple of reports of head lice. We recommend checking your child's head and treating accordingly.

Tissue Drive

As summer is coming to an end, we are finding that we are going through a lot of tissues. We would love it if parents and carers could each donate a box of tissues and send in for their child's class. Much appreciated!

Caught Being Good

Tisharn Provost Whatmough 6/5M-Helping the younger students, Yazzystar Hoffman 4/3W-Waiting in line, Charlotte Kearney 4/3W-Helping @ My Library, Lacey Wilson 4/3M-Helping @ My Library.

Weekly Awards: **SU1**-Jacob Howle, **SU2**-Rodrick Darcy, **Library**-Tyrone Dixon, Zara Brown, Miss Baker-Damian Parkins, **KC**-Levi Quinlin, DJ Witt-Wilson, **KD**-Tamika Chase, Blake Langhans, **2/1C**-Jaynarleeya Munro, Lachlan Giles, **2/1E**-Mykalah McEachran, Joshua Cleary, **2/1H**-Madison Langhans, Ben Williams, **4/3F**-Emily Humphreys, Angus Holloway, **4/3M**-Brooke Heather, Christa Parker, **4/3W**-Holly Blanch, Charlotte Kearney, **6/5L**-Terryyn Hopper, Tyrone Dixon, **6/5M**-Jake Pearson, Belle Elphick-Ttooulou, **6/5S**-Nicholas Schram, Zara Brown.

Class of Week 3-2/1E

Class of Week 4-6/5S

Congratulations

School Contribution Fees

School Contribution Fees are now due. The fees are \$10 per term or \$40 per student for the year.

SPOTLIGHT ON.....
SWIMMING
CARNIVAL



COMMUNITY NEWS

ANZAC Dawn Judd

Memorial Day

A fun day of golf, lawn bowls, music, kids entertainment, fabulous food, raffle, great prizes and an auction!

This event is to raise public awareness and funds for 'Spinal Muscular Atrophy Association of Australia'.

WHEN: Sunday 27th April

WHERE: Bowraville
Recreational Club

TIME: 9:00am

GOLF: \$15.00 a head

BOWLS: \$15.00 a head

ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

Gold Coin Donation

**For all enquiries contact
Gerard Judd on 0431591588**

CANTEEN MEAL OFFERS *Normal menu available every day*

Name: _____ Class: _____

WEDNESDAY 2TH February

**CHILLI CHICKEN BURGER WITH CHEESE, TOMATO, LETTUCE, MAYO &
SWEET CHILLI SAUCE**

PRICE \$4.00

Name: _____ Class: _____

THURSDAY 27TH FEBRUARY

BACON & EGG ROLL WITH SAUCE (TOMATO OR BBQ)

PRICE \$4.50

Name: _____ Class: _____

FRIDAY 28TH FEBRUARY

HONEY SOY CHICKEN WINGS WITH FRIED RICE

PRICE \$6.00

Name: _____ Class: _____

MONDAY 3RD MARCH

6 CHICKEN NUGGETS + TOMATO OR BBQ SAUCE

FRUIT JUICE (APPLE/ORANGE/PASSIONFRUIT)

PRICE \$5.30

NORMAL MENU AVAILABLE EVERY DAY EXCEPT TUESDAY (CLOSED).



Edith Parsons School of Physical Culture

Urunga Physie Club has been providing fun and affordable exercise classes for the girls and ladies for many years. Physical Culture is a choreographed syllabus of exercises, dance and fitness routines. Physie helps to develop co-ordination, fitness, flexibility, balance and benefits academic skills of concentration, sequencing, fine and gross motor skills, listening skills, memory and teamwork all in a fun and friendly environment. Classes are held each Monday for girls from 4 yrs right through to Ladies. Pre schoolers 3.30pm; 5 - 8 yrs 4.00pm; 9 - 12 yrs 4.45 pm; 13-16yrs 5.45 pm; Seniors 17+ 6.45pm; Ladies 7.30pm, commencing Monday 17th February, at the Senior Citizens Hall, behind the Seafood Takeaway in Urunga. If you would like to be part of this active friendly club for the beneficial enjoyment of exercise or the challenge of a competition turn up at the class times or please contact Sue Raymond 66500717 for further information and visit www.epphysi.com.au

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Beaches Netball Club Registration Day

Where: Nambucca Plaza

When: 1st of March

9:00am - 12:00pm

For further information please contact

Megan:65688739 or Tilly:65694278

Or leave a message on our Facebook page.

YMCA Swimathon

What: YMCA Swimathon & Family Fun Day

When: Sunday 2nd March

Where: Macksville Memorial Aquatic Centre

Time: Between 10am & 11am

Family Fun is between 9am & 3pm