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Newsletter Issue 33

Term 4 Week 6

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Welcome to Week 6 of Term 4. I hope everyone had a great weekend.

Congratulations to Keenan Breasley who was recognised for his Public Speaking efforts at a special Indigenous Awards Ceremony held in Woolgoolga on Tuesday. Mrs Bekis and Auntie Nerida attended the awards and our whole school is very proud of the efforts of this young man. Well done Keenan!

Whilst on the topic of awards it is important that our whole school community understand the philosophy behind our Presentation Day, which is to be held on December the 9th. We have several individual awards that focus on the efforts and results of our senior students. We also have several class awards that will be earned by students who have demonstrated a level of excellence in a variety of aspects of their schooling. These awards are there to acknowledge excellence. They are quite prestigious and winners will have demonstrated excellent levels of effort, engagement or results in either a Key Learning Area or in line with our school's focus on engagement and work ethic. These awards are linked closely to our strategic directions as they are presented in front of our community, recognise quality engagement by students and reward excellence as students strive to reach their full potential. Unfortunately, it is not possible to reward all students. Some students may have tried hard this year, but will not receive a certificate. Parents and carers have a real role to play in discussing this with their children. Often rewards come from the inside and the knowledge that you have tried your best and will strive to do even better next year. Please reinforce this concept with your child at home. Presentation Day is a chance for us all to acknowledge the existence of excellence within our school, show all students what can be achieved with hard work and diligence, and provide encouragement for all students to work to their full potential each and every day. WE need our parents and carers to come along on the 9th of December at 9:30am in the school hall and join us in this very important celebration. Your presence means a lot to our students and shows them that you truly value a quality education along with the opportunities it can provide.

Mr Freebairn and a group of Stage 2 students enjoyed their first Circus Troupe activity on Friday. By all accounts, Mrs Raini Herron and her team did a great job and the kids are ready and raring to go again this week.

Year 10 work experience students have again elected to spend a week with us getting an inside view of many of the roles within a school and hopefully becoming inspired to do the hard yards and become an educator. I will be talking with the groups this week about what is involved in becoming a teacher and how to get the most out of their work experience week. We look forward to welcoming these guys into our school. For some of them, they will be returning to their old primary school and teachers.

Diary

Wednesdays

GO4FUN

3.30 - 5.30pm

Fri 13th Nov

Kickstart

Mon 9th Nov

All Week

Leadership 2016

Speeches

Wed 11th Nov

Mixed League

Tag

9.30 - 2.30

Thurs 12th Nov

SCP Excursion to

Way Way

Mon 23rd Nov

NAIDOC

Public Speaking

Finals

Sydney

Leadership speeches began Monday morning. All Year 5 students have been provided with a time table and are ready to go, having created a speech and practiced it. The real challenge is presenting it to the school. ALL students who show the courage and determination to do this should be very proud of themselves. The subsequent election to School Captain or Prefect is quite an honour. However, any student who makes their speech can be proud of their efforts and should see themselves as a leader in 2016, regardless of whether they have a badge or not.

Fun Run forms have been sent home. All dates and expectations are included in the written information. Should you have any questions please contact your child's teacher or Mr Freebairn.

Our last rep teams will be heading over to Coffs Harbour on Wednesday for a League Tag day. 40 Stage 2 and Stage 3 students have been training the house down each lunch time for the past few weeks. I am sure that we will have a great time.

SCP will be heading off on a very exciting excursion to Way Way on Thursday. Mrs Parkins has planned a wonderful day, along with Mrs Haase. I am sure the kids will enjoy exploring the curriculum and it's concepts in a real life situation.

Have a great week. Todd.

Thank you

Thanks must be given to Valla Lions Club for their continued support of our Breakfast Club. We would also like to thank Mark Fenech from Lucky 7 for his can-do attitude and ongoing support!

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2016

If your child is starting Kinder next year, you will need to fill in an enrolment form before they start. Can you please call into the Front Office to arrange this as soon as possible.

Family Fun Night

We invite all families to join us on this special night as we watch your children perform.

Mark Friday 4th December on your calendars!

Class Merit Awards

KD: Cooper McElroy, Shanae Breust, **KL:** Iana Mackay, Roary Dahlstrom, **2/1H:** Kden Carter, Amelia Jones, **2/1E:** Levi Quinlin, **2/1W:** Elvis Jarrett, Bianca Wilson, Emma Wall, **4/3F:** Tarran Jarrett-Marks, Max Bowen, Jasmine Glidden, **4/3D:** Matthew Daley, Jake Duckett, **4/3M:** Kyan Jarrett-Marks, **6/5S:** Phoebe Schram, Jake Pearson, **6/5L:** William Glidden, Alex Parker, **6/5N:** Tyrone Bowden, Josh Munro, **SCP:** Monica Bognar Major, Shaela Little, Tyreece Buchanan, **SCT:** Lachlan McElhinney Summers, Cohen Wilson.

Class of the Week - 6/5S

Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition

Merit: Hayley Jacob-Harju, Damon Simon-Wilson, Keenan Breasley, Christa Parker, Sonja Stone, Riley Smithwick.

Distinction: Adam Griffiths, Jack Kennedy.

Congratulations!



Picasso Cow



Well Done Keenan!



League Tag



The breathe...



Blow...



Cough....



Chew....



And Wash Program!

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	MONDAY
NAME _____ CLASS _____ CHICKEN BURGERS WITH MAYO OR AIOLI PRICE: \$4.00	NAME _____ CLASS _____ HOT HAM CHEESE ROLL WARMED IN OVEN TILL CHEESE HAS MELTED AND ROLL IS CRUNCHY! YUM! PRICE: \$5.00	NAME _____ CLASS _____ LINGUINE PASTA WITH CHICKEN, BABY SPINACH, SUNDRIED TOMATOES, PESTO & PARMESAN CHEESE PRICE: \$4.50 SMALL \$6.50 LARGE	NAME _____ CLASS _____ 6 DINO NUGGETS SAUCE NIPPY MILK PRICE: \$5.50

Community News



**MACKSVILLE
NEW SKATEPARK OPEN DAY**

**NOVEMBER 28
9:30AM - 2PM**

**MACKSVILLE SKATEPARK
PACIFIC HWY - MACKSVILLE**

COMP | DEMO

LEARN TO SKATE LESSONS

REGISTRATION
AUSTRALIANSKATEBOARDING.COM/LOCATIONS/MACKSVILLE-SKATEPARK/

ASCI  **Drawing Boards**

Skate demos, competitions and learn to skate!

Macksville Park Fun and Fitness Official Opening and Nambucca River Festival

Everyone's invited to join in the fun when Macksville Park Fun and Fitness is officially opened with special skate demos and competitions at Macksville Skate Park on Saturday 28 November.

The event begins at 9.30am at the skate park, with pro skaters showing off their moves. Bring your own skateboard or scooter to have a go in the competitions or get a free lesson throughout the morning. The events are suitable for kids of all ages.

Nambucca Shire Council and the NSW government have funded the skate park and other works in Macksville Park, including lighting for the touch football fields, a community recreation room at the Macksville Memorial Aquatic Centre and fitness trails throughout the park. For more information closer to the day, see Council's website at www.nambucca.nsw.gov.au

In the late morning, the Nambucca River Festival kicks off with events on the Nambucca River and on the foreshore. Music, food, and festivities will continue throughout the weekend. For more information on the Festival, go to www.nambuccariverfestival.com.au

New "Busways" Bus Applications for students in 2016

If your child catches a bus and is going **into Year 3 in 2016** you would have received a new bus application from Busways.

Please return this form to the Front Office as soon as possible so they can be sent off before the end of the year. They will post out the new pass to you during the Christmas break.

Please note your child will need this new pass to travel on the bus in 2016.