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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

I can't say it any better than Mrs McCleary's Facebook Post!

"Came home from Futsal today with the biggest smile on my face. Both our teams 3/4 and 5/6 made the finals. We were the only school to have teams in both age group finals. I could not have been any more proud of our children today. Their manners, sportsmanship and especially efforts were outstanding. We played against schools with large numbers and against children who play futsal or soccer regularly. Both teams received Runner-up medallions. The 5/6 team only lost the final by one goal, our children were amazing. We certainly showed the SPIRIT today. Congratulations!"

We must thank Mrs McCleary, Mr Pringle, Mrs Forster and Mr Hayward, each for the contribution they made to allow our students to achieve such great success.

THANK YOU!

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

We invite all parents, grandparents and community members to join our Remembrance Day Service at 12.00pm on Wednesday 11 November. School swimming times on this day mean we have changed the traditional time slightly.

WHOLE SCHOOL PHOTO

We have planned a commemorative "Whole School Photo" to be taken on Wednesday 18 November. We

will send out a reminder a few days before so we have clean, full school uniform for this photo shoot. The photo should be available for interested families and we will also have large photos mounted on photo boards for our office area. Details to come.

Dates to Remember

Wednesday 11 November	Remembrance Day Ceremony 12.00pm
Thursday 12 November	Milkshake Deal
Wednesday 18 November	Whole School Photo
Monday 23 November	Years 4, 5 and 6 Big Day Out Diamond Head
Thursday 26 November	Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal
Friday 11 December	Goodbye / Hello BBQ
Monday 14 December	Inaugural Presentation Day 10.00am Year 6 Farewell Dinner 6.30pm
Wednesday 16 December	Year 2 – 6 Water Fun Day Wauchope Pool Last day of school year

STUDENT LEADERS 2016

We have begun the process of preparing our Year 5 students for the long selection process of deciding on the Student Leadership group for 2016. Student leaders for 2016 will be elected from within the current Year 5 group. Lake Cathie Public School has an established range of desirable attributes which need to be met prior to any student being accepted for nomination. A separate note will be sent home to all Year 5 parents with additional details regarding the nomination and election process. Students accepted for nomination will prepare a speech at school and present this on Tuesday 1 December to the whole school. Final voting will be done by Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and the current Year 6 as well as all staff members. All votes will be equal. The announcement of 2016 student leaders will be made on Presentation Day, Monday 14 December.

P & C NEWS

Goodbye and Hello BBQ - Friday 11 December, 5.00pm at Rainbow Beach Bonny Hills.

Come along and see off families with children leaving for High School as well as all of our new families for 2016. Further details later.

Christmas Spirit - Make a donation

Send in either a wrapped new present labelled boy or girl or a donation of Anon- perishable item to add to a school hamper that we will donate to the Smith Family to pass on to needy families this Christmas. Items can be placed under the Christmas Tree in the office.



A-Mart Sports Community Kick-Backs Program

We have registered as a community group with A-Mart Sports Kick-Back Program. This means any purchase you make, you can ask if it can be linked to Lake Cathie Public School and 5% of the purchase price will go into an account that the school can use to purchase sporting

equipment in the future. Part of this process would involve you registering with A-Mart as a consumer and receiving one of their cards.

CAR PARK SAFETY

Please take a moment to consider your parking habits when dropping off or picking up your children. We would like all students to enter and exit through our current main entrance between the Kindergarten classrooms and the toilet end of the Library block. If you are parked on the other side of the crossing, please make a safe effort to walk them across the crossing. We have a few of our families who require access to the disabled parking spots in the staff car park. As the visibility in the staff car park is limited and with two near misses occurring with children playing in this area, we ask that you once again consider the safety of all our students. If you have special parking requests, please feel free to come in for a chat or phone so we can put safe procedures in place for your situation. Thank you for your support.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL DINNER

Invitations to the Year 6 Farewell dinner at the Fat Fish have been sent out this week. We want to establish a tradition in our first few years where our Year 5 students with their families and the staff, farewell our Year 6 students and their families. For some this will be, albeit short, the conclusion of their time at Lake Cathie Public School. Let's make this another special occasion!

ATTENDANCE POLICY

As previously stated, attendance at school is compulsory by law. If students are absent from school, parents are required to provide an acceptable reason in writing within seven days. We have a significant number of student absences that have not been explained and will be logged in our official rolls as unexplained absences. Rolls are official documents and will remain in school archives for a significant number of years. They are legal documents that can be subpoenaed by courts of law. Please make sure you write a note or use the Lake Cathie Skoolbag App (free) to let the school know why your child has been absent.

PRE-LOVED UNIFORMS

If your child is moving off to High School or has outgrown their uniform and you don't have younger children for hand-me-downs, please consider donating to the P&C so that a second hand clothing pool can be established. Uniform pool clothing will be prepared for sale at a nominal price to help families who may benefit from a little community "spirit" assistance with uniforms.

PARENT GUIDES TO THE NSW SYLLABUSES FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM

I have tabled information booklets at Tuesday night's P&C regarding current and new Syllabus documents all school are implementing across New South Wales in line with Australian Curriculum requirements. These information booklets are available, for those interested, in our front office. NSW have rigorous syllabus requirements that drive teaching and learning. With these significant requirements, all staff at Lake Cathie Public School are undertaking hours of training and discussions to formulate our School's commitment to the full implementation of all new syllabus documents. English, Mathematics and Science & Technology documents are already in full operation with ongoing staff planning for the K-6 sequencing of these areas, being that we are a new school. All of the teaching staff have committed to several, three hour professional learning sessions already this term to firm up our collective understandings and plans for ongoing implementation. The History and Geography syllabuses are now being "pulled apart" and discussed leading towards their implementation in 2016. I commend the staff on their professionalism and dedication to the students at our school through these collaborative learning and planning sessions.

GONSKI INFORMATION SESSION

Thank you to the interested parents who joined Kelly Jesser and myself last Wednesday as we outlined and discussed the nature of funding for our school and the way that the Gonski recommendations have filtered through to substantive school funding. Apart from an increase in base funding per student, we will receive additional funds to support every student and their learning, with a specific focus on those students from

lower socio-economic backgrounds and our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. This is equity funding to cater for each of our students in relation to their individual backgrounds and needs.

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT



1. www.igiveagonski.com.au/gonski_week2015
2. Email the PM
<https://pm.gov.au/contact-your-pm>

Their future is in our hands

Thank you to parents / caregivers and community members who were able to attend the Gonski information session in the Library last Wednesday 28th October. If you have not yet had an opportunity to show your support for the continuation of Gonski funding in our schools, please follow the link provided above to read more about the importance of Gonski funding in our schools

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information relating to the Gonski funding.

Warm regards

Kelly Jesser
Lake Cathie Public School
NSW Teachers Federation Representative

ENROLMENTS FOR 2016

If you are aware of families that might be interested in joining our great school, please pass on our details and give them a run-down of how our new school is going. We have received enrolment forms from families with new students entering all grades in 2016 which should see our total enrolment numbers somewhere around 140 students. Class structures and staffing considerations are being discussed but final decisions won't be made until all students return after the Christmas break and numbers are confirmed. Mrs Annette Bailey will join us as our first Assistant Principal. This is a teaching position but will also have significant leadership responsibilities. The recent selection panel, including staff and parent representatives, have great confidence that Mrs Bailey will bring great knowledge, experience and indeed Spirit to her new role in our school.

LOLLIES

We are noticing a significant number of lollies coming to school. Firstly, a reminder of the need for a healthy food routine daily where the treats are occasional. Secondly the amount of rubbish being reported on the buses and also evident in the playground is of concern. We want to stop this trend quickly so please join us in our efforts to stop the lolly infestation!

K/1H GROWING SEED HEADS

LEARNING ABOUT LIFE CYCLES.



Another option to show Christmas Spirit is through the Blessing Project, a toy donation partnership between Lily Anne Designs and the Smith Family. Use the flowing link to access this organisation.

<http://www.lilyannedesigns.com.au/our-story/the-blessing-project/>

CANTEEN NEWS

Free fruit continues to be a hit at the canteen. Thanks to Woolworths, Lake Cathie, we receive two boxes of fruit every Wednesday.

Milkshake Day

Next Thursday 12 November \$1.50. Please complete an order slip to help Kylie with her milk ordering.

Sausage Sizzle Day

Thursday 26 November \$5.00. Please complete an order slip to help Kylie with ordering.

Insulated Lunch Bags

Available soon for \$10.00. Insulated bags that you place your order and money in and receive lunch that is either kept warm or cool, depending on your order, while in the class lunch tub. Details and order form coming soon.

MEAL DEAL ORDER FORMS

HOME TODAY



ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS

Week 3	Student of the Week	Work of the Week	Class Award	Class Award	Sport Award	Citizenship Award
Class						
KG	Summer Gemmell	Corbin Robinson	Caillen Cameron	Makayla Powick	Liam Henderson	
K/1H	Ben Spencer	Lily Fellowes	Brenton Mance	Charli Collins		
2/3J	Noah Cooke	Matilda Short	Denver Dixon	Sean Robinson	Zoe Bulmer	
4/5/6M	Skie McDonald	Melodie Cicak	Kingsley Brown	Nikya Young	Both FUTSAL TEAMS	
Week 4	Student of the Week	Work of the Week	Class Award	Class Award	Sport Award	Citizenship Award
Class						
KG	Makayla Powick	Drew McCabe	Teagan Cook	Ruby Arnold	Ayla Cross	
K/1H	Hayden Gunn	Lucca Needham	Chloe Kapila	Aurora Briscoe	Charli Collins	
2/3J	Samantha Ulph	Charlie Molenkamp	Brooke Instrell	Rachael Cook	Archie Hill	
4/5/6M	Bailey Molenkamp	Sam Tougher Wells Takoda Pemberton	Amber Deakin	Sophie Needham		

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* Long Day Care

* Before & After School Care * Vacation Care



My name is Trish Joyce. I am an Early Childhood Educator with over 3 years experience in a local Preschool and I am now registered with Hastings Family Day Care. I currently have vacancies for after school care Tuesday to Friday and day care Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for children over 2 years of age.

Are you looking for quality, safe, fun care for your child? I am operating between 8am and 6pm Monday to Friday and am registered to care for children aged 0 to 13 years of age. I also provide holiday care and after school care for your older children.

Call Trish on 0421 451 887 or Hastings Family Day Care on 6583 4660 for more information.



Whooping cough information for schools

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children. Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies. Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

- Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for [information for childcare and schools about whooping cough](#).



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*Conditions apply

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ALL YOU NEED TO DO

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3. Ensure you swipe your loyalty card **EVERY** time you shop at Amart Sports.
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CANTEEN MEAL DEALS

Milkshake Special \$1.50

Thursday 12 November 2015

Name:		Class:	
Flavour (please circle)	Chocolate	Strawberry	Vanilla

Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal \$5.00

Sausage sizzle, Cookie, Icypole and Popper or Water

Thursday 26 November 2015

Name:				Class:
Sausage sizzle				
Sauce	BBQ	or	Tomato	(please circle)
Drink	Water	or	Popper	(please circle)