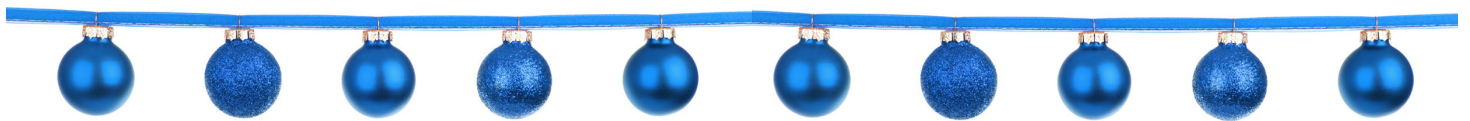


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CAROLS BY THE LAKE

Saturday 17 December

5.00pm Band (arrive at 4.30pm with instruments and music)

5.30pm K Green, K Blue, 1P & 1/2B class items and Choir (arrive at 4.45pm dressed ready to perform)

- Year 6 Band members will be returning their instruments after the performance for cleaning ready for 2017 students.

CONGRATULATIONS ON A FANTASTIC 2016

(Transcript from Presentation Day)

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all students on a wonderful year with many individual, group and whole-school triumphs. We have seen significant academic growth and achievements through our student reports, NAPLAN results, Australasian Competitions and our Tournament of the Minds, Public Speaking and Robotics programs. Our sporting successes include highly placed mixed teams in Netball, Touch Football and Futsal as well as many individual achievements in Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics Carnivals. Across the creative arts we have witnessed choir, vocal ensemble, drama, band and dance performances of the highest calibre, some even placing in trophy positions at local eisteddfods. We have achieved our goal of providing a comprehensive range of academic, sporting and cultural opportunities for our students.

This whole-school success only happens with a significant and successful partnership between parents and staff. Our P&C and numerous volunteer parents, grandparents, families and friends have worked tirelessly to make a difference in the lives of our children and for our school within our local community. It is this Spirit that makes us so successful and it is our honest and open reflection on the opportunities that we provide that makes us considered and strategic in our future goals and aspirations.

Our connections with Camden Haven High School and Hastings Secondary College are strong and we hold our local High Schools in very high regard. Both have contributed significantly to the success

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 16 December	<i>Last day for students</i>
Saturday 17 December	<i>Lake Cathie Carols by the Lake</i>
Friday 27 January	<i>Staff Development Day</i>
	<i>Uniform Shop 9.00am – 1.00pm</i>
Monday 30 January 2017	<i>First day for students Years 1-6</i>
	<i>Kinder Best Start Assessments</i>
Tuesday 31 January	<i>Kinder Best Start Assessments</i>
Wednesday 1 February	<i>Kinder Best Start Assessments</i>
Thursday 2 February	<i>First day for Kinder students</i>

Merry
CHRISTMAS

of our school as we transition our students to the next chapter in their learning journey. We thank Mrs Margaret Hutchinson, Principal at Camden Haven High School and Mr Willem Holvast, Executive Principal at Hastings Secondary College for their constant support and professionalism.

Lake Cathie Public School's membership of the Hastings Valley Community of Schools has allowed our school to be part of a highly professional group of local public schools working collectively to achieve significant learning outcomes for all of our students across all parts of the community. I certainly thank Mr Brett Thurgate, Principal at Port Macquarie Public School and Mr Phil Harris, Principal at Tacking Point Public School for sharing the success of our students here at Lake Cathie Public School as part of the overall success and strength of the Hastings Valley Community of Schools.

Thank you to our many friends and elected representatives in our local community who are supporting our students today. Our school successfully serves our local community and its families. With the support of your groups and organisations, we educate our students to feel part of the wider community and in time, hopefully, to take an active role in community organisations for the benefit of us all, perhaps we even have future Lions or Rotary club members or a Prime Minister in our midst. We also thank you for your ongoing financial support of our school and our students.

Finally, to the dedicated staff at our great school. Teaching and working with and for the development of our children is a very important role within the Australian community. Successful learning at our great school is underpinned by professional and dedicated staff, but more-so by the spirit and enthusiasm they display. Our cleaning staff, office staff, general assistant, school learning and support officers and entire teaching staff make a difference in the lives of our students each and every day. A huge thank you to my staff.

Congratulations on a wonderful year and we wish all of our families, current and new, the very best for a fun and family filled festive season where we can enjoy a short break before we begin 2017 with an exciting group of new kindergarten students and their families, who will join us here at Lake Cathie Public School. So during today's awards ceremony, let us join together to celebrate a highly successful 2016 here at Lake Cathie Public School.

Jock Garven



NEW STAFF IN 2017

We welcome Mrs Robyn Bishop, our second Assistant Principal, Mrs Kelly Cowan, classroom teacher and Mrs Samantha Forster, Learning and Support teacher who join our fantastic existing staff here at Lake Cathie Public School.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

What a night! Our staff, parents and Year 5 students hosted a marvellous farewell for our Year 6 students who are moving onto high school in 2017.

Mrs McCleary had organised such a personalised function that highlighted and celebrated each of our 12 Year 6 students. An amazing slideshow of memorable photos of each of our students, including some very funny photos of them from kindergarten kicked off the night.

We were entertained by our Year 5 students performing "So long, Farewell" with individual songs and lyrics composed just for the event. Signature bears, graduation folders, personalised pavers from the P&C, cake and great decorations really made for a highly successful evening.

Many thanks to the whole staff, lead by the interior design talents of Mrs Egan for the preparation and decoration of the Bowling Club. It certainly was a special evening for our Year 6 students and their parents. Also a big well done to our Year 5 students and parents for their impact on the night.



2017 Captains

Molly Cicak and Tobias Lee

2017 Prefects

Isabelle Leiper, Skie McDonald, Bailey Molenkamp and Sonny Crisp

Farewell!

Goodbye Kylee Hughes



We would like to acknowledge the incredible professionalism, work ethic, efficiency, sense of humour, loyalty and friendship that Kylee Hughes has given to us all here at Lake Cathie Public School. Kylee is moving to Sydney, close to family, to take up a position of Senior Administration Manager at Katoomba High School.

Kylee has been instrumental in the growing success of our school and has been part of our staff even before day 1, 2015. Kylee has had a stellar career so far and has demonstrated outstanding skills at Lake Cathie Public School in her role as Senior Administration Manager. But more than this, Kylee has been a steadying but exciting influence and great friend to so many staff, parents and students during the last two years.

Her infectious laugh and sense of humour, coupled with her amazing management ability has been a huge part of why our school has been so successful and why so many that call or visit our school comment on her spirit.

We are indeed so very sad to see Kylee leave for a new adventure in her life but feel so fortunate that we have these two great years together. We wish Kylee all the very best for her new position in 2017.





NEWS

It has been a busy last few weeks of school for the P&C and we are looking forward to a well earned rest like the rest of you. Just a few notes below to tide us over into 2017!

Website Project

A LCPS P&C website has been in the pipeline almost since the P&C began. We have free hosting organised and a qualified and willing technical wizard on board. However websites and their content do not write themselves, so we are looking for 2 or 3 people to form a brainstorming committee to get this project off the ground. Please email if interested.

School banking

School banking has now finished for the year and will resume in 2017. Thank you for all the deposits you have made, you have contributed fundraising funds to our school by doing so.

P&C Survey

A big thank you for all the feedback given in the survey. We reviewed the results at our November P&C committee meeting and are gradually working our way through issues that require attention. Class 1/2B enjoyed home-made strawberry frozen yoghurt as a reward.

Uniform

Uniform shop now closes at 3pm on a Thursday. You can always send order sheets in to the office/ by email if you cannot attend in person. The uniform volunteers can then pick the orders and advise when ready for payment and collection, or once paid, send home with students.

In our survey we had many parents comment on the quality of some school uniform items, especially the polo shirts. We have given feedback to our uniform supplier and they have advised photos of the issues would also be helpful. If you could please send photos with a brief description of the issue on an email to uniform@lcpspanc.org.au we will forward all the information in one go and hopefully see some improvements.

The next task for the uniform committee will be to source suitable winter items to compliment what we currently stock, as requested through our survey.

Canteen

We are very excited to announce there will be a revised canteen menu for 2017.

We will continue to follow the guidelines set down by NSW Health, where items are categorised as red, amber and green. We will be producing a colour-coded menu to assist parents in making informed choices for lunch orders, with a focus on extending our range of green items. The need for this was reflected in the survey results. More information (and new menu) to come in 2017.

Grant application – success!

In June of this year, the P&C applied for a grant to assist with the costs of making our school library an air-conditioned space. We applied for funds through the NSW Government's Community Building Partnership grant program. The P&C were informed on the 12 December that we had been successful in our application for some funding! Result!!

(All results can be viewed here: http://www.communitybuildingpartnership.nsw.gov.au/successful_grants/2016_grants)

Expenses

If you have any expenses claims from the P&C these need to be submitted to the Treasurer before Friday 16 December as our financial year ends 30 December. Please email if you have any queries.

We wish all Lake Cathie Public School families and staff a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you in the lake!

Thanks for reading.

Claire Briggs

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Presentation Day 2016

Award	Recipient
Class Awards 3/4J	<i>Brooke Instrell</i>
	<i>Sophie Barton</i>
	<i>Tao Connors</i>
	<i>Archie Hill</i>
	<i>Zoe Bulmer</i>
Class Awards 4/5/6M	<i>Quinn Carmichael</i>
	<i>Molly Cicak</i>
	<i>Mackenzie Edmonds</i>
	<i>Isabelle Leiper</i>
	<i>Kingsley Brown</i>
	<i>Lachlan Ulph</i>
Camden Haven Day View Club Junior Encouragement Award	<i>Hayden Wallace</i>
Camden Haven Day View Club Senior Encouragement Award	<i>Bailey Molenkamp</i>
Coastal Music Band Award	<i>Takoda Pemberton</i>
The Glasshouse Drama Award	<i>Sonny Crisp</i>
Lake Cathie Public School P & C Junior Dance Award	<i>Nate Stricker</i>
Lake Cathie Public School P & C Senior Dance Award	<i>Amber Deakin</i>
Lake Cathie Public School P & C Vocal Ensemble Award	<i>Mahali Pemberton</i>
Buckley Family Junior Performing Arts Award	<i>Zoe Bulmer</i>
Buckley Family Senior Performing Arts Award	<i>Jemma Joyce</i>
Country Women's Association Junior Numeracy Award	<i>Brianna Hosemans</i>
Country Women's Association Senior Numeracy Award	<i>Jonathon Pikett</i>
The Westport Club Junior Literacy Award	<i>Vincent Miller</i>
The Westport Club Senior Literacy Award	<i>Emily Barlin</i>
Higgins and Dix Lawyers Senior Critical Thinking and Problem Solving Award	<i>Jonathon Pikett</i>
Rotary Club of Laurieton Technology Award	<i>Tobias Lee</i>
Port Macquarie Hastings Council Leadership Award	<i>Jordan Thorne</i>
Junior Sports Award - Girl	<i>Molly Cicak</i>
Junior Sports Award - Boy	<i>Tobias Lee</i>
Senior Sports Award - Girl	<i>Georgia Hodges</i>
Senior Sports Award - Boy	<i>Jye Garvey</i>
Premier's Sporting Award	<i>Rocky Cutting</i>
Mr Hutchinson's Helper Award	<i>Jed Mellis</i>
Lake Cathie Public School Junior Citizenship Award	<i>Laci Garvey</i>
Lake Cathie Public School Senior Citizenship Award	<i>Nikya Young</i>
Lake Cathie Bonny Hills Lions Club Community Award	<i>Emily Barlin</i>
Principal's Spirit Award	<i>Amber Deakin</i>
Dux Award for Academic Excellence	<i>Jordan Thorne</i>