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STUDENT REPORTS

Semester two reports will be sent home on Monday afternoon 12 December. Our teachers have spent considerable time assessing and measuring student performance both against the syllabus outcomes and in relation to the peer-age group your child is in. To achieve a Sound grading, your child has achieved the necessary outcome for their current stage. That is:

Early Stage 1 – Kindergarten

Stage 1- Year 1 and Year 2

Stage 2 – Year 3 and Year 4

Stage 3 – Year 5 and Year 6

In Stages 1 to 3, students have two years to achieve the necessary outcomes. However, as with all groups of students, results can also be below or above stage expectations. Please read your child's report carefully and make sure you are positive with your comments, especially if they have had high Application gradings. A high Application grading means they are working to the best of their ability, regardless of the outcomes they have achieved.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

All students are performing Thursday 8 December

Storms may lead to a cancellation. Will let everyone know via Facebook and Skoolbag!

Arrive 5.30pm Performance 6.00pm

Bring picnic rug and a cushion or folding camp chairs.

BBQ sausage sizzle, salad tubs and drinks available from the P&C.

PARKING may be an issue. Please car pool with friends if at all possible. Staff will be assisting with parking.

STAGE 2 SLEEP OVER

Saturday 10 December

Arrive 4.00pm (set up tents etc)

Pickup before 11.00am Sunday morning

Dinner and breakfast provided

Thanks to our overnight parent volunteers!!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 8 December	<i>Christmas Concert 5:30 pm</i>
Friday 9 December	<i>Kinder 2017 Drop in visit</i>
Saturday 10-Sunday 11 December	<i>Stage 2 Sleepover</i>
Monday 12 December	<i>Presentation Day 9:30 am</i> <i>Year 6 Farewell Dinner 6:30 pm</i>
Tuesday 13 December	<i>Reward Day</i>
Wednesday 14 - Friday 16 December	<i>Diamond Head Camp</i>
Friday 16 December	<i>Last day for students</i>
Saturday 17 December	<i>Lake Cathie Carols by the Lake</i>

LAST DAY FOR THE CANTEEN IS FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER

2017

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>

PRESENTATION DAY

Monday 12 December

Start 9.30am

Band and Choir groups will perform.

(Bring instruments and music!)

VOLUNTEERS' MORNING TEA

Monday 12 December

Start 11.00am

To be held in the Library after the Presentation Day Assembly.

All our lovely volunteers are invited, including P&C committee, reading tutors, canteen volunteers, P&C event volunteers, scripture teachers, banking helpers, library helpers etc.

YEAR 5 FAREWELL TO YEAR 6

Monday 12 December

Lake Cathie Bowling Club

Start 6.30pm

Well dressed event – no shorts or singlet/mid-riff tops

REWARDS DAY

Tuesday 13 December

Laurieton Plaza Cinema

This rewards day is to recognise appropriate and consistent behaviour throughout the term. As indicated in our Rewards Day policy, communicated in previous newsletters, students who have more than 5 Green – Low level or 2 Orange – Mid Level warnings will be ineligible to attend. Alternative social and behaviour support activities will be directed at those students who will not be attending. The Rewards Day is different to the regular end of year activities, that all students will be attending, including the Water Fun Day, Stage 2 Sleep-over and Diamond Head Camp. Parents of those students not attending the rewards day will be notified by phone. Thank you for your support of this behaviour acknowledgement program as we continue to aim for high standards of consistent and appropriate behaviour.

DIAMOND HEAD EXCURSION

Wednesday 14 – Friday 16 December

Final details note to come home very soon.

K-2 WATER FUN DAY

Friday 16 December

Bring appropriate swimmers, towel, rash shirt, sunscreen and hat. Parents encouraged to attend if they want to help ... and get wet too!

Further details will be provided early next week.

CAROLS BY THE LAKE

Saturday 17 December

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

5.30 pm K Green item K Blue item

1P item 1/2B item

5.50 pm Choir and Senior vocal group

- Year 6 Band members will be returning their instruments after the performance for cleaning ready for 2017 students.
- I need a few parent volunteers to help pack up after the performance. Please contact me at school on 6584 8060

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thursday 8 December	10-2pm	Christie James
Friday 9 December	9-2pm	Toni Robinson
	9-2pm	Lauren Miller

INDUSTRIAL ACTION

It has been three years since the last Teachers Federation Stop-work Meeting. I am fully supporting staff to attend this meeting on Thursday this week. In line with Department of Education requirements, we will provide minimal supervision until staff return from the meeting at Port Macquarie at 10.15am. Students can be dropped at school at 10.15am if appropriate and will not be marked as absent for the morning session unless they are sick for the whole day. We will be having our final rehearsals for Thursday night's Christmas Concert during the day.

Thank you for your support. Our staff work very hard and this meeting will address not only a new salaries agreement but also the Federation's concern in relation working conditions for all staff.

ELF ON THE SHELF

We have received reports from many students that there are scallywag Elves running around the school causing grief for teachers and students. Reports of Elves draping toilet paper around the rooms, messing up teachers' and students' desks and moving furniture around the classrooms. We will investigate and may have to get a letter off to Santa to see what's going on. Stay tuned.....

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION AWARDS

Congratulations to Jordan Thorne who has received an Aboriginal Student Leadership Award for his outstanding qualities and ability to lead with confidence and style. Jordan's parents and Mrs McCleary travelled to the awards ceremony last week to support this wonderful student at Lake Cathie Public School.



ROBOTICS TEAM SUCCESS

Congratulations to Emily Barlin, Amber Deakin, Tobias Lee, Mackenzie Edmonds, Jonathon Pikett and Jordan Thorne who travelled to Sydney last Wednesday to compete in the Schools' Lego League Robotics competition at Narrabeen High School. Out of 36 teams of students from primary and high schools, our Lake Cathie team came 3rd overall in the Robotics Challenge. Quite an achievement. A huge thanks to Mrs McCleary and Miss James for their preparation of these students and for accompanying them to Sydney. Truly great Lake Cathie Public School Spirit!

BAND TRY-OUTS

We are continuing to audition students for the 2017 Band Program. We still have a few students to see and will be attempting to notify students next Tuesday. New students arriving in 2017 will also have the chance to try out the different instruments on offer.



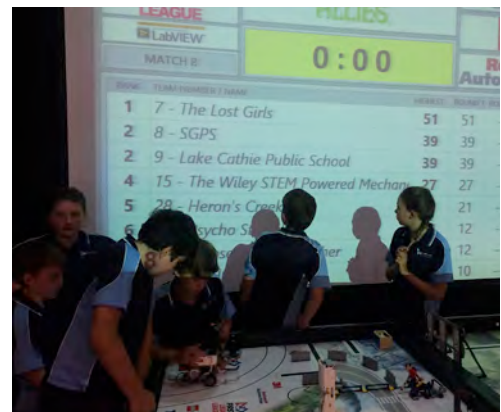
TEAM
AMBER DEAKIN
EMILY BARLIN
JORDAN THORNE
JONATHON PIKETT
TOBIAS LEE
MACKENZIE EDMONDS

BREAKING NEWS

JUST FOUND OUT OUR WONDERFUL TEAM WON AN AWARD ON THE DAY.
The award was a Judges Award, called '**The Professional Engineers Award**'.
Here is what the judges thought about this team.
The judges were blown away by the quality of this team's strategy and documentation.
The judges would like to catapult this award to Lake Cathie Public School.

Last Tuesday our school robotics team travelled to Sydney to compete in **FIRST® LEGO® League** Competition, The event was held at Narrabeen High School on Wednesday 30th November 2016 and involved many primary and high school students aged from 9 to 16. **FIRST® LEGO® League** is a competition catering for upper-primary and lower-secondary school students. Every year, teams of up to 10 students build, program and compete with a robot, while also learning about a modern problem in science and engineering and developing solutions for it. The entire competition for the year is based around a theme. This year's theme was 'Animal Allies'. Tournaments are run with the feel of a sporting event, and teams compete like crazy while having the time of their lives. What **FIRST® LEGO® League** teams accomplish is nothing short of amazing. It's fun. It's exciting. And the skills they learn will last a lifetime.

Lake Cathie Public School's amazing team performed well beyond expectations.
We placed **3rd overall** in the robot coding challenge.
Their skills on the day were unbelievable improving their scores with each challenge.



Public Speaking



The first annual public speaking competition took place this term.

Students from Year 1 to Year 4 were involved.

The task was to prepare and practise a speech to deliver in class.

From the speeches presented in class 4-6 finalists per grade were selected.

The finalists presented their speeches at the Lake Cathie Public School public speaking finals during Week 7.

The students were judged by Mrs Egan and Mr Garven and were graded on aspects related to manner and matter.

All students should be very proud of their efforts.

It was a wonderful start to the public speaking program here at Lake Cathie.

Well done.

Mrs Bailey



BUS TRAVEL

YEAR 2 STUDENTS PROGRESSING TO YEAR 3 - 2017

Transport for NSW requires a new application for free travel from students who commence Year 3.

As of May 2016 Transport for NSW require all applications be completed online at

www.transportnsw.info/school-students.

When you have completed the application forms for Year 3 2017 ensure all forms are signed and returned to school to be endorsed and sent to Transport NSW.

Do not send applications to Busways.

Parents of students deemed ineligible may apply direct to Transport for NSW stating their reasons.

Term passes will be available to ineligible students; parents may obtain the cost from their local depot during December/January holidays.



Lake Cathie Public School P & C Christmas Hamper

We are raising money to support programs run in our school.

Tickets \$1.00 each or book of 12 for \$10.00

Please ensure names are on every ticket. Return money and tickets by Thursday 8 December 2016.

Drawn at the Christmas Concert 8 December 2016

KGREEN FEATURE

KGreen's Fundraising

KGreen was learning all about 'Meeting Needs' when we decided we could fundraise and buy some Street Swags for our local homeless people. We raised enough money to purchase three swags, which were delivered to us a few weeks ago. The Street Swag company were so impressed with KGreen they shipped the swags for free. We also received a certificate of thanks and some stickers and magnets. We invited Sue Munro from the Hope Shop in Port Macquarie to come and accept the swags. She was very grateful to accept our swags and KGreen were very excited to hand them over. A special thanks to Eva Butler and her family who also donated a bag of food. Congratulations KGreen you should be proud.



KGreen's Published Books

As a class we listen to a story as often as possible. We have been reading Ian Whybrow's and Adrian Reynolds Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs series. We decided to write our own adventures of Harry. The children wrote such amazing stories. We are in the process of copying these stories onto an iPad app called Book Creator. We are able to draw our own images and add an audio where the reader can hear the story read by the writer. We then send the completed published book to another app called iBooks. Using our Apple TV, the students then show the class their completed published audio book to the class using the electronic whiteboard. Amazing stories. Amazing technology skills.





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Working together to support school-aged students on the autism spectrum

Free One Day Workshop for Parents and Carers

Port Macquarie
Wednesday
22 Feb 2017

Positive Partnerships is coming to a location near you!

Join us for a day of learning with other parents and carers of school aged children on the autism spectrum, designed to help you foster productive school, family and community relationships to provide the best kind of support for your child. Our workshops are for parents, carers and grandparents wanting to understand more about autism and learn practical strategies using evidence based resources to help maximise their young person's learning.

What will you gain by attending this workshop?

- An increased understanding of the impact of autism
- Further knowledge about how to develop effective partnerships with your school
- Information to help you access further support both inside and outside of school
- An opportunity to be part of a support network where you can share strategies and experiences with other parents/carers
- An understanding of a planning tool that can be used to share key information related to your child

Workshop details

Venue: Rydges Port Macquarie
1 Hay Street
Port Macquarie NSW 2444

When: Wednesday 22 February 2017
9.15 am – 3.00 pm (Registration from 8.30 am)

Catering: Morning tea and lunch is provided. Please advise any dietary requirements upon registration.

Register Online: www.positivepartnerships.com.au Registrations open on 8 December 2016 and close one business day prior to the workshop. Register early as places are limited!

Questions? If you are not able to register online please call the Positive Partnerships Infoline : 1300 881 971 or email parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au

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Trish's Family Day Care

Are you looking for a safe, fun, caring learning environment for your child? I have over 5 years experience as an Early Childhood Educator and I have my own children aged 11 and 15. I am registered with Hastings Family Day Care and I currently have vacancies for children 0 - 5 years of age between 7:30 am and 5:30 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Call me Trish Joyce on mobile 0421 451 887 or Hastings Family Day Care on 6583 4660 for more information.



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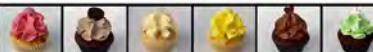
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ATTENTION all Rugby League Players

Registrations have already opened for 2017 for ages U/6's to U/16's

and anyone wanting to register to play can do so on www.playnrl.com,

For those who register before Sunday 1st January 2017 they will go into the draw for a double to pass see the

IWO PRO WRESTLING KNOCKOUT TOUR

Held at our major sponsor

The Laurieton United Services Club

On Thursday the 5th January 2017.

So get in and register today.

Go the Mighty Eagles!!!!

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HOLIDAY KIDS CLUB

KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6 • 9TH - 12TH JANUARY 2017

Register Now!

www.summerfestport.org.au

Summerfest welcomes children from Kindergarten to Year 6 (2017 school year). This excellent bible-based holiday entertainment program includes games, drama, sports, singing, friendships and lots and lots of fun. This year you're invited to the Superhero Academy. Join Captain Impressive in his quest to become Australia's Next Superhero. He must learn what it takes to be a superhero - bravery, individuality, super powers - learning skills from Bible Superhero's along the way. Choose from **Daring Cooking, Incredible Craft, Villainous Games and Sensational Sports** electives each day. Children are provided with morning tea and are asked to bring a hat. Each Summerfest Adventurer and their family is invited to return on the last evening of the academy for a **Family Fun Night**.

<p>Who: Kindergarten to Year 6 (in 2017)</p> <p>Location: Tacking Point Public School, Bangalay Drive, Port Macquarie.</p> <p>Dates: Mon to Thurs 9th-12th January 2017 9.15am - 12pm daily</p> <p>Family Fun Night: 5:30pm Thursday 12th Jan 2017</p>	<p>Cost: Register Online to Save* & secure your place!</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Weekly:</td> <td>Daily:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$25/child</td> <td>\$8/child</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$50/family</td> <td>\$20/family</td> </tr> </table> <p>Registration Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Morning sessions & electives - Morning tea - Entry to Family Fun Night for child and their Family <p>Go to www.summerfestport.org.au to register</p>	Weekly:	Daily:	\$25/child	\$8/child	\$50/family	\$20/family
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Save* Online Registrations close Friday 6th January 2017.
Daily registrations on site Mon-Thur for \$8/child or \$20/family.
Weekly registrations on site Monday only for \$30/child or \$65/family.
Please Note: On site registrations are subject to availability.

KATY PERRY & TAYLOR SWIFT

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Kids Concert

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