

## **Coffs Harbour Public School**

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## **Principal's Report**

#### **Swimming**

Congratulations to all our students who attended the Intensive Swimming Program during the last two weeks. Our staff was very impressed with their efforts and the overall improvement in their individual swimming capabilities. It is very important that follow up lessons are organised to ensure that their swimming ability continues to improve. Again we would like to thank Mrs Court for her organisation of this program and Mrs Snodgrass, Mr Thompson, Ms Charity, Mrs Tredinnick, Mr Widders, Mrs Doust for their support and supervision of the program.

#### **School Disco**

Tonight our school will be holding the final disco for the year. It is a K-6 disco beginning at 5.45 and finishing at 7.00pm. The cost to attend this disco is \$2 which will be donated to the Ronald McDonald Learning Program. The Silly Socks Theme, with its vibrant colours, is symbolic of a brighter outlook for children with serious illnesses and is an opportunity to celebrate the hope of a happy, successful future. Students may wear bright coloured socks and Christmas colours as part of this fund raiser. Again I would like to thank my staff for supporting this disco and giving up their personal time.

#### Computers

We are hoping today our Rollout and school ordered computers will be arriving at our school. This is very exciting for our staff and students to be able to access, in every classroom, the fantastic technology our school is able to offer. This will make our school a leader in technology in the classroom for this district.

#### **Breakfast Program**

Our breakfast program continues to support many of our students with a healthy start to their school day. Early this week I wandered down to see how our staff and students were going and I was very lucky because on this day our students were eating pancakes prepared by Mrs Nash, Mrs Bergin and Mrs Newton. What an absolutely fantastic initiative this is for our students and our school. Congratulations to everybody who is part of this program.

#### **Bookpacks**

Please be aware that you can pay for next years book packs this year, if you wish to. The cost again is \$10 per child which will cover all their books for 2011. Please place an envelope, clearly marked with your child's name in the payment window at the front office.

#### **South Sydney Football Club Visit**

Today a number of our students went to Pacific Bay Resort to meet members of the South Sydney Rabbitohs. The students were involved in a training session with Rabbitohs players. Our thanks to Mr Murphy for organising this activity and our parents who were able to assist with transport. Our students really enjoyed their training session with the Rabbitohs as did Mr Murphy, who supports South Sydney!

#### **Leaders Speeches**

Congratulations to all our students who were involved in last weeks Leadership Speeches. Everyone of our students did a fantastic job and delivered inspirational thoughts on what it means to them to be a leader at our school and the important role they will play. Mr Murphy will shortly announce the 2011 leaders.

#### **Volunteers Morning Tea**

Tomorrow our school is hosting a morning tea for the many volunteers who support our school each year. Morning tea will begin at 11am in the staffroom. Please don't hesitate to attend this event if you have assisted the school in anyway this year. Any support we receive is greatly appreciated and your support enhances our schools image and our ability to achieve student outcomes.

#### **Scripture Christmas Concert**

Tomorrow our Scripture Teachers will present this years Christmas Concert. We would like to thank all our Scripture teachers for their support of our school this year. I would also like to thank Mrs Howlin for organising our scripture lessons and tomorrows Christmas concert.

#### **Personal Best Assembly**

Please be aware that on Friday December 10, we will be holding our final PB assembly for the year. Sporting awards will also be presented at this assembly plus PB, Gold Awards and our normal Merit Cards. The Infants assembly will begin at 11.30am and Primary assembly at 12.15pm.

#### **Talent Quest**

Our school staff is currently organising a Talent Quest for our students which will be held on Thursday December 9. Our thanks to Miss Jacobson and Mrs Mifsud for organising this activity. We have many, many talented students at our school and we are looking forward to these students performing as part of this activity. Last Friday Miss Mulrooney's students presented a fantastic choir activity as part of the primary assembly. The quality of this item was outstanding and we thank Ms Holden and Miss Mulrooney for preparing this item.

#### **Skipping Ropes**

This week is the final week for skipping rope sales at \$15 per rope.

Our vegetable garden is flourishing and if you wish to access it you may do so.

Have a great week,

Peter Hickey

#### **Board Shorts Day**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. For a gold coin donation students can wear boardshorts, long shorts or a skirt to raise money for our Surf Life saving clubs. Students are to wear their sports shirts. Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause.

C.H.P.S Student Representative Council (SRC)

#### **Giving Tree**

It isn't long until Christmas now! For most of us Christmas ia a happy time and we all love to give and receive presents. In



the spirit of giving, we are asking Coffs Harbour Public School families to help us ensure <u>all</u> families have a happy and memorable Christmas. We have placed a Christmas tree has been placed in the school foyer for you to leave your **unwrapped** and thoughtful gift in the box under the tree (the school will supply paper). Thank you for opening your hearts to support others less fortunate than ourselves.

C.H.P.S Staff

#### **Assemblies:**

Infants and Primary this week. You are most welcome to attend these special occasions.

#### **School Awards**

Congratulations to this weeks merit card winners,

#### Infants:

K/2N	Jordan Hart
	Cobie Marsh
KN	Indi Snow, Amy Pike, Jesse
	Azzopardi, Sarah Bourne, Sau Mu.
KE	Charlotte Lowe, Sandrine N, Kiahla
	Spencer, Saxon Luke, Jarred
	Lynwood.
1J	Connor Gibson, Jadzea Johnson,
	Jace Driver, Aurora Darcy, Logan
	Smith.
1AM	Bella Farrah, Blain Dwyer, Brianna
	Wright-Hart, Caitlyn Kelso, Mustafa
	Yahya.
2T	Haylea Lawson, Grace Snowball,
	Derain Lockwood, Vincet Yap,
	Sophie Clifford.
2H	Kristina Craig, Chloe Sole, Joshua
	Richter, Linda Craig, Tyler Harvey.
Student of the	Kaitlyn Carmody, Caleb Lowe,
week	Mikal Gebrihiwot, Keanu Staader,
	Daniel Prendergast, Bonnie
	Groom, Samantha Hickson.

#### **Primary:**

Merit	Citzenship	Free	Book	Student
Awards	•	Coice	Work	Of Week
1/6S		Thorn		
		Pochyly		
3/6C	Ronan	Desyrai	Fraser	
	Bennet	Reddy	Brown	
3C	Angela	Wakjira	Jason	Jorga
	Grills	Galata	Davis	Stoneham
3/40	Ben	Naithan	Brianna	James
	Metham	Thornton	Poole	Durie
4H	Stella	Makayla	Corey	Lara
	Corlett	Veale	Shearim	Croft
5N	Brock	Mitchell	Peter	Meiqi
	Russell	Steel	Guise	Zhan
5/6M	Connor	Kaine	Edan	Jewel
	Morton	Stoneham	Osborne	Boyer
6F	Logan	Dayle	Josh	Isabella
	Thompson	Irwin	Hunt	Bren
6M	Shamayne	Jakota	Dylan	Corinne
	Jarrett	Darcy-	Ralley	Corfe
		Townsend		

#### **Canteen News**

There will be one more **Hot Dog Day** this term, on second last day, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Last day to order will be Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> December. Hot Dogs cost \$2.50 each with your choice of tomato, bbq, sweet chilli or american mild mustard sauce.



Wednesday is the School's **Volunteer Day.** Without volunteers to help at the canteen there would very likely be **no canteen. How sad would that be?** Make sure if you see a volunteer on this day, or any day, say thanks, or just say "I would like to thank you very much for helping our School". The volunteers will be having morning tea in the Staff Room with the school staff. Oh!, by the way, it's their turn to have some **yummy patty cakes with fresh whipped cream.** 



Canteen	Roster:	December	' 6 to	10
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Monday	Kerrie, Marg, Joe	
Tuesday	Caz, Sarah, Joe,	
Wednesday	Carmel, Sarah, Joe	
Thursday	Sarah,Joe, Frank	
Friday	Kate, Frank, Joe	

#### P & C News

The next monthly meeting of the P & C will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. We meet in the Staff Room at 6pm, all welcome, this is our last meeting for 2010. Hope to see you there.



Todays Talking and Listening lesson in 4H was a talking point at assembly this morning.

# High School Orientation and Information Sessions

#### **Coffs Harbour High School**

**Orientation Day** will be held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Arrival at 10am where guides will escort students to the Assembly Hall.

Any queries about the day please phone 66523466.