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'Be Safe, Be Fair, Be Kind, Be Cooperative'

Principal's Report

School's Spectacular



Congratulations to our students, Mrs Firkins and Ms Holden on their fabulous performances as part of this year's School Spectacular. The children and staff had a wonderful experience and we are looking forward to hopefully having many more of these opportunities in the years to come. Our School Education Director, Ms Kim Taylor, commented in her Weekly Principal Bulletin on the excellent efforts by our students as part of the School Spectacular. Kim had the pleasure of attending the School Spectacular performance on the Friday night. There were over 3500 talented public school students involved in this annual presentation. This again, reaffirms the excellent opportunities available to students in our public schools and the outstanding support offered to students by our teachers and schools.

School Presentation Night

Our school Presentation Night is rapidly approaching. We are holding it again at Coffs Harbour Jetty High School on Thursday December 8 beginning at 6.30pm and concluding at 8.00pm. There will be performances by our Dancers, Choir and Skipping Team. At this presentation night we will be celebrating the many successes our school has achieved in 2011. All students attending must be in full school uniform. It would be fantastic to see as many of our families attend as possible. Our special guests include, Ms Kim Taylor, School Education Director, Mr Frank Stanton, Principal Orara High School and Ms Patti Kearns, Principal of Coffs Harbour High School.

Christmas Pageant

Our staff and students are practicing very diligently for this year's Christmas Pageant to be held on Friday 9th December beginning at 5.30pm in our school hall. We are all looking forward to this exciting night and again your attendance would be greatly appreciated. Our P & C will also be holding a bbq and we will be drawing our P & C raffle on the night as well. Could all raffle tickets and money be returned to school by Wednesday 7th December. Thank you to those families who have donated goods for our raffle and also returned tickets. Extra tickets are available from the office.

School Management – 2012

We are currently organising our Staffing and Management Plans for the 2012 school year. There will be a few changes with staff retiring and on leave. Once these plans have been confirmed I will advise you of the details in our newsletter. A reminder to access our website where we have updated a number of our recent activities for your viewing.

Behaviour

A reminder at this time of year that we expect our student's behaviour to be exemplary and students who do not abide by our school policy will not be attending any of the end of year activities. This includes end of term reward day, year 6 dinner, school Christmas pageant.

Mr Peter Hickey
Principal

Giving Tree

Each year students and staff provide Christmas gifts for those less fortunate than ourselves. Whilst you're shopping if you could spend a little extra to provide some joy to needy Coffs Harbour local families, it would be greatly appreciated. All you need to do is send in a small gift to school, unwrapped, for our school to pass on to a local charity. These gifts can be for boys, girls, children or adults. Thank you



A reminder of some very important dates

Monday November 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intensive Swimming for 2 weeks
Tuesday December 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 dinner
Wednesday December 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Scripture Service
Thursday December 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Reports home School presentation night to be held at Coffs Jetty High School from 6.30pm
Friday December 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Christmas Spectacular to be held in our school hall from 5.30
Tuesday December 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> End of Term Rewards Day
Wednesday December 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Talent Quest from 11.30
Friday December 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PB and Gold Assembly LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

International Day of People with Disability

An art and craft exhibition will be held at the Botanical Gardens Coffs Harbour on 3rd & 4th December 2011 from 10am to 3pm in support of the International Day of People with Disability. Please call Suzanna Lee at Respite and Recreation on 66483645.

A special Sports Day will also be held on Friday December 2nd 2011 at Sportz Central in support of this day. Students from our support class will be attending. Permission notes will go home today.



A reminder to all families regarding the bonus points our school receives for purchases made at AMart All Sports. If you happen to be shopping for Christmas presents in this store, just mention our school name and points will be awarded. Thank you.

Assembly Awards: Week 6 & 7

Merit Awards	Citizenship	Bookwork	Free Choice	Student of the week
1/6S		Angus West		Bradley Coleman
3/6C	Tylor Wood	Tylor Wood	Edward Jenner Jannaya Burnett	Damien Dickson Zane Clarke
30	Sophie Clifford Madelyn Thomas	Vincent Yap	Kristina Craig Shakaya Butler	Janelle Riley
3/4HE	Prey Meh Sarah Zancanaro	Moana Hepi Ben Metham	Jason Davis Yasata	Ebony Courtney
4M	Oriana Watts Maia Angking	Harry Gillett Noah Mackie	Zac Nelson Mohamed Roba	Olivia Steel Hannah Rogerson
5N	Tahlia Snow Leila Cook- Windsor	Tayla Mills Tommeisha Butler	Clayton Finch Elijah Peisker	Beau-Dae Lindsay Jacob Thacker
5M	Nyakol Malith Kashia Wright-Hart	Taylor Favell Stephen Craig	Matthew Hutchinson Saadia Roba	Naitan Thornton Angel Hawkins
6F	Peter Guise Luke Croak	Nelson Burrell Storm Lockwood	Grace White Storm Lockwood	Jahnaya Butler Annalise Baird
6M	Bettina Froesch Kirsten Yap	Leander Yap Jarrod B	Jade Elworthy Leander Yap	Zoe Gridgeman Jasmyne Thomas

Bronze Awards: Kahlara Lacey
Elijah Peisker, Kahle Singh.

Silver Awards: Noah Mackie, Stella Corlett,
Clayton Finch, Samantha Hickson, Laura Lewis.

Canteen News

It is great to report the canteen is donating a very good quality soccer ball and an encyclopaedia to the School. This is the result of a Parmalat Milk promotion the Canteen entered. Parmalat is the milk company that supplies our school with plain, chocolate, strawberry and vanilla malted milk. Our price has remained at \$1.60 for the past two years, even though the recommended retail price is \$1.90. Unfortunately, next year we will have to increase to \$1.80.

The canteen is about to receive a welcome addition. A display refrigerator will be placed in the main

servicing area. This will save volunteers some walking, time and also help visual sales of products.

Last week I mentioned the problems associated with students filling out recess and lunch orders at the canteen. This is a very important issue. I do not have many volunteer helpers so consequently I do not have sufficient time to help the children make healthy decisions. I therefore ask again that parents buy lunch bags and write them out at home please. We need a separate bag for recess and lunch. At the canteen bags cost 40cents for 10.

Canteen Roster 28th Nov-2nd Dec

Mon	Sarah, Joe
Tues	Caz, Sarah, Joe
Wed	Meg, Sarah, Joe
Thurs	Tash, Joe
Fri	Trish, Joe

P & C News

Great to see the baskets filling up for our Christmas raffle, the more donations, the larger the prize. Tickets went home last week, \$1 each or 5 for \$4. The draw will take place at the Christmas Pageant night. There will be a sausage sizzle available from 5pm on the night. \$2 for a sausage on bread with your choice of sauce, tomato, bbq, sweet chilli or American mustard. Drinks will also be available, water and poppers for \$1.20. If you can help with the sausage sizzle, please contact Joe at the canteen.

Australia Day film and photography competitions

Two competitions are currently open that celebrate what it means to be Australian.

The Australia Day Council's Living Australian online photography competition is running with the theme of 'Make your Mark Australia' for 2012. The junior division prize is \$1000 and a Canon EOS 600D DSLR Camera. The open division carries a cash prize of \$4000 with the winning image immortalized on an Australian stamp. The Reel Australian Short Film Competition is also open. Students can submit an original short film in response to the question: 'What makes a mark on your Australia?'

There are three divisions: junior, open and mobile with prizes including cash, an iPad2 and a camera. Both competitions close on 6 December. More info at: www.AUSSIEVAULT.com.au.

Healthy lunchbox ideas

We are all so busy in the lead up to Christmas, but it is still important to provide your child with healthy, nutritious and filling lunches and snacks at school. The School A to Z website has some great quick and easy lunchbox ideas.

The site has printable recipes and food tips as well as allergy buster lunches for the most sensitive.

And remember as the weather warms up, freeze a water bottle and place in the lunchbox (wrap in a cloth to keep food dry) to keep food at a safe temperature for consumption.

Go to www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/food/recipes

