



# Coffs Harbour Public School

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work and we pay our respects to the Elders both past and present.

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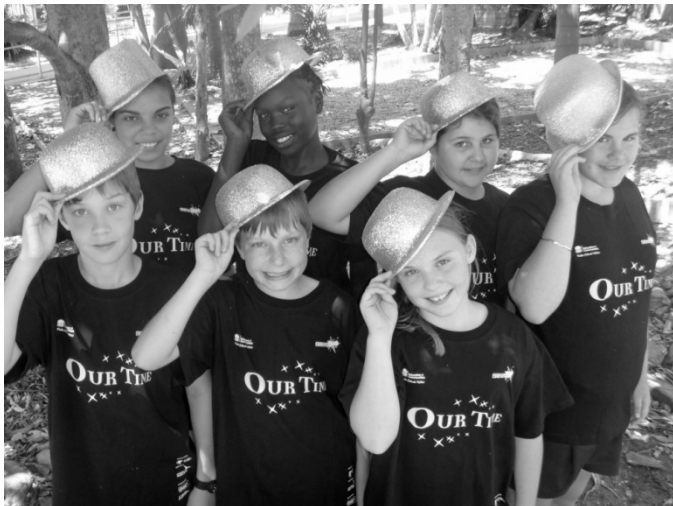
## Principal's Report

### Public Education Day

Unfortunately due to the inclement weather last Sunday, the Public Education Day was not well attended, however, the media coverage across the state certainly highlighted the major deficit in funding which the current state government is proposing. As mentioned last week, this is a major concern for our public schools and we anticipate further action in the upcoming weeks. Please contact your local member re your concerns of this major reduction in funding for public schools.

### Schools Spectacular

Good luck to our choir students travelling to Sydney this week for the 29th "Our Time" Schools Spectacular. They are performing in the Combined Choir along with 1,200 other NSW public school students. Our students have been keenly rehearsing a range of vocal material from "Ode to Joy" sung in German to the "Party Rock Anthem". It is an exciting opportunity for our talented students! They will perform in 4 performances at the Entertainment Centre on the 23rd and 24th of November. Mrs Firkins will be accompanying and performing with our students.



Ms Holden will already be in Sydney as she

has been selected to be mentored by Mr Ian Jefferson, Choral Director of the Schools Spectacular. She will co-conduct the choir's Moving Choir item where all the students will get to stand on the main arena stage. The Schools Spectacular will be shown in coming weeks on ABC Television.

### School Activities

There are a number of exciting activities planned throughout the next few weeks. A reminder to all our students and families that if behaviour is not considered to be appropriate students will not participate in these activities. Congratulations to the very large percent of our student population whose behaviour is always first class.

### Mr P Hickey Principal

### Chess News



Our Senior Chess Team competed last week in the B Grade Chess Tournament sponsored by NSW Junior Chess League and held at St Augustines School. Our team members are Angus Croak, Noah Mackie & Chris Gunn. There were

about 20 teams competing from both state and independent schools. Our 3 man team played really well and came third in the tournament. Angus Croak was the overall player who won the most of his matches. This team is an inspiration to our up and coming junior teams. Well done!

### Library News

A **Book Fair** will be held in the library during week 8 i.e. Monday November 26 – Thursday November 29. Your child can purchase a book during their library time. It is a buy one, get one free book fair. Purchasing 2 books for the price of one could be a real Christmas bonus. Parents may visit the library to purchase books any morning, Monday to Thursday, from 8.45am to 9.00.

Mon. 5M, 5N, 6M, Kinder, 3/4HE

Tues. 2O, 2M, 1AL

Wed. 1B, 1H, Special Ed. Classes

Thur. 4P, 3C, 6F

### Ms Kathy Leeson

Teacher/Librarian

### Merit Awards

	Citizenship	Bookwork	Free Choice	Student of the Week
3/4HE	Moana Hepi	Kaylee Palmer	Malakhi Donovan	Sophie Clifford
3/6C				
3C	Jace Driver	Tara Whitley-Kaspberger	Yafet Tadesse	Bella Farrah
4P	Jake Thompson	Tyler Harvey	Bonnie Groom	Imogene Carriage-Jarrett
5M	Harry Parker	Courtney Hine	Robert Mailey	Luke Freeman-Tonks
5N	Hannah Rogerson	Latrell Widders	Jake Carmady	Angus Croak
6F	Kirsty Matthews	James Fergusson	Makayla Veale	Anaelle Emile
6M	Naithan Thornton	Alireza Ghorbani	Saadia Roba	Tayla Mills

**Bronze Award:** Samoul Yaay, Kahlara Lacey

**AEO's Award:** Kashia Wright-Hart, Lamilla Horgan, Kahle Singh

### Bookclub

Bookclub orders are due back to Mrs Baird by Wednesday November 28.

### Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event
12-23/11	Mon-Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Intensive swimming</li></ul>
21/11	Wed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Students attending Schools Spectacular in Sydney</li></ul>
27/11	Tues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>School Disco 6-7.30pm</li></ul>
30/11	Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Year 6 Mini Fete</li></ul>
3/12	Mon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Student reports go home</li></ul>
4/12	Tues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Special Ed. Rotary Christmas party</li><li>Stage 3 Surf Safety</li></ul>
6/12	Thurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Year 6 orientation/transit on to high school</li><li>Stage 1 &amp; 2 Footy excursion – Gold Coast Titans</li></ul>
7/12	Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Kindergarten graduation certificates given out at K-2 PB assembly 11.30am</li><li>PB assemblies 3-6 12.15pm</li><li>No Primary Swimming for Sport</li></ul>
11.12	Tues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Presentation evening Jetty HS 6pm – 8pm</li></ul>
13/12	Thurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Stage 2 cricket skills</li><li>Year 6 dinner at CeX</li></ul>
14/12	Fri	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Disney concert</li></ul>
17/12	Mon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Talent Quest</li></ul>
18/12	Tues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>End of term rewards for whole school</li></ul>
19/12	Wed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Final day for students</li></ul>

If you are a student with AAA behaviour, you are invited to:

### Coffs Harbour Public School's Christmas Disco

**Theme:** Glow-in-the-Dark Christmas (Christmas shirts, Santa hats, glow-in-the-dark items)

**When:** Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November, Week 8, 2012



**Time:** 6:00pm – 7:30pm (must be picked up from the new hall at 7:30pm)

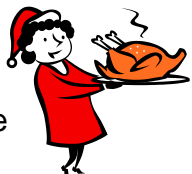
**Where:** Coffs Harbour Public School hall.

**Cost:** \$3 which includes \$2 for a drink and snack and \$1 donation.

#### P & C News

Raffle tickets for our Christmas hamper raffle are being sent home today – please check your child's bag. Please return sold tickets and money to school as soon as you can. Additional raffle books are available from the office.

Don't forget - we are still accepting donations of non perishable goods towards the hamper.

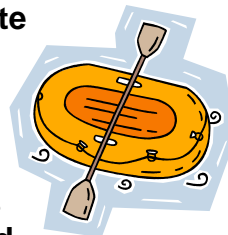


**Debbie Thacker**  
**President**



Don't forget to mention our school name when you are making purchases at Amart All sports. We are continually able to upgrade our sporting equipment through the generous program offered by Amart All Sports.

**Coffs Harbour Yacht Club** - is calling all parents, children and volunteers to a special meeting on Sunday November 25 at 10am in the downstairs training room at the Yacht Club for a special meeting to attempt to rejuvenate dinghy sailing and racing at the yacht club. The aim of the meeting is to recommend that the CHYC applies Sailing and Navigation Academy and Centre of Excellence under the guidance of Yachting Australia. Let's make it happen!



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