

# **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

## Term 4 Planning

We are now half way through the term, and we acknowledge how busy families and staff are at this time of the year. As we attempt to support you by advertising as much as we can in our calendar and on the website, please read newsletters and any other information carefully and check so that your child does not miss out on any events or activities.

To assist families with returning notes and money to school, we have invested in school printed envelopes with all details to be filled out on the envelope. Exact money with note should be sealed, given to your child to be placed in the box in the office. Children who bring notes and money loose, will be asked to complete an envelope before acceptance at the office. This is because we need to keep accurate records of which class and children have returned information.

#### After School Care/Vacation Care

Please be aware that Open Arms Care (OOSH) are closing as of 6pm 18<sup>th</sup> December. They will no longer be operating from our school, therefore there will be Vacation or after school care from this time.

#### Intensive Swimming

Notes and money had to be received by yesterday for the Intensive Swimming program in order for organisation to be finalised. If your child has missed out on this program, unfortunately they will need to enrol for next years program.

#### <u>Uniform</u>

Our uniform is usually very well represented by students at our school. Currently we are seeing inconsistent and coloured shoes creeping into the school. Please be aware that black shoes are a uniform requirement and students who wear coloured shoes will not be able to represent our school at any of the upcoming end of year events.

#### \*\*Please note

<u>School Canteen Closure</u> <u>Please ensure your child has a packed</u> <u>recess and lunch each Tuesday</u>

## Administration Routine Changes

We are currently in the process of introducing new finance and student computer systems at our school. We are one of only 229 school in the state to be piloting these programs. We ask for your support during the next 2 weeks as we '<u>go live</u>' and are unable to receipt/draw cheques or complete any financial transactions under the old OASIS system. We will receipt manually at the end of the school day and receipts will be sent home with your child. If you are sending notes and money to school please ensure you use the envelopes supplied to your child by their classroom teacher.

<u>Miss Janelle Bullen</u> Acting Principal

# Under A Sudenese Star

The Coffs Harbour Library in conjunction with the Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery is launching a book by the remarkable Sudanese man, Yai Atem. The book is called 'Under a Sudanese Star'. The launch will take place at the library on Thursday November 21. To hear Yai's story please contact Dianne Jacobus on 0410 266 1765 for further information and booking

# P & C News

# Reminder to complete survey ...

Thank you to all the families who have completed the online survey or returned survey forms to school. The P & C committee will meet tomorrow to form a canteen committee. This committee will evaluate and review the surveys and put into place appropriate actions. If you have not completed the survey either on line or in paper form you have until 9.00am tomorrow (Wednesday) to return it to school. You can visit our school website to find this at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/8WXM3RK All surveys remain anonymous.

The canteen committee meeting will be at 2.00pm in the TPL room.

# Buy Toys at unbeatable prices and help our school

The P & C are sending home Toy Catalogues as a fundraiser prior to Christmas. By ordering through the Chalk and Parent Direct Toy Fundraising catalogues you are helping our school. These toys are outstanding quality and are great prices. All orders must be returned to school by Friday November 15, 2013

The next P & C meeting is on Wednesday November 13 at 6pm in the staffroom.

## "Music count us in"

Last week our whole school participated in a national initiative "music count us in". We all assembled in the school hall to watch the live feed hosted by John Foreman in Melbourne. At 12.30pm we sang the same song at the same time as some half a million people across the nation. We joined many schools in Australia and we sang "Keep On". The song was written by high school students and the aim of the program is to raise the awareness of the importance and significance of music in the education of Australian students. We had a great time singing and are planning to keep on singing and preparing for our end of year CHPS Concert!!! Stay tuned......



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# Mathlete of the Week



Congratulations to Blayke Ascot from 4/5C. Blayke is this week's Mathlete!

# **David Helfgott Concert**

Disability Services and their Community Partners are celebrating the International Day of People with Disabilities by holding a concert featuring pianist David Helfgott. The concert will be held at the Jetty Memorial Theatre on 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. Tickets are \$35 and available from the Theatre Box Office. Part of the funds raised at the concert will support or fundraising efforts to purchase a bus.

# **Bus Application Form 2014**

As you are aware the Transport for NSW requires a new application form for free travel form students who commence Year 3.

When you receive the completed application forms for Year 3 2014 would you kindly sign and date all forms then forward to **Busways Pymble**, Level 1, 5 Bridge St Pymble NSW 2073 (Locked Bag 61).

## Year 6 Students Progressing to High School

Parents have been asked to forward the completed Bus Application form to the High School their children will be attending in 2014.Parents of children deemed ineligible may apply directly to Transport for NSW stating their reasons.

Busways has sent a letter and application to all Year 6 students currently attending our school.

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

# Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Day	Event
Nov 6	Wednesday	Yr 6 visited by Jetty HS students and staff National Kindness Day
Nov 6 - 19	Wednesday Following 2 weeks undertaking training, upgrading and delivery of new system	Financial Rollover
Nov 11	Monday	Remembrance Day
Nov 11 – Nov 22	2 weeks	Intensive Swimming
Nov 12	Tuesday	Footsteps program K-6
Nov 13	Wednesday	P & C Meeting 6.00pm staffroom
Nov 21	Thursday	World <i>'Hello'</i> Day
Nov 22	Friday	Stage 3 Surf Safety
Nov 26	Tuesday	Mini Fete
Nov 27	Wednesday	Visit from Titans Football players from 1.30
Dec 3	Tuesday	Teddy Bear's Picnic for 2014 Kinder enrolments
Dec 4	Wednesday	High School Orientation for all High Schools
Dec 5	Thursday	International Volunteers Day
Dec 6	Friday	School Christmas concert
Dec 7	Saturday	David Helfgott Fundraising concert
Dec 10	Tuesday	Year 6 Farewell at Tabatinga Rotary Special Ed. Christmas Party
Dec 12	Thursday	Presentation Night
Dec 17	Tuesday	Reward Day
Dec 18	Wednesday	Last day of term for students

# Kinder Yellow at last week's Assembly



# K-2 Assembly Awards

	Student of the week	Class Awards		
Kindy	Kirk	Tahlia	Bruce	Alisa
Blue	Atherton	Waters	Auld	Panozzo
Kindy	Morya	Rudy	Kaine	Juaan
Red	Bahta	Johnston	Belcher	Penese
Kindy	Ager	Lahvera	Siddiq	Brianna
Yellow	Mou	Lefaoseu	Mohammed	Stevens
1B	Jessica	Nerada	Zarah	Faezah
	Sekanbo	Goodrum	Arabzadeh	Hedari
1L	Shontaya	Ismael	Levi	Angel
	Craig	Adam	Whitley	Lawson
2M	William	Paige	Kirsty	Caleb
	Durie	Sutton	Schmidt	Denny
20	Azel	lsaiha	Bailey	Godson
	Penese	Kelly	Hickson	Amedigo
2B	Shaun	Lesane	Caleb	Braydon
	Onley	Kale Kale	Errington	Clifford
K-2N		Taiyo Savage	Maddison Mant	

# 3-6 Assembly Awards

	Citizenship	Bookwork	Free Choice	Student of the Week
3P	Fereshteh Arabzedah	Nick Orchard	Cecila Nau lak	Sughra Mahammad Hassan
3/4H	Caleb	Kyra	Kodie	Tquile
	Lowe	Buchanan	Thompson	Singh
4J	Haylea	Sophie	Blain	Luke
	Favell	Hutchinson	Dwyer	Panozzo
3/6C	Tylah Delany	Martika Matthews		Kaylee Palmer
4/5C	Grace	Cameron	Rhiannon	Brianna
	Wrathall	Herbert	Tolley	Wright-Hart
5M	Malakhai	Chloe	Damian	Moana
	Donovan	Sole	Pitt	Hepi

6F	Micheal	Hannah	Angus	Ebony
	Gardner	Rogerson	Croak	Tolley
6M	Maia	Ebony	Sara	Josh
	Angking	Courtney	Depotovic	Jones

# Bronze Award:

Sophie Clifford, Martika Matthews.

## Silver Award:

Chloe Mary, Lesane Kale Kale

If you would like the newsletter emailed to you each week, (through a blind cc whereby only your email will be displayed on the email) please fill in your details and return to school.

Name.....

Email Address.....

## **Design competition**

The design competition for NSW Youth Week 2014 is open to young people aged 12-25 years. The winning artist will be awarded \$1000 and given the chance to showcase their work during Youth Week.

Find out more: <u>http://youth.nsw.gov.au/youth-week-in-nsw/</u>

## **Primary school**

#### Sun safety

This spring has seen temperatures soar. A new information pack with the latest advice on sun safety is available for schools and parents.

#### Find out more:

http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/st udenthealth/sun-safety/index.php