



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

9th December 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 Farewell

What a terrific night it was last night. The year 6 students had a wonderful time and it was a great opportunity for staff and students to celebrate the last seven years of their schooling. The school captains spoke of how much they have enjoyed their roles this year, students received their certificates and photo books and a lovely cake was cut. Thanks to everyone who made the night so successful.



Volunteer Morning Tea

A lovely morning tea was held yesterday to thank our many wonderful volunteers. We as a school are so grateful for the support and commitment throughout the year. Our volunteer's play such an important role in our school's success. Volunteering at CHPS encompasses helping in the classrooms, support in the canteen, fundraising, running sports groups, covering books in the library, scripture lessons, student

banking, taking students to and from excursions and of course all the great work our P&C do.

Presentation Day

Today we held our annual School Presentation Day. It was a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge the outstanding efforts and achievements of so many of our students. It is always good to see our P&C, parents and community members share this recognition of our talented and hardworking students. It gives me the chance to thank our staff and community for their support of our school which is so much appreciated.

Reports

End of year Student Reports went home on Monday. Teachers take great care to highlight student achievement but also to recommend goals for students to work towards in the following year. Share with your child the reading of the report and explain their strengths and areas they could improve. Focus on the child's effort. We are very proud of the growth in literacy and numeracy skills across our student population this year.

Uniform

It would be wonderful if every student in the school wore black shoes next year as per our uniform policy. We ask parents that when buying new school shoes for 2016, please support our policy. These can be black runners or school shoes.

The New School Year in 2016

Children in Years 1 to 6 return to school on Thursday 28th January 2016.

Teachers make very considered judgements in placing students into classes for a new school year. As there can be quite a few changes to enrolments in any particular grade with families moving in and out of the area over the holiday period, we wait until all adjustments have been made and we are sure of placements before finalising classes. Students will revise important programs such as sun safe practices, bike safety,

bus safety, school rules and positive attitudes to learning, and revision of maths facts, to help settle them into the new school year and blow away the cobwebs.

During the first three days of school, Thursday 28th and Friday 29th January, Monday 1st February, Kindergarten teachers will be conducting individual assessments of all new Kindergarten students. Letters will be sent home this week informing parents of the appointment time. An explanation of the Best Start program was given at the Orientation Parent Information Meeting. Kindergarten children will only attend for their appointment time on one of these two days. Kindergarten will start attending school on Tuesday 2nd February.

School Requisites for 2016

Requisite payments have been set at \$40 per student for 2016. These payments cover books, pencils, Mathletics fee, USB for senior students, art and craft materials, tissues, wipes etc.

A voluntary contribution of \$10 is set per child; however a family rate of \$20 is available for 2 or more students. We ask that these payments be made in the first 3 weeks of term next year.

Neighbourhood Watch

Please keep a very close eye on our school over coming weeks and in the holidays. If you see anyone in the school grounds who should not be there or acting in a suspicious manner, please call the police. Take note of number plates and the appearance of the people (height, hair colour, clothing or any identifiable features). If you have a camera or phone with camera, you might like to take a photo of anything suspicious. We really need our community to keep a very watchful eye on our school please. If you have friends or relatives who live around our school or drive past the school, please let them know too.

Have a good week,

Leonie



Coffs Harbour Public School
presents
Term 4 Christmas
Disco

When:- 9th December
Theme:- Christmas or Red, White or Green
Time:- 5pm to 6pm
Where:- School Hall
Cost:- \$3.00 Includes a drink, snack and a donation to the KMART Wishing Tree Appeal

P & C News

Our P&C meeting is on tonight Wednesday 9th December at 6pm in the staff room. The agenda for the next meeting will be discussion on the viability of keeping the canteen open. Come and help us keep this valuable school resource available to our students.

We would love to have some new members. Being a P&C member is a great way to be involved in your child's schooling. Come along to a meeting and see what we are all about. If you would like any further information please contact Vicki Baldwin on 0481 056 812 or email mrsbaldy@netspace.net.au We look forward to seeing you.

P&C Christmas Raffle

We are still collecting donations for our P&C Christmas raffle. All donations big or small would be greatly appreciated and can either be left at the school office or Vicki Baldwin can collect (*please phone 0481 056 812 to arrange pick up*). The raffle is a major fundraiser for the P&C. Raffle tickets have been sent home. Tickets will be \$1.00 each or five for \$4. The raffle will be drawn at the end of year concert.

From The Canteen

Please note the canteen will be open for recess only on Friday 11th December. No lunch orders will be accepted on the day, sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

2015 PB Assembly and Christmas Concert

When: Friday 11th December
Time : 11.15am - 3pm
Where: Coffs Harbour Public School Hall

We would love for you to join us for our school PB Assembly from 11.15pm to 12.15pm. Following the assembly our P&C are hosting a sausage sizzle from 12.15pm - 1.00pm. Sausages are available to pre order for \$2 by completing the order form on the back page of this newsletter. Drinks will be available to purchase for \$2. Following lunch, our school Christmas concert will be held in the hall from 1.00pm to 3.00pm.

CHPS Basketball

A notice to any girls in years 5 and 6 who would like to play Basketball in the local Saturday School Competition in 2016 for Coffs Harbour Public School. There is a one off registration fee that covers the 12 month season. A game fee will be need to be paid for each 6 month season. Any girls interested in playing next year please let Mrs Martin know at school or contact Heather on 0478658556



You're invited to the
Coffs Harbour Public School
End of Year Concert.....



MUSIC ACROSS THE AGES

Please be seated in the hall by no later
than 1.10pm.

Come and enjoy the dancing spectacular
on Friday 11th December!



