

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

16th November, 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Yesterday we had the team from Galambila Aboriginal Health visit the school to conduct hearing and vision assessments. It was a very successful visit. This is such an important service and Jim Hurley and his team do a tremendous job.

Today we had our Student Leader speeches for 2017 leadership positions. Congratulations to the twenty six students who took part. Announcements of the four school Captains and six school Leaders will be held at the Presentation Day on 8 December 2016. The messages that the candidates spoke of were aligned with our school rules of excellence, safety, responsibility and respect.

The staff and P&C have voted on making school backpacks available for purchase. These school bags will be sold through the P&C however you can purchase them from the office. They will be sold for \$45 each. They have a 15 year warranty. This photo is of a sample bag. Our backpacks will have the CHPS logo. If you are interested in purchasing one, you can pre-order them from the office. The P&C have ordered 30 and they will be delivered before the end of the school term.

Have a great week,

Leonie



New School Bag

Playground Update





Year 5 Speech day





Parent Community Liaison News

Hello Parents,

As school gets busier as the weeks fly by I wanted to make you aware of the calendar on the back page of this newsletter. We have tried to make it as clear as possible so that we know when and where activities are happening. It can get confusing so you are always welcome to call the office for clarification.

Assembly this week involves KM, KJ and KH as well as Senior Choir. Assembly times are 11.30 for K, Years 1 and 2 and 12.15 for years 3-6.

Remember to vote for Coffs Central's garden boxes made by our wonderful school.

We had a great parent talk in the Library on Friday about Anxiety in Kids. Dr Nicola Holmes spoke about the need to let children feel anxious about some things and then push through and let them overcome their normal anxieties. Avoiding what makes you anxious makes anxiety much worse.

She recommended some slow breathing, less screen time and more family and outdoor time.

Choose words that encourage mastery, "This ground here is slippery" rather than "Be careful because you will slip".

She also had advice on behaviour. Decide a few things that are totally unacceptable and punish them. Focus on desirable behaviours and ignore undesirable.

Contact me if you want any more details or resources.

Enjoy these last few weeks of school and I am sure I will see you here over the next few weeks!

Caitlin Mackie

Parent Community Liaison Officer

Coffs Harbour Public School Canteen Licence

Tenders are called for the licence of the Coffs Harbour Public School canteen for the school year commencing 27 January 2017 and for a term of approximately 1 year with the option to renew. Annual school enrolments are approximately 435. General enquiries and requests for a Tender Information Package should be referred to:

Coffs Harbour Public School

Telephone: 6652 3355

Tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Confidential – School Canteen Tender" and sent to:

The Principal – Coffs Harbour Public School 7 Salamander Street COFFS HARBOUR NSW 2450

Tenders close at **3pm** on **Friday 25 November 2016**

Galambila's 'Deadly Dan' Visit

Today we had a visit from Galambila's Deadly Dan - "Butt Out - Kids About". He spoke to the children about keeping all kids safe from the effects of smoking.





P&C News

Notes have gone out for the P&C's **Big Banana Family Fun Night** which will be next **Saturday November 26**. \$12 per person can be paid to the school office - remember that kids under 2 and spectators will get in free of charge. The P&C will also be holding a sausage sizzle and raffling off various gift vouchers. It should be a great night of fun and we hope to see you all there.

As the weather is starting to really warm up, we'll also be holding Icy Pole days on the next two Fridays - that is this Friday November 18 and Friday November 25.

As always, your P&C is ready to work towards improving our kids' experience at school and we welcome your participation. If you have any skills or expertise that you are willing to put towards the school, then please get in touch. If you don't know any of the committee members, you can send an email to chpspandc@gmail.com.

Our final meeting for the year will be at 6:00pm on Wednesday December 14 and new members are always welcome. You can also get regular updates on what's going on at our Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/chpspandc/</u>

School Fundraising Raffle

Last week the school sent home raffle tickets with each student for the school Christmas Fundraising Raffle. All money raised will go towards our school bus costs.

The first prize is this fantastic **Tracker JR 20**" **bike**. It's the go anywhere bike for all conditions. Sand, snow or mud? All a mere snack for these monster tyres. *Hop on and superhero off.*

Key features of the Tracker JR 20

- Engineered alloy frame and light alloy fork are both strong and durable.
- Big Daddy' 20 x 4.0 tyres roll over anything and everything.
- 7-Speed Shimano gearing with Revo-Shift lever for easy gear changes.
- Tektro Disc brakes for braking control in all





The prizes are:

1st: Fat wheel 20" bike (the lastest bike for kids with 7 gears to ride on and off road) 2nd: Family Taronga Zoo pass 3rd: 2 year Big 4 park discount 4th: Pamper Christmas Hamper (with loads of different things!)

Heatherbrae Christmas Fundraiser

A note will be coming home today for the Heatherbrae Christmas fundraiser. This is a great way to save time on all your Christmas baking. Orders are due back Friday 25th November.

Chess Competition

On Thursday 10th November CHPS had 3 teams participate in the Primary School's One Day Chess Competition at St Augustine's. Our students each played 11 games of chess throughout the whole day. Although we didn't place on the day, the students had a great time playing against other schools and students. Well done Chess club!

Intensive Swimming

In weeks 4 and 5 of the term, two groups of children from Coffs Harbour Public School attended the Intensive Swimming Program which is offered each year at Coffs Harbour Olympic Pool. This year, we had about 45 Yr 2 children attend and 40 children from Special Ed and mainstream Yrs 3/6. We were fortunate enough to have delightful swimming weather which made the walk and the swimming extremely enjoyable.

This year, the children made great progress in both water confidence and stroke correction. Some children in the Yr 3/6 group made extensive improvement in the distance they were able to swim at the end of the 10 days.

All children demonstrated our school rules of Excellence, Respect, Responsibility and Safety at all times throughout this fortnight. This was particularly noticed by the Austswim Instructors. Therefore it was an absolute pleasure to organise, attend and participate in this program.

As always a big thank you must go to all the staff who walked to the pool each day, those who got wet, to the Austswim staff at the local pool and to Cody East and Kylie Host for supporting the children during intensive swimming each day.

- Naomi Court







Little Hands Preschool

DISCOVER, PLAY AND LEARN Enrolling now for 2017!

At Little Hands Preschool qualified and experienced Early Childhood educators develop for each child an individualised education program in stimulating and highly resourced facilities. Purposeful



engagement with a particular emphasis on social skills, 21st Century learning styles and the natural environment are our key focus areas. Play based programmes support each child's self-discovery and achievement.

We cater for all children aged 2 years to 6 years in our small family owned and operated Education centre. Imagine the possibilities for your child!

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Little Hands Preschool and Long Day Care

Trading Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 5:30pm

Call us today to enrol or discuss your family's needs.





What's Been Happening in 5/6L

Term 4 has been a busy term up in Stage 3. 5/6L have been studying about Antarctica, its climate and animal life. We have enjoyed learning to draw the Emperor Penguins.



In our class, students have also been busy this term visiting Yarrahappini, preparing leader speeches for 2017 and getting ready for our Year 6 end of year Mini Fete. We have also participated in choir and dance at the Lighthouse Community of School's performance. We also attended a fun volleyball gala day at Sportz Central.

It has been a busy term and we cannot wait for the rest of this exciting term which also includes our end of year concert and Year 6 Graduation!!







Coffs Harbour Public School 2016 Term 4 Calendar



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
14/11	15/11	16/11	17/11	18/11
				Sausage Sizzle - Ama
		Yr 5 Leadership Speeches	Guitar Lessons	Kinder Transition (2 - 3pm)
		Galambila Visit - 'Deadly Dan'		K -2 Assembly (Performance by KH) 3-6 Assembly (Performance by 5/6L)
21/11	22/11	23/11	24/11	25/11
			Guitar Lessons	National Athletics Carnival
				Kinder Transition (2 - 3pm)
				IM Transition
				Pre loved Clothing and Knick Knack Sale - Fundraiser
				Saturday 26th - Big Banana Waterslide night 5:30pm
				Canteen Tenders Close
28/11	29/11	30/11	1/12	2/12
National Athletics Carnival			Scripture Christmas	Mini Fete
	National Athletics Carnival		Concert (K - 6) 2pm	IM Transition
			Guitar Lessons	K -2 Assembly (Presentation by Ama) 3-6 Assembly (Performance 5/6M)
5/12	6/12	7/12	8/12	9/12
	Year 6 Farewell (6:15pm)		Presentation Day (9:30am)	PB Assembly - (11am - 12pm)
	Coffs Harbour High Orientation day		Guitar Lessons	P&C Sausage Sizzle 12pm School Concert (1:30pm - 3pm)
	Orara High School Orientation			School concert (1.50pm - 5pm)
12/12	13/12	14/12	15/12	16/12
Reports go home	Volunteer's Morning Tea	Talent Quest (11:30am)	Rewards Day	Last Day of School for 2016
Attendance Party Leader Lunch	Special Ed Christmas Party	(Students only)	(Pool - Mainstream K - 6) (Special Ed - Pirate Day)	Saturday 17th - Harvey Norman BBQ