



# 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**

**7th February, 2020**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the 2020 school year and a very warm welcome to our many new families.

We have started the year with a very full two weeks. We've had a record number of enrolments and a very exciting and successful Community Open Day.

### **Community Open Day**

Congratulations and thank you to the students, staff and community members who contributed to our Open Day. Looking around at the many performances, you would have been mistaken for thinking that students had been practising their items for weeks. However this was all pulled together in 5 days.

Thank you to Aunty Delma Donnelly for an inspiring welcome to country, Troy Robinson for the smoking ceremony and leading the BMNAC Cultural dancers; Rob Canning for playing the didgeridoo; our amazing Yazidi families for their very popular and delicious bread making demonstrations and tastings; our school guitarists led by Amy Grevino; and lastly a big thank you to Ms Dallas, Ms Ford and Ms Nagham for their guidance of the school performers.

A very special thank you and congratulations to our school leaders and captains for the way they conducted tours. I had countless members of our community comment on the leaders and the warm welcome they received, their knowledge of the school's history, the kindness they showed and this all made our visitors feel very special and welcome.

A day like this couldn't have been possible without immense organisation. Thank you so much to Charlotte Wilfert and Caitlin Mackie for being the organising team. What a great job they did.

### **Enrolments**

Our school is very transient and by nature that means that we have many new students enrol throughout the year. It also means that we have a number of students leave and move out of the area. Overall though we gain more students than we lose and so

our student numbers have been rising steadily over the last 6 years.

I want to thank our students, staff and parents for their patience whilst we have been completing enrolments. Yesterday we were able to place students into classes.

In today's newsletter I have a staff list for your reference. You will also notice that class names have been altered. This year we are using colours in class names. These colours are in Gumbaynggir language.

Red - Muluurr      Green - Girriin

Yellow - Duna      Orange - Ngarrany

Blue - Jiling

Uncle Michael Jarrett will be teaching our students and staff the correct pronunciation of these names next week.

### **School Costs**

We try to keep school fees and other costs as low as possible. For each child we ask for \$50 for school fees. This money covers paper, exercise books, art and craft supplies, tissues etc. Thank you for making this payment as soon as possible.

Voluntary contributions are still set at \$10 per child.

Students in Special education classes are asked for \$10 per term to cover bus costs for local excursions.

Please see the calendar in today's newsletter for this term's events.

Have a great  
fortnight,

Leonie



## Swimming Carnival

Our annual swimming carnival will be held this year on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2020. The carnival will again be for competitors only. This means students will need to be able to competently swim **50m** without any assistance. The carnival will be held in conjunction with Tyalla Public School and we are looking forward to this new initiative. Students will have the opportunity to compete against a wider group of competitors, however, student times will only be compared within their own respective school. This will mean that we will be sending the same amount of students to the district carnival as in previous years. Mr Murphy will be sending out notes to eligible students (ages 8+) with further details about the day. **Notes will need to be returned to the school office by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February.** PSSA District Swimming will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February.

Mr Murphy, Miss Berry & Mr Kenny

## News from our Parent Liaison Officer

Hello parents and welcome to a new school year.

I may be familiar to you already but my name is Caitlin Mackie and I am working this year in our school with parents as a Community Liaison Officer for few days each week.

This means I will be around to say hello and call you with good news. I will try to be of assistance to you in any way I can. Feel free to leave a note for me at the front office or stop me as I am walking by and ask any questions relating to how aspects of school work, where to find information or how to access other community resources.

Please know that involving yourself in your child's learning journey at school pays off in your child's results, happiness and well-being at school. Enjoy 2020!

Caitlin Mackie  
Community Liaison Officer

## Keeping Your Child Safe - Road Safety

The school community is concerned about ways to make our morning drop off routine safer. **Parent's cars should not enter the bus zone between 8am - 9:30am & 2:30pm - 4pm.**

This means that children can use the crossing safely without cars entering the area. The best place to drop your child off in the **morning**, is further down Salamander Street.

In the **afternoon** children line up and are led down by a teacher to Curacoa Street where parents are able to park easily and safely. This is suitable for K-6 students.



## School Newsletter

This year our newsletter will be available online via our **School Website**. If you would like to receive a paper copy of the newsletter, please complete and return this slip to the office.

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Paper copy requested

Or if you would prefer it be emailed to you

Email Copy

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Staff member</b>	<b>Support Staff</b>
KG Jiling	Kate Grimston	Tanya Wilkinson Rima
KJW Duna	Jess Johns/ Joleene Ware	
KM Muluurr	Brooke Mc Allister	
KD Girriin	Tracy Duffy	
1B Jiling	Nicole Bennett	Sandy Gentle Charlotte Wilfert Rima
1F Muuluurr	EJ Ford	
1M Duna	Emma McLaughlin	
2K Jiling	Zac Kenny	
2PB Muluurr	Brittany Paul/ Jessica Binks	
2VB Duna	Laura Vines/ Jessica Binks	
3/4G Duna	Maggie Galloway	Anna Dun Mosquera Nagham
3/4R Muluurr	Carrina Ratcliff	
3/4SV Jiling	Kiandra Sciascia/ Kate Verbruggen	
3/4K Girriin	Carlie King	
4/5D Duna	Jess Davidson	Mardi Thomas Nagham
5C Jiling	Emma Cummins	
5/6B Duna	Heather Berry	
6H Jiling	Anita Hodgson	
6L Duna	Emma Leman	
K/1BMuluurr	Leigh-Ann Barton	Tahlee <small>Mon-Wed</small> Beth <small>Th-Fr</small>
2/6M Jiling	Alison Mitchell	Carmel Groom
3/6DE Ngarrany	Cathy Dawson 9-11/Simon Easey 11-3	Yvonne Randell
3/6CB Girrinn	Felicity Cook Mon-Thurs/Kristine Baker Fri	Kathy Turner
3/6D Duna	Holly De With	Lynne Treddinick
RFF	Alicia Jacobson	
Integration SLSO		Sharon Whitwam
RFF	Scott Murphy	

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Staff Member</b>	<b>Support Staff</b>
RFF	Claire Murray	
Library/ RFF	Kathy Leeson/ Col Trickett	Julie Morton
STEAM/ ICT/ RFF	Kelly Hyndeman	
Program Continuity Teacher	Monique Lark	
EALD	Deb Newton	
EALD	Sophie McGregor (9-1.45pm)	
EALD	Simon Easey (9-11am)	
EAFS Instructional Leader K-2	Louise Blomfield	
EAFS Instructional Leader 3-6	Jo Trickett	
Non- teaching AP	Shelley Anderson Michelle O'Donnell	
Counsellor	Emma Tudor	
ISTH	Lauren Hodge	
ISTH	Emma Smith	
ISTH	Ken Haase	
ISTH	Sara Holden	
SAM	Laura Baker	
SAO	Kristy Craigie	
SAO	Karen Apps	
SAO	Shaunagh Willman	
SAO	Charlotte Wilfert	
AEO	Dallas Gittins	
CLO	Caitlin Mackie	
GA	Garry Matthews	
GA	Dave Storer	
Aboriginal Language Tutor	Bryce Filewood	
AP ES1	Danielle Morgan	
AP S1	Michelle O'Donnell Shelley Anderson	
AP S2	Bel Leeson	
AP S3	Kelly Hyndeham	
AP Non -teaching	Shelley Anderson/ Michelle O'Donnell	
Principal	Leonie Buehler	



# Community Open Day





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## 2020 Term 1 Calendar



<b>Wk</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
1	27/01 Australia Day Public Holiday	28/01 Staff Development Day	29/01 First Day of School Year 2020	30/01	31/01
2	03/02 Kinder Bus Safety	04/02 Community Open Day	05/02	06/02	07/02
3	10/02	11/02	12/02 Swimming Carnival	13/02 K-2 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 2K Jiling	14/02
4	17/02	18/02	19/02	20/02 3-6 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 6L Duna	21/02
5	24/02	25/02 District Swimming	26/02	27/02 K-2 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 2PB Muluurr	28/02
6	02/03	03/03	04/03	05/03 3-6 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 6H Jiling	06/03
7	09/03	10/03	11/03	12/03 K-2 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 2/6DE Ngarrany & 2/6M Jiling	13/03
8	16/03 Dental Van Visit	17/03 Dental Van Visit	18/03 Dental Van Visit	19/03 3-6 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 5/6B Duna  Dental Van Visit	20/03 School Photos
9	23/03	24/03	25/03	26/03 K-2 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 1B Jiling	27/03
10	30/03	31/03	01/04	02/04 3-6 Assembly 2.15-3pm Performance by 5C Jiling	03/04
11	06/04	07/04	08/04 Rewards Day	09/04 Attendance Party PB Assembly 2.15-3pm Last Day of Term 1	10/04 Good Friday Public Holiday