

# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This Friday, 28 November will be the official opening of the Sculpture Trail. Mr Hamish Malcolm is organising a number of dignitaries, including our captains and prefects, to attend and celebrate. We will begin with our usual formal assembly followed by morning tea in the garden.

Allan Morris from Bird Life Australia presented book awards to our winning Twitchathon teams - the Malcolm Falcons and the Sawtell Babblers. Prizes were presented not only for seeing birds but for raising money for bird conservation projects.

Many families still have out of date contact information. PLEASE send in your updated details or call the office. We are concerned about the potential stress caused for you and your child/children should we not be able to contact you in an emergency.

An Oral Health Day has been organised for Wednesday 3 December and some of our students will be attending. Notes will be sent to the students involved.

Kindergarten swimming commenced this week and intensive swimming is continuing this week, with both programs running each day until Friday 28 November at the Sawtell Swim Centre. The programs continue even in inclement weather as continuity of the programs is important for progress. Kindergarten students catch a bus each day as they have little legs. Other students will walk to and from the pool each day unless, like today, there is a good reason for a bus.

Please keep viewing the calendar in each newsletter as dates and times for school events can change.

Teachers are currently completing formal school reports and these will be ready for sending home on 12 December.

The NSW School Spectacular is on this Saturday from 7-10:00pm on Channel 9.

Staffing has been organised for 2015. We expect to get just over 300 students giving us 12 classes. If you know that your children will be leaving the school in 2015 please inform class teachers or Mr Cheers as we are in the process of organising classes for 2015.

## PERFORMING ARTS

Junior band (K-2 ukulele and guitar) will be performing on assembly this Friday with the choir.

Next Monday 1 December we will be having a visit from the Barren Joey High School Band. They will be having workshops with our big band from 9:30-11:00 and then having a combined performance from 11:15. Band students need to bring instruments for the workshop.

Thursday 4 December at 12:45 the string ensemble and choir will be performing at the Sawtell RSL Club for the Waratah Gadabouts charity group.

Friday 5 December the Big Band will be performing at assembly. Mayor Denise Knight will be attending. Denise is a great supporter of the arts in our council area and an exparent of our school.

Monday 8 December the Big Band, string ensemble and choir will be performing at presentation night. Band members need to be in the new hall at 5:30 for tuning.

Thursday 11 December all groups (band, choir, dance) will be performing at the Sawtell Summer Session in the main street. This will be a great community celebration of our school and the performing arts. Performances start at 6:00pm. Students need to be there at 5:15pm for setup and tuning.

Help required for school concert, any parents interested in helping with sewing/making costumes for the end of year concert please phone Bec on 0467 410 293. A meeting will be organised for next week.

#### **SPORT**

Due to safety concerns students who need to leave sport early must be picked up by parents. If students ride bikes they are to walk back to school and leave at the usual time.

## **P&C REPORT**

Tea Towels fundraiser - with every student's self-portrait - \$10 each & available from the office. These tea towels would make great Christmas presents for grandparents, aunts, uncles & families.

#### P&C Christmas Raffle

Could families please donate non-perishable items to be included in Christmas hampers. Tickets to win the hampers will be on sale at school during recess from 24 November for \$1 per ticket and the winners drawn on the night of the school concert.

#### SAWTELL GADABOUTS INVITATION

Parents are invited to Christmas Lunch

4 December at 11:00am in the Princess Room, Sawtell RSL Club. \$20 per person.

Entertainment by Sawtell Primary School Children.

Raffles - Trading Table. Colour Theme - Black, Silver, touch of Red. RSVP: Maureen 6658 3808

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

17-28 November Yr 1-6 Intensive Swimming 24-28 November Kindergarten Swimming Fri 28 November Junior Band - Choir assembly Opening of Sculpture Trail 9 -10:00am Fri 28 November Mon 1 December Barren Joey HS Band Workshop Coffs Harbour Principals' Meeting Tues 2 December Tues 2 December K-2 & Yr 6 Toothbrush Day Wed 3 December Yr 7 2015 to Toormina High School Wed 3 December Indigenous Oral Health Day Thurs 4 December Band - Choir at RSL 12:45pm Fri 5 December Full Band - String Ensemble assembly Mon 8 December Presentation Night (Band/Choir)

Mon 8 December Dress rehearsal for Concert Wed 10 December Yr 7 2015 Blue Class Orientation

Wed 10 December Concert Night

Sawtell Street Party 5:00-8:00pm Thurs 11 December

Fri 12 December Level O'Day /Reports Out

Mon 15 December Year 6 Farewell Tues 16 December School Picnic Day Wed 17 December Talent Quest/ Last Day Wed 28 January First day for students 2015

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST: YOGA FOR KIDS**

Monday afternoons 3-4pm at Sawtell Public School Hall \$10 a session or \$100 per term

Children will be taught by two teachers: A qualified and insured Oki-Yoga teacher and qualified Primary School teacher.

Classes will include: stretching, partner work, relaxation, laughter and heaps of fun!

If you are interested please contact: Victoria Jenkins on 0401057671.

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#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

The Uniform Shop is open on Monday mornings 8.45 to 9.15am. Should you be unable to attend the Uniform Shop during these hours, order forms are available at the school office.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### Family Referral Service [Pathfinders]

This is a referral service which will assist families to access relevant local support for themselves and their children. This is a free service. Phone: 1800 758 589

#### **Challenging Behaviours**

If you need further support re challenging behaviours, Burnside has a number of workshops and courses throughout the year. Phone: 6659 2800





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