



SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

30 JULY 2014 - TERM 3 WEEK 3

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The sincerity and altruism of Joan Howlett, from the Coffs Harbour Soup Kitchen reminded us just how great it is to live in a community with so many big hearted people. Mrs Howlett enjoyed our Friday assembly as much as students, parents and teachers enjoyed making and selling the soup made from pumpkins from our garden and other donated vegetables. The Soup Day was coordinated by Mrs Andrews and resulted in Mrs Howlett receiving a cheque for \$216 to help those in our community in need of a warm meal. Research has shown that the happiest people are those that give to others.

Ethics classes will not be available for Years 3 and 4 in the short term until a new teacher is trained. The current teacher was unable to continue for personal reasons. If you are interested in facilitating ethics classes please contact the school.

Every student had a chance to learn something about China last Thursday when we welcomed 46 Chinese students into our school for the morning. Their school is a least 10 times bigger than ours.

Please be aware that a half day, Coffs Cup holiday has been gazetted for Thursday 7 August. The school will be closed from midday. A special note will be sent home tomorrow. Note that buses will run normal hours and will not be providing a midday service.

On the staff front, Mrs McMahon has returned from her adventures. Mrs Hurry has returned after a week visiting schools implementing a new finance and administration program (Learning Management & Business Reform). Wendy has been reporting feedback to the LMBR task force from Principals and SAS staff regarding the implementation process and impact on school operations. Mr Burkitt has returned after spending the week managing the National School Sport Australia AFL championships. From next week Mr Burkitt will be taking leave for the rest of the term and be replaced by Mr Brookman. Mrs Buckley will be relieving Assistant Principal.

P & C

LAST CALL for Chocolate Drive money. The Chocolate Drive is proving to be a huge success getting us closer to the purchase of a projector for the hall. Please return the money collected ASAP. Each box contained 50 chocolates so \$50 back to the school would be appreciated.

Pie Drive

The P&C are holding a Pie Drive. An order form is included with this newsletter. All orders with full payment are to be returned by Wednesday 6 August for delivery on Thursday 14 August.

WORKING BEE 1

The school will be holding a working bee on Saturday 9 August. This will involve a small building project and some gardening fun. For the gardeners please bring your own digging tools, rakes and wheel barrow if you have them. If any builder types are available on that day please contact me for more details on the project. We are replacing an old section of the walkway near the boys' toilet entrance before the sculpture works are attached the following week. If you can't make the whole day, 8:00am to 4:00pm, an hour or two would be great.

WORKING BEE 2

The next stage in the Community Sculpture project involves some concreting and construction on Sunday 17 August. If you would like to help (you don't have to be too artistic to help with concreting) please contact me at school on 6653 1666 or Hamish Malcolm on 6658 5151.

NAIDOC/OPEN DAY

Next Wednesday the school will have an Education Week open classroom morning and then after recess the students and staff will be involved in NAIDOC activities. After morning assembly the parents are invited to visit their children's classroom from 9:30. At 10:15 we will hold a special assembly with various performances as well as a badge ceremony for our indigenous leaders. NAIDOC activities will then commence after recess with students rotating through a range of cultural activities. Parents are most welcome to join us for the activities.

A morning tea for parents will be provided.

SPORT REPORT

On Monday 64 children went to the District Carnival and many of them made it through to zone. Last Thursday the Girls' netball team attended a gala day finishing second overall. Last Wednesday the school sent both a Boys' and Girls' team to touch football, both teams lost their first games and were knocked out.

ILLNESS

There is currently a 'tummy bug' circulating through the school. It would be appreciated if parents could keep students showing symptoms at home to help stop the spread throughout the school.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed 6 August NAIDOC/Open day
 Thurs 7 August Coffs Cup - half day holiday
 Mon 11 August P&C Meeting 7pm
 Fri 15 August MNC Athletics
 Sat 8 November P&C Trivia Night

ASSEMBLY PERFORMANCES

1 August 4/5P
 8 August 1/2W
 15 August Tournament of Minds
 22 August Kinder
 29 August 1GH
 5 September 3/4A
 12 September 3/4W

CANTEEN NEWS

Thursday 7 July - Coffs Cup Day
Canteen will not be open at all on Thursday.

COMMUNITY NEWSPARENTING COURSES

UnitingCare Burnside has a number of parenting courses coming up in August and September. Please see Laurel Astle or the office for further details or ring Burnside on 6659 2800.

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.

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Art of Movement
OKI Yoga

1ST AVENUE GALLERY	No. 61 1st AVENUE SAWTELL
MONDAY	9:30 AM OKI YOGA
WEDNESDAY	6 PM YOGA, MASSAGE MEDITATION
THURSDAY	6:15 AM OKI YOGA

Call Victoria for bookings
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