

# SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community" 18 NOVEMBER 2015 – TERM 4 WEEK 7

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Today our Year 5 candidates for Captains and Prefects for 2016 delivered their speeches to the school. To hear students speak so eloquently about fairness, dreaming, pride and community fills all of us with pride. Students have voted today and we will be announcing the successful candidates later this week.

Teachers are working even harder at the moment as they complete reports for students. Reports take many hours of work by teachers as they assess and evaluate student progress throughout the year ensuring an accurate picture of each student's progress is presented in the report. I look forward to reading them and celebrating the achievements of our students.

There have been a number of cases of whooping cough within the school over the last few weeks. In speaking with the NSW Health officials it is important that we are all vigilant in having students or adults checked for whooping cough by doctors if they have a lingering cough. Coffs Harbour is experiencing a large number of whooping cough cases at the moment. I have been informed by NSW Health that if the number of cases increases within the school it will be necessary for unimmunised students to stay at home until the numbers decrease.

Please note the change of date for our School Presentation Ceremony which will now be held on **Friday 4 December at 8:55am**. This change is due to our Year 6 students' having to attend their High School Orientation Day on Thursday the 3 December. A detailed order of events for the School Presentation Ceremony will be advertised in the newsletter very soon so as to give working parents an opportunity to organise work schedules.

UV is very high, could parents please ensure all students have a school hat. They are \$15 at the office. Students without school hats must play under the basketball court cover but a hat is essential for other outdoor activities at school.

As we look towards 2016 it is essential for our planning to know if families are leaving our school. Please inform the office or Mr Cheers if your family is leaving or if you know of anyone wanting to enrol in 2016. The school is currently closed to out of zone enrolments.

I look forward to listening to the combined choir of Sawtell, William Baydon and Woolgoolga Public Schools, students who will be giving a repeat performance of their Opera House songs this Thursday evening, 19 November from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. All Parents, family members and

members of the public are welcome to this performance in our school hall.

### INTENSIVE SWIMMING WEEK 7 & 8

Just a reminder that Intensive Swimming for Yr 1-2 (plus selective few from Yrs 3-6) continues until **Friday 27 November**.

**Yr 2-6** - leave at 9am to walk to the pool. Children need to come to school **in** their **swimming costume, school shoes and hats must be worn**. Please make sure they pack their school uniform including underwear and a plastic bag for wet swimmers and towel.

**Yr 1** - come to school as normal and go to class after morning assembly. At 9:50 the boys will get changed in 1H room and the girls will change in 1GC room. Hats and school shoes need to be worn. We will walk to the pool at 10:00am for our lesson at 10:30. No money is needed as children will not be allowed to go to the canteen there. We will have recess when we return.

**Rash shirts and hats are compulsory** - please make sure you have these. Swimming caps and goggles are optional. Goggles are available for \$7 from Sawtell Pool.

\$30 for intensive swimming, should have been paid by last week

### BOOK COVERING HELP NEEDED.

Mrs Pollack is looking for volunteers to cover our new dictionaries. Please see Mrs Pollack who will supply you with books and contact.

### P&C NEWS

Help is desperately needed at the canteen on Monday and Tuesday next week. Please contact Tanya on 0437 522 070 if you can assist.

Next P&C meeting: Monday 30 November 7pm in Staffroom - special brain storming session for 2016! Got any suggestions or ideas for fundraising for next year? Please come along.

The P&C Facebook site lists general upcoming school events - search for "Sawtell Public School P&C". If you wish to receive notification of events click on 'Get Notifications' under the 'Like' button.

### WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

A reminder that all volunteers who work with children at school, on excursions or for sports travel need to have a working with children check. Volunteers also need to sign on each day at the office please. This is free for volunteers online at:

<http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check>

UPCOMING EVENTS

16-27 Nov	Yr 1-2 Intensive Swimming
23-27 Nov	Kindergarten Intensive Swimming
Thurs 19 Nov	Airport Visit 3/4M & 5/6B
Mon 30 Nov	P&C Meeting 7:00pm Staffroom
Wed 2 Dec	'Green Day' Charity Fundraiser
Thurs 3 Dec	Yr 6 High School Orientation Day
Fri 4 Dec	Presentation Day 9:00am
Fri 4 Dec	Parents Thank You Morning Tea
Mon 7 Dec	Reports Home
Tues 8 Dec	School Concert Night 6:00pm
Fri 11 Dec	Level O'Day
Mon 14 Dec	Year 6 Farewell 6:00pm
Tues 15 Dec	Picnic Day (7am - 1pm)
We 16 Dec	Last Day of Term for Students

ASSEMBLY

This week's Assembly 8:55am Friday: Japanese Group

BAND NEWS

Please bring instruments this Friday.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is open on Wednesday mornings from 8:30 am. Should you be unable to attend the Uniform Shop during these hours, order forms are available at the school office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Preschool & toddler "Move to Learn" classes are on in the old hall on Mondays 9:15 - 10am. Classes include gymnastics, gross motor exercises, learning readiness & plenty of fun! \$10 casual class.  
Sami Small Steps 0420 323 507.

COMMUNITY NEWS

*Scotty's @ Sawty*

**Award**

**Winning Chef Scott Warman  
and Kristy Hodges are now  
@ the Sawtell Golf Club!!**

Come and check out  
what all the fuss is about!

Bookings: **0431 342 695**  
**02 6653 1006**



Tue - Sun 12:00 - 2pm, 5:30 - 8pm



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