

A photograph of the Sawtell Public School building, a long, single-story structure with a green roof and white pillars, set against a backdrop of lush green trees. The title 'SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER' is overlaid in large, white, sans-serif capital letters.

SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community" 25 FEBRUARY 2015 - TERM 1 WEEK 5

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

I enjoyed opening the Advocate newspaper this morning and seeing our school leaders on show with other student leaders from our local Bongil Bongil Schools. The Bongil Bongil Community of Schools are the group of schools that feed into Toormina High School. We are also developing more ways for students from these schools to engage with each other and for teachers to work together on things like the "Combined Schools Musical" which is planned for 2016.

Congratulations on a great effort by our swimmers at the District Carnival.

It was great to see the Big Screen in action at last Friday's assembly. This will add a new dimension to our performances and greater options on how we can celebrate student learning.

We were worried for a short time this morning with word of a school bus accident. The bus was a Sawtell School bus that had a small number of high school students on board. None of our students were involved. All are safe but the driver of the car was injured.

I was in Sydney for training earlier this week. The training is centered around the 37 Australian Professional Standards for Teachers. The standards will be used by all teachers to guide professional learning to further improve our teaching, ensuring quality learning for students.

If you wish to sponsor Mr Burkitt and myself please go to the World's Greatest Shave website and search for Sawtell Summer Sessions Team. We will be asking students to donate a small amount as the event gets closer. Your donation will help fund research into leukaemia.

CONCERT OF STARS

The Opera House Choir is organising a 'Concert of Stars' to raise funds to support their trip to the Opera House. The concert will be an extended Friday assembly on 27 March with performances by students, parents and teachers. There will be a donation as an entry fee.

BAND NEWS

This Friday the New England Youth Orchestra will be having a workshop with our band in the afternoon. Students are to bring instruments as normal.

SPORTS REPORT

Yesterday was the Toormina District PSSA swimming carnival and most students were successful and made it to the zone carnival. Tayla Hall and James Hill are the girls and boys Senior Champions. All the relay teams made it to

zone, placing either 1st or 2nd.

This Friday some boys are trying out for the Toormina District PSSA football team and if they make it through that, they will try out for zone football trials.

The Cross-Country is coming up and the green fundraising notes will be coming out soon for people to raise money. There will be prizes for who raises the most money such as soccer balls, footballs, cricket bats, hoola-hoops, gift vouchers and plenty more. Freya and Tayla

P&C NEWS

Canteen Coordinator and Treasurer Urgently Required.

Do you have 1-2 hours a week to volunteer?

It's time for a new volunteer to take the reins as Canteen Coordinator - to assist and support Cherie. Without a coordinator, we have no canteen. Please help!

If interested, please talk to Michael Cheers or a member of the P&C.

The school disco is being held on Thursday 19 March - 'Fluro Theme'. 5:30 to 6:45pm for K-2 and 7:00pm to 8:30pm for Years 3-6. \$5 for entry, drink and chips.

There are a few T-towels left. Many families have put away T-towels for safe keeping and now have the opportunity to buy some to use in the kitchen and see those wonderful faces every day.

The next P&C meeting is 9 March 7:00pm in the staffroom. This will be preceded by a parent information session at 6:30pm on the English and Maths continuums and how they 'fit' with the new syllabi and student learning.

If you have any questions about your school please contact me on 66531666. My email is michael.chears@det.nsw.edu.au

IMPETIGO (SCHOOL SORES)

There have been some reported cases of Impetigo. A reminder to parents that children cannot attend school unless undergoing appropriate treatment and the infected area is covered.

CHICKEN POX

Please be advised that a case of chicken pox has also been reported at Sawtell School. The incubation period for chicken pox is 14 days. Children should be kept at home for at least 5 days after first spots appear, or until blisters have all dried and crusted over. Your support in this matter is appreciated.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 26 February	Mid North Coast swimming
Fri 27 February	New England Youth Orchestra visit
Mon 2 March	North Coast Girls' cricket
Wed 4 March	North Coast swimming
10-12 March	Year 6 Camp - North Beach
Thurs 12 March	"Deadly Australians" performance
Thurs 12 March	"Big Shave/Wax" - Summer Sessions
Thurs 19 March	Disco K-2 5:30-6:45, Yrs 3-6 7:00-8:30
Thurs 26 March	School photos
Fri 27 March	'Opera House All Stars' concert
Sat 28 March	NSW State Election
Fri 3 April	Good Friday
Tues 21 April	Students return for Term 2

UNIFORM SHOP

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

Our suppliers are unable to fulfil orders at the moment and we are currently awaiting back orders on sizes 6,8 & 10. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

COMMUNITY NEWS**SAWTELL GIRL GUIDES PRESENT ST PATRICKS DAY DISCO**

When: Fri 13th March

Where: Sawtell Guide Hall, Minorie Drive

Time: 4:00pm - 5:30pm Ages 4-8

6:00pm - 7:30pm Ages 9-12

Cost: \$5 (includes drink and chips)

Sausage Sizzle: 5.30 - 6.00pm \$2.50 each

Slushies available: \$2 **BE GREEN TO BE SEEN**

SMALL STEPS - MOVE TO LEARN CLASSES

When: Tuesday - Preschoolers 9:15am - Toddlers 10:00am

Where: in the Old Hall at Sawtell Public School

Cost: First class free - \$10 a casual class

Classes include movement, dance & gymnastics to support your child's development.

For enquiries & photos see Facebook: Small Steps-Sawtell
Or Sami Small 0420 323 507

COFFS COMETS JUNIOR LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB

First sign-on day (All ages 6-16 years).

Where: On site at Coffs Harbour Leagues Club

When: 28 February from 1:00pm

Training days Tuesday & Thursday - Play Saturday morning
All new players welcome.

Club Contact: Robert Loader 0437 043 977

COMMUNITY NEWS

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