

SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

1 APRIL 2015 – TERM 1 WEEK 10

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This has been an exceptionally busy term with students taking advantage of so many opportunities.

Teachers and support staff deserve a well-earned break as they have worked very hard to give students positive learning in such a variety of ways. With such great parental support our school has been an amazing place to be this term. Thank you to everyone. The best part is that we get to do it all again next term.

School photos went well with 'The School Photographers' being very professional. Photos should be back late next term.

Students will receive a social report on their social development this week. This is followed by more formal reports at the end of Terms Two and Four.

The CONCERT OF STARS organised to support the choir going to Sydney was a great celebration of why we are such a great school. Students, parents and staff all dancing, singing and playing together. A great time was had by all and the choir raised over \$400 to support their trip to the Opera House.

Harmony Day was another opportunity for students to have some practical learning about who we are as a nation. Thanks to parents for organising costumes for the students and for the money donated which goes to support our sponsored child Anitha.

The School Plan 2015-17 is in its final draft. There has been an extension of time given on completion so I will post it on the website before the end of term for parents to give feedback over the holidays before official posting on 1 May.

The disco was a great success. Almost 300 students attended an action packed night of dance and fun. Thanks to the teachers who organised and helped with the night and to the P&C who provided food and drink. The next Disco is in Term 3.

We have had 5 refugee students enrol in the school. It is great that we, as such a positive community school can support families as they begin a new life, something that all will benefit from. I am in awe at just how brave they are.

We will be having a school stall at the Chilli Festival. If families were able, it would be great to grow some chillies for the students to pot up for selling. We have some at school.

Congratulations to Jo Mack, one of our parents, who has been successful in a \$1900 grant application to acquire a

bigger tank for the school garden and for plant propagation materials. Jo also comes to the school on Thursdays to work with students on propagating plants for the school garden and soon plants for Dune Care projects. If you have any spare pots for plants could you please leave them in the shade-house.

EASTER HAT PARADE AND RAFFLE

The Easter Hat Parade starts at 11:50am tomorrow, **Thursday 2 April**. Students are asked to take their hats to their classrooms in the morning for safe keeping. The P&C will be having the Easter Raffle draw after the Easter Parade. This will be great so I don't have tempting chocolate aromas in my office any longer.

ANZAC DAY MARCH

The ANZAC March in Sawtell is traditionally very well supported by our school. Students are encouraged to attend in full school uniform. We gather behind the RSL Club in 4th Avenue at 10:45am ready for an 11:00am start. The choir will also be singing at the service. Students not in the choir are asked to be collected by their parents after the march finishes and before the ANZAC service begins.

Miss Wilson and an enrichment group of students have been working on a documentary about 'What ANZAC Day means to the Sawtell Community'. We will post the documentary on the school website. It is a very moving piece of work with veterans, students and community members giving voice to their feelings. During the holidays it will be on display in Coffs Harbour opposite the Ex-Services Club as part of a competition between schools to celebrate 100 years since the original ANZAC Day.

P&C NEWS

Many thanks to all the cake bakers and helpers who helped on Election Day. Massive effort by all involved on the day!

Please **Save the date - Saturday 4 July 2015** - for the hottest festival on the Coffs Coast & Sawtell Public School have a store! We need lots of chillies and helpers on the day. So start growing your chillies, we have people on stand-by to make delicious jams and chutneys.

Make sure you're in the draw for the **Easter Raffle**. The raffle will be drawn after the Easter Hat Parade on Thursday (about 12:15) Thank you again for all your generous donations.

Happy holidays
P&C



CROSS COUNTRY-ATHON

The school cross country was held today on Murray's Beach for all 8-13 year olds. Students in Kinder to Year Two will have their cross country early next term.

Students can still get sponsors after the race and money will count towards their total for the draw. Green forms are to be returned with sponsorship money by the end of week 2 next Term when we will have the draw.

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AMART SPORTS	\$100 Voucher
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Boambee Horseriding	\$100 x2 vouchers for horse riding
Quality Accounting	\$100
Sawtell Hotel	\$50 dinner voucher.
Boomtown Grooming and Apparel Sawtell	\$25 voucher
Skinfit Sawtell	\$25 discount cards for treatments over \$50
Wholly Cow	\$25 voucher
Wholly Organic	\$25 voucher
Sports Prizes	2 Bodyboards, cricket bats, basketballs, footballs, diving goggles, soccer balls, soccer goals, tennis racquets,

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS 2016

Kindergarten enrolments for 2016 are now being taken.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 2 April	Easter Hat Parade [Mufti day]
Fri 3 April	Good Friday [Easter Holidays begin]
Tue 21 April	Students return for Term 2
Sat 25 April	ANZAC Day March [10:45 RSL Club]

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

KB Jessica Peters, KM Zakai Madaffari-Rowse, K/1S Monique Cruwys, 1GS Mia Saggus, 1H Charlie Healey, 2AF Katie Graham, 2W Tyah Harrington, 2/3W Riaz Brough, 3/4A Jack Hone, 3/4M Poppy Browne, 4/5P Ruby Richards, 5/6K Hannah Staines.

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

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