



SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

27 MAY 2015 — TERM 2 WEEK 6

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We are in eisteddfod fever fortnight at the moment with our Choir being outstanding and gaining 3rd place in the hotly contested K-6 Choir section. The Choir received 91 points, narrowly defeated by Bellingen PS, on 93 and Raleigh PS on 92. Our students were commended for their quality performance and for their behaviour. Today our Senior Band played. The 75 students did themselves, their families and the school proud achieving 2nd place with a score of 87, narrowly beaten by Bellingen PS on 91 points. Next Friday 5 June the dance group will be performing.

Mr K, Mrs Pollack, Mr Moore, Mrs Arthur, Miss Wilson and Bec Nicholson give above and beyond to ensure students have the opportunity to express themselves through the Performing Arts.

Nominated classroom support parents and teachers met yesterday afternoon to look at how the parent contact person can support classrooms. Many great ideas surfaced and will be used to help classroom teachers and students. Classes will be sending out an introduction letter from their contact parent. It is very uplifting to see parents and teachers working so closely in a new way to strengthen our school community and help students.

We are trying to keep disruptions in class to a minimum so could parents please send notes about after school arrangements. It is very disruptive if office staff receive a phone call and then have to relay speaker messages to students who, in such a dynamic school, may not be having a lesson in their room. Messages phoned in after 2:30pm cannot be guaranteed to reach students. Of course we understand that sometimes things change at the last minute and emergencies can occur.

If for some reason students are unable to have breakfast could parents send a short note so Sheri, our canteen coordinator, can organise cereal etc for them.

Year 5 is off to Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre for their camp next week. I am sure Mrs King and the students will enjoy every second.

Mr Bob Payne from the Coffs Harbour RSL will be presenting a prize to the school for our ANZAC documentary at this Friday's morning assembly.

Mrs McMahon and Mrs Astle are currently on leave for a few weeks travelling to distant exotic places. Mrs Burgess and Mrs Robson are replacing them.

Could parents please ensure students do not bring gum to school as blobs of gum seem to be appearing on our walkways.

Teachers are completing data for the National Disability

Collection of Data project. The Data has an impact on our school's funding. Parents are being contacted by classroom teachers if their child is involved to discuss what adjustments are being made to support students with their learning. Detailed information can be found at: <https://education.gov.au/what-nationally-consistent-collection-data-school-students-disability>

GARDEN NEWS

We still need more pots for propagating. If you have pots please leave them near the shade house.

WORKING BEE

We are organising a gardening working bee for parents for this Sunday 31 May. Please call 66531666 or put your name on the roster at the school office. Please bring your own tools.

BAND NEWS

Instruments need to be brought to school this Friday.

P&C NEWS

The school will have a stall at the **Sawtell Chilli-Fest - 4 July 2015**. We need lots of chillies and clean jars for the chilli jams and chutneys being made. Or please donate some chilli plant seedlings to sell on the day.

A **Movie Night** in the school hall is coming in 3 weeks - Thursday evening on **11 June**. Two sessions: K-2 from 5 to 6:30pm and Yr 3-6 from 7 to 8:30pm. \$5 'entry' which includes popcorn and drink.

The P&C is looking for a volunteer for **Canteen Coordinator** and the general **Treasurer** - please contact Emma on 417 286 505 if you are interested. You will be assisted by the outgoing members to ensure you're not thrown in the deep-end.

Next P&C meeting **Monday 1 June 7:00pm** in the staffroom.

SPORTS REPORT

On Monday, Freya Laidlaw, Zach Stevenson, Zak Varley and Tom Neal were selected to play in the Mid North Coast PSSA Touch team. They will now trial in Grafton to try and gain a spot in the North Coast team. Our boys' Soccer team will play Bonville PS in the next round of the PSSA State Knockout this Thursday afternoon. The Mid North Coast Cross Country will be held this Friday at Sawtell Reserve. On Monday 1 June our School AFL team will play in a gala day knockout at Richardson Park. Our Year 5 players will be hoping for a win as they will be at Lake Ainsworth next week. Good luck to all of our competitors.

NSW PSSA STATE AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL CARNIVAL

As coach of the North Coast PSSA AFL Team I would like to publicly congratulate and thank Will Bailey, who was a valuable member of our team. Will joined 21 other boys from Wauchope to Tweed Heads to play in the state carnival in Blacktown last week. His ability to listen to instructions, work with others, play hard but fair whilst displaying great sportsmanship on and off the field was outstanding. He and the other boys were a credit to their schools, their families and themselves. The team finished a creditable 7th of 13, winning 3 of 5 games. The highlight of the carnival was being defeated by only 7 points by Riverina, a powerhouse in AFL terms, who finished 2nd overall. As I said to the boys after the game - "this was my greatest WIN in the 12 years that I have been coaching North Coast, as winning is not always what the score board reads". To see the parents cheering loudly and proudly as we came so close to beating Riverina and making the semis was a fantastic result for the North Coast Team. Congratulations Will.

Dean Burkitt

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Thurs 28 May | Boys' Soccer Knockout |
| Sun 31 May | Parent Working Bee |
| Mon 1 June | AFL Knockout |
| Mon 1 June | P&C Meeting 7:00pm Staffroom |
| 1-5 June | Year 5 Camp - Lake Ainsworth |
| Fri 5 June | Eisteddfod - Dance |
| Mon 8 June | Long Weekend |
| Thurs 11 June | P&C Movie Night |
| Thurs 18 June | Boys/Girls 7's NRL |
| Thurs 18 June | Scripture Concert |
| Fri 19 June | Athletics Carnival |
| Wed 24 June | NAIDOC Day |
| Thurs 25 June | Reports Out |
| Fri 26 June | Level 'O' Day - Boambee Creek |

ASSEMBLY

This week's Assembly 8:55am Friday. 1H

BOOKCLUB

Bookclub orders due Thursday 4 June. No late orders please.

MILK BOTTLES

Could families please donate 2 litre or 1 litre clean milk bottles to be used in all classrooms for the storage of dyes. These can be brought to students classrooms.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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