

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

30 November 2016 — TERM 4 WEEK 8

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

'I wish I could throw and catch like a girl.' This thought came to me this week as I watched the Australian and South African women's teams playing at the Stadium. Their skills are amazing. Also great to see our young female students watching these great role models. Even more powerful for me and an indication of how most Australians see multiculturalism, were the number of boys fist pumping after receiving signatures from the South African players, who had a range of skin tones. The reality is all human skin is a shade of brown.

If your child is prone to asthma please be aware that the recent and continuing weather pattern is causing some students to have asthma events. Please ensure your child has a current puffer if required.

A few rule reminders to talk to your child about: All students need a brimmed school hat. The UV is extreme at the moment. Students should not be at school before 8:30. If they are at school before 8:30 students should be on the handball court waiting for the bell. We discourage students bringing card collections to school. If they do it is at their own risk. There were pistachio nut shells in the playground again this week. Please save nuts for after school treats. To put it bluntly, they can kill at school and no one wants that on their conscience or on the conscience of their child. No students are to bring USB drives to school without teacher permission as they bring viruses into the school computer system.

If you know of any students commencing or enrolling in Sawtell Public School in 2017 please get them to contact the school as soon as possible. Similarly if your children are leaving the school in 2017 please let us know for planning purposes. Please be mindful that the school is closed to out of zone enrolments. If you have any requests regarding class placement for 2017 please contact me for a conversation this week. Sometimes parents have information that we are unaware of that can impact on student learning and relationships.

PLEASE READ THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS (over) to help you plan for school events. These last few weeks are packed with events that reward students and help them to grow educationally and socially. It is also a time for the adults in our community, staff and families, to take pride in our students and their achievements and the hard work we all do.

COMMUNITY ART PROJECT

Over the next 3 weeks, small groups of students from each class will be working alongside Emma Aspden to create a community art project for the Art Urunga exhibition.

The sculpture will reflect a theme of environmental awareness and sustainability. Sawtell Public School students will be learning about the negative effects of plastic bags on our marine environment.

Together students will use plastic bags to weave a sculptural web. The artwork will be displayed at Sculpture in the Park exhibition at Urunga on Sunday 15 January, at Riverside Park (opposite the Ocean View Hotel).

If you have any spare plastic bags please drop them off at the office.

CAPTAINS AND PREFECTS 2017

Congratulations to the following students:CaptainsZac McGintyMaya FarmerZac McGintyVice CaptainsAlex Cheers-FlavellPrefectsVice Captains

Peyton Winchester Keinan Noble Kirra Moore Charlie Gerber

GADABOUT LUNCH

On Thursday the Opera House Choir, our new choir and two dance groups from Kindergarten and Year 3 will entertain the Gadabouts at their Christmas party. This energetic group of senior ladies have generously supported our school and we are delighted to have an opportunity to repay their kindness.

MEDICAL NOTICE

Two cases of glandular fever have been reported to the school in the last month. If your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice. Could all parents be aware of the following: Symptoms

Fever, headache, sore throat, tiredness, swollen nodes. How can I help prevent spread?

Careful hand washing, avoid sharing drinks, food and utensils, and kissing.

ONLINE PAYMENTS

We request that <u>no payments online be made after Friday</u> <u>25 November</u> due to end of year financial procedures. Payments online can resume Friday 2 December.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 1 Dec	Choir/Dance Perform-Gadabouts Lunch 12:15
Thurs 1 Dec	Disco [5:30-6:45 K-2] [7:00-8:30 Years 3-6]
Fri 2 Dec	Home Readers Returned to School
Mon 5 Dec	School Concert Dress Rehearsal
Tues 6 Dec	2017 Year 7 High School Orientation
Wed 7 Dec	School Concert 6:00pm
Fri 9 Dec	Presentation Day Assembly 9:00am
Fri 9 Dec	Report Home
Mon 12 Dec	Year 6 Farewell - 6:00pm Start
Tues 13 Dec	Last Day Canteen
Wed 14 Dec	Parent Morning Tea - All Parent Helpers Invited
Thurs 15 Dec	Picnic Day
Fri 16 Dec	Talent Quest

ASSEMBLY:

This week's assembly will be presented by Japanese Group and Dance Group.

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Shop is open every Wednesday at 8:30am.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check for lost property in the old hall outside the canteen. The pile is growing daily. There are lots of jumpers - please check now the cold weather is over. Please label all belongings.

SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL NOW HAS 'SKOOLBAG'

Skoolbag is a School Mobile App providing an easy way to communicate with parents and carers. View school news, newsletters, events calendar and school information. To install the app, just search for 'Skoolbag Sawtell Public School' in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. For Windows 8.1 or 10 users search for Skoolbag in the Windows Store and install the app and then find your school.





P&C NEWS

<u>School Disco</u> is on tomorrow - Thursday evening 1 December 5:30-6:45pm for Kinder-Yr2. 7:00-8:30pm for Years 3-6. The P&C will be running a sausage sizzle outside the disco including cold drinks on sale. \$5 entry for kids which includes a drink and chips. It's 'fancy dress' theme - movie characters, super heroes, crazy hair, whatever - within reason.

Helpers required from 5:15pm with BBQ.



BONGIL BONGIL SCHOOLS WALK FOR THE HEART FOUNDATION

Our local Bongil Bongil Community of Schools is organising a walk from Park Beach to Moonee on Saturday 21 January. The walk will start at 8am and there is a free bus back to Park Beach. The cost for adults to participate is \$20 and everyone is encouraged to wear red.





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