



SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

8 MARCH 2017 — TERM 1 WEEK 7

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

All staff have mandatory requirements in regards to professional development each year. Professional learning includes child protection procedures, anaphylaxis training, CPR training, code of conduct and corruption prevention. School staff members have taken the option of rescheduling one of the term four staff development days to 7 and 21 of March [three hour sessions commencing 3:00pm]

The school annual financial statement was tabled at the P&C meeting on Monday evening. Effective financial management has been achieved through the efforts of Mrs Hurry (School Administrative Manager), myself and the budget committee. There have been continual funding increases over the last few years and we hope this trend continues so we can continue to have more support staff working with students, building improvements, improved learning resources and more learning opportunities for students. Gonski funding is key to this.

There have been some sharing issues with 'Bay Blades' at school. Can parents please ensure students do not bring these to school but enjoy them at home.

The P&C meeting was well attended on Monday evening. Having a larger number of folk involved helps to spread the workload and is appreciated by the whole school community. The P&C now have a section in the Skoolbag app. This has become a key information channel for our school community. The Skoolbag app and the weekly newsletter are the two main communication methods for our school community. Please download the 'Skoolbag' app on to your phone.

Tickets are now on sale for the P&C sports raffle. Tickets are available from P&C members, myself and at the school office. The prizes are valuable and we are hoping to reach beyond the school community for sales.

Please read the calendar on the back of the newsletter so you do not miss any of the exciting events planned for the rest of the term. Next week our Year 6 students will be wading across Bonville Creek and walking 12kms, then camping for two nights at Mylestom. Activities will focus on Aboriginal culture, leadership, social skills, mathematics and environmental education. Each year our students grow in many ways during this excursion as they challenge themselves while spending 3 days outdoors.

Finally a happy International Women's Day to all women in our school community. All of us benefit from a society where people are acknowledged by who they are as a person and nothing else. We all have a responsibility to 'call out' discrimination in any form if we want to have a fair and equitable Australia.

CROSS COUNTRY-ATHON

Today students have received information about the Cross country-athon and sponsorship forms. There are great prizes for the students who raise the most money and for the lucky draws. Every \$10 sponsorship earns a ticket in the draw. Prizes include bodyboards, sports equipment, vouchers from local businesses and a \$200 voucher from Sports A-Mart. Further, we would appreciate any families with links to businesses exploring prize options. The big race is on Friday 24 March.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH - February

K/1S Milla Giese, KM Milla Greenway, KBF Tully Smith,
1G Jack Taylor, 1/2CR Zann McMarthy,
1/2AW Morgan Kenny, 2HF Tully Flynn,
3/4A Graeme Bridges, 3/4K Breanna Glover,
3A Katie Lockart, 4/5P Cassie Hay, 5N Jack Hone,
6B Nyree Pipson, 6W Sienna Lane,
LaST Halle Barklmore, Ruby Kenny.

LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

Reminder - Notes and money are due in for the Life Education van this Friday the 10 March. Lessons will commence next Tuesday 14 March. Life Education is an important part of the PD/H/PE syllabus and should be a lot of fun.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Photo envelopes and an information sheet accompany today's newsletter. Please follow payment instructions as detailed. **NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT PAY ONLINE USING THE SAWTELL SCHOOL WEBSITE.**

PROOF OF RESIDENCY

If a change of address has occurred the school requires evidence of residential address in the form of electricity bill, water/land rates, property title or property tenancy lease agreement. If you have not provided evidence of residential address please do so by 15 March.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Thurs 9 Mar | Summer Sessions P&C BBQ |
| Tues 14 Mar | North Coast AFL |
| 14-15&20 Mar | Life Education K - 4 |
| 15-17 Mar | Year 6 Big Walk /Camp |
| Mon 20 Mar | Knock Out Cricket Vs Repton |
| Tues 21 Mar | Harmony Day |
| Wed 22 Mar | Milo Cricket Day - Stage 2 |
| Thurs 23 | District Basket Ball |
| Fri 24 Mar | Mid North Coast Rugby League |
| Fri 24 Mar | Cross Country-athon |
| Thurs 30 Mar | District Touch Football |
| 27-31 Mar | Year 5 Excursion Lake Ainsworth |
| Mon 3 April | Mid North Coast Basketball |
| Tues 4 April | 'Australia Changing Overtime' Visit.Perform |
| Wed 5 April | Level 'O' Day |
| Thurs 6 April | School Photos 2017 |
| Thurs 6 April | School Disco |
| Fri 7 April | Easter Hat Parade |
| Mon 25 April | ANZAC Day March - 10:30 Main Street |

ASSEMBLY:

This week's assembly will be presented by 1CR at 8.55am.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open Wednesdays from 8:30am.

SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL 'SKOOLBAG'

To install the app, just search for 'Skoolbag Sawtell Public School' in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Install the app and then find your school.

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking is every **Wednesday**. If you wish for your child to participate in school banking and do not have a Commonwealth Bank book, please organise a school bank account by visiting the Commonwealth Bank or by registering online at:

<https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html?ei=bc3>

Thinking of buying or selling real estate?

For all your real estate needs, contact your local professional today on **0431 011 913**
Howard Nicholson – Sales Agent

P&C NEWS

Super Sports Raffle Launch! Amazing prizes! First name drawn gets first choice!

1. Cricket bat signed by the captains of the ICC World 20/20 teams, professionally framed (complete with certificate of authenticity).
2. \$800 Madness surfboard and small spring suit.
3. 2016 NSW NRL State of Origin jersey, signed by captain Paul Gallen.

Prizes will be drawn when all tickets are sold and money returned to school office.

P&C BBQ at Summer Session this Thursday - come down for a sausage, support the school and get in early for raffle tickets for the **Super Sports Raffle** - on sale from Thursday!

Computer Donation requested for Canteen - if anyone has a functioning laptop or tablet that is no longer needed at home, please see Laura at the Canteen.

It's almost Easter Raffle time again! Donations of Easter-related items needed for raffle prizes - can include (but not limited to) books, toys, craft, chocolate of course. Be creative! Anything that you can help with is appreciated - please bring all items to the front office and raffle prizes will be drawn on Friday 7 April after the Easter Hat Parade.

P&C Volunteer Register - your generosity of time and energy to volunteer for P&C events for the school is very much appreciated. If you can help a little or a lot, please email your details to

sawtellpandc@gmail.com You may be contacted to assist with future events, canteen etc. at times of need and if you are available at that time, your help will be gratefully received.

Next P&C meeting is Monday 3 April, 7pm in the staffroom. So many activities happening at the school and so many ways to get involved! Register your interest as per above or come along to the next meeting to find out more.

PRESCRIBED MEDICATION

Please see the office should your child require prescribed medication whilst at school. Compliance with departmental policy involves the completion of a written and signed declaration including instructions for administration. Department policy states that non-prescribed medication is not to be administered at school.

BOOKCLUB

Bookclub orders are due **Wednesday 15 March**.

WEB ACCESS TO OUR NEWSLETTER

[HTTP://WWW.SAWTELL-P.SCHOOLS.NSW.EDU.AU](http://www.sawtell-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)



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