

A photograph of a modern school building with a large, curved, light-colored roof structure. The building is surrounded by lush green trees and a well-maintained lawn. 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"

1 August 2018 — TERM 3 WEEK 2

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents and carers,

A very warm welcome back to Term 3.

On Monday evening I had the absolute pleasure of watching an amazing performance at the Opera House. Sawtell students participated in the NSW Department of Education's 2018 Festival of Choral Music. The performance was part of a series of four concerts highlighting the musicianship and achievements of more than 4000 students and teachers from over 200 NSW public schools. The experience provided Sawtell students with an opportunity to connect through their love of music and be engaged and challenged to continue to learn through this performance experience. The performance was a spectacular display of many months of practice, dedication and enthusiasm by Sawtell students and teacher. Thank you Mrs Pollack and Miss Nicholson for providing such a wonderful life experience for our children. Thank you also to our parents and families who assisted in the supervision of our Opera House choir.

COFFS CUP

Please be reminded that this Thursday 2 August local public schools will be closed from 12noon in accordance with the gazetted local public holiday. Students should be picked up from 11:50am in the amphitheatre.

STAFFING

Last week 2 new permanent members of staff commenced at Sawtell PS. Mrs Tracey Ferguson commenced as Assistant Principal (Stage 3 team leader). Mrs Ferguson will be supporting all

students K-6 in the capacity as a Learning and Support Teacher and as a curriculum instructional leader supporting Year 3-6 teachers in the classrooms.

Miss Wilson commenced as a permanent teacher/librarian, however will remain on her current class for the duration of the year.

The school community looks forward to a settling of staffing changes for the remainder of 2018. Enjoy your end of week.

Michael Hepi
Principal

STUDENT OF THE MONTH: JULY

KBW – Tyler Sens
KS – Isabelle Upston
1R – Maverick Lindsay
1M – Riley Bowen
1/2CF – Lucas Smith
2AW – Jack Taylor
2/3G – Romaysa Atta
3A – Lexi Tune
3/4K – Harrison Newcombe
4A – Kiara Vine
4/5CE – Katie Lockhart
5H – Arlia Portus Keen
5/6N – Asha Wordsworth
5/6B – Ella Chowdhury

UNREALESTATE CITIZENSHIP AWARD - JULY

Breanna Glover – 4A

OPERA HOUSE AUSTRALIS CONCERT

Last Monday night Sawtell Public School performed at the Sydney Opera House. Our 38 students were part of a massed choir of 700. You can imagine the beautiful sound they made when accompanied by a full orchestra. As usual their behavior was exemplary and every student was a

credit to our school. There are some tired people today, especially those who had a 9 hour train journey and only got back to Sawtell at 8.30 last night.

NAIDOC DAY – WILLIAM BAYLDON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Last week, Stage 3 students attended the BBCoS Naidoc Day at William Bayldon Public School. The event was a celebration of 'Because of her we can'. Students participated in a traditional smoking ceremony, they learnt aboriginal dancing from talented students from Orara High School, ate kangaroo and learnt all about bush tucker from Uncle Mark. The students played indigenous games and dot painted on clapping sticks. Gumbaynggirr language was spoken throughout the day and some students were lucky enough to hear an amazing local didgeridoo player. Every group had stage 3 students from all the BBCoS and the Sawtell students made new friends that they will go to high school with in 2019 and 2020.



KINDERGARTEN 2019

If you have children starting school in 2019 or know of any children about to start and haven't put their name on our register, we are now taking our 2019 enrolments. Can you please do so ASAP as we are preparing for our Orientation Days in early Term 4.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 6 August – Education Week, Park Beach Plaza – 12pm

Wednesday 8 August – Maths Master

Saturday 18 August, 5:15pm – Choir to sing at Vietnam Veterans' Day at Sawtell RSL Club – more information to follow.

P&C NEWS

P&C MEETINGS TERM 3 2018

The next P&C meeting will be on **Monday 13 August 2018** at 7pm in the staff room.

Our September meeting will be **Monday 10 September 2018** 7pm, put these dates on your calendar and join us to contribute to the discussion.

COFFEE VAN – FRIDAYS

Find it hard to get started without your morning coffee? Help is at hand! Just pick up your **Friday morning** coffee from the coffee van located near the Hall before Assembly! The students directly benefit, with a portion of the profits from each sale going to the P&C!

BUSHDANCE – It's almost time to dust off your Akubra's and polish your boots! This term the P&C look forward to organising the Annual Bush Dance. Keep an eye on the newsletter for updates. Event date to be advised.

CANTEEN CORNER – A big thank you to Mark & the team for clearing the garden beds over the holidays. The Canteen is now calling for donations of seedlings to plant. Tomatoes, lettuce, capsicum, zucchini, you name it we'll plant it! Stay tuned for a Working Bee in the next fortnight!

FUNDRAISER

Plenty of '♥ Sawtell' calico bags available for purchase each Wednesday morning from the uniform shop. Cost - \$6.

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