

SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

27 November 2019 — TERM 4 WEEK 7

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

The school constantly reflects on its practices and processes as a means for continuous school improvement around wellbeing and teaching and learning. The 2020 school targets are currently being developed. If you haven't already completed the parent School Evaluation survey please be encouraged to do so as the school values your input as part of the school planning process. In next week's newsletter we will be publishing our 2020 school priorities as well as our anticipated school staffing.

2020 School Captain speeches will be held this Friday from 9am with Years 2-5 voting soon after. Good luck to all Year 5 students nominating for these important positions. In 2020, the Student Representative Council (SRC) will be further developed providing Sawtell PS students with a greater voice.



Congratulations Arla A!

Arla was awarded 2nd prize in the National Photography competition for her photo titled 'Watermelon Face' of her younger brother, Huey. Arla is to be commended for her wonderful achievement. As a result, Arla also won \$1,000 for the school.

Student Wellbeing is taken very seriously at Sawtell PS. The school's current Discipline Policy includes students in transit to and from school. Recently there have been reports of students misbehaving on the bus including bullying other students. Bus drivers have a huge responsibility ensuring that up to 70 children arrive to school or home safely whilst navigating the general hazards of road use. Parents can relate to driving their

car with children misbehaving on the back seat. Please have a discussion with your children about our school's expectations of being *Proud, Respectful, Safe and a Learner* and how these expectations look, feel and sound when travelling to or from school.

The dreaded head lice are back with vengeance. There have been a number of reports from a couple of classes that children are presenting with head lice. Head lice have been around forever and a day. These pesky little creatures are estimated to be present in at least 23% of NSW primary students at any given time. Please take some time to look at the information provided in the link attached and let's work together to eradicate the problem. <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/treatment.aspx>

Presentation Assembly is only 2 weeks away. Recently the school has had to cancel a number of Friday morning assemblies due to health concerns for students, staff and families due to air quality in the hall. As a back-up, the school has tentatively booked the RSL Club for our Presentation Assembly. In the event that the Presentation Assembly is relocated due to the smoke haze parents and carers will be notified via Seesaw on Tuesday 10 December (the day before). If the Presentation Day assembly is relocated all students will travel by bus to the RSL Club with the special assembly commencing a little later at 9:30am. Further information will follow.

2020 Coffs Regional Music Conservatorium lesson info will be made available soon.

Have a restful weekend!

Michael Hepi

Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 29 November 2020 School Captain speeches
 5 December Mini Fair (purchase your tokens now) 12noon – 2:15pm
 11 December **9:00am Presentation Assembly**
 12 December Year 6 Fun Day
 P&C Boambee Bay Family Picnic
 5:30pm-7:30pm
 13 December Semester 2 Student Reports go home
 17 December Year 6 Farewell – 6pm
 Talent Quest
 18 December Picnic Day
 Last day for students

**UNIFORM SHOP**

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

Parent school evaluation survey Sawtell PS values feedback provided by our school community. This feedback will assist our 2020 school planning.



Please scan the QR code with your device or access the webpage through this link

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeHf6uektn3O7Ok0DcDjsaRKdlMvM22eON661ZaV00IOj8-sQ/viewform>

Survey closes NEXT FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER

2020 PSSA Sport Knockout survey is for students in Year 3, 4 and 5 this year. PSSA sports incur a levy and on many occasions the support of parents for transport. As a result, parents are asked to complete the survey below to nominate team sports in 2020.



Please scan the QR code with your device or access the webpage through this link for parents of children who will be in Year 4, 5 or 6 in 2020.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeZoXf9FYGX99di6Fio-22iSn6lXmAZQ-mrin72duMKNzfSqa/viewform>

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