

# SAWTELL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

"A member of the Bongil Bongil Learning Community"

28 November 2018 — TERM 4 WEEK 7

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **GREETINGS FROM SYDNEY**

Welcome from Sydney where Year 6 are 'wrecked' with exhaustion. It's 9:20pm Tuesday night and we have just returned back from our last activity for the day. Today Year 6 enjoyed the Powerhouse Museum, Sydney Aquarium, Madame Tussauds and a ferry ride across to Milson's Point for a return trip back to Pyrmont. In total we have walked an estimated 18.5kms, a little over 26500 steps in one day. The adults and students are all banking on a good night's rest. Wednesday's activities include Taronga Zoo, Opera House and Botanic Gardens. With a forecast of 90% chance of 40-80mm of rain I'm sure everyone's resilience will be tested. To date I have been very pleased with the outstanding behaviour of all Sawtell students attending the excursion. We look forward to sharing many stories about the trip.

It is always a pleasure to share with the school community the talents of our students. Last Sunday Jaime Searle represented Sawtell Physie in the NSW State final at Town Hall. Jaime was awarded 5th place. This is an amazing achievement. Well done Jaime!

Enjoy your end of week!

Michael Hepi - Principal

What a busy but enjoyable time of the school year! Last week Mrs Arthur and Mr Brookman took year 4 to the Cascade Field Study Centre for 3 days and 2 nights. By all accounts the students were beautifully behaved and had a lot of fun learning about 'all things environmental'.



Next week year 3 have their introduction to overnight excursions with a trip to Yarrahapinni.

Last week and this week swimming lessons have been happening for students in Kindergarten and years 1 and 2. They even have a bus to take them down to the pool – a bit spoilt!

On Tuesday 11 December at 6pm we will be celebrating 'Music through the Ages' – a concert where every student will be performing. Each teacher will be sending home details of costumes and props required soon.

Our annual presentation awards ceremony will be held in the hall on Wednesday 12 December at 9am. All parents and carers are invited. This will be followed by a thankyou morning tea provided by staff to show our appreciation for all you support.

**Road Safety:** We have had a number of issues reported by parents concerned for the safety of our students. Please ensure you walk your child across the road, especially where there is no official crossing.

Teachers are very busy completing reports which will be sent home on Wednesday 12 December. A big thankyou to all staff for your dedication and professionalism and to all the students for your hard work. I will miss you all next year. It has been an absolute pleasure to 'work' at Sawtell Public School for the past 19 years.

Mary Pollack – Acting Principal

## 2AW NEWS

You may have noticed that 2AW have finished their garden outside their classroom.

It looks amazing!

A big thankyou to Kim and Martin Stuart for spending so much time establishing our garden and to the parents who provided fruit for our fundraiser.

Regards

Natalie Andrews

## BAND INSTRUMENTS

All band instruments **MUST** be brought to school this Friday for lesson and stocktake.

**P&C NEWS**

**THANK YOU** – As we approach the last few weeks of the term, the P&C would like to extend a huge thank you to all the staff at SPS for teaching and caring for our kids throughout the year.

**CANTEEN CORNER - Specials**

- 2 Tacos with beef, cheese, lettuce, tomato and a bottle of water \$5
- Sawty Works Burger \$5 add egg \$1 extra
- Lasagne & Cheesy Garlic Bread \$5
- Vanilla Frozen Yoghurt Cone \$1 - Friday Only

**Facebook Page** – Are you keeping up to date by following the Canteen on our Facebook Page? Find us at fb.me/spscanteen or search Sawtell Public School P&C Canteen. We welcome all of our social media followers and we hope you find the information on our page useful. We appreciate your support and we look forward to having a lively, informative and polite discussion with you. Please take a moment to familiarise yourself with our Facebook Guidelines pinned to the top of the page.

**Volunteers Needed** - We urgently need more volunteers to help in the Canteen. Not keen on committing for the whole day? How about a **Power Hour** 8.30-9.30am to help serve milo and breakfast? Please see Amelia in the canteen or text or call Helen on 0431 693 976.

**UNIFORM SHOP**

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

**STOCKING FILLERS** – environmentally friendly “I LOVE SAWTELL” Calico Bags. Just \$6 per bag, all proceeds to the school! Non Uniform caps are also available for \$5 each.



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**FOND FAREWELL**

Families are invited to farewell Mrs Pollack & Matt on Thursday 13 December from 5.30-7.30pm at Boambee Bay Reserve (John B Smith Shelter). Sausage sizzle donated by P&C, BYO drinks/salads/picnic rug/chairs & don't forget to wear your pearls!

**RETURN & EARN** – We are seeing more and more eligible containers returned to the canteen and have handed out several free ice cups as an incentive. Keep up the good work!

**GARDEN DONATIONS NEEDED** – to help us keep on top of the garden and keep the green house tidy, it would be handy to have a broom, a rake, potting mix, sugar cane mulch, vegetable & salad seedlings or seeds. If you can help with any of these, please see Amelia in the canteen or contact Helen on 0431 693 976.

**FREE Breakfast!** – It's important for kids to have breakfast every day to boost their attention span, concentration, and memory – all of which assist their learning. That's why we have collaborated with a family owned business, k'pane' artisan bakery, to now be able to offer free toast as well as Weetbix in the morning. A big thank you to the Knight family.

**UPCOMING EVENTS****November 26**

Yr 1 & Yr 2 Learn to Swim program continues

**December 3**

Yr 3 Yarrahapinni excursion (Mon/Tue)

**December 4**

2019 Year 7 Orientation THS

**December 7**

2019 School Captain speeches

**December 11**

Concert night 6pm

**December 12**

Presentation Assembly 9am – Reports home

**TENDER** – The school has available for tender a W.H. Paling & Co. Upright Steel Frame “Victor” Piano. The piano is slightly out of tune, in fair condition with no piano stool.

All tenders must be emailed to [Michael.hepi@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Michael.hepi@det.nsw.edu.au) by close of business on Friday 7 December 2018. The piano must be collected by the end of the school term.



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