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'Communicating with our Caring Community'

Thursday, 14th November 2019



DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	EVENT		
15 November	Stage 3 Cricket Gala Day		
18 November	CANTEEN CLOSED		
18 November	Cookies & Crazy Socks Fundraiser		
22 November	Pre-orders for Disco Hot Dogs due – see attached note		
25 November	CANTEEN CLOSED		
27 November	Disco – see attached flyer		
28 November	Last day for Book Club orders		
2 December	Parent Helpers Morning Tea		
2 December	CANTEEN CLOSED		
10 December	Infants Presentation Assembly		
11 December	Primary Presentation Assembly		
12 December	Christmas Raffle Drawn		
12 December	Year 6 Graduation Assembly		
12 December	Year 6 Farewell		
13 December	Class Christmas Parties		
13 December	Magpie Rewards Day K-2		
16-18 December	Myuna Bay – Year 6		
16 December	CANTEEN CLOSED		
18 December	Last Day of Term 4 - students		

PRINCIPAL

Stars of the Week - 5/6M

What a clever group of students I saw this week from **5/6M**. **Mrs McLean** is certainly challenging this group of Stage 3 students across all key learning areas.

I was most impressed with their mathematical skills, their comprehension skills and their artistic talents. Congratulations to the following students who were chosen to share their wonderful work with me –

Poppy L and **Lucinda M** are both very talented artists. Their visual arts books are littered with creative masterpieces. **Poppy** shared her *'Sunflower'* portrait with me having being inspired by the work from various impressionists.

Lucinda's ANZAC Day tribute was amazing as well as her painting of Uluru as a part of NAIDOC Week celebrations!

What a Maths wizard **Sophia N** is – just brilliant! Sophia enjoys the challenges of Maths and confidently showed-off her division skills using both short and long division methods.

Ruby Mc and her classmates enjoy watching BTN (Behind the News). 5/6M watch BTN most weeks and fine-tune the skills of notetaking and summarising. Recently, Ruby watched an episode about 'letter writing' and how the art of writing notes and letters has become more electronic in our digital world – where social media platforms have taken the place of telegrams and memos.

Thank you for sharing your great work with me, 5/6M! I look forward to reading your letters to Santa!



Road and Pedestrian Safety

I want to take this opportunity to remind all parents and students about the importance of **road** and **pedestrian safety** when travelling to and from school, and during our busy drop-off and pick-up times.

Please be careful when collecting your children from the **RSL carpark** and when crossing the busy Pacific Highway and Dog Trap Road at the lights. It is advisable that parents / carers of young children walk across with their children at the designated crossing areas instead of modelling unsafe practices.

I would like to remind all parents that the staff carpark MUST NOT be used as a 'Kiss and Drop' area, except for those families accessing TASK (Before and After School Program). Using the bottom driveway as a turning bay only increases the risk of harm to those students, staff and families accessing the school via this area.

Your ongoing co-operation with these important safety matters is greatly appreciated when keeping our children safe from harm.



Congratulations – it's a girl!

A special congratulations to **Mrs Brown** and husband, **Zac**, who proudly welcomed a beautiful baby girl into the world yesterday afternoon – *Frankie Mae Kappelgaard Nielsen*. We wish Sally, Zac and Frankie all the very best for a safe and happy future together.

Student Wellbeing - Health Care

The office staff and I are currently reviewing and updating **Individual Health Care Plans** in preparation for students transitioning to new classes / schools for 2020.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma, anaphylaxis, diabetes and other health care related issues should be provided to the school by parents and updated every 12 months. This information will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child's individual health and wellbeing for the upcoming school year. We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and be kept confidential.

When a medical practitioner has **prescribed medication** that **must be** administered during the school day, parents are responsible to request the school's support **in writing**. Students **must not carry medications** unless there is a **written agreement** between the school and the student's parents that this is a planned part of the **student's individual health care support**.

Please consider the following points when communicating with our school about your child's health care needs:

- ✓ liaise with the child's medical practitioner about the implications of the child's health condition for their schooling.
- ✓ where medication is prescribed, ask the medical practitioner whether the medication is available in a form which minimises or eliminates the need to provide the medication during the school day.
- ✓ convey all relevant advice and information from the medical practitioner to the school
- ✓ provide prescribed medication and 'consumables' for administration by the school in a timely way and as agreed with the principal and described in your child's Individual Health Care Plan.
- ✓ collaborate with the school in planning to support the child's health needs at school including updating information and reviewing plans.

Please contact the **front office** (4362 1033) should you require a note requesting the school's support for your child's personal health care needs. Those parents who have already provided the school with this relevant information need only inform the school if your **child's health care needs have changed.**

Kinder Transition Program 2019

Last Friday, saw the commencement of our 'Flying Start' Kinder transition program. After a school tour, the new students and their parents met up with some buddies

from **4/5B** to have a bit of a play and participate in a variety of activities organised by **Mrs Kenny**, **Mrs Brewin** and **Miss Adams**. It was with great delight that I was able to share my favourite picture book with our new families, 'The Story of the Little Mole Who Knew it was None of His Business.' I look forward to the activities that have been prepared for this week's transition session.

School Planning - 2020

As mentioned in previous newsletters, planning and preparations for the 2020 school year are well underway. A big thank you to those families who are keeping us well informed about **new arrivals** or have indicated **a change in circumstances** for their own family and children's future education. If you know of anyone else moving into our area, please remind them to contact our office staff as soon as possible.

Please remember, if you have any concerns pertaining to your child's class placement for next year, please take the time to write to your child's class teacher, or one of our Stage Supervisors (Mrs Kenny - Kinder, Mrs Wakelin - Years 1/2, Mrs Bowd - Years 3/4, and Mr Miller - Years 5/6) so we can ensure we are addressing any requests when classes are being established.

I must re-emphasise, that any parents who request specific teachers will be left disappointed. However, I am happy for parents to outline aspects of their child's learning and development that may need special consideration when forming class compositions, which may impact upon their academic, social or emotional wellbeing.

At this point in time, with an anticipated enrolment of approximately 400 students, we are likely to start the year with a 16-class model – however, these are subject to change should our enrolment figures either increase or decrease in the future. It is likely that our class structures will include:

- 1. **Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten)** = 3 x straight classes
- 2. **Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2)** = 2 x straight Year 1, 2 x straight Year 2 and 1 x composite 2/3 classes
- 3. **Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4)** = 1 x straight Year 3 and 3 x composite 3/4 classes
- 4. **Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6)** = 2 x straight Year 5 and 2 straight Year 6 classes.

Emergency Management Plan – Bushfire Safety

We thank all families for their support during the recent extreme weather conditions, including the temporary closure of our school on Tuesday 12 November. We know this can be a very traumatic time for children and family members and remind all families to be safe and prepare for the upcoming bushfire season. You can

access a variety of fact sheets on the NSW Rural Fire Service website by clicking on the image below.



Advice to assist parents, teachers and students following recent fires can also be found on the NSW Department of Education's website at the following link - Advice to Parents - NSE DoE

Planned Maintenance Works

As part of our PMW for 2018-2019 the following work has been approved for completion prior to the end of the school year and into the Christmas holiday period –

- 1. **A Block (3B and 3/4E)** painting external walls at rear of building, ceilings and floors of deck area.
- 2. **E Block (Heritage Building)** painting external walls and window trims (south west ends).
- 3. **F Block (Room 2 above canteen)** painting external doors and interior walls of Room 2.
- 4. **G Block (hall)** repair and paint external ceiling and paint stage ceiling.
- 5. **J, K, L Blocks (upper school)** painting timber slats surrounding base of classrooms.
- 6. **P Block (TASK)** painting balustrade and post.
- 7. **Staff Carpark** resurface staff carpark and line marking.

Remembrance Day

Remembrance Day (11 November) marks the anniversary of the armistice which ended the First World War (1914–1918). Earlier this week, we held a special assembly at school to commemorate this day. The school leaders and I attended a special Remembrance Day service at the Ourimbah / Lisarow RSL club. I was also extremely proud of the concert band who played the National Anthem at this ceremony. Both groups of students were wonderful ambassadors for our school and earnt high-praise from members of the RSL and local politicians.







Staff Development Days – 19/20 December

As reported earlier in the year, the two Staff Development Days scheduled for Thursday 19 and Friday 20 December have been varied with staff attending a number of professional development afternoons throughout the year. Please note that the last day for our students and teaching staff at Ourimbah Public School is **Wednesday 18 December**. We thank all families for their continued support of these invaluable professional development opportunities.

Kind regards, Greg Francis (Principal)

CLASSY ARTICLE – 5/6M Mrs McLean

5/6M have stormed into Term 4, taking on a new novel called 'Rowan of Rin'. This is a fantasy novel and we're reading & analysing the text as a class. We're making predictions about what happens next, making connections with the characters and sharing our thoughts and opinions with one another. As this book is set in an olden day village, there are some phrases that are no longer used so we're discussing all of the words and terms the children are unsure of.

5/6M are a curious bunch and we've commenced our science unit on electricity. Static electricity is the first

topic we've looked at and have discovered exactly why your hair stands up when you're on the trampoline! We have been looking at using electricity safely, have learnt about why our bodies conduct electricity, examined different types of storm energy and understand what to do in an emergency involving electricity. 5/6M are super excited about the upcoming Stage 3 cricket day and this should entice some more current year 5 girls to join the OPS cricket team next year. We look forward to the next, and last 5 weeks of 5/6M, 2019.

2020 SCHOOL OFFICIAL ELECTIONS & SPEECHES

The speeches for those students who are trying out for the 2020 School Officials, will be held on Monday, 18th November in the hall. Students are reminded **to please bring along their speeches** and also **a pair of white socks**, as it is also crazy socks day.

Good luck to all students choosing to participate. If parents have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Wakelin or Mr Miller on 4362 1033.

Nicki Wakelin Assistant Principal

CLASSROOM AWARDS K-2

Week 4 – Lucy M, Tommy V KSB; Hudson B K/1A; Ashlyn B, Paxton T 1K; Elsbeth K, Noah G 1N; Beau H, Jono D 1/2ME; Josiah I, Zach T 2/3G; James B, Harlow M Library.

CLASSROOM AWARDS 3-6

Week 4 – Lucy V, Lily K 3/4E; Toby D, Damien L 3/4R; Lucian D, Clay T 4/5B; Zach S, Oliver G 5/6EA; Ethan W, Carrera B 5/6C; Sam B, Hannah J Library.

Week 5 -Toby D, Clara N 3/4R; Abby M, Charlotte R 5/6EA.

PAYMENTS DUE NOW

 Year 6 Camp Balance - \$300 due by Monday, 25th November.

PAYMENT REMINDER

Thank you to those students and parents who have been making use of the secure box in the office foyer for payments and notes for upcoming activities.

UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to the following students on their results:

English

Merits

Jensen F, Keira E

Credits

Angus B, Riley M, Henry P, Callum S, Isabella W, Melody W, Lucinda M

Distinctions

Sienna R

Mathematics

Merits

Angus B, Zavier D, Liam M

Credits

Toby SI, Henry P, Toby Sc, Lucinda M, Phoenix M

Distinctions

Keane T

Science

Merits Credits

Sienna R Angus B, Toby S, Hayden T, Melody W

Distinctions
Phoenix M

Congratulations to all those who participated. **Please note** that due to a delay in the arrival of the official certificates, we have printed interim ones. Students will receive their official certificates when they arrive. Linda Bowd

2019 PRESENTATION DAYS K-2 ANNUAL PRESENTATION

The K-2 Annual Presentation Assembly will take place on **Tuesday**, **10**th **December** beginning at 9.30 am.

K-2 students will receive their annual class awards.

Parents of award winners will receive an invitation to the Presentation Assembly.

Unfortunately, we are severely restricted by the size of our hall and can only accommodate prize winners and their families.

If you receive a letter advising that your child is an award recipient, <u>please RSVP as soon as possible.</u>

YEARS 3-6 ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY

Our Primary Presentation Day this year will be held on **Wednesday**, **11**th **December**. On this day many of our Year 3-6 students will receive a variety of awards for class, band, music, sport etc. The induction of our 2020 School Officials will also take place at this assembly. The assembly will begin at 9.15 am.

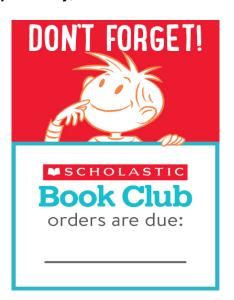
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BOOK CLUB

All orders for Issue 4 of Book Club are due back to school by **Thursday**, **28**th **November**.





SRC COOKIES AND CRAZY SOCKS FUNDRAISER

A friendly reminder that the SRC is holding a fundraiser to raise money for children in Central Coast hospitals. Please remember to wear your crazy socks next Monday, 18th November and bring along a gold coin donation.

Children can also buy a home made cookie from Lily K (3/4E) for 50c on the day.

Anyone who has pre-ordered cookie bags will have orders delivered to their classrooms on Monday, for students to bring home.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Kimpton and the SRC

SPORTS

Congratulations to Quin Barr who represented the school at Sydney North Athletics for High Jump recently. Unfortunately he was unsuccessful in making it through to the next level but we would like to congratulate him on his wonderful efforts for making it to this level.

Mr Edwards and Mr Wilson.

P&C NEWS

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Let's end the year with a fun Christmas raffle for the kids! We have to make this raffle a success and ask for your support in purchasing tickets.

Raffle tickets will be coming home shortly and they will be in booklets of 6 with 1 ticket for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00. There will be additional books available at the office, for those who require more.

Please remember to write your child's name and class on the ticket stub and return to the office. The raffle starts on Monday, 11th November, with a 4 week turnaround. All raffle tickets are due back to school by Thursday, 5th December and the raffle will be drawn on Thursday, 12th December at 8:50am in the Cola area. Prize details to follow. All money raised will be going back to the school for resources for our children. Thank you for supporting this event.

Venessa Wheeler – Fundraising Coordinator

DAY FOR DANIEL

Thank you to all the students and staff for making Day for Daniel such a special day, here at Ourimbah. A massive thank you to Senior Constable Kerrie Wells for speaking to the 3-6 years students again this year on safety and the internet. We were able to raise an amazing \$474.10 for the Daniel Morcombe Foundation that directly goes to the ongoing learning, awareness and support of childhood safety throughout the nation. If any parents or children are interested in more information about cyberbuylling or how to "stay safe" you can easily access the Daniel Morcombe Foundation for more information.

Thank you everyone for your support! Lisa Booth Vice President P&C



DISCO

It has been decided that the theme for our next P&C Disco will be 'Sports' and the disco will be held on Wednesday, 27th November in the hall. There will be Hotdogs available at the Disco and they will need to be pre-ordered before the night. Please return all orders to the office by the cut-off date of Friday, 22nd November. A Disco flyer and Hot Dog order note will be coming home this week with students. See attached copy of the flyer and note. Thank you, Venessa Wheeler Fundraising Coordinator.

P&C FUNDRAISING

The Christmas raffle has started this week. The details of the prizes are to follow shortly.

More tickets are available at the office to share around. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 and Cash only.

All tickets are to be returned to the office by Thursday, 5th December.

The raffle will be drawn on Thursday, 12th December in the cola area at school.

Good luck everyone!



DISCO

The disco this term will be held on Wednesday, 27th November. A Flyer and Hot Dog order form will be going home today with the details.

Hotdogs will be available to pre-order before this event. Please be aware there is a **separate** disco entry price to the Hot Dog orders. This is also a **cash only** event. Please return all orders to the office by Friday, 22nd November so that numbers can be confirmed before the Disco

Thanks for all your support, Venessa Wheeler Fundraising Coordinator.

UNIFORM SHOP

Operating Hours – Mondays & Thursdays

The opening hours for the uniform shop are as follows:

Mondays 8.30 am - 9.15 am Thursdays 2.30 pm - 3.15 pm

Online ordering via flexischools.com.au and Eftpos are available in the Uniform Shop. Order forms are also available from the office.

COMMUNITY NEW









PO Box 87 Conhurt New 2156 Unit 31 / 286-287 New Line Rd Durai NSW 2156 office hours Woodday - ridday 9am - 4 30pm phone Woodday - ridday 9am - 4 30pm phone Woodday - ridday 9am - 4 30pm phone Woodday - ridday 9457 7133 email IntoWheachingsetvices.com.au

School Band Program

Dear Parents

Today your child attended a demonstration concert at school showcasing the instruments available for students to learn in 2020. If you would like more information on the school band program, please return the Expression Of Interest below within 5 days to your school office.

Students who have returned this form will have the opportunity to meet with a TSA teacher at school to try various instruments. Following the instrument trial, an Enrolment Pack will be sent home with your child. This will contain detailed information about the school band program, along with information about instrument choice and suitability.

Below is a brief outline of the band program. More information can also be found at www.teachingservices.com.au



How does the band program work?

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- Band rehearsal (all students together in a band) generally takes place before or after school for 30-60
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Home practise is essential, at least 3 or 4 times every week for between 15-20 minutes each practise

What are the costs?

- Rehearsal & Tuition Fees Group lessons + Band rehearsal fee = \$195 per term OR
 - Private lesson fee \$395 per term + Band rehearsal fee \$95 per term = \$490 per term

- Purchase expect to pay at least \$600 for a quality new wind/brass instrument
 Hire TSA runs a rent-to-buy scheme starting at \$43 per month

Other costs include a tutor book (\$20) & music stand (\$25) and TSA resource levy (\$10 per term). Some school also charge a facility hire levy (\$10-\$30 per term). Some instruments will need items such as cork grease/valve o (under \$10), or reeds (max \$52)

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	ur school office within 5 days to ensure your child is called for instrument testing.			
6	Expression of Interest			
Student Name:	School			
Names of Parents/Guardians: _	Class (2019)			
Phone: Mobile	Home			
Email Address: Please print clearly	nd carefully to help us correctly enter your details — email is our primary method of contact			
Signature:	Office Use Only: Date: / / Instrument test result			



Paddle boarding, Sailing and Powerboating **FOR TEENS AGED 13-17**



Key Dates:

Friday afternoons 4:00-6:30pm 29th November, 6th December, 13th December

\$90 per person

Contact the Gosford Sailing Office for more details PH: (02) 4325 7216



https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/pop-up-festival-for-childrens-wellbeing-tickets-79937869319



Wednesday, 27th November

K-2 4.30 pm - 5.30 pm

3-6 5.45 pm - 7.15 pm

WHERE: School Hall

THEME: Sports

COST:

K-2 \$6.00 (includes entry, drink & chips)

3-6 \$4.00 (entry only - drinks & chips for sale)

Drinks & chips - \$ 1.00 each

Please note - only one soft drink per child will be sold







11.11.19

P&C DISCO DINNER - HOTDOGS - CASH ONLY

The P&C will be holding a HOTDOGS DINNER at the upcoming disco on Wednesday, 27th November, so why not give yourself the night off from cooking and we will cook it for you.

Pre order your Hotdogs on a soft long bread roll, they will be available between 5.00 pm and approximately 6.30 pm. This allows time for dinner before the primary disco and after the infant disco. Please note this is separate to the disco entry price.

Orders are to be placed by Friday, 22nd November.

Payment is by cash only to the office. No orders will be taken after the cut-off date of 22nd November 2019.

Please DO NOT pay via POP.

HOTDOG ORDER FORM					
NAME:		CLASS:			
Hotdog on a roll - \$3.00 ea (Soft long bread roll, hotdo	Quantity: og - sauce optional)	-			
Hotdog & drink combo (water □ or juice □ - please indicate preference) \$5.00 ea Quantity:					
TOTAL:	_ CASH ONLY				
Please note this is separate to the disco entry price.					
Return order form by Friday 22 nd November					