



Murwillumbah Public School

Promoting Excellence in Education

Newsletter

7th December 2016 Term 4 Week 9



Principals Message

Congratulations to all our children who took part in our end of year presentation evening last night. Presentation night is unquestionably the most significant of our annual school events. It is intended to be a reflection on the school year where we share & celebrate the impressive talents of our students.

It was terrific to see so many smiling faces up on stage by children who were obviously enjoying what they were doing (it was also great to see many parents also enjoying the performance). Last night was not only about the students who received public recognition but the night was also about recognising and celebrating all the achievements that all of the students have made this year.

There is not 1 student enrolled at Murwillumbah that has not made gains and shown growth in at least one area of school life. Many thanks to all the staff for their efforts in preparing our children for the night and a big thank you to the many parents who were able to join us last night, your support, positive feedback and continued ongoing encouragement of our school is greatly appreciated.

I had the pleasure of attending the Band Performance last Monday night to see our talented students on stage. There were group performances, solos and duets on many different instruments. I would like to thank all the parents for their support in 2016 and Mrs Armour and our music tutors for providing this opportunity for our students.

On Monday, a note was sent out with details relating to the industrial stoppage (tomorrow) Thursday 8th December. The school will be operational with minimal disruption. Normal classes will proceed.

Congratulations to our year 6 children who took part in their end of year Farewell on Monday night. Many staff joined year 5 students to celebrate a wonderful group of year six children. Lots of dancing, eating, taking pictures, sharing memorable moments and presenting graduation certificates were just some of the highlights of the evening. Congratulations to Mrs Parkes and Mr Gamble who made the night happen and well done again to our children on their great behaviour.

Principals Message Cont

I thank the parents who took the time to come and speak to me or call me to discuss their child/children so as considerations can be made in regards to classes for next year. Teachers spent much time today drafting class formations for 2017. I have really appreciated the knowledge staff have in respect to the social and academic considerations made in planning for next year. At this stage we will be forming 12 classes. We are very close to forming a 13th class.

Next week, our year 4,5 and 6 children will be heading off to Pottsville Camp. Thank you to all parents who have returned medical forms. We are now in the process of forming tent groups based on this information. Mr Johnston, Mr Gamble, Mrs Parkes, Mrs Hill and Mrs Davey will be accompanying the children. Mrs Lack (Monday & Tuesday & Mrs King Wednesday & Thursday) will also be attending. Myself and Mr Butterfield will also be attending on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The children will return around lunchtime on Thursday and will then take part in the year 6 bell ringing commencing at 2.15pm. Parents are most welcome to join us on Thursday for the bell ringing.

Last night we announced our school captains and leaders for 2017. School Captains are Mahli and James, Vice Captains are Charli and Tristan. School leaders are Ayla, Ella B, Bronte and Tara. Well done to all children who took part in this process. I know that there will

be many other opportunities during the year for students to shine and be involved in other leadership opportunities.

The last day of the 2016 school year is Friday 16 December. The final day for staff is also Friday 16 December. Staff have completed the two day scheduled School Development Days throughout the year.

The school will resume on Monday 30 January 2017 for all year 1- 6 students. Kindergarten will also start on Monday at 10.00am.

After almost 35 years of outstanding work at Murwillumbah Public School, we say farewell to our cleaner Robyn Loweke who has decided to pull up stumps and take a well-deserved break (also known as retirement). Robyn has been a dedicated, hardworking and friendly staff member who always has a smile on her face. She will greatly missed and we wish all the very best for the years ahead...Thank You Robyn!

As next Friday, December 16, will be the last day for our students, I would like to wish all families a merry Christmas and a happy start to 2017. I look forward to seeing you in 2017 poised and ready for school.

Have a great week

Les Daley
Principal

Merit Awards

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MERIT AWARD WINNERS FOR WEEK 8 TERM 4:

KA:	Izzy, Nicholas	3/4L:	Bree, Hudson, Mikelle
KP:	Declan, Jayden	4/5H:	Tommy, Russell, Charlotte, Stella
1K:	Jayla, Mathew	5/6G:	Brielle, Tristen
1/2S:	Thomas, Leah	5/6P:	Belinda, Jhye
2P:	Ella, Alyssa, Abbey	Mrs Taylor:	Lily E, Jake D-F
3W:	Lily E, Charley, Cowan	Computers:	Russell, Finnian
3/4K:	Phoenix, Anthony	Annie:	Holly, Blake, Ruben

Community News

TUMBULGUM ROAD CLOSING EARLY 2017

Council is closing Tumbulgum Road, between Sunnyside Lane and Old Ferry Road, Murwillumbah, in late January / early February next year to undertake a major construction program to fix the embankment and road.

The road will be closed to vehicles for about six months. Pedestrians and cyclists will still be able to pass through the area via temporary foot paths.

Vehicles will be diverted via Old Ferry Road and Queen Street. Heavy vehicles travelling into the CBD will be diverted via Cane Road and Queensland Road, or alternatively via Tweed Valley Way and Wollumbin Street.

Signs advertising the closure and diversion routes will be erected early in the New Year.

SANTALAND IN MURWILLUMBAH

The Salvo's Store, in Main Street, Murwillumbah is again hosting Santaland, where you can have your photos taken with Santa in a beautifully decorated Christmas setting.



Santa will be in the store on the following dates and times:
2.30pm to 4.30pm

Wed 7th/Thurs 8th/ Fri 9th December
10am to 12 noon - Saturday 10th
2.30pm to 4.30pm

Wed 14th/ Thurs 15th/ Fri 16th
10am to 12 noon - Sat 17th, Mon 19th to
Fri 23rd, Sat 24th

Santaland is sponsored and fully funded by the Murwillumbah and District Business Chamber.

For more information please phone Helen on 6672 8285 or 0422 731 914.

Tumbulgum Rangers Soccer Sign-on 2017!

Registrations will be commencing soon for the 2017 Soccer Season for boys and girls turning 5 - 16 years during 2017.

Sign on days at the Clubhouse in Bawden Street, Tumbulgum on:
Saturday 11 February 1pm - 3pm
Sunday 12 February 9am - 11am

Registration: 6's and 7's - \$155
8's, 9's, 10's, 11's - \$165
12's, 13's, 14's, 15's - \$185

Online registration details can be provided from 01/02/17.

Players aged 5, 6 and 7 will receive a complimentary ball.

All players receive a polo shirt!

Mini Roos games are played locally.

Older age groups are played in the Tweed and Byron Shires.

Smaller, personal and family friendly club atmosphere in a stunning location.

All age teams (17+ years) recommencing in 2017.

 Group - "TRSC Updates" 

Annual family tennis membership for \$50.

Contact Brian on (02) 6676 6343 for further details.

Child and Family Support Service



Tweed Valley



Pottsville Beach
Neighbourhood Centre

New service for
Murwillumbah
families

Providing early
support for you
and your family

Working together, we will help you to:



link your child(ren) into specialist services and other supports which enable healthy development



improve your parenting knowledge and practical skills



know about community resources to meet your family's needs



achieve goals and increase your family strengths



Family &
Community
Services

CONC Inc

Consortium of Neighbourhood Centres
Far North Coast

The Child and Family Support Service – Tweed Valley is a joint partnership between Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre (PBNC), The Consortium of Neighbourhood Centres – Far North Coast (CONC) and NSW Family and Community Services (FACS).



1-2-3 MAGIC® & EMOTION COACHING PARENT COURSE

Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children 2-12 years old

A **FREE** one on one three-session program for parents and carers now available at **Murwillumbah Public School** (school families only)
Three x 1.5hr sessions delivered one on one during the day, ideally with both parents/carers.
Appointments times can be arranged with Cath or Kym on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Learn:

- ✓ How to discipline without arguing, yelling or smacking
 - ✓ How to sort behaviour
 - ✓ How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
 - ✓ Choosing your strategy, the three choices
 - ✓ Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviours
 - ✓ 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour
- ✦ Participants receive a **1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parent Workbook**

What people are saying...

"What a relief to come across a program that preserves the dignity of the child, maintains the self control of both the parent and the child and is actually easy to remember"

"It was so easy to put into practice and has made a difference already - much more harmony at home!"

Pottsville Beach Neighbourhood Centre is running this course subsidised with funds raised by community volunteers who operate our Op Shop and Markets and is delivered by the Child and Family Support Service (CFSS)

Presenters are experienced and have completed Parentsop's 1-2-3 Magic® & Emotion Coaching practitioner training.

Couples are encouraged to attend together. Grandparents and extended family members are welcome too.

To register your place or gain more information contact:



Cath 0413 879 279

Kym 0455 911 715

CALENDAR

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9				8th December Wollumbin HS Orientation Day for Yr 6	9th December
10	12th December 4/5/6 Pottsville Camp	13th December 4/5/6 Pottsville Camp	14th December 4/5/6 Pottsville Camp	15th December 4/5/6 Pottsville Camp returns 2pm - Yr 6 Bell Ringing	16th December Last Day of Term 4 for Students
School Holidays - 19th December 2016 to 27th January 2017 Students Return 30th January 2017					
1	30th January STUDENTS RETURN	1st February	2nd February	3rd February	4th February

*This Calendar is updated as new information becomes available,
so please continue to check over the course of the Term.*

P & C News

The P&C committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families that have supported the P&C during the year. We are looking forward to seeing you all again next year. The P&C AGM will to be held on Wednesday 22nd February at 6.30pm.

UNIFORM SHOP

2017 will bring a small change to the girls school uniform. To strengthen our identity within the community the girls blouse will now have the school logo embroidered on it, along with the school tartan trimming on the sleeves.

This blouse will only be available from the P&C uniform shop.

There will be a transitional period of 2 years and by then all girls will be encouraged to be wearing the 'new' blouse in January 2019. Girls blouse stock will arrive before school returns next year.

Order forms are available from the school office.

Opening hours for Term 4 2016 are:

Wednesday 3-4pm and Thursday 8.30-9.30am

We will be open next year before school returns on:

Monday 23rd January 10am - 1pm

Tuesday 24th January 3-5pm

Wednesday 25th January 10am - 1pm

Monday 30th January 10am - 1pm