PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Mr Cheers is in Sydney for the NSW Principal’s Conference over the next three days, where he is being exposed to the latest thinking in education. He is looking forward to sharing and implementing these latest ideas and insights into our school upon his return. Mr Cheers is currently writing the School Plan for 2016-17. If parents have any ideas on the direction of the school in line with our three strategic directions of English/Mathematics, Wellbeing and 21st Century Learning please call the school to arrange a time to chat with him, as your input is valuable in making decisions around future directions for the school.

Congratulations to all the students who have auditioned at Toormina High School for Bongil Bongil Musicafe in June 2016 over the last few weeks. Many students have been called back for second auditions and have successfully secured leading roles. This is a reflection of the talent that is nurtured and developed in the Creative and Performing Arts programs within the school.

This Friday we welcome all our 2016 Kindergarten students and parents to the school for our Kindergarten Orientation morning. KM, KB and K/1S will be hosting and preforming at the special assembly, which will be held in the amphitheatre at 8:55am. At the conclusion of the assembly the 2016 Kindergarten students will spend the rest of the morning in the kindergarten classrooms and meet their future Year 6 buddies! There will be an information session held in the new hall for the parents followed by morning tea. This is a very exciting morning in our school and we look forward to meeting all the children and parents.

Please note the change of date for our School Presentation Ceremony which will now be held on Friday 4 December at 8:55am. This change is due to our Year 6 students’ having to attend their High School Orientation Day on Thursday the 3 December. A detailed order of events for the School Presentation Ceremony will be advertised in the newsletter very soon so as to give working parents an opportunity to organise work schedules.

UV is very high could parents please ensure all students have a school hat. They are $15 at the office.

LITTLE TERNs PROJECT IS UNDERWAY

The endangered Little Terns arrived at Bongil Bongil National Park this week. Some yellow beaks (an indicator the bird is ready to breed) have been sighted, so there will probably be eggs on the beach in the next few weeks. Please keep an eye out for them and watch your step. Rinsed 2 litre milk plastic cartons are still wanted for our art project. Years 3-6 are making re-cycled birds and Kindergarten and Year 1 are making Little Tern eggs. Every student will make a valuable contribution to the community exhibition. Contact Emma Aspden for further information.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION

Applications for Year 7 selective high school placement in 2017.

- Parents must apply online at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.
- Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between 13 October and 16 November 2015.
- All applications are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on 10 March 2016.
- Information booklet available from the office.

SPORT REPORT

The boys’ cricket team will be playing Southwest Rocks tomorrow in the North Coast knockout rounds. Congratulations to Tom Neal, Kayne Wells & Will Lloyd for participating exceptionally well in the State Athletics Carnival.

ZOOWHIZ - HOME ACCESS DISCOUNT CARDS

Our school is participating in the ZooWhiz Learning Community Subscription Plan. ZooWhiz is the new, intelligent, automated online learning system that enables you to support your child’s progress in maths, spelling, work skills and reading. Through the Community Subscription Plan our school now has FREE access to ZooWhiz Learning (www.zoowhiz.com) during school hours. Parents are able to access ZooWhiz at home at a very special price by using the Home Access Discount Card. Please Note: The ZooWhiz Learning Home Access Discount Card must be used to activate a subscription by Monday the 7th of December 2015 as it will expire after this date. The ZooWhiz Home Access Discount Cards have recently been distributed to children. If you are unable to locate yours then please contact the office.

P&C NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended, helped and donated prizes to the Sawtell Public School P & C annual Trivia night! We had a blast and also raised $740. This Sunday (25 Oct) we are hosting the Bunnings BBQ. We are still in need of volunteers for the following shifts: 7-10am, 10am-1pm, 1-4pm. We can usually raise $1000+ so we don’t want to pass up this great opportunity. Please give Tanya Cruwys a call/text on 0437 522 070 to get your name on the roster.

Next P&C meeting 7pm Monday 2 November.
CANTEEN NEWS
Due to an extreme shortage of volunteers and the unavailability of the Canteen Supervisor, canteen will not be open for breakfast this Thursday. Canteen will operate as normal for recess and lunch.

BAND NEWS
Please bring instruments this Friday.

UPCOMING EVENTS
- Fri 23 Oct: Kindergarten Orientation
- 28-30 Oct: Opera House Choir
- Fri 30 Oct: Follow up Kindy Orientation
- Mon 2 Nov: P&C Meeting 7:00pm
- Wed 4 Nov: Sawtell Cinema Day
- 9-13 Nov: Year 6 Sydney Excursion
- Thurs 12 Nov: Little Tern - Summer Session
- Thurs 3 Dec: Yr 6 High School Orientation Day
- Fri 4 Dec: Presentation Day
- Fri 4 Dec: Parents Thank you Morning Tea
- Tues 8 Dec: School Concert Night
- Mon 14 Dec: Year 6 Farewell
- Tues 15 Dec: Picnic Day
- We 16 Dec: Last Day of Term

ASSEMBLY
This week’s Assembly 8:55am Friday: KB, KM & K/1S

BOOKCLUB
Bookclub orders due by this Friday 23 October.

UNIFORM SHOP
The Uniform Shop is open on Wednesday mornings from 8:30 am. Should you be unable to attend the Uniform Shop during these hours, order forms are available at the school office.

COMMUNITY NEWS
5% of All of our “Home Delivery Milk Sales” will be donated to Sawtell Public School
Local Farm Fresh has kindly offered to donate 5% of all Milk Home Delivery sales to our school.
“What the cow gives us! We give to you!” they don’t add anything and you get the wholesome fresh goodness of a local product.
Supporting our school has never been easier all you have to do is sign up online to have Local Farm Fresh deliver to your door on a regular basis and 5% of all sales will be sent as a donation to the school.
There are no lock in contracts you can start and stop whenever you wish. The Milk is delivered to you in re-usable cooler bags, all you do is leave the bag out and we will top up every time they call.
The donation will continue for as long as you have the milk delivered so we will be receiving an ongoing income. Please check them out at: milkdrive.localfarmfresh.com.au

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