PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Week five already! This term is really moving fast and before we know it Christmas will be on us. Teachers are currently finalising assessments and writing detailed reports for all of our students. Mr Cheers will return next Wednesday and in the interim Miss Beveridge, Mrs Pollack and I will continue to relieve in the Principal’s position.

The Choir performance at the Sydney Opera House last Thursday evening was outstanding - a mass choir of 700 accompanied by a stage band and orchestra. Students, as usual, were a credit to the school - on the train, at the hostel and at the Opera House. There was lots of emotion and tears in the audience. Thanks to Mrs Pollack, Mr Moore, Peter Kaukiainan and 30 parents who accompanied and supervised the group. Mr Moore would like any photos and/or videos taken of the choir performance and excursion by parents as soon as possible so that he can compile a ‘memento’ for all the students. There will be a special encore performance by the choir on Thursday 19 November commencing at 6pm in the new hall.

Year 6 students are off to Sydney next week with Mr Paslowski, myself and some very brave parents. Mr Cheers will help them settle in and return to school lunch time Wednesday. Year 6 will be holding a car wash on the basketball court this Thursday between 1:35 and 3:45pm to raise money for their ‘cruise’ in Sydney. Please support them if you can. We even accept money to not wash cars - $5.00 per car.

Year 3 have their big camp on tonight. Miss Wilson has been busy getting everything organised after the wash out a few weeks ago. The camp will go ahead no matter what. If the weather looks doubtful the group will relocate to the new school hall. If I was a betting man I think it’s a good chance to be in the hall after reading the forecast. Kindergarten Orientation has been an outstanding success and full credit to Miss Beveridge for her hard work and organisation. It looks like we will have 58 new kindies in 3 classes. This could all change if numbers do not remain as indicated.

The executive has been meeting to look at classes for next year. Teachers will meet in the next few weeks to tentatively form classes. We urgently need to know of anyone who is leaving the school or anyone living IN ZONE who will be enrolling.

Today the students came dressed as their favourite movie character to support the P&C fundraising effort for Sawtell Cinema - I’ve never seen so many ‘Movie Stars’. Thanks to everyone for their support.

Thursday 12 November at 5.30pm the choir (without Year 6) is singing at Summer Sessions. At 6.30pm all students K-6 will parade with their cleverly made birds. This walk is designed to highlight the return and safety of the Little Terns. These Little Terns are endangered and our local breeding ground is vital for their survival. Thank you to Emma Aspden for all her hard work and enthusiasm with our students over the past few weeks in educating them in regard to the Little Tern.

Auditions for the Musicals are now completed. Many of our students have lead or supporting roles in singing, drama, band, dance, gymnastics, clowning and with technical support. The performances will be held in June 2016.

Please take note of all the events occurring towards the end of the year. Refer to the back of the newsletter for important dates. Some new parents may not be aware of Picnic day organisation. The school day will commence at 7am on 15 December at Sawtell Reserve and conclude at 1pm at Sawtell pool. We do also make provisions for students who require 3pm pickup. A note will be sent home in the weeks leading up to this day.

QUICKFIRE RAFFLE’ - YEAR SIX FUNDRAISING

Over the next few days Year 6 children will be running a fundraising raffle. There will only be limited tickets sold. First and second prizes include a $200 and $100 open orders at Amart Sports. Tickets will be on sale before school in the amphitheatre and at recess and lunch. You can also purchase tickets at the school office. Tickets are $2.00 each and will be drawn this Friday.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH – October


Citizenship Award Charlotte Van Dortel K/1S.

INTENSIVE SWIMMING WEEK 7 & 8

$30 payments are now due.

SPORT REPORT

Ellena Cheers Flavell is currently in Dubbo at the NSW State Cricket Championships. Her main role is a ‘strike bowler’ and she has gained quite a few wickets for North Coast. They have won 2 games and lost 2 games at this point. Will Bailey and Tom Neal have returned from the Boys’ Championships where they represented themselves and our school with sportsmanship and a high level of skill. Congratulations boys.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Scotty’s @ Sawty

Award
Winning Chef Scott Warman and Kristy Hodges are now @ the Sawtell Golf Club!!
Come and check out what all the fuss is about!
Bookings: 0431 342 695 02 6653 1006
Tue - Sun 12:00 - 2pm, 5:30 - 8pm

LITTLE TERN

Many thanks to all the families who have been drinking their milk! We now have plenty of milk cartons for the Little Terns community project. This Saturday 7 November at 5pm the community exhibition will be officially launched at Sawtell Art Gallery (corner of Lyons Rd and Bayldon Ave). Many of the plastic terns and ceramic eggs made by the students will be on display. The exhibition will run until 22 November. And please save the date for the Sawtell Summer Session Twilight Parade on Thursday 12 November. Students and families are invited to participate in the parade to welcome the Little Terns back to Sawtell. Students can wear the colours of the Little Tern black, yellow, white or grey. The school choir will be performing at the Summer Session at 5:30pm and the participants of the parade will meet outside the RSL club at 6:30pm.
Thank you for helping to celebrate and conserve the Little Tern. Emma Aspden.

P&C NEWS

Help at the canteen: - Cherie urgently needs extra hands in the canteen for critical morning hours - from 8:30 or 9 to 10 would be fantastic. Please contact Tanya on 0437 522 070 or just turn up at the canteen. Please note the Canteen will be closed the last week of school - Monday 14, Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 December.
Christmas raffle tickets will be available and drawn on Concert night (Tues 8 Dec). Any people or businesses able to make a contribution to the raffle would be greatly appreciated.
Next P&C meeting: Monday 30 November 7pm in Staffroom - special brain storming session for 2016! Got any suggestions or ideas for fundraising for next year? Please come along.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 5 Nov Year 6 Car Wash 1:35 to 3:45
9-13 Nov Year 6 Sydney Excursion
Thurs 12 Nov Little Tern - Summer Session
Tues 17 Nov 2016 Captain/Prefect Speeches
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 (7am - 1pm)
We 16 Dec Last Day of Term

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