



The Buzz

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From the Principal

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2022 TERM 4	WHAT'S HAPPENING????
8 Nov	Kindergarten 2023 Orientation 3 rd visit
10 Nov	Wetlands Excursion Yr2/3/4
21 Nov- 2 Dec	Swimming School
7 Dec	Christmas Carols 5.30pm
13 Dec	Presentation Day 12pm – 2.30pm
14 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
15 Dec	Activity Day K-6
16 Dec	Year 6 Clap Out 2.45pm

Year 6 Fundraisers

Year 6 parents we need you! A skoolbag post was released yesterday asking parents of Year 6 students to volunteer for a time slot at our Christmas Carols sausage sizzle. Your children would love your support.

Swimming School

Swimming school notes went home a few weeks ago to Stage 2 parents. We have now opened the remaining spots to Year 2- Year 6 students who received their notes today. If you haven't already secured a position for your child and would like to do so, please contact the office before Friday 11 November. We 45 spots left to fill for swim school to go ahead.

Kindy Orientation

The new Kindies are CUTE! It is like they are ready for school now. The buddies are stepping up and demonstrating their leadership skills.



Wetlands Excursion

Year 2, 3 & 4 will be going on their excursion to the Wetlands on the Thursday 10 November.

Remember to:

- Wear correct school uniform
- Arrive to school on time 8.30am (bus leaves at 9.00am)
- Pack recess, lunch and plenty of water
- Pack a raincoat (just in case)
- Wear sunscreen



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Covid Intensive Learning Support Program Student Survey

Parents and carers of students who have participated in the Covid ILSP in 2022 will receive a note home today explaining the purpose of the student survey and a consent form for your child to do the survey at school with Mrs Ramsay. Please contact the school if you have any further questions.

Hats

Over the last few weeks, students have been reminded that they need to wear their school hat. As per our blitz on school jumpers for winter, our focus is now on ensuring children have the proper school hat as the weather gets warmer. Children have been reminded that if they don't have their school hat, they will be required to play under the COLA during break times.

Please note, this is not a change in procedure or policy, it is status quo. Any change of policy, will and has always been done in consultation with parents and community, as witnessed with our change to the school shirts starting in 2023. We have received word that our new polo shirts will be in stock as of the end of next week.

We are very pleased with the excellent response to wearing school hats this week, it shows the students maturity and ability to be responsible for their own actions. As always, assistance will be provided to any family who requires support with uniforms. For more information on uniform requirements, please see the front office for a copy of the uniform policy. An updated policy will be uploaded to Skoolbag once our new T-shirts arrive.

Christmas Raffle

The P&C will be hosting a Christmas raffle and are asking community for donations. Please drop any donations to the front office by Friday 2 December.

**CHRISTMAS
UNDER THE COLA**

Wednesday 7 December from 5.30pm

Bring your nibbles, buy a sausage and join us for a casual evening of community carolling, class items and all 'round Christmas cheer.



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Merit Awards Winners- Congratulations!



Newcastle Permanent Mathematics Competition

Last term students from Years 4, 5 & 6 participated in the Newcastle Permanent Mathematics Competition, organised by Mr Thompson.

Congratulations to all students who participated. We had a number of students who gained a-

- Merit Certificate : Year 5, 31 - 40%, Year 6, 35 - 47%
- Distinction Certificate : Year 5, 41-59% Year 6, 48 - 69%





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First Nations Cultural Demonstration

Ryker shared his enthusiasm for his culture with the school community last Friday. Ryker is a proud Biripi and Kamilaroi student.



Library Helpers needed to cover new books

We need your help over the next couple of Friday mornings following assembly down in the library to help cover our new books. Mrs Anderson will be there to help. Morning tea will be supplied for volunteers. Please let the office know if you are available to help.

Early Arrivers

It has been noticed that quite a few children are arriving prior to 8.30am and being left unsupervised. As previously stated, our school is located on an extremely busy street and it is dangerous to leave your child unsupervised. Teachers do not provide supervision until 8.30am, therefore no child should be at school before then. TASK is available every morning and afternoon for parents who require assistance. As of Monday, parents will be sent an sms if teachers are aware that children have been left unsupervised.

Gates

The school gates are open from 8.30-9.00am and 3.00-3.15pm. We are pleading with parents and community to leave the gates closed at all other times for the safety of your children.

Term 4 Calendar

The calendar below will be updated as the term advances:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5 Nov 7-11	*Assembly 9am	*Kindy Orientation: Visit Three 9.15am * Aikido: Yr 2 2pm		* Excursion Year 2/3/4	*Assembly 9am *Sailing 12-3pm
Week 6 Nov 14-18	*Assembly 9am	* Aikido: Yr 2 2pm			*Assembly 9am *Sailing 12-3pm
Week 7 Nov 21-25	*Assembly 9am *Swimming School	* Aikido: Yr 2 2pm *Swimming School	*Swimming School	*Swimming School	*Assembly 9am *Sailing 12-3pm *Swimming School
Week 8 Nov 28-Dec 2	*Assembly 9am *Swimming School	* Aikido: Yr 2 2pm *Swimming School	*Swimming School	*Swimming School	*Assembly 9am *Sailing 12-3pm *Swimming School
Week 9 Dec 5-9	*Assembly 9am	* Aikido: Yr 2 2pm *Waratah HS Transition	*Christmas Carols Concert 5.30pm		*Assembly 9am *Sailing 12-3pm
Week 10 Dec 12-16	*Assembly 9am	* Aikido: Yr 2 2pm * Presentation Day	*Year 6 Farewell 6pm	Activity Day K-6 9.30am	LAST DAY OF TERM Year 6 Clap Out



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Good for kids
good for life



Active for life

Did you know that only 1 in 4 children meet the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity per day?

It's important that physical activity be a regular part of family life. Here's some ideas to promote physical activity for life!

- Promote fun. The more you enjoy physical activity, the more likely you are to continue doing it.
- Make it part of your regular daily routine.
- Provide a safe environment and wear comfortable clothing.
- Provide easy access to active toys including balls, skipping ropes, etc.
- Be a role model. If you are being active, your children are likely to follow.
- Play and explore with your children. Get outdoors for a walk, play at the park or bike ride.



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