# Scotts Head Public School Public and Proud



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## Newsletter - 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014 Week 11

#### CALENDAR

Dates to remember: April Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Waterslide/Last Day of Term 1

25<sup>th</sup> ANZAC Day

Mon 28th Staff Development Day - Pupil Free

Tues 29th Students Return for Term 2

May Fri 9<sup>th</sup> District Cross Country - Bowraville

Tues  $6^{th}$  P&C Meeting

#### Reminder for the Week

All water slide permission notes must be returned to school tomorrow morning.

Canteen: Monday: To be advised Wednesday: To be advised

### Indo Corner Pronouns

Kamu - you (informal) Anda - you (formal) Kami - we (exclusive)

Kita - we (inclusive) Dia - he/she Mereka - they

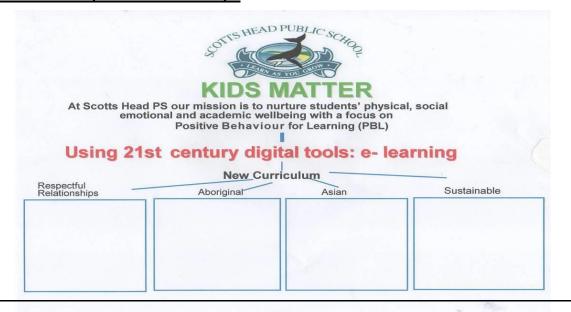
Saya - I/me

Hello, Giinagay, Hai,

#### 'Genius is 1 percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration'

Thomas Edison

#### Term 1 Focus - Respectful Relationships



This term the school focus has been on respectful relationships. How we can make our school / classrooms 'lift up' zones. Talking about what we mean by supporting others. We encourage families to speak with the students about the values of Respect (for the rights and feelings of others; self respect), and the importance of Teamwork (getting along together), treating other people fairly and kindly, sorting out social problems using conferencing, that is a school process that gives every member of our school community a voice which helps maintains friendliness and peace.

Students are at the centre of what we do. Our goal is to improve education and learning outcomes for all. The coherent alignment of teacher, parent and student partnerships has the greatest impact.

Thank-you to all the students, staff, parents, volunteers, readers, community members who have contributed in making this a highly successful term ensuring a safe, caring, orderly and productive learning community in which the right of all students to learn and experience success is supported. Let's continue to work together. Have a safe, enjoyable holiday.

#### Term 2 Focus Aboriginal Educations – NADIOC celebrations

Student Stitching Program

Monday May 12<sup>th</sup> - Gumbaynggirr Elders Singers will perform and the Dungutti elders will display their handcrafts and students will perform/ share Aboriginal songs and dances.

May 15<sup>th</sup> – June 19<sup>th</sup> - 7 week program each Thursday students from Kindy to Year 6 will learn the skills of textile art, screen printing and sewing. Each student will screen their own pillow slips and stitch a patchwork design of an aboriginal animal on a patchwork which will be sewn together for a wall hanging NAIDOC 2014, to hang in the schools front office.

An Indigenous Artist Richard Campbell has designed a screen printable Whale, inside the Whales belly is the symbol of teachers and children. The words surrounding the whale is 'I am Gurruuja' (*I am a Whale*) Baya Garlanygirr darruyayla. (*Keep our coastal environment healthy*).

June 26<sup>th</sup> Parents - Community members, Gumbaynggirr and Dungutti elders will be invited to to the school where students will display their screen prints and wall hanging and display their handcrafts and celebrate Nadioc Week with the official Opening of the Pathway of Knowledge Bush/ Bike Track. More information next term.

#### **Easter Activities**

The egg drop designs and decorations were fantastic with an abundance of enthusiasm of students in the Easter activities. Outstanding Peer Group leadership was displayed by all senior students which made the Easter Activities Tabloid activities calm, happy and fun experience for all. A huge thank-you to April Evans the P & C President who spent days of her time buying, wrapping, preparing, drawing and distributing the Easter eggs. Thanks to Mercy, a school volunteer who also helped get all prizes ready. Thanks to Toni Jones who cooked the Hot Cross Buns in her own time. All the helpers consistently create a positive culture in the school by freely giving their time and support to the staff and the students. We certainly appreciate it.

#### Library

Thank you to everyone, parents and staff alike for your great comments about how wonderful our school Library looks. A big thank you to Mercy (Chloe and Lucy Braun's grandmother) for all her wonderful work re-arranging and tidying the books. Also a big thank you to Selwyn Sutcliffe for the great cartoon character drawings around the Library. If you get a chance have a look at the Library window for just a few examples. Julie.

#### **Cross Country Results**

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Cross Country. Everyone tried their very hardest. Results will be published in the first Newsletter next term. Permission notes will also be handed out to students who are eligible to attend the next level.

#### **Boardies Day**

Thanks to Cath and Jason O' Donnell for helping organising the highly successful Boardies Day. A great day was had by all and a huge thank-you to Peter McNally the club captain and the other surf club volunteers who provided the supervision that allowed for the students to swim at the beach. Thanks to Colleen and Barry who did a delicious job of cooking the sausages on the barbie. Thanks to all the parents who helped out on the day, making sure a happy and safe day was enjoyed by all.

#### **Support for Parenting**

Although being a parent is a great joy, it is also a privilege that involves tremendous responsibility. While we all would do anything for our kids, willingness is not enough. We all need to develop the skills of being excellent parents. We cannot just hope that the way we are raising our kids is the right way and hope for the best that they will become thoughtful, caring and wise adults. Please sign up to this local initiative to improve your parenting abilities by attending the PPP course.





With Triple P Seminars - Positive Parenting Program

Triple P is a parenting program for all families that provides practical answers to everyday parenting concerns

To find out more or to book into a FREE seminar please contact Benita or Christine on 65684471 Triple P Seminars:

Session 1: - 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2014 - THE POWER OF POSITIVE PARENTING

Session 2: - 29th May 2014 - RAISING CONFIDENT, COMPETENT CHILDREN

Session 3: - 5th June 2014 - RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN

Time: 10am - 12 noon

Where: Scott's Head Primary School

FREE childcare is available - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - a limited number of places are available,



#### **Monday End of Term Assembly**

Thanks to all the parents and friends who attended our very joyful end of Term awards. The highlight of course was the performance of Kindy and the number song. Thanks to Bu Lyndsey, Bu Bibi and the school leaders who did an outstanding job of running the assembly.

#### Waterslides Bronze Award Reward Day Friday 11th April.

This term reward for all students achieving Bronze award will be enjoying a day at the Grassy Head waterslide tomorrow. All students who received their Bronze level has be given a note, please can the note be returned tomorrow. Cost \$ 4.00. Thanks for the P and C for their kind donation of \$ 300 to pay for the hire of the waterslide. The students who have not managed to have achieved Bronze will be staying at school with teacher supervision.

#### Pathway of Knowledge Bush Tucker Bike Track

The track will be accessible to students by foot from next term. The use of bikes in school hours will not occur until students achieve bike licenses that are obtained and issued after successfully undertaking a track bike safety program.

Thanks to Will Cartwright and Pat Milne who came in the weekend to continue with the completion of the first part of the track. Thanks to Ben Evans again for the use of his wacker packer.

We have now exhausted all our funds and have got our fingers crossed to be successful in obtaining funding from application that we have submitted to continue on with the Bush Tucker program.

#### **Anzac Day**

We want as many students as possible to join the School Leaders at the Anzac Day dawn Service opposite Little Beach on the 25<sup>th</sup> April at 6am. School students during the song Lest we Forget will be asked to come out the front with the leaders and sing the song. Please can students be dressed in school uniform.

#### 2/3 Art Work

The 2/3 class have been working on an interesting new art activity for the last two weeks. They started with a piece of square ply, sanded and painted it, nailed a design onto it and created a fantastic piece of wool art! They are all very proud of their work and it was a pleasure to see the patience they displayed as they worked on their creations.





#### **Impact Student Leadership Conference**

Student Leaders from our school and others around the Nambucca Valley will again, this year, join for the chance to attend Leadership Training together as a Nambucca Valley Community of Public Schools (NVCoPS) group. As part of our commitment to developing student leadership a number of students, the school captains Freya and Sol and vice-captains Ruby and Jamison will attend the Impact Leadership Training in Coffs Harbour on Thursday 8th and Friday 19th May (Wk2 Term2). The school captains and vice captains were the only selected senior students, as numbers were restricted. An information session for parents and students will be at Macksville PS on Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> of May at 2.15- 2.50 pm. Notes will be sent home early week 1.

#### **Stranger Danger**

We have had a report from a concerned parent in another town about a black car that followed her child. Please with the holidays approaching take the time to have a chat about stranger danger and encourage your children always to be with a Buddy. The students in the junior classes in PDHPE have been learning the skills to say NO and not to be tricked. A great website to help create the discussions about staying safe is: <a href="http://www.safety4kids.com.au/safety-zone/stranger-danger/strangers-in-cars">http://www.safety4kids.com.au/safety-zone/stranger-danger/strangers-in-cars</a>

#### **LLLCC**

The kitchen area in the LLLCC is starting to take on a much more organised look due firstly to the kind donation by Brett and Toni Jones of the cupboard to store crockery and secondly to Kelly Pacey who thoughtfully in her own time is giving the kitchen area a clean and shine.

#### Sold the BBQ

A big thank-you to Kelly Pacey who after a long time, energy and bargaining power has sold the BBQ for the right price. The P & C will now purchase a Barbie which we can move around to school for the various events.

#### **Art Display**

As part of Scotts Head Food and Wine festival, the school has a display of some of the creative works that have been produced by the classes in Term 1. Make sure you take the time and drop into the surf club to have a look.

#### Readers at School.

If you have any free time please come along to the school and listen to our students read. The school is flexible with arrangements of fitting into your weekly schedule, as it is an individual program, working with students one -to- one outside the classroom in a supervised area outside the office. Please give Gillian Stuart the Principal a ring on 65 698 144.

#### **Donation of Plants**

We are looking to put a garden on the eastern side of the classrooms and we are looking for specific plants to beautify the area such as the small variety of Birds of Paradise, any sized Kangaroo Paws or Lavender cuttings from your garden.

Thanks, terima kasih, yaarri yaraang, Gillian Stuart

#### **Macksville Show Art Competitions**

Children may independently enter anything into the Children's Sections of The Pavilion program. If more information is required their website is <a href="https://www.macksvilleshow.com">www.macksvilleshow.com</a>

#### **YMCA Intensive Swim Program**

Macksville Aquatic Centre will be holding the school holiday intensive swim program in the first week of the

April school holidays.

Starts: Monday 14th April Ends: Thursday 17th April

Price: Groups \$ 44 or Privates \$ 72

There will be free group swimming lessons for Indigenous children aged between 3 – 12 yrs held during this week as well. Interested participants can contact

YMCA Macksville on 6568 1445, thank you.

#### **Help Needed**

Is there a parent or carer out there who would be available to look after a Kindergarten age boy after school on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. If you are interested please contact Rob or Casey on 65 69 7633.



#### Canteen Roster Term 2 2014

Week	Date	Volunteer	Date	Volunteer
1	28/4/14	CLOSED	30/4/14	Toni & Fran
2	5/5/14	Sandrine	7/5/14	Fran
3	12/5/14	April & Jeremy	14/5/14	Gretchen
4	19/5/14	Cindy	21/5/14	Fran
5	26/5/14	April & Jeremy	28/5/14	Fran
6	2/6/14	Sandrine	4/6/14	Gretchen
7	9/6/14	Toni	11/6/14	Fran
8	16/4/14	April & Jeremy	18/6/14	Fran
9	23/6/14	Cindy	25/6/14	Toni & Fran

If any of the above dates do not suit, please send me an email and I can change the roster. If anyone else would like to be added to the roster please send me a message via email: <a href="mailto:tjones8185@yahoo.com.au">tjones8185@yahoo.com.au</a> Thankyou Toni Jones (Canteen Supervisor)

#### **Canteen News**

New menu coming out first week back. We will no longer be selling pies. Party Pies are still available. We will be trialling homemade sausage rolls and beef burgers. Individual Pizzas will be replaced with larger pizzas cut into slices. Because we are heading into the colder months warm milo will be available after week 6. We are on the road to having a Greener Canteen! We hope everyone has a great holiday and we will see you all in Term 2.

