Newsletter – 20th November 2014  Term 4  Week 7

CALENDAR

Term 4
November 21  Book Club: Scholastic Book Club orders due
November 21  Surveys are due
November 25  Parent Information Evening at Macksville High School for Year 7 2015
              (more information on Page 3)
December 3  Assembly 2.00pm in LLLCC
December 3  Orientation day for students enrolled at MHS for Year 7 2015
December 5  School Plan Survey due
December 10  Presentation Night 6.00pm
December 16  Year 6 Farewell
December 17  Last Day Students

Reminder for the Week
Book Club: Scholastic Book Club orders due tomorrow 21 November 2014

Outstanding Fees
If you have not paid for your child’s Work Books (Text Books) please do so before 30th November

P&C Notice

Canteen Roster

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Hello, Giinagay, Hai

Indo Corner

Bagaimana akhir pekanmu? (How’s your weekend?)
Possible responses:

- Menyenangkan (It’s fun)
- Seru (It’s exciting)
- Biasa saja (It’s OK)
- Membosankan (It’s boring)
- Melelahkan (It’s tiring)

School Surveys
Part of our Annual School Report involves evaluating two areas within the school. This year we wish to evaluate our School Culture and our Bilingual Program. Our School Culture Survey was sent home in week 5 as a hard copy and we request that you complete this and then complete our Bilingual Survey online at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WJWLCGL

Both surveys need to be completed by Friday 21st November. Please take the time to complete both surveys. This should take no more than 10 minutes. Thank you in anticipation of your support.
Principal's Award: Week 6

Last week's Value of the Week was: **Responsibility** and our recipients of this award for week 6 are: Lilly Pacey and William Oxlade. Week 7 Value is **Teamwork**

Indonesian Language Teachers Association

Earlier in the year, students from our school participated in an annual competition organised by the Indonesian Language Teachers Association, the Australian Indonesian Association in conjunction with the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia. Jade Roach was the recipient of a Highly Commended Award in the Kindergarten category. Congratulations Jade on your achievement.

Year 2/3

The year 3 students recently sat a test to see if they are ready for their pen licence. Ethan T and Orlando have written this report.

First we had to do a test. If we failed it we could have another chance next week and if we made it we would find out after recess. We all wrote neatly and got them and it was a good feeling. We all got a clap from our class when we got our licences and they are stuck on our desks. That's how we got our pen licence!
Peer Support
Students participated in another peer support session with the fantastic Year 6 leaders on Wednesday 19th November. This is the second to last session for the year. Students participated in activities about ‘cooperating’, working as a team and showing responsibility. Students discussed what this looks like and things we can do at home and at school to set an example for others.

School Plans 2015-2017
The Local Schools Local Decisions (LSLD) reform requires consultative decision making processes in school. The importance of working with parents and community is recognised in building a shared understanding to bring about sustained growth. At Monday’s P&C meeting I discussed with the Committee on the need for consultation in developing our School Plan for the period 2015-2017. Each member of the P&C attending on the night received a survey. Members of the Committee have been invited to attend a meeting with our School Director Jo Burgess, Principal Gillian Stuart and Scotts Head PS Staff to discuss the planning process on Thursday 18th December 2014 in the LLLCC from 9.00am to 11.00am. Members of the wider school community are also invited to attend. Please inform the office of your intended attendance. Today I have sent another survey to all families to gather your thoughts on our strategic direction for the School Plan. Please return these by Friday 5th December 2014. Other meetings will be scheduled early in 2015. Our School Plan needs to be completed by the end of Term 1 2015. Both surveys will be posted on our school webpage under Current Notes. Your assistance in this planning process is much appreciated.

Year 6 and Year 5 - Macksville High School
Tuesday 25th of November Parent Information Evening at Macksville High School for Year 7 2015 (Year 5 parents are also welcome to attend to look around the school and meet staff and students). Guided School Tours will leave from the front gate from 5pm and an information session will take place in the hall from 6.00-6.30pm. Light refreshments provided.
Wednesday 3rd of December Orientation day for students enrolled at MHS for Year 7 2015. Students come directly to the high school arriving between 8.30 and 9.00am. Students should wear primary school uniform (sport uniform as PE is included) and bring their school bag with pens, pencil and ruler, snacks and a bottle of water. A sausage sandwich will be provided for lunch. Bus companies have been notified and students may travel on school buses for no charge on this day. Students will be dismissed at 3.10pm. Parents dropping off or picking up their students are reminded to use Park Street. Parents please ensure you have completed your child’s enrolment.
Jenny Conway
HT Science/ Year 6-7 Transition Co-ordinator
Macksville High School

Community Announcements

Before and After School Care
There is a Before and After School service due to open Term 1, 2015 opposite Scotts Head PS. Call Jackie on 0404 663 662 for more information and to register your interest as places are limited.
**P&C Fundraiser**

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Fantastic Christmas Cards**

Every year we run fundraising activities so that we can raise money to pay for essential equipment for our school. We have found these fantastic seed-embedded Christmas cards that we would like your help to sell. You can help us in 2 different ways. For the first way we will be sending order forms home with your child. Please ask your family, friends and even neighbours if they would like to purchase a pack of our beautiful cards. The second way is to opt to take home a carry bag of the Christmas cards to sell, all you need to do is complete the form on the bottom and return it to school. All your instructions will be found inside the carry bag.

**Please make sure you return your money and any unsold product by Friday 28th November, 2014.**

A pack of the Fantastic Seed-Embedded Christmas Cards are $6 each and you get 5 cards per pack with 4 different designs.

Each fundraising carry bag contains 5 packs of set A cards and 5 packs of set B cards and each card set includes four different card designs.

Please note we only have a limited amount of these packs of cards so get in quick so you don’t miss out as it will be first in best dressed.

Thank you for your support. We are grateful for your involvement in helping us fundraise for our School.

Order Forms were sent home on Wednesday 12 November 2014.

Yours sincerely,

April Oxlade
Fundraising Officer

**Nambucca Shire Libraries**

The Nambucca Shire Libraries have a large range of resources for children and young adults, including fiction and non-fiction books, magazines, audiobooks and DVDs.

With school holidays fast approaching, Macksville and Nambucca Libraries will once again be hosting the Summer Reading Club, and this year the theme is Adventure! Children will be encouraged to explore fiction with storylines involving exciting journeys, fast-paced plots, heroes and villains. Participation is free, and there are some terrific prizes to be won. Summer Reading Club runs from 9th December 2014 to 23rd January 2015 and entry forms are available at the libraries. For more information, contact the Libraries on 65686906 or 65681422.