Principals Column

Dear Parents

So much is coming up in the next few weeks, the school is buzzing with excitement! Next Friday is PJ Day with electronics afternoon, an SRC fundraising initiative to help Peter Cooper (an ex-student now in year 7) raise money to buy a new diabetic insulin pump.

Then the very very exciting news that the Indonesian Consulate will be visiting our school to celebrate Indonesian Independence Day, the Book Fair and Grandparents Day on Thursday the 20th of August. The consulate accepted our invitation and is making the trip solely to visit our Bilingual school.

Please get thinking about a suitable book character for everyone to come dressed up as for the Book Fair Day.

Its been my pleasure to be acting principal all week and love how happening the school playground is on each Friday as the senior students broadcast live from our school radio station creating playlists, announcing songs and keeping students entertained.

Well done to the students who represented our school at the District Athletics Carnival last Friday. Congratulations to Henry, Jack, Jonah and Wulaaran who have made it through to Zone Athletics next Friday.

Bagus sekali!

Miss B.

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Indo Corner

Pakaian musim dingin - Winter clothing

- Jaket
- Celana panjang
- Selendang
- Sepatu
- Kaus kaki
- Sarung tangan

Pakaian musim panas - Summer clothing

- Kaos
- Kaos dalam
- Celana pendek
- Rok
- Baju renang
- Topi
- Kaca mata
- Sarung tangan

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Sun Tzu

Principal Awards

Congratulations to the SRC for their fantastic effort organising the Pirate Day in June. They have received a Certificate of Appreciation from The Kids’ Cancer Project for their donation.

Principal Awards Teamwork

Congratulations to Holly and Addy (absent)

Can you imagine what you would do if you could do all that you can?”

Sun Tzu

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Thank you to Kirstin from Macksville PS for the above photos.

Note from a parent: “Hello Gillian, Annie and the Showtime team, It was my very first Showtime last night and I thought the Scotts Head Primary School performance was fantastic! It was by far the most diverse and exotic performance and the blue fans and big pants dance took my breath away! The crowd was ecstatic with the banging. The kids looked like they had a great time with lots of big smiles and I know that my daughter suffered some pre-performance gitters that just disappeared on the stage. Thanks to everyone behind the scenes keeping the kids entertained and engaged while all the other schools performed- that’s to be commended too!”

**Ghana Beat My Drum Performance**

On Wednesday the drums were at beating at Scotts Head Public School as we were entertained by Jonas Kojo Tandoa from Ghana. Jonas was both funny and factual as he shared information about his homeland, Ghana and other neighbouring African countries. We found out that when children are born their name is the day of the week...so Kojo means Monday!

Jonas called on students to come up and perform with him...it will something they never forget! Me da se Jonas (thank you)!

**Robotics Group 2**

Today Toby and Finlay, Jack, Joe, Ethan and Koby experimented with their Lego mind storm robots. The challenge was to program the robot to travel one metre using degrees. This was calculated by using the constant (programming constant) of one rotation is equal to 176mm or 360 degrees. Therefore rotations = distance / 176mm. A great time and mathematic learning was had experimenting with angles and circular formations. Bu Emma.
Book Fair and Grandparents Day with an Indonesian Flair

The Book Fair costume parade is coming up! Dress as your favourite book character on Thursday 20th August. There will be a book fair in the LLLCC, Indonesian rotations and an assembly in the morning. Come along with grandparents, friends or neighbours and join in the fun! Invitations were sent out this week.

Senior Excursion to Sydney—24-28th August

Payments should now be finalised for the Senior excursion to Sydney. Notes with more information regarding the excursion and a list of what to bring will be handed out early next week.

Parent Teacher Conferences—13th August LLLCC 3.15pm–5.30pm

Notes have been sent home to arrange parent/teacher conference times. Please return the note as soon as possible. Contact your child’s classroom teacher if this day/time is not suitable. Parent teacher conferences are an opportunity to discuss students’ progress, concerns, goals and directions. Our teachers look forward to having this open discussion with parents in Week 5 this term.

SRC Fundraiser

PJs Day and Electronics Afternoon with a cake stall run by the SRC executive.

When: Friday the 14th August
Where: Scotts Head PS
Wear: PJs and Slippers
Bring: Electronics and share your games with your friends and a donation of cake/slice/fruit for cake stall.
Cost: Gold Coin Donation and money to buy a cake/slice.
Get: Hot Milo and Popcorn.

Donations of cakes/slices and fruit would be appreciated. Funds will be donated to Peter Cooper (an ex-student of SHPS). The goal is to help him raise money to go towards a new diabetic insulin pump which costs $8,000.
My name is Jen Franklin and I am trying to raise awareness about Organ Donation. From the 2nd of August until the 9th of August 2015 it is Donate Life week. I am hoping all the schools in the local area would be willing to include a little banner in their newsletters next week promoting Organ Donation. If you are willing to participate could you please email me on jen_franko@hotmail.com to confirm your participation.

The Royal Far West, Healthy Kids Bus Stop is coming to Macksville Public School 15-17th September 2015. The idea of the Healthy Kids Bus Stop is for a screening health check for 3–5 year kids (turning 5 in 2015).

Notes have been sent to the students at the school. Please pass on the details of this initiative around the community and get them to contact the school for application form.

More information regarding this great initiative is available from the office.

Stuarts Point and District Little Athletics
Registrations are now open for Little A's and we are encouraging online registration. The cost per athlete when online registration and payment is made is $65. An administration charge will be added if you register and/or pay in person. The cost is $70 per athlete.

The first competition night is August 7th, beginning at 4:15pm. Please bring your online receipt to the registrar before competing.

For manual registrations we will be available at Buz Brazel Oval on Fridays 24th July and 31st July from 4pm.

The first 60 athletes registered will receive a Jetstar shoe bag. New athletes are welcome to trial for 2 consecutive competition nights before payment is made.

We hope to see you all there for family fun and fitness.

Before and After School Care
The before and after school care service on Vernon Street is now open. This service is government subsidised. Hours of operation are:

- Monday to Friday
  - 7.30 am – 9.00 am
  - 3.00 pm – 5.30 pm

For more information call Nambucca Family Day Care on 65694222 or Jackie on 0404663662.

Girl Guides invites girls aged 5–14 years to come and see what our program can offer, and enjoy a fun night on Tuesday 18th August from 5pm-6.30pm. Girls will travel to four world countries and enjoy that countries foods, craft and games.

Our hall is situated at the Cnr Briner and Park Sts Macksville (opposite the High School Auditorium.)