Dear Parents

Life Long Learning — One of our strategic directions for the school is to support our Expert Teaching Team. At Scotts Head Public School we believe that teachers and school leaders take personal and collective responsibility for improving student learning and wellbeing, working together and learning from each other’s practice.

On Thursday staff had the opportunity throughout various times of the day, to undergo professional development training with Graeme Ross (principal, school leadership, leadership and teacher quality, high performance) to support this key direction. The training was focused on building teachers’ understandings of highly effective teaching and feedback strategies to create meaningful learning for the students. Enhancing teachers’ ability to collaboratively plan, deliver and review the teaching of the cross curriculum priorities in all key learning areas.

Email sent from Graeme after the days training:
“Gillian, talk about creating a professional learning community - a community of practice! Well done, it was great working with them all today on a feedback process that is authentic and collaboratively developed. Great stuff, and to be celebrated!”

Celebrate SAS Staff Recognition Week 31th August 2015 – 4th September 2015.

SAS Staff Recognition Week is an opportunity for our school community to show our appreciation to SAS staff members who play an important part in ensuring the smooth running of our schools.

This includes:
School Administrative Managers; Jo Lane and Kelly Pacey.
School Administrative Officers; Julie Gooch and Anne Bullock.
School Learning Support Officers; Leanne Hunt, Pam Perry, Mel Daly, Kurt Forslund and Tim Mc Cormack. General Assistant; Ben Borthwick.

Thank you for all that you do!

Thanks for your continued support.

Gillian Stuart

Principal’s Column

SAS staff are the backbone of the great work being done as modern schools step up to the challenges of educating students in this century and meeting the demands of an ever-changing world.

Indo Corner

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“‘The past has no power over the present moment’”

Eckhart Tolle
Robotics

Robotics this week—It was kindergarten and Year 1's turn to have fun learning about Mathematics, space and movement through robotics this week. They use robots called Bee Bots. These are an exciting programmable robot for young children. Decorated as a bee, Bee-Bots are colourful, durable and immediately captivating. A Bee-Bot is simple to program and serves as a good starting point for teaching control, directional language, programming, critical thinking and problem solving skills to young children. The robot can be used to teach across the curriculum. Bee-Bot is great to encourage teamwork and cooperation, communication and sharing. I hope to teach the current Kindergarten class teacher Bu Anna and Bu Deb how to implement the robots into their classroom programs soon. Thanks Bu Emma McAuley.

Tennis

This term the students have been really enjoying the Hot Shots Tennis Program, implemented by an accredited Tennis Coach accessing the community tennis courts.

One of the goals is to get our students engaged by becoming members of the local tennis club. This will enable them to continue to use the community courts after the program is finished. Participation in sport at a young age is critical to help children develop a deep connection to sport and a lifelong commitment to a healthy, active lifestyle. Activities such as tennis nurtures a child’s love of sport and encourages them to have fun. Children participate not only to be physically active but socially active as well.

Attached to this week's newsletter is a Scotts Head Tennis Club membership form. It would be great to see our students get involved in tennis outside of the school environment.

Senior Excursion

The seniors return home this afternoon after an action packed week. A huge thank you to Mr Johnston and Mel Daly for all they have done in caring for and supporting the students during the week.

Lunchtime Radio Show

Due to the success of our radio skills program with Wayne on Fridays, the program has now developed into lunchtime radio shows. The students can listen, jiggle, wiggle and dance their time way. The H2O radio team is Marvin’s Hour led by Orlando and his assistants Xavier, Ethan and Kieran.
School Photos
School photos will be held next Tuesday 1st September. Notes went home on Monday. If you would like to order school photos please return your order form to school by Monday 31st August. You can send in cash (envelope provided) or fill in credit card details on the order form.

End of Term Assembly
The end of term assembly will be held on Friday 11th September.

Book Club Orders—Issue 6
Book Club order forms have been sent home this week. We have now set up the ‘LOOP payment system’ with Scholastic which allows you to order and pay for your books online. Simply go to their website www.scholastic.com.au, click on ‘Parent Payments’ then click on the ‘Book Club Pay Now’ option, enter required details. You will be redirected to the LOOP site for ordering and payment. Your order will be attached to the school order and delivered once school finalises the order.

Cricket Gala Day
The Cricket Gala Day that was postponed in May due to wet weather will be now held on Thursday 10th September. We will need a new note signed by parents due to this change in date. Notes will go home early next week.

Earn and Learn Stickers
Keep those stickers coming in! There is a box in our school office and also one at Macksville Woolworths. We are excited about all the wonderful resources we will be able to purchase.

Crystal Club
Due to the passion, interest and enthusiasm that some of our students have around rocks and crystals. Greg Dainty has kindly offered to come in on Tuesdays to help out with a lunchtime Crystal Club. Thanks to Kobi Evans and Joel Conway who have offered to take on a leadership role by arranging the club by gathering names and making the flyer you see around the school.

Missing Jumpers.
Can you please check the name on your child’s school jumper as there are a few student jumpers that are missing which clearly have their names written on them. Please return to the school office.

Links
School website:
School facebook page:
https://www.facebook.com/scottsheadpublicschool?fref=ts

P&C News
Friday 11th September—Local Food Feast 6pm—tickets available at the office.

Fathers Day Raffle—Raffle drawn Friday 4th September. Please return tickets (sold or unsold) by Wednesday 2nd September.

2nd hand uniforms—Our clothing pool is very low at the moment. If you have any uniforms that don’t fit anymore please send in to the school office.

Educational DVDs—If you have any unwanted educational dvds your family no longer want, your donation to the school would be greatly appreciated.
Community News

Light the Night Fundraiser

On Friday the 9th October there will be a special event in Scotts Head. It is a national fundraiser for the Leukaemia Foundation called “Light The Night”.

The idea is to raise funds for The Leukaemia foundation (who provide support and medical research into blood cancers) through the sale of lanterns. These lanterns are symbolically coloured. Gold for remembering a loved one, white to reflect on your life with cancer and blue to support others.

The lanterns are pre ordered online and are $20 each (see below for details). On sunset the lanterns are turned on and we will do a tribute walk along the beach.

The Leukaemia Foundation is asking that as many people as possibly register online so there are enough lanterns for the twilight event. As a sweetener to the evening we have organised some awesome prizes... all who purchase lanterns receive tickets at the door to win a range of prizes from a car service to a weekend away.

We will also have some amazing musical talent playing and some surprise guests yet to be announced...there will be food and refreshments at the bar, face painting for the kids plus mother nature will put on one of her awesome sunsets over the ocean and mountains around seven that night.

The evening kicks off at 5pm at the Scotts Head Surf Club. To register your interest please log on to www.lightthenight.com.au.

Get off your screen - try Joey's!

Parents – do you want opportunities for your kids to get away from a tv or computer screen, to learn new skills and make new friends? If this sounds like you, then the new ‘Joey’s’ section of the Nambucca Valley Scout Group could be just what you are looking for.

‘Joey’s’ is for girls and boys aged between 6 and 8 years of age. Typical activities include indoor and outdoor games, learning traditional scout skills, and taking part in civic activities such as Anzac ceremonies and other community events, along with the older members of the Scout Group.

If you would like to know more about ‘Joey’s’, then please come along to our Information Session at the Scout Hall in Partridge Street, Macksville, on Thursday 3 September at 6pm, to learn more.

It is proposed that Joey's will meet between 5,15pm and 6,15pm each Thursday during term time, and that the section will be operational by the beginning of Term 4. At the information night you will be offered the opportunity to sign up your child, with an initial deposit of $30 being required. Full details will be available on the night. If you are unable to attend, but would like more information, please contact the Group Leader Anissa Ruitenbog on 6569 6137 (ah) or 0417 448 204.

Macksville Ex-Services Junior Cricket Club

Macksville Ex-Services Junior Cricket Club season commences as follows: Milo In2cricket - Tuesday October 13th at Thistle Park Macksville. U10s - Saturday 10th October 9am at Macksville Park, Willis St. U12s and U14s - training after school Tuesday 8th September at Donnelly Welsh Playing Fields, Macksville.

Registrations will take place at training. Please see our facebook page for more information or contact Tom Mann 0417 497 001.
SCOTTS HEAD TENNIS CLUB INC.

Adin Street, Scotts Head 2447
ABN 63 582 708 794

APPLICATION / RENEWAL FOR MEMBERSHIP 2015/2016

FirstName: ___________________ Surname: ___________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

Telephone: (home)________ (work)________ email: ________________________

Female __________ Male __________ D.O.B. __ __ __

Membership: Adult $25  Junior $15  Family $50  Senior/Pensioner Card $15

(Membership covers you with insurance & allows you to play for free. Your visitors pay $3 to play with you, bookings made & fees paid at Scotts Head Liquor Store, ph 65698377)

FAMILY MEMBERS

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In accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act of NSW 1984, I hereby apply to become a member of the Scotts Head Tennis Club Incorporated. In the event of my admission as a member, I agree to be bound by the rules of the club.

Signed: ____________________________ Date: __________

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OPTIONAL APPLICATION FOR COURT KEY

REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT $30

FirstName: ___________________ Surname: ___________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

Telephone: (home)________ (work)________ email: ________________________

Female __________ Male __________ D.O.B. __ __ __

In accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act of NSW 1984, I hereby apply to become a member and key holder of the Scotts Head Tennis Club Incorporated. I agree to be bound by the rules of the club. If club membership is not renewed for a period of two years and the court key not returned the deposit will be forfeited to the Scotts Head Tennis Club.

Signed: ____________________________ Date: __________

NB: Please be aware that a booking made at the Scotts Head Liquor Store has priority. Please notify the Liquor Store if you wish to ensure that a court is available for you.

Post to: Membership Officer
12 River Oak Crescent
Scotts Head NSW 2447