Dear Parents

Welcome Back!

It is great to see all the families safely back and the students’ happy smiling faces all dressed proudly in the school uniform. We welcome Mrs Bettina Core, the new Kindergarten Teacher, we all hope your time with us is fulfilling with abundant job satisfaction and joy.

All children are cherished and valued at our school. Their care and protection goes to the heart of our society’s wellbeing. We as a staff are excited about our school community vision for the school and our first term focus on respectful relationships.

School Vision—Scotts Head students live in a globalised, digital environment, in a rapidly changing world. Forms of learning, communication, teaching pedagogies and relationships are constantly changing. We believe that the learning opportunities we provide for students need to be engaging, flexible, diverse and encompassing contemporary and future contexts. Scotts Head Public School is a hub for cohesion, innovative learning and excellence through quality teaching and a network of partnerships within local and global communities.

School Values—At Scotts Head PS we aim to ensure a safe, caring, orderly and productive learning community in which the right of all students to learn and experience success is supported. We acknowledge and recognise appropriate behaviour and responsible choice making. Our school bases our expectations of behaviour on four key values. These values were decided on by members of our school community.

Staffing for 2016

Principal: Gillian Stuart.
Teachers: Peter Johnson, Annette Baxter, Lyndsey Caldecott, Roy Mitchell, Bettina Core.
Indo Teachers: Emma McAuley, Bibi Ahmed, Bridget Nezar.
Learning and Support Teacher: Brooke Farnsworth.
School Counsellor: Sandi Hills.
Environmental Teacher: Wayne Brennan.
School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS): Jo Lane, Julie Gooch, Kelly Pacey, Pam Perry, Leanne Hunt, Ricky Buchanan.
Cleaner: Raelene Styles.

Wishing everyone a wonderful term 1 2016.

Gillian Stuart

Principal’s Column

In Indonesia, when addressing someone as "Mr" or "Mrs", the first name is used instead of the surname. Teachers at our school are addressed in this way.

Female teachers are called "Bu" ("Mrs") and their first name. Eg. Bu Annie

Male teachers are called "Pak" (Mr) and their first name. Eg. Pak Roy

"Bu" (short for "ibu") also means "mother" and "Pak" (short for "Bapak") also means "father".

When addressing someone senior in age or rank, these terms can also be used on their own, without the person's name. Eg. "Selamat pagi (I)bu" (Good morning Mrs).
Welcome to all the new kindergarten students and families. We are off to a wonderful start to the year with the students being excited and enthusiastic and ready to learn. We look forward to an amazing year ahead full of exploring, discovering and learning experiences. Please pop in and join us anytime, we welcome anyone who wants to be part of our classroom. Bu Bettina and Bu Gillian.
**Swimming Carnival—Years 2-6**

On Tuesday 9th February Years 2-6 (*students turning 8 this year*) will be going to Macksville Aquatic Centre for the swimming carnival. The total cost is $9.00 per student. Entry to the pool is $2.80 per participant and $2.20 per spectator. If you have membership, you will need to bring your membership card. Please send permission notes and money in by Friday 5th February.

**Dance for the FUN of it—Visiting Performance**

On Wednesday 10th February we have an exciting visiting performance coming to school. The cost is $6.00 per student. Please send permission notes and money in by Monday 8th February.

**Tigers Wellbeing Assembly Wednesday 2.00-2.30pm**

The NRL with two West Tigers players are conducting school assembly visits this week throughout the valley. They will be visiting on Wednesday between 2.00–2.30 pm. The focus of the visit is wellbeing and to reinforce the importance of Hydration, sleep and belonging in a young person’s life. Additionally, they will be encouraging students to lead active lifestyles through team sport.

**Canteen**

Canteen is open on Mondays and Wednesdays. Notes have gone home today requesting volunteers to help run the canteen. If you are able to spare a few hours, please let us know by sending in the note.

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**Bell Times**

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Congratulations to Wulaaran who was selected into the U12 Australian Budgies Indigenous Junior Netball Team in January 2016. This team will play in the Gold Coast Netball Carnival in July 2016.

Well done Wulaaran!

**THANK YOU!**

A massive thank you to Ralph Johnson and Erin Paul who in the holidays sold raffle tickets raising $350.00 for our school. Erin is a 15 year old student from Canberra who sold the “100 Club” raffle tickets through the caravan park in the holidays. Her parents won the last draw and kindly donated their $100 winnings back to the school.

Thank you so much, our school appreciates your generosity.
Respectful Relationships are built through Restorative Practices and Conferences

Is a way of viewing conflict and wrong doing that focuses on:

- The harm these cause to people and to relationships and
- The obligation to repair that harm

Is an approach to behaviour management and discipline that emphasises the importance of relationships.

Is a way for students to develop better understanding of, and empathy with, others.

**Our Aim is**

- To educate students towards self-directed right behaviour
- To promote, nurture and protect healthy relationships among members of the community.
- To enable students to be accountable for the real consequences of any wrongdoing.

**Students will be encouraged to:**

- Listening carefully to what others are saying.
- Not to be scared of talking about how you are feeling.
- Using kind words when you talk to others in the class, at home and in the playground.
- Doing their best to see a situation from the other person’s point of view.
- Offering your support to other students as a friend, buddy of mediator.

*Students perceive this approach as being ‘firm, but fair’.*

**Your school needs you!**

If a child is complaining of an issue, please encourage them to build the life skill of asking for support and get them to approach a teacher and request a conference.

**Discuss and reinforce these messages with your children**

**Restorative practices will:**

- Help you stay friends with everybody in our school
- Let you tell your side of the story if you argue or fall out with somebody.
- Let you talk about your feelings more often.
- Help you to sort out any problems and to be friends again.
- Help you feel safer at school.

**What’s the point?**

You can help your school to be:

- A safer, happier place where your talents can be recognised and rewarded.
- A place where everybody feels that they belong.
- A bully free zone.
- A place where you learn how to make and keep friends.

**Please if you require more information please approach classroom teacher or principal.**
Hi everyone, Welcome back to an exciting school year. Our Intergen Club will begin on Mon 15th Feb. This is an after school activity 3.00pm to 4.30pm so students are able to stay at school and come home after the activity finishes. Afternoon tea will be provided. All students 6 years old to 12 years old are welcome to attend, this is entirely a voluntary activity where one or two students learn a skill/craft from a volunteer. Many students were given an opportunity to check out the activities last year and choose 2 that they would like to take part in. 

The list of activities is continually growing, if you would like to help out as a volunteer please call Angie on the number below. If your child is interested and didn't have an opportunity to nominate an activity please return the note below nominating their first and second choice from the list below.

Cooking; knitting; crochet; art (painting and drawing with different mediums); jewellery making; model making; woodwork; bush survival skills; sewing your own clothes; sewing cushions and home decor; card making; candle making; lead lighting (stained glass) knot tying; woodwork; fishing; where to fossick to find interesting crystals, fossils gems and faceting; gardening.

Angie Evans
Intergen Coordinator

My child ______________________name _______________________age
Is interested in doing the following activity after school on Mondays between the hours of 3pm and 4.30pm.

1st Choice__________________________ 2nd Choice______________________

Parent signature __________________________date ________________________

Macksville Soccer Club
Welcome to the 2016 season with Macksville SC. Our registration fee packages are now loaded up to the MyFootballClub website so if you follow the link: http://www.myfootballclub.com.au/index.php?id=38 follow the prompts to find your registration number and then follow the path to register. We will be holding registration days at the fields on the 6th and 20th February from 8am-midday on both days.

The club needs parents and carers to be aware that unless we begin to get more assistance this season including coaches and parents willing to assist with team management and activities with the 5–7 year olds on a Saturday morning, our club will not exist in its current format in 2017.

Any parents that are interested in sponsoring our club, please email club president Andrew Moran at macksvillesoccer@gmail.com or call 0427264155 to view packages available and discuss options.

Keep an eye on the club Facebook page–just search for Macksville SC.

Hope to see or hear from you soon.

Registrar, Macksville SC

Vernon Street OOHSC
The before and after school care will be continuing in 2016.

Morning session: 7am-9am
Afternoon Session: 3pm-6pm

CCB and CCR available to eligible families.
For enquiries please phone Nambucca Valley Family Day Care on 65694222.

Learn to Swim & Water Safety Program
Proficient Instructor, accredited with AUSTswim & accredited Royal Life Saving Lifeguard. Babies, pre-schoolers, infants, starting from 6mths old. Heated mineral water outdoor pool. For more information, telephone: 0428 116637

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Community News

E.P. Physical Culture Classes.
E.P. Physi classes are starting in the Nambucca Valley Wed 10th February at the Nambucca Arts and Community centre. Our club, to be known as Nambucca Valley Physi is affiliated with the Edith Parsons school, the largest on the North Coast. Physi fuses dance styles such as Jazz, Ballet, Contemporary and Yoga. It is also a team based sport that is social and fun. Choreography changes annually and is performed to modern music. Physi is a sport for life with classes offered to girls from 3 years of age to grandmothers. I have been an accredited teacher with E.P. physi for the past 29 years and hold a current working with children registration.

For further information contact Jo - 0422647214/66581071 or email NambuccaValleyPhysi@hotmail.com or Facebook Nambucca Valley Physi.

Kids Connect -PNG Sister Schools Fund Raising Dinner—Newspaper Article
23/1/16

Kids Connect - PNG Sister Schools have recently shipped 20 tonnes of donated goods from schools, individuals & businesses in the Macleay/Nambucca to the remote islands of PNG. We are now collecting more goods of all sorts that are no longer needed so if you have anything of interest please contact us on 0434 799970.

Last Friday night at Scotts Head Surf Club we held a fundraising dinner and auction to help with the purchase of outboard fuel and other items we require to transport these goods by open boat across miles of sea once they have arrived in the region.

The night was a resounding success and included a magnificent three course meal, live music and the auction of 20 donated prizes. A few thousand dollars was raised, and because the goods and shipping costs are donated, every $1 raised enables us to provide about $50 worth of essential goods to these communities in real terms.

We would like to thank the following local people for their generous support:

East Coast Yoga, Nambucca River Houseboats, Kindred Spirit, Tanya’s Twin Scissors, Sea Urchin Fishing Charters SWR, Scotts Head Surf School (Paul Evans), Hoof Beats Equine Therapy, Lisa Perkins Massage, Sabrina Beauty, Viand, Macnuts, Paul Foley, Lairds Friendly Grocer, Scotts Head Cafe, SWR Dive, Mid Coast Realty, The Saving Place, Scotts Head Surf Club plus all the wonderful people who donated food, time and other prizes.

As they say in the islands - YAUWEDO - Thankyou!

We would also like to thank the following:

Jill & Micks’ Raglan Retreat, Manly Surf School (Palm Beach), Moby’s Boathouse Restaurant, Shelley Street Beach House (Angourie), Beach Boys BNB (Stradbroke Is), Melbourne City Red Helicopters

and our major logistics supporters:

SWIRE Shipping, PNG Air, Townley Group International, Macleay Valley Transport, Williamson Bros Removals, McGraths Transport Newcastle, Rod Scott Pallets, Palm Stevedoring (Alotau), PNG Customs & The Observer Newspaper.