News Letter

Fingal Head Public School

Dates to Remember....

Schools Tree Day
◆ Friday, 31 July

FHS Public Speaking
◆ Tuesday, 11 August—Yrs 5/6
◆ Thursday, 13 August—Yrs 3/4
◆ Friday, 14 August—Yrs K/1/2

Stewart House Rehearsal and Concert
◆ Wednesday, 19 August

Carrara Chess Tournament
◆ Wednesday, 2 September

FNC Public Speaking Finals
◆ Thursday, 3 September

School Photographer
◆ Friday, 4 September

NAIDOC Celebrations
◆ 8 and 9 September

Jump Rope for Heart
◆ Wednesday, 16 September

Last Day of Term 3
◆ Friday, 18 September

Small Schools Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to Ruby-Lee!
Ruby achieved 3rd place, Senior Age Champion at our Small Schools Carnival. Well done Ruby!

The following children achieved qualifying times at our Small Schools Carnival and will progress to the Murwillumbah District Carnival to compete in the following events. The carnival is to be held this Friday, 31 July on the Murwillumbah High School Oval. (Please note change of venue.)

Congratulations to.......
◆ Ashi Jnr High Jump
◆ Catie Jnr 200m
◆ Birren 11 Yrs High Jump and 800m
◆ Jason PP5 Relay Team
◆ Ruby Snr High Jump, 12 Yrs 100m and 200m
◆ Finn 11 Yrs Long Jump and PP5 Relay
◆ Vanessa 12 Yrs 100m
◆ Urias PP5 Relay Team
◆ Julung PP5 Relay Team

These children will receive a separate information note and consent form.

Congratulations.... have a great day!

NAIDOC Celebrations

Our new dates for NAIDOC Celebrations at the School are Tuesday 8 and Wednesday, 9 September. The sleepover night for the children will be on Tuesday, 8 September.

A detailed note will be sent home as it nears these days.

Schools Tree Day

At Fingal we will be celebrating National Tree Day this week on Friday, 31 July. Our Fingal Coast Care will be assisting the children once again this year. Thank you to Kay, Peter and the volunteers from Coast Care.

The children will be planting in the school grounds and near the Fingal Cemetery. Supervision will be by school staff and parents are welcome to join us for the morning.

The Shannon from the Tweed Byron Local Aboriginal Land Council have organised light refreshments for the children for the day. They will have this at the morning break.

The children to wear/bring:
◆ School uniform including suitable walking shoes, a hat, water bottle and gloves. (We will have some disposable gloves for the children but they might like to bring gardening gloves.)

Stewart House Concert

The children have started to learn their dance in preparation for the Stewart House Concert to be held at Murwillumbah.

The concert runs over 2 nights but we will only be performing on Wednesday, 19 August, 7.00pm to 9.00pm. There will be a day rehearsal at Murwillumbah on this day also, commencing at 10.00am.

Costumes—
We will keep the costumes as simple as possible. The children will be given a note regarding costuming for their character.

Transport—
We ask parents to assist with transport to and from rehearsal and parents will be required to transport their child to the night performance. There will be staff supervision at the venue.

Tickets -
Tickets will only be available to purchase through the school. No tickets will be available for purchase at the door and seating is

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unallocated, so first in the door gets their choice of seat.

Unfortunately, due to limited seating at the venue each child enrolled from each school has an allocation of 1.5 seats but due to our student to family ratio we have just enough for 2 seats per family. So at this stage we can offer 2 ticket per family at $7.00 each. (Students performing do not require a ticket.) If you would like to be considered for an additional ticket please include details on the attached order form. We will then draw names on Thursday, 13 August and distribute the remaining tickets after this date.

Please complete the Ticket return on this Newsletter and return it to the school with payment prior to 13 August.

Reminders...........

Fingal Head School Public Speaking

As part of our school’s literacy program, we are once again entering the Far North Coast Department of Education and Training Public Speaking Awards. All children will participate at the school level.

Details following:
- Wednesday, 11 August from 9.00am
  - Years 5 and 6
- Thursday, 13 August from 9.00am
  - Years 3 and 4
- Friday, 14 August from 9.00am
  - Years Kinder, 1 and 2

One school representative from each section of our School Public Speaking Finals will be chosen to compete at the Far North Coast Public Speaking Awards. The Finals will be held on at Thursday, 3 September at Banora Point Primary School.

Sections and Time Limits:

The students in all sections must begin their speech by acknowledging the chairperson and the members of the audience, and conclude with ‘Chairperson’.

Section 1(Students in years Kindergarten, 1 and 2.)

Students will speak for 1 to 1½ minutes on a topic of their choice. This could be about their pet, favourite toy etc. It is similar to a news item they may give in class.

Section 2(Students in years 3 and 4.)

Students will speak for 2 minutes on a topic of their choice.

Section 3(Students in years 5 and 6.)

Students will speak for 3 minutes on a topic of their choice. A bell will sound when time is up.

Judgement Criteria

The following criteria will be used to adjudicate the students:

- **Appearance** - To include general grooming and wearing of full school uniform by the student.
- **Presentation** - To include the general delivery of the speech e.g. use of appropriate gestures, facial expression and mannerisms etc.
- **Voice** - To include voice control, intonation, expression etc.
- **Content** - To include interest level, audience appeal etc.

Topic

The children will be writing their speeches at home and practising at school. If the children are excited about the topic, it comes across in their presentation. If you help your child to choose a topic, please keep in mind: It is preferable to choose a topic which is familiar to the child and one which he/she is passionate about. This is often the hardest part. You know and understand your child’s interests, or the exciting events in his/her life. Don’t grab an encyclopaedia to find a topic, just think about family history, relatives, holidays, interesting hobbies, special times, funny things which have happened, places you have been or things you may have witnessed.

Please assist your child in completing and returning their topic sheet to the class teacher by Friday, 26 June. If you need assistance please contact your child’s teacher. Your child’s teacher will require a copy of the speech when completed.

Scholar Dollars...Tweed City

Our school is participating in the Scholar Dollars promotion being held by Tweed City Shopping Centre. If you shop at Tweed City you can earn points for the school by allocating your shopping dockets points to our school tally.

You can either present your dockets at the Service Desk at Tweed City and they will add your dockets to our tally or send them in to us at school and we will take them in bulk to the Service Desk. If you send them in to us, please indicate if you require the dockets returned to you, otherwise we will dispose of them after they have been included in our
tally. Bonus points are given at some shops and throughout the promotion. There is also an additional weekly competition for anyone interested.

Small Schools will be taken into consideration at the final tally. The campaign is now open and closes on Thursday, 3 September.

1st Prize $10,000 of Technology
2nd Prize $3,000 of Prizes & Gift Vouchers
3rd Prize $2,000 of Prizes and Gift Vouchers

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program

The Woolworths Earn & Learn Program starts tomorrow Wednesday, 15 July and closes on Tuesday, 8 September. We have registered our school in the community program as we received a great selection of books when we last entered.

You can collect Earn & Learn Points from the Woolworths checkout operators and place them on a Points Sheet. There will be 1 point for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Once completed, you can place your Points Sheet in the collection box at school. We are also hoping to secure a place for a collection box at Woolworths Kingscliff and Tweed City. We then collate our sticker cards and send them back to claim resources from Modern Teaching Aid.

If you shop at Woolworths or you have friends who shop at Woolworths and won’t be using their stickers please ask them to but them in our school box at Woolworths Tweed City or Kingscliff Shopping Centres or send them into the school.

Les Peterkin Portrait Prize for Children

The Les Peterkin Portrait Prize is held annually by the Tweed River Art Gallery. Each year the Gallery receives more than 3,000 artworks from 31 schools. Our students have entered once again this year.

Prizes are awarded, and a selection of artwork will be displayed from 2 October to the 15 November at the Tweed Regional Gallery.

2016 Enrolments

If you know of any parents considering enrolling their children in 2016, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.

Term Dates

The last day of Term 3 will be Friday, 18 September. Student return to school in Term 4 on Tuesday, 6 October.
Fingal Head School Public Speaking

Speech Topic

Name ________________________________

Section: Yrs K/1/2 Yrs 3/4 Yrs 5/6

Time Limit: 1 to 1½ minutes 2 minutes 3 minutes

I have discussed topics with my parents and I have decided to speak about: _______________________________________________________

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Chocolate Fundraiser

Unsold chocolates and sales money are now due in. Please send these in tomorrow to allow us to finalise this fundraiser. Many thanks to everyone for your support.

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Items for P & C Agenda

Name ________________________________

I would like the following item/s included on the Agenda for the P & C Meeting to be held on ______________________ at the school.

Agenda item/s _______________________________________________________

(Please submit Monday morning prior to Wednesday’s P & C Meeting)

Signed _____________________________ Date __________________
Dear Parents

Please read the following information which should help to clarify the situation re availability of tickets for our concert which will be held at The Elliott Centre, Murwillumbah High School on Wednesday, 19 August 2015.

The venue can seat a maximum of 558 people, therefore, we can only sell tickets to that total.

The number of students involved on each concert night (8 schools from our Small Schools group are on Wednesday night; the other 6 perform on the Thursday concert) is 350. Those students are also seated (on the floor) in the venue prior to and after their performance.

Students do not require a ticket if they are performing.

Tickets have been allocated to schools on a pro rata basis according to their school population.

Our school has an allocation of 64 tickets. This will allow for 2 tickets per family.

Please purchase your tickets (limit of 2 at present) by THURSDAY 13 AUGUST 2015.

Unsold allocations will go back into a pool for other schools that are short of tickets to sell, so we need to sell our entire allocation before we can request extras.

Please complete and return the following order form so that we have an accurate idea of sales.

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STEWART HOUSE CONCERT TICKET ORDER FORM

Please return to school by THURSDAY, 13 AUGUST 2015.

FAMILY NAME: ____________________________________________

1 ticket         2 tickets         (please circle your order) at $7 per ticket.

✦ I have enclosed $ ________ for _________ ticket/s.
   or
✦ I will pay and collect my tickets prior to 13 August.

If possible we would like to purchase ______________ (insert number) extra tickets should they become available.