Fingal Head School Public Speaking

Our School Public Speaking will be held this week on the following days.

Details following:
- Wednesday, 12 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

Thank you to our adjudicators, Ms Fairley, Mrs Healy, Mrs Marchwicki and Mrs Badger.

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 at on Thursday, 3 September at Banora Point Primary School.

Stewart House Concert...next week

The whole school will be performing at the Stewart House Concert. The children have been practicing their choir and dance items in preparation for the 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 to Rehearsal-
We have booked a bus to transport the children to and from rehearsal. The cost will be $5 per child.

Transport to the Night Concert -
Parents will be required to transport their child to the night performance. There will be staff supervision at the venue.

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

Ticket are now available from the School......Please complete the Ticket return on this Newsletter and return it to the school with payment prior to 13 August.

Premier Spelling Bee

The Premier’s Spelling Bee is an opportunity for students to increase their literacy skills while engaging in an educational and enjoyable activity. There is a Junior division for students in Years 3 and 4 and a Senior division for Years 5 and 6.

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Parents are welcome to come along.

Two representatives will be chosen from each group to compete in the Regional Finals, which will be held on Monday, 7 September at Fingal.

Lions International Peace Poster Contest

Each year Lions Clubs around the world sponsor the Lions Club Peace poster contest in local schools to encourage young people, ages 11 to 13 years, to artistically express their visions of peace.

The Theme for 2015–2016 is: “Share Peace, Bringing Peace to the World, through one child at a time”. This opens up an opportunity to discuss with children the true importance of peace.

Our children will complete their entries at school. One entry from each school will be selected to progress to the next level of competition. International finalists are selected from these entrants.

School Photos

School photos will be taken on Friday, 4 September. Photo envelopes will be sent home as soon as we receive them. They will be marked with your child’s name and corresponding barcode. MSP take photos on a pre-paid basis only.

Please mark this day on your calendar. Full details will be sent home when we receive our photo envelopes.

Head Lice

Head Lice is an ongoing concern in all schools. We have had a few cases reported over the last week. Please check your child’s hair regularly and treat when necessary.

If you do not like to use hair treatments too regularly you can drench hair with conditioner, and cover with a shower cap. You leave the cap on for about an hour to smother the lice. Comb the conditioner through with a Head Lice Comb removing the lice and eggs.

A diluted solution of water and a couple of drops of tea tree oil and lavender sprayed on and combed through hair each morning is a great deterrent for head lice also. Any hair treatment such as Mouse or Hair Spray helps also.

Reminders........

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.

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.

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 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 put them in our school box at Woolworths Tweed City or Kingscliff Shopping Centres or send them into the school.

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.

Out of Zone Enrolment Forms are available from the school and application for next year will be considered by 18 September and parents contacted soon after.

Term Dates

The last day of Term 3 will be Friday, 18 September. Student return to school in Term 4 on Tuesday, 6 October.
**P & C News**

**P & C Meeting**–Our next P & C Meeting will be held at the school this Wednesday, 12 August at 1.30pm.

**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 items/s __________________________________________________________

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

Signed _____________________________ Date ________________
STEWART HOUSE CONCERT TICKETS

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.

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.

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Stewart House Rehearsal Consent Form

I give my consent for my child ______________________ to travel by bus to and from Murwillumbah Public School on Wednesday, 19 August for Stewart House Rehearsals. I understand supervision will be by school staff and the bus fare is $5.00.

Signed ____________________________

Parent/Carer