Les Peterkin Portrait Prize for Children

As reported in last weeks Newsletter.....Hester’s portrait...“The Gruffalo” received a major prize the Coordinators Award. Congratulations Hester!

There were also 6 additional students from our school to receive recognition and whose art work will be displayed in folders at the gallery.

Congratulations to......Melody, Tyler, Monty, Birren, Tessaarna and Julung!

The children will receive invitations to the Exhibition Opening. Les Petekin Art Prize works will be displayed from 2 October to the 15 November at the Tweed Regional Gallery.

NSW Premier’s Spelling Bee

Our in-school part of the NSW Premier’s Spelling Bee competition was held at the school last Thursday.

Congratulations to all our participants who practised their spelling words and ‘got up and gave it a go’ and to the winners detailed below:

Years 5 and 6—Senior Division
- 1st Julung
- 2nd Tulasi
- 3rd Ruby-Lee

Years 3 and 4—Junior Division
- 1st Taj
- 2nd Georgie
- 3rd Max

Congratulations...Julung, Tulasi, Taj and Georgie will represent the school at the Regional Final, to be held at our school (Fingal) on Monday, 7 September at the following times:

Times:
- Years 3/4 9.30am to 11.30am
- Years 5/6 12.30pm to 2.30pm

North Coast Athletics Championship

Our PP5 Relay Team.....Finn, Jason, Julung and Urias competed at the North Coast Athletics Championships held in Lismore last Friday.

The team had a fantastic day, making it to the Finals and placing 5th.

Great Team work!

Scholar Dollars...Tweed City

As of yesterday, we place 6th of 48 registered schools in the Scholar Dollar, Tweed City program. The campaign is closes this week on Thursday, 3 September.

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.

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

Carrara Chess Tournament

This Wednesday, 2 September our chess students in Years 4/5/6 will be travelling to the Carrara Basketball Stadium to compete in one of the largest interschool chess tournaments in Australia.

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Miss Brewer and Ms Belbin will be supervising the children at the Tournament. We will be hiring a small bus for the day which will seat approximately 11 children. (Miss Brewer is licensed to drive the bus.) Thank you to Katie for offering to help with transport. We need the help of 1 more parent. Any assistance with transport would be much appreciated.

The children received a separate note information note and consent form last week. Please complete and return this to the school tomorrow.

**Legacy Week**

This week is Legacy Week with the pivotal day being Badge Day (or Arm Band Day), Friday 4 September. Legacy Week is the annual nation appeal to raise awareness and funds for the families of our incapacitated and deceased Veterans.

A representative from Legacy visited the school and spoke to the 4/5/6 class about Legacy.

Legacy items are on sale from the school this week. Prices will range from $2.00 to $15.00.

**Father’s Day Stall**

This Friday, 4 September at 1.30pm the P & C will be holding Father’s Day Stall to allow the children to purchase a Father’s Day gift for their Dads. There are sufficient for each child to purchase a gift and a few extras for children with 2 Dads. There are a variety of gifts and they will be $3.00 each.

The gifts have been supplied by the Auxiliary for Carmelite Nuns from Lismore. Thank you to Shirley and the Nuns for these beautifully wrapped gifts.

**School Photos this Friday**

Student photos will be taken this Friday, 4 September. Photo envelopes have been sent home today and are marked with your child’s name and corresponding barcode. Please check your envelope to make sure it has your child’s name on the top. Package and ordering information can be found on your envelope. If you did not receive an envelope or you would like an additional one, please contact the school as soon as possible.

MSP take photos on a pre-paid basis only. Please enclose the correct money in your photo envelope as these are handed unopened to MSP photography. If you do not have the correct change in the envelope they will issue you your change via a cheque after the photo day.

The children will be photographed early on the day, starting at 9.00am. Please send your child in full school uniform on this day.

Please ensure that if you require a new uniform, change for your photo envelope or a Family Photo Envelope please organise this prior to photo day.

Family Photo envelopes are available from the school office. The photographers stress that these are for the children attending Fingal School only.

**NAIDOC Celebrations**

Our NAIDOC Celebrations will be held at the school next week on Tuesday 8 and Wednesday, 9 September. The sleepover night for Years 4/5/6 children will be on Tuesday, 8 September.

All details are the same as were previously organised for earlier in the Term.

**Years 4/5/6 Sleepover Dinner**—Catering for dinner for Tuesday night and breakfast Wednesday is $15.00 per child. A couple of children have already paid this. If you are unsure if you have paid, please see Tanya.

**Pizza Lunch**—The majority of children have ordered and paid for their Pizza lunch for the Wednesday. If you would like to cancel your order or unsure if you have placed one please contact the school tomorrow and we so we can adjust our order with Murwillumbah South School as they are collating the small schools orders.

A detailed note will be sent home this week.

**Reminders……….**

**Kindergarten Orientation Morning and 2016 Enrolments**

Kindergarten Orientation morning will be held at the school on Wednesday, 4 November. If you know of any parents considering enrolling their child next year, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.

Out of Zone Enrolment Forms are available from the school, applications will be considered by 18 September and parents contacted soon after.

**Banaam Indigenous Surf Titles**

The Banaam Indigenous Surf Titles will be held at Fingal from 10 to 13 September.

Our students have been invited to attend on Friday, 11 September. More information when it nears this day.
AFL Sports

The children have been participating in AFL session on Fridays at school and will continue each Friday for 6 weeks, excluding 11 September. (This will take us in to Term 4).

Mark, from AFL QLD who is based at the Byron Regional Sports Complex has divided the children into 2 groups for 1 hour sessions, K/1/2/3 from 12.00 to 1.00pm and 4/5/6 from 1.45pm to 2.45pm.

The program is the Auskick program which is an introduction to AFL. It is a non-contact modified program focusing on skill, confidence and character building. Mark will be including some non AFL converted games in the program also.

The full cost of the program is $25 per child and each child will receive an AFL Football.

Please complete and return your AFL Consent Form along with the fee if you have not already done so.

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.

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 at 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.

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—This Thursday, 3 September at 1.00pm at the school. All Welcome!

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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 ________________