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Term 4- Week 8 -2015

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This week has brought our yearly program of Intensive Swimming for all students. Students will be extra tired this week and will possibly need a little extra lunch as the exercise often makes them rather hungry. Children may need a few earlier nights this week as they battle with swimming, end of year learning as well as play and presentation practice. It is a very hectic time of year and with the excitement of Christmas approaching. Please ensure children have a substantial breakfast to keep them going through the morning whilst swimming this week.

This Thursday will see the installation of our new Comm Box Interactive Touch Screen in the Infants classroom. Our very old system 'passed away' at the beginning of term forcing us to replace it. This comes at a significant cost to the school but one we felt enhanced our students 21st century learning. We are very excited to get it up and running!

I have been in Forster for two days last week for Principal network meetings and professional development. I will also be absent this Friday 27th at a Primary Principal's Association meeting. All of these meetings form an important part of my professional learning and assist me in the day to day running of both the classroom and the school.

End Of Year Reports

At this moment in time we anticipate that reports will be sent home on Monday 14th December 2015.

E-Learning

Last Thursday, as part of our e-Learning program, our students had the opportunity to watch movies and Biteslides made by students from Booral, Stroud, Stroud Road and Krambach. Two of our students (Hayden & Indira) also got to showcase movies they had made over the last two terms. All of the students enjoyed the opportunity to see what other schools had done!



Welcome

We would like to say a big WELCOME to a new student who started at SPS last Monday. Welcome to Dwayne, we hope you and your family enjoy your time here.

Dates to Remember

23rd to 27th Nov: Intensive Swimming

10th Dec: Presentation Night

11th Dec: Movie and Popcorn Day-P & C Gold Coin Donation

14th Dec: Year 6 Farewell Dinner in Gloucester

16th Dec: Last Day Term-Pool Party BBQ

Thank you

Mrs Hughes

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Water Watch

Last week the whole school participated in the Water Watch Program where they learnt about water usage and the effects of pollution. It was a very interactive program where all students participated in some way. We thank Kristy from Water Watch for her great presentation. All students were thoroughly engaged whilst learning about important environmental impacts.



Quizworx

We also had an SRE presentation last Wednesday from two very energetic volunteers accompanied by Mr Hester and Mrs King. A great interactive puppet show with silly voices and singing was delivered. The children were taught about the Nativity Story in an interesting and fun format. We thank these volunteers for their program, our students enjoyed themselves very much.



Presentation Night—Costumes

It is that time of year where you all need to start gathering clothes for our Presentation Night play and performances. Please do not spend a fortune on clothing as we will be decorating and pinning accessories onto the clothes that you supply. The colour of your child's outfit is as follows (t-shirts, shorts or long pants);

Jaxon and Ajay-Black or grey.

Erwin and Henry-Brown.

Hayden, Justine, Dwayne, Beau, Riley and Connor-Brown with reindeer antlers.

Thomas-Dark blue.

Brady, Malia, Felicity, Tanika and Savannah-White.

Indira- Dressing gown and pyjamas.

All children can wear clothing that is bright and colourful for the other parts of the performance and all children will need Santa hats or reindeer antlers.

Please start collecting these costumes and send into school as soon as you have them so we can start decorating and adding their accessories.

Thank you in anticipation!

P & C News

All families received their raffle tickets for the Christmas raffle last newsletter, please try and sell some to friends, relatives and family to support your P & C.

Also the lolly guessing competition is up and running, 50c a guess to win the jar on Presentation Night.

Very shortly the 100's Club draw will be up and running with the number sheet in the admin/veranda area, please see Mrs Waters.

Presentation Night Supper will continue as in previous years. All families are asked to bring a plate or two to share for our important guests, family and friends. Children will have a separate table on the front veranda. P & C will be hosting this supper so all volunteers to clean, set up, serve and pack away are needed. More hands make light work! Thank you.

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