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Term 1 Week 2 Monday January 4 2019

WHAT'S ON?

More detailed Calendar information at: www.mullumbimb-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Week 2 Term 1 2019

Mon	Feb	Kinder, Day 1 commence

Week 3 Term 1 2019

Mon	11	Feb	HL boys & girls cricket
			School photos

Week 4 Term 1 2019

Mon	18	Feb	FNC girls cricket
		Feb	
Thu	21	Feb	HL swimming Ballina

Week 5 Term 1 2019

Mon	25	Feb	FNC boys cricket
	27	Feb	
Thu	28	Feb	Captains/Ministers Induction
		May	HL tennis PBL Reward Day

UNIFORM SHOP

Every 2nd Wednesday beginning 13th February 8:30am-9:15am in our Library

NEWSLETTER

Have you received your Newsletter? It is important to provide/update your email address.

The school Newsletter will be sent to your email address every Monday.

The Newsletter is published on the school website as well.

Please email the school if you don't receive your Newsletter. This is the preferred way for the school to update or include you on our email list.

Dear Parents / Carers

It was great to see our students return to school last week and hear of their many exciting holiday stories. Even better, it was amazing to see the vast majority of our students proudly wearing school uniform! Well done – the pride and presentation this creates is so important. Again, a big welcome to everyone, with a special mention to our new families and new kindergarten students.

I am pleased to inform you that our enrolment numbers have grown quite significantly and I am still taking daily enquiries about new students wanting to enrol at our school.

Today students were placed in their 2019 classes. It is very normal for some students to feel some anxiety at this time of the year. Students have been very carefully placed based on a whole range of factors. Teachers know best on where to place students and have very specific reasons for placing each student. It is important now to give them time to settle, build resilience and get to know their new teacher and new friends. As I clearly stated in two newsletter editions at the end of last year, the only reason now for changes will be for new enrollers or leavers.

Our classes are as follows:

Class	Teacher
Kindergarten	Amy Austin
Kindergarten / Year 1	Kim Malivanek
1/2	Lena Patterson
1/2	Eilidh Davies
3/4	Lyndal Barrett
3/4	Craig Lindsay
4/5	Michael Mirana
5	Libby Cramp
6	Danielle Haywood
Teacher-librarian	Sue Austin
Specialist programs / RFF	Mark Collinson Michelle Boyle Richard Boyle
Learning and Support, Literacy & Numeracy intervention	Lorraine Marshall Jacqui Pick

Principals report continued over page



All staff at Mullumbimby Public School play a key role and are valuable contributors. Our SASS staff are as follows:

Position	Name	
School Administration Manager	Tracey Hannon	
School Administration Officer	Karen O'Connell	
School Learning Support Officers	Rose McLean Rachel Oliver Bonnie Heitzinger	
General Assistants	Steve Foreman Max Strong	
Cleaner	Sharon McDonald	

Staffing

Many congratulations to Miss Lena Patterson who has been appointed as Assistant Principal. This was as a result of a Department of Education (DoE) Merit Selection process late last year. Lena replaces Peter Towner who has retired.

Welcome back to Eilidh Davies and Libby Cramp, who have both previously taught at our school. Eilidh was with us in 2013 before living and working in the UK for five years. Libby will be teaching a Year 5 class while we await a permanent appointment from the Department of Education (DoE) to be made to our school to fill Miss Patterson's former classroom teaching position. I will keep you informed as soon as I know more.

Welcome also to Michael Mirana who has a wealth of teaching experience, most recently at Kingscliff PS and prior to that in western NSW and western Sydney.

Welcome to Rachel Oliver, School Learning Support Officer (SLSO) who will primarily be assisting Kindergarten staff and students. Rachel has a very wide range of experiences and skills and I know she will also be a wonderful asset to our school, as are our wonderful existing SLSO's Rose and Bonnie.

Congratulations and welcome also to Jodie Gray, who commenced with us today as our Canteen Manager replacing Alisha Bower. Jodie was appointed to this position late last year after submitting an application and going through an interview process. I am very much looking forward to working with Jodie and I am certain the school community will also be most supportive.

Kindergarten

A huge congratulations to our Kindergarten students who started their school journey yesterday. After meeting with Mrs Austin and Miss Malivanek last week for their *Best Start* Assessments, they commenced school most enthusiastically and with great confidence! Many thanks to our P&C for providing morning tea and welcoming parents of Kindergarten students. We look forward to working together over the years ahead to maximise learning outcomes for all of our students.

Swimming carnival

Congratulations to all involved in our swimming carnival last Friday. There were some impressive performances, including a new record being established courtesy of a fantastic swim from Montannah Archibald. Also most pleasing to see was the amount of boys and girls simply 'having a go', even if swimming is not their strength. There were many points gained simply through participation, in fact the most we have had in recent years. A carnival needs a large team of helpers, and I would like to acknowledge and thank those parents who assisted



in some capacity on the day, whether it was as a time keeper, judge or assisting with setting up / packing up. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. A special mention also to Mr Lindsay for his organisation and coordination of the carnival and to Joan Patterson for acting as judge on the day. A team of students will soon be notified of their selection in our school team to compete at the Headlands PSSA Carnival scheduled to be held on Thursday 21 February in Ballina. Best wishes to all students.

School Photos

As indicated in the final newsletter of last year, just a reminder that these are taking place next Monday 11 February. Envelopes were distributed to students yesterday. Please see Tracey or Karen in the office if you need another envelope.

Partnership with Northern Rivers Conservatorium of Music (NRC)

We are extremely excited that 70 students have enrolled in what I am sure will be a great program. That is almost one third of our school!! A significant amount of research clearly demonstrates the benefits of learning a musical instrument and it is so pleasing to see the interest in this initiative. At this stage we are aiming for a start in either Week 4 or Week 5 of this term, once our school timetables and routines have settled.

I will confirm a starting time and more details as soon as it is known.



After School Care

In further positive news, we were informed late last year that the After School Care program operated at our school by Byron Shire Council will continue this year. I have once again been able to offer the upstairs classroom in the middle of D Block for this year. Please keep in mind that this extension of the program is just for 2019 at this stage. It is important not to become complacent about the future of the service beyond this year. It will only remain operational with strong enrolment numbers.

Please call Jamie on 0437860614 if you would like further information or to enquire about enrolment.

Fig tree

As you were made aware last year, our large fig trees on the northern boundary of the school have been cordoned off. An extremely large limb fell from the most western tree (closest to Morrison Avenue) and the DoE Assets team have been working with arborists to determine the most suitable course of action for the tree in question. The results of the arborist testing indicate that there is significant decay to this tree and as a result it needs to be removed. Whilst this is unfortunate, safety to students, our neighbours and everyone who enters the school is by far the most important concern to us.

I will inform you as I know more.

Nut free school

A number of children enrolled at our school have severe allergies. Some have anaphylactic reactions to nuts and nut products.

Examples of items we would prefer not see at school include, but is not restricted to **Nutella**, **Snickers Bars**, **Peanut Butter sandwiches or cakes and slices made with peanuts or peanut products**. We thank you for your understanding in this matter. Our preference is for all children to bring nut free items to school. If this is a challenge for families we ask you to discuss this with the school as a matter of urgency.

The safety of all children in our school is at the centre of this request.

Have a great week.

Regards

David Lees

Principal

Library News

Welcome Back. I am very excited to be back in the Library and look forward to seeing all the familiar borrowers, browsers and students who visit the library at lunch time.

This year I am hoping to encourage all students to read more often and more widely. I am planning to start a number of Library initiatives as well as promote already established school wide ones. So far, I have the following in mind and will provide more details once we are up and running:

- book reading session during lunch breaks
- creating a book appreciation group (working alongside a student who initiated the idea)
- stronger commitment and participation in the Premiers Reading Challenge.
- a book parade later in the year.
- continuation of a twice term Scholastic Book Club sales.

Scholastic Book Club

ORDERS DUE BACK BY 12th FEBRUARY

Our first Scholastic Book Club Catalogue was handed out to all classes last week (Kindergarten will get these this week). Ways you can purchase books from the book club include:

- bringing in the order plus the correct cash/cheque and drop it into the Library or the Office.
- Using LOOP on the Scholastic Book Club Site http://www.scholastic.com.au/



Remember that every sale adds to the School's rewards account and enables me to purchase resources not only for the library but all classrooms and the school in general. Last year I purchased books, posters, book boxes, robotic kits and reading kits to name a few.

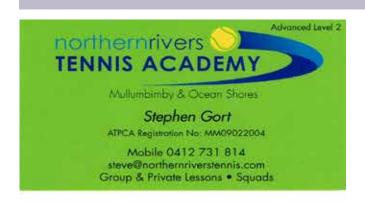
Overdues and Missing Books

On a serious note, at the end of last year we had way too many books either marked as missing or overdue. If you have located a School Library book at your home regardless of condition or time not returned please bring it in.

Many Thanks

Sue Austin

Teacher -librarian.











LATE PAYERS FOR SCHOOL PHOTOS

All students are to bring their envelopes on the day of photography, Monday 11th February. If you wish to pay after photo day you can go to The School Photographer website: www.theschoolphotographer.com.au and select the "Click here for Online Payments" button, you will then be asked to enter details to make a payment online.

OR

You can call The School Photographer office on 9674 9824 and they will take credit card payments over the phone.

(Note – there is a processing fee of \$5 for phone payments)

OR

You can post a money order to The School Photographer along with the order envelope. CHEQUES ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED DUE TO A CHANGE IN BANK POLICY.

Please note when paying online before photo day you are still required to bring the envelope on the day of photography.

OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

Spaghetti Circus Term Classes

Spaghetti Circus provides foundational circus training right here in Mullumbimby.

Our classes are fun, social and supportive. We offer long-term circus training for two year olds up to adults! Term 1 has already begun. Get in on the fun! Find out more and enrol online at spaghetticircus.com

Netbal

Online registrations open have opened for the 2019 Netball Season. Competition begins on 16th March at the Brunswick Byron Netball Courts at the Recreation Grounds, Byron St. Mullumbimby - Junior NetSetGo (5-7 years) begins 4th May. NetSet Go & Under 12 play at 12:30pm. Under 17s & Seniors play from 1:45pm onwards. Sign on Mullumbimby - 9th February 9-11am. At Brunswick Byron Netball Clubhouse. Contact Narelle 66843870.





















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Mullumbimby Public School Term 1 2019

Tuesday 29th January – Friday 12th April 2019

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
	28 January	29 January	30 January	31 January	1 February	2/3
1			Year 1-6 return		Swimming Carnival	
	4 February	5 February	6 February	7 February	8 February	9/10
2	Kindergarten commence 9:15 hall					
	11 February	12 February	13 February	14 February	15 February	16/17
3	HL PSSA boys/girls cricket School Photos					
	18 February	19 February	20 February	21 February	22 February	23/24
4	FNC girls cricket			HL PSSA swimming carnival		
	25 February	26 February	27 February	28 February	1 March	2/3
5	FNC boys cricket		FNC swimming Ballina	Captains/Ministers Induction	HL PSSA tennis PBL Reward Day	
	4 March	5 March	6 March	7 March	8 March	9/10
6	NC girls cricket		NC swimming Mur'bah		FNC boys/girls b'ball	
	11 March	12 March	13 March	14 March	15 March	16/17
7		HL PSSA boys/girls soccer		HL PSSA AFL 'Wow' performance Byron Shire	FNC tennis	
	18 March	19 March	20 March	21 March	22 March	23/24
8	NC basketball		FNC boys/girls soccer P&C meeting	HL PSSA rugby league 11's and Opens	HL PSSA hockey	
	25 March	26 March	27 March	28 March	29 March	30/31
9		NC tennis			FNC AFL	
	1 April	2 April	3 April	4 April	5 April	6/7
10	NC soccer		NC AFL	FNC rugby league 11's and Opens	FNC boys/girls hockey PBL Reward Day	
	8 April	9 April	10 April	11 April	12 April	13/14
11	NC boys cricket	HL PSSA netball		NSW swimming ANZAC assembly	Cross Country Easter Hat Parade Last Day Term	
11				ANZAC assembly		



Casual Work

School Crossing Supervisors – Work with your community 1 x Casual position – Byron Bay Public School (00006RVZ)

An important person in a child's school life is the School Crossing Supervisor, who ensures they cross the road safely. The role requires minimal hours out of your day and gives something worthwhile back to the community.

The hours are usually 8:30am to 9:30am and/or 2:50pm to 3:50pm Monday to Friday during school terms. You may be required to work morning, afternoon, both shifts and no shifts. As a casual you will be filling in for existing part-time staff and on call basis as required. The base rate is \$23.02 - \$27.62 per hour.

All the qualifications you need are community spirit, good communication skills, an alert and professional attitude to work and a reliable personality. The casual hours and school holidays would suit a parent or grandparent, a retiree or anyone wanting meaningful work — but not full-time.

Training for your key responsibilities of directing traffic to stop at the designated crossing and giving clear instructions to infants and primary school students to cross the road safely, will be provided. You may be required to attend a health assessment. Appointment is subject to a Working with Children Check clearance.

Roads and Maritime Services is an equal opportunity employer.

For further information on this exciting opportunity please call 1300 305 855 or go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au

Applications close 11.59pm Sunday, 10 February 2019

TfNSW are committed to building a diverse and inclusive culture across the Transport cluster, planning for and promoting diversity. We welcome and encourage applications from diverse community groups and ages including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, LGBTI, people with disabilities, women and other diversity groups. TfNSW recognises the benefits that such an approach brings for our staff and customers in delivering the future of NSW.

