

# WESTPORT

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT



**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Welcome to Week 8 and another busy time at Westport Public School! Last week we had our first full run through of our Splendour performances and the acts are really coming together. Students and teachers are working very hard to make the night one to remember. Sometimes leading up to a big performance, students can become a little nervous. Please try to encourage them to participate. It is not a competitive activity and we really want all students to enjoy the opportunity to perform at the Glasshouse.

Last week was School Administrative and Support (SAS) Staff Recognition Week, it is a time to celebrate the contributions of our SAS Staff to the success of our school and to all students' education. I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication that our SAS Staff do to support our students and staff.

During a recent review of student attendance, it was noticed that there has been an increase in the number of students being absent from school. If your child isn't sick, please don't make this a habit whereby you allow your child to stay home if they don't feel like coming, or even letting your children have a day off for their birthday – every day at school is important and every day something new is learnt – don't deny your child these opportunities.

We hope you have a great week.

**Tony Johnston**  
Principal

### Westport Public School Award Winners

#### Term 3 – Week 7

**K - Flame** – Alyce, Savanna, Lily, Khaled

**K - Jacaranda** – Ruby, Jack, Tommy, Asha

**K/1 Wattle** – Tilly, Liam, Keira, Kenura

**1 Acacia** – Sophia, Hollie, Jack, Sarah

**1 Banksia** – Jhett, Luca, Tiger, Zarhli

**2 Bluegum** – Sophie, Judah, Maddison, Katelyn

**2 Paperbark** – Shilah, Lilly, Lincoln, Xavier

**Mathletics Award** – Hailey

#### Individual House Points

**Banks** – 779

**Cook** – 897

**Endeavour** – 1043

**Solander** – 868

### Coming Events for Term 3

Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	K-Y2 Josephine wants to Dance – Glasshouse performance.
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly – Hosted by 3/4 Lilly-Pilly
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	Yr4 Maths Fun Day
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	School Splendour Performance – Glasshouse - doors open 5.30pm
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 2/3 Hockey Gala Day
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Gold Award Assembly
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup>	Stage 2 & 3 Reward Day – Planet X

#### Splendour Rehearsals

Our Splendour rehearsals have been fantastic and we can't wait to perform. If you haven't already purchased a ticket be sure to do it soon so you are not disappointed.







**Ticket information for Splendour 2018 ‘Spirit of Oz’**

Date of Splendour: Tuesday 18th September  
 Venue: The Glasshouse  
 Start time: 6pm (doors open at 5.30pm to start seating)  
 Tickets Cost: \$12 per person

Tickets: Tickets are on sale! Tickets can be purchased via the online Glasshouse box office or in person at The Glasshouse. Three easy ways to book your tickets:

1. Visit [www.glasshouse.org.au](http://www.glasshouse.org.au)
2. Call 6581 8888
3. Drop into the box office Cnr of Clarence & Hay Streets, Port Macquarie

Please be aware that there is a transaction surcharge (\$3 for online and in person, \$5 for over the phone). There is no limit to the amount of tickets you can buy.

**Kindergarten Enrolments for 2019**

2019 Kindergarten enrolment packs are available from the school office. Our Orientation Day is Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October, Week 1 of Term 4.

**Toni Lawes**

**Assembly Timetable:**

K-Yr2	Yr3-6
Week 7 – 1 Acacia	Week 8 – 3/4 Lilly-Pilly
Week 9 – Splendour No Assembly	Week 9 – Splendour No Assembly
Week 10 – Gold Awards	Week 10 – Gold Awards

**Rugby NRL Gala Day**

Great performance from our Stage 3 students last Tuesday at the NRL gala day. Here are a few photos of the day.



**Drought Relief Sausage Sizzle**

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Drought Relief sausage sizzle. It will be much appreciated by the farmers.





## Non-Teaching Staff School Introduction Training Days

The Department of Education is seeking people who are interested in commencing work within public schools in your area.

The School Administrative and Support (SAS) Staff Reference Group welcome any people looking to start work in school administration to enrol in our Non-Teaching Staff School Introduction training programs.

The aim of this training is to provide participants with an overview of school administrative roles. Participation in these introduction days are **not** a guarantee of employment with the Department of Education. Participants are required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance for paid work at their own cost. <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>. Payment is then made through Service NSW prior to attending day one. To enable processing for potential employment participants are required to bring necessary completed forms, which appear on the MyPL registration page. Many schools have a policy of not employing current parents or associates within their own school.

It would be desirable if participants had a sound knowledge of the Microsoft Office suite.

The training days will be held in the following locations:

Goonellabah office – Wednesday 17 October & Friday 9 November 2018  
Tweed Heads South Public School – Wednesday 24 October & Tuesday 13 November 2018  
Maclean Public School – Wednesday 24 October & Tuesday 13 November 2018  
William Bayldon Public School – Wednesday 24 October & Tuesday 13 November 2018  
Frederickton Public School – Friday 26 October & Friday 9 November 2018  
Port Macquarie Library – Thursday 25 October & Wednesday 7 November 2018  
Forster office – Monday 22 October 2018 & Tuesday 6 November 2018

To secure a place in this course, participants will need to register online as a community member on MyPL. Go to the following site <https://mypl.education.nsw.gov.au/> and select Register. After completing the details, an email will be sent with instructions on how to get started and select the venue you wish to attend. The course codes are Day 1: NR22842, Day 2: NR22844.

There will be no cost to the participant other than them acquiring their WWCC prior to attending the training. Tea and coffee will be available throughout the day. Participants are to provide their own morning tea and lunch.

Further information can be provided by contacting the SAS Staff Reference Group (SRG) Coffs Harbour on (02)6623 5911 or by email at [SRGCoffsHarbour@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:SRGCoffsHarbour@det.nsw.edu.au)



## Community News

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY DAYS – 2<sup>nd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at the PMQ Indoor Stadium

The school holiday activity days are designed for all children attending primary school (Kinder to Year 6) in 2018. Activity days involve children in a range of sports & group games, plus jumping castles, arts tables etc.

Dates of Activity Days for October (Daily from 8.30am to 5pm) Week 1: Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2018 Week 2: Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	WHAT TO BRING & WEAR provided *Lunch – NOT PROVIDED *Water Bottle *Sports Shoes (no thongs)	Morning tea will be provided Café will be open for snacks, Lunches & Drinks
<b>TIME:</b> 8.30am to 5pm. Please note, you can drop off and pick up at any time between these hours.		
<b>COST:</b> \$25.00 per day / per child. <b>EFTPOS AVAILABLE.</b>		
<b>BOOKINGS:</b> Can be made by phone or email though if unable to attend you need to advise the Stadium as we require firm bookings for staffing each day.		
<b>REFUNDS:</b> Refunds are not possible for 'on the spot' cancellations or 'No Show' bookings. Refunds are possible if cancellations are made with enough time to offer your spot to another child from the waiting list.		
<b>NUMBERS:</b> We can only accept 56 children per day so book early to avoid disappointment.		

#### PLEASE CIRCLE DATES WHICH YOUR CHILD WILL BE ATTENDING

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct (PUBLIC HOLIDAY) 2018	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2018	N/A
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 2018	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2018	N/A
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 2018	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2018	N/A
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2018	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2018	N/A
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2018	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2018	N/A

#### CONSENT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM

All information is confidential and could be important to the welfare of your children.

##### Registration details

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: H \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_

##### MEDICAL DETAILS

Please indicate if your child suffers from any of the following:

Heart problems Yes / No Respiratory Problems Yes / No  
Allergies Yes / No High/ Low blood pressure Yes / No  
Recent surgery Yes / No Epilepsy Yes / No  
Diabetes Yes / No

If you answered YES to any of the above, please give details:

Please give any details of any ALLERGIES/ REACTIONS your child may suffer from:

Is there any other medical or any other information that we should know about?

##### CONSENT AUTHORITY

As a parent / guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ I  
Give my consent for him/her to participate in the activities organised by the PORT MACQUARIE SPORTS STADIUM and delegate my authority to the coaches involved.

I also authorise those persons to obtain such medical assistance they deem necessary should an accident occur. I undertake to pay all medical expenses incurred on behalf of the above participant. I further authorise qualified practitioners to see to my child if such an incident arises.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

##### OFFICE USE ONLY

RECEIPT NO: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ STAFF MEMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Forms can be dropped into the Stadium weekdays between 9am-9pm or email us at [portstad@bigpond.net.au](mailto:portstad@bigpond.net.au) or call us on (6583 2501) and leave a message if unattended.

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October



#### Family Fun Day @ Westport Park Port Macquarie

\* 10.30am to 1.30pm – Everybody welcome to share a very special gathering – lots of fun activities for all ages & special entertainment. Join in all the fun at **Westport Park**

### Also on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October

#### Glasshouse Sprouts @ Wauchope Library 11am to 12

\*For 4 to 9 year olds with carers to stay – Bookings via Glasshouse on 6581 8888 - \$5 per child. *Be inspired by the Archibald Exhibition and create your own portrait*



Glasshouse Sprouts provides art activities brought to you by the Glasshouse Regional Gallery Staff helping children grow their creativity, learn new skills and make new friends!

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October

#### Music For Toddlers ~ 1 year olds & Fun With Music ~ 2 & 3 year olds @ Port Macquarie Library

\* Bookings essential – 6581 8755 or <https://musicfortoddlers2018.eventbrite.com.au> & <https://funwithmusic2018.eventbrite.com.au> Each session gives parents lots of fun & practical ideas to try at home. Sessions focus on rhythm, cooperation, listening & social skills, expressing ideas through movement & action...plus it is lots of fun!

### Also on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October



#### Little Bang Discovery Club @ Wauchope Library

~ 10.30am to 11.30am

Hands on interactive **Science Workshop for 4 to 7 years olds and their Parents/Carers.** Bookings essential 6581 8162

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October

#### HSC Study Day

Looking for a quiet study space? Port Macquarie Library will be open for HSC students from 10am to 4pm.

**All activities free** (except for Glasshouse Sprouts) [www.mnclibrary.org.au](http://www.mnclibrary.org.au)

Port Macquarie Library - Corner Gordon & Grant Streets  
Wauchope Library - High Street (near Post Office)  
Laurieton Library - Laurie Street (near School of Arts Hall)



### October School Holidays 2018 @ Your Library!



### Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

#### Meet the Author & Book Signing @ Wauchope Library 10.30am

All welcome to meet Rob Tickle, Author of *John Oxley, a new perspective*. Rob is a Consulting Archaeologist, Historian and Paleoanthropologist



#### Also @ Wauchope Library 10.30am to 11.30am - Zentangling

Join in a Zentangling Workshop for **8 years plus**. Help to decorate the Mural to commemorate John Oxley's journey. Bookings 6581 8162

### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October



#### Family Fun Day @ Bain Park Wauchope

\* 10am to 1pm – Everybody welcome to share a very special gathering – plenty of food, activities for all ages & special entertainment. Join in all the fun at Bain Park

### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October



#### Baby Bounce @ Port Macquarie Library - 10.30am

30 minutes of songs, rhymes and fun for babies & carers.

### Also on the 4<sup>th</sup> October

#### Glasshouse Sprouts @ Laurieton Library ~ 11am to 12 noon

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### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October

#### Pop Up IT @ Port Macquarie Library 10am to 11.30am

Try the Virtual Reality Glasses, 3D Printer and Makey Makey.



### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October

#### Book Folding @ Port Macquarie Library 10am to 11.00am

Join Makayla as she demonstrates the Art of Book Folding to create beautiful sculptures. You may have met Mikayla at our recent Makers' Market. She will display her wonderful creations and you will have a chance to make a Hedgehog and a Fairy House. You will be truly inspired!

\*Strictly 10 years up and bookings required 6581 8755

## WEDNESDAY FUTSAL AT ST COLUMBA (SCAS) – IONA CENTRE



Presented by MID COAST FUTSAL INC

**Starts Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 4.15pm**

**Team or Individuals welcome**

**ALL 40 MIN GAMES**

5 to 7 years FOR BEGINNERS = Skills & games FROM 4.15PM (1hr)

COMPS 7/8 years, 9/10/11yrs and 12/13 years

Rego's 5/7years \$55, 8 to 13years \$60

Game Fee \$10 per player

**Active Kids \$100 Vouchers** ([sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids](http://sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids))

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