

# WESTPORT

## PUBLIC SCHOOL

Monday 1 July 2019

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT



### Welcome to Week 10.

Hi everyone and welcome to the last week of term. It certainly has been a very busy time with our wonderful students working hard alongside our wonderful teachers.

### Staff Development Day

The first day back next term for staff will be Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of July. This is a staff development day where we will be examining issues around Cyber Safety. Students will return on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July.

### Silver Assembly

Due to the very congested last week of term, our Silver Assembly will be conducted on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> July the first week back in term 3. All are welcome to attend.

### P&C Meeting

There will be a P&C meeting on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> of July the first week back in term 3.

### Uniform Vote

The voting slip for our school uniform update has now been sent home and we are very interested in your opinion. There are five options to vote on. Some of the reasons for attempting to initiate a change are as follows:

- All schools within the Hastings Valley Community of Schools (HVCS) network have shades of blue as a major colour aspect of their uniform and we wish to align our school in accordance with our fellow schools.
- We are a coastal school, we live by the ocean, we aim to incorporate shades of blue into the uniform to reflect this aspect.
- Our current uniform requires a refresh and it is time for a smarter image.

The steps have been as follows:

- A proposal to review the uniform was put to our P&C and it was agreed a committee should be formed to examine options.
- The committee consisted of Tony Johnston, Nicole Osborne, Kerryn Schofield, Heidi Bingham and Mark Edenborough.
- The committee met and looked at various designs and colours and a selection was agreed upon by the committee.
- The selection was then taken to a P&C meeting and it was agreed to put this to the school community, staff and students for voting.
- A display of the proposals has been placed in the COLA in the mornings for everyone to examine.
- A voting slip with information has now gone home with five voting options.

It is very important that we now hear from you via the voting slip. Please make sure you send in your voting slip so we can determine where we go from here. I hope you have a safe and enjoyable break

**Tony Johnston**  
**Principal**

### Coming Events for Term 2

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Tuesday 1 July   | NAIDOC Assembly – 1 pm                                    |
| Wednesday 2 July | Athletics Carnival at Findlay Oval                        |
| Friday 5 July    | Primary Treat Day<br>Last day of Term 2                   |
| Monday 22 July   | Safe on Social Media<br>Presentation – 6pm in school hall |
| Tuesday 23 July  | First day back Term 3                                     |
| Tuesday 23 July  | Silver Assembly<br>K – 2: 12:15 pm<br>3 – 6: 1 pm         |

### Term 2 Assembly Timetable – 1 pm in the School Hall

| Kindergarten – Year 2 | Year 3 – Year 6           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
|                       | Week 10 – NAIDOC Assembly |

### Canberra Excursion: Payment Plan

|                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Thursday 4 July       | \$100 paid by this date |
| Friday 23 August      | \$100 paid by this date |
| Thursday 26 September | \$100 paid by this date |
| Friday 8 November     | \$60 paid by this date  |

The total cost of the excursion is \$610.00

All payments are to be paid to the office, eftpos is available. **You are very welcome to make payments at any time or pay the outstanding amount prior to 8 November, 2019.**



### Intensive Swimming

The School Intensive Swimming Scheme will be held during weeks 5 and 6 Term 4. The program is aimed at students in years 2 - 6 who are non-swimmers or poor swimmers. There will be 60 places available at a cost of about \$60 per student. Students participate in 45 minute lessons each day over the two weeks. The lessons are taught by qualified instructors and are designed to teach water confidence and build swimming skills. A note will go out early next term.

### Miss Walton

#### Splendour performance rehearsals have begun.

Class dances for our whole school Creative Arts night, Splendour, are in full swing this week with our dance teacher Miss Lisa from Port Macquarie Performing Arts. The dance elective group has also started learning their dance for the opening act of Splendour. Such an exciting time of the year where all students get to be involved in performance and showcases the talents of students in the areas of drama, music and dance.

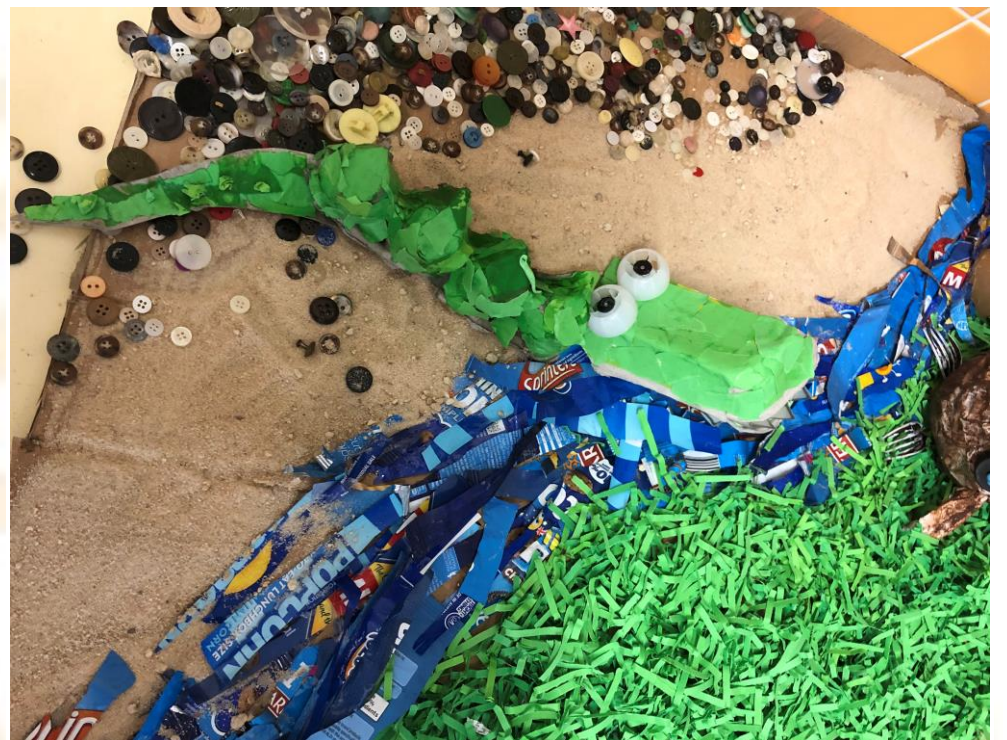


Splendour this year is titled 'Our World in Harmony', where a display of cultural festivals and celebrations across the world come to light. All students at Westport are involved and the performance is held at The Glasshouse on Tuesday 17th September 2019 commencing 6pm. More details will be sent next term including a handy booklet with all information for parents, so stay tuned.

### Mrs Eichler

### Vote for 1 Acacia!

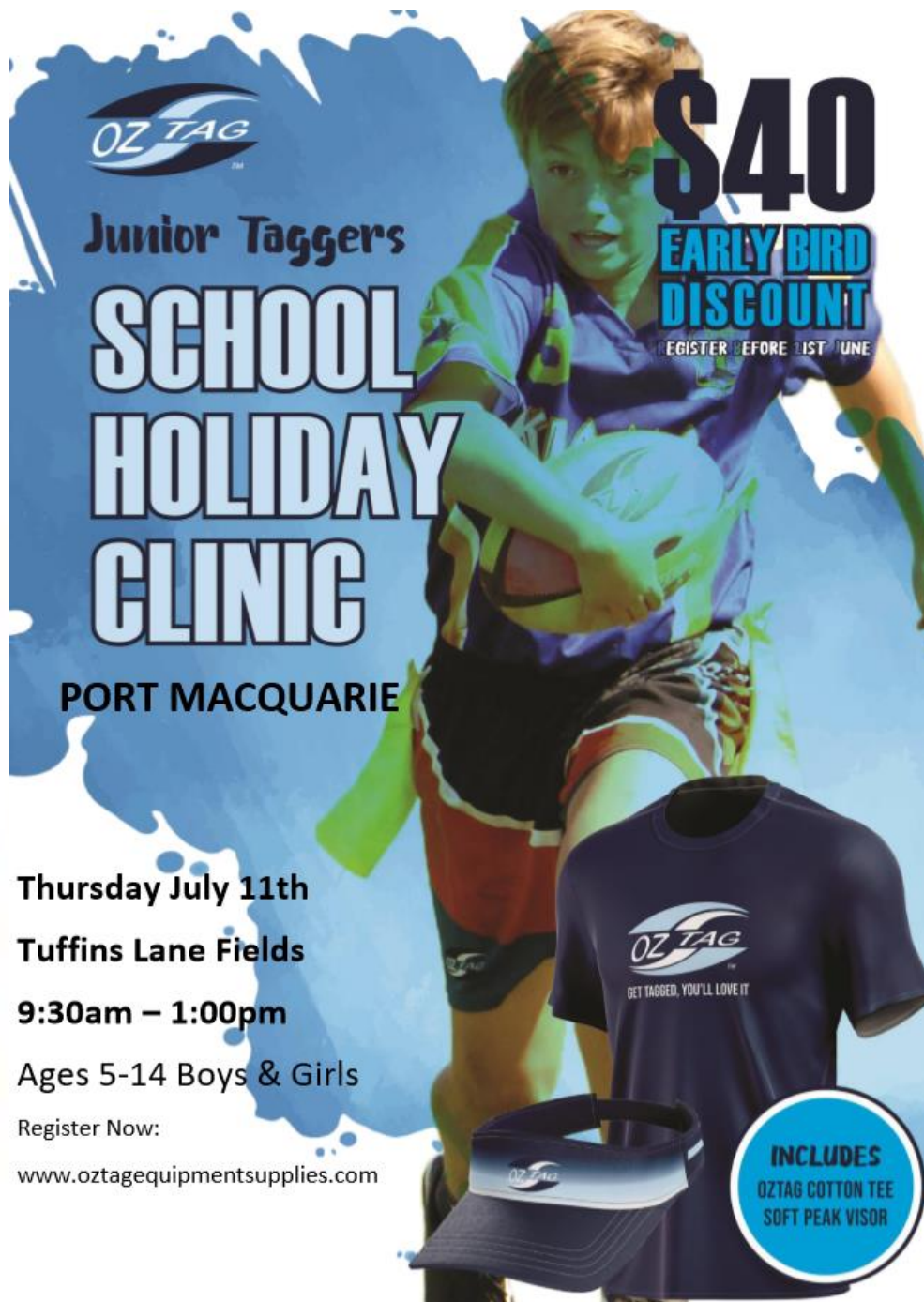
As part of our Creative Arts Program, 1 Acacia have entered in the Bostik Smart Schools Art Campaign. Using only recycled materials, we created an Australian Outback diorama featuring a koala, crocodile, echidna and the Bostik Gecko. We need your votes! A People's Choice Award is awarded to the most popular artwork on the Bostik Website. Please head to <https://bostiksmartschools.com.au/voting-gallery> and search for Westport Public School to vote. Don't forget to tell family and friends to vote as well!



### Mrs Ross



## Community News



**OZ TAG**  
**Junior Taggers**  
**SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC**  
**PORT MACQUARIE**

**\$40**  
**EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT**  
 REGISTER BEFORE 1ST JUNE

**Thursday July 11th**  
**Tuffins Lane Fields**  
**9:30am – 1:00pm**  
 Ages 5-14 Boys & Girls

Register Now:  
[www.oztagequipmentsupplies.com](http://www.oztagequipmentsupplies.com)

**INCLUDES**  
 OZTAG COTTON TEE  
 SOFT PEAK VISOR

### Cyber Safe Info Sessions for Parents

All parents and carers are welcome to attend a FREE 'Safe of Social Media' information session on Monday 22 July starting at 6 pm. Presented by Kirra Pendergast, a certified training provider for the Australian Office of the eSafety Commissioner.

During the information session you will learn simple steps you can take to reduce the risks for your children online. It will cover many elements of social media safety and discuss real-life examples and strategies for parents to support their children.

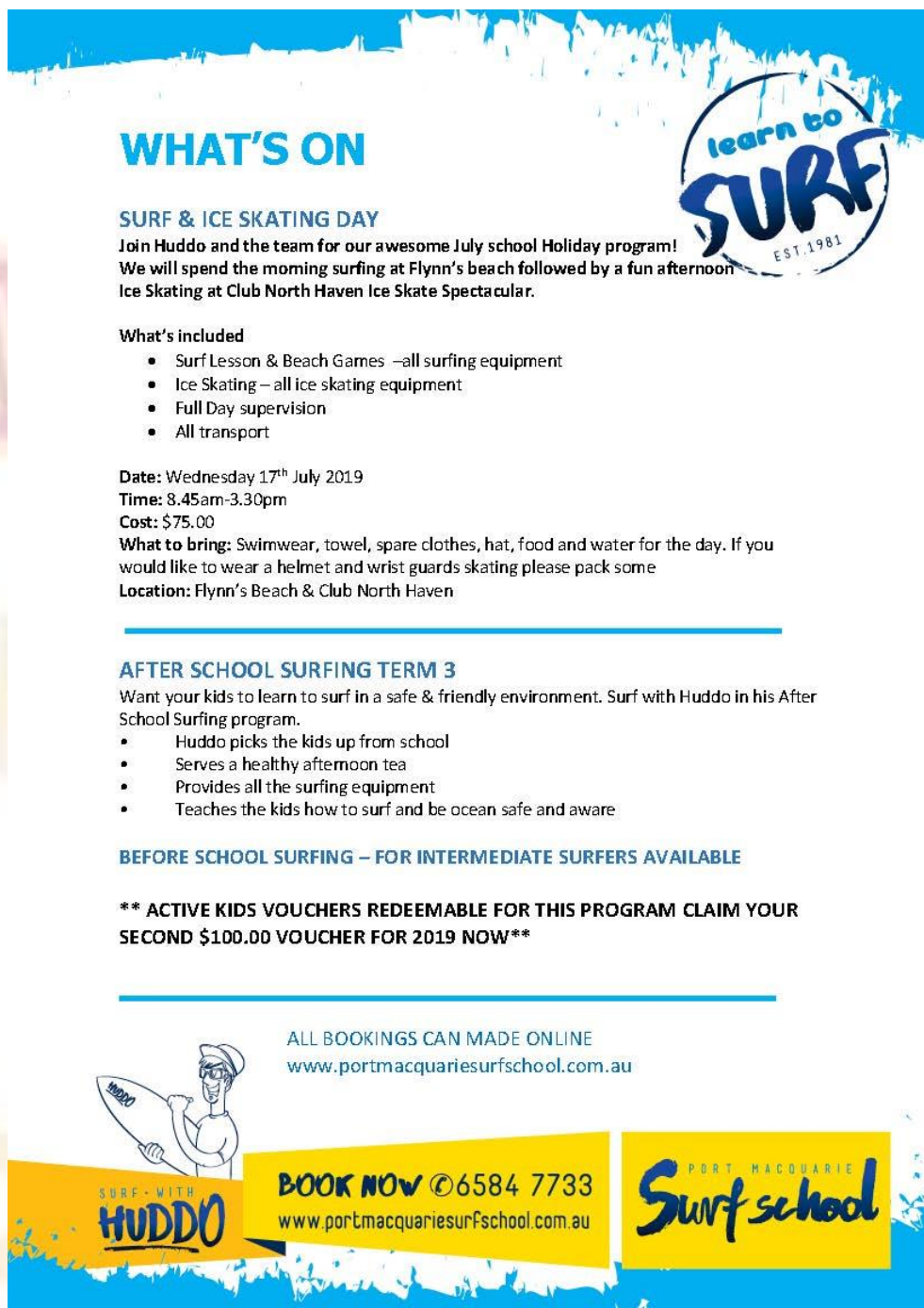
Keeping our children safe online is vital. Cyber-bullying, stranger danger, identity theft are issues that all parents need to take an active role in being aware of and knowing how to manage positively.

There will be time for questions so bring along your burning questions or scenarios you would like discussed.

More information on Kirra Pendergast can be found at the Safe on Social Webstie.

<https://www.safeonsocial.com/>

Parent Sessions - Monday 22 at 6:00 pm in our school hall  
 Student sessions - At school Tuesday 23 July.



**WHAT'S ON**

**SURF & ICE SKATING DAY**  
 Join Huddo and the team for our awesome July school Holiday program!  
 We will spend the morning surfing at Flynn's beach followed by a fun afternoon Ice Skating at Club North Haven Ice Skate Spectacular.

**What's included**

- Surf Lesson & Beach Games –all surfing equipment
- Ice Skating – all ice skating equipment
- Full Day supervision
- All transport

**Date:** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
**Time:** 8.45am-3.30pm  
**Cost:** \$75.00  
**What to bring:** Swimwear, towel, spare clothes, hat, food and water for the day. If you would like to wear a helmet and wrist guards skating please pack some  
**Location:** Flynn's Beach & Club North Haven

**AFTER SCHOOL SURFING TERM 3**  
 Want your kids to learn to surf in a safe & friendly environment. Surf with Huddo in his After School Surfing program.

- Huddo picks the kids up from school
- Serves a healthy afternoon tea
- Provides all the surfing equipment
- Teaches the kids how to surf and be ocean safe and aware

**BEFORE SCHOOL SURFING – FOR INTERMEDIATE SURFERS AVAILABLE**

**\*\* ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS REDEEMABLE FOR THIS PROGRAM CLAIM YOUR SECOND \$100.00 VOUCHER FOR 2019 NOW\*\***

ALL BOOKINGS CAN MADE ONLINE  
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**Surf school**

## Under 12 School Holiday Clinics



SUITABLE FOR KIDS OF ANY ABILITY UNDER AGE OF 12

### Don't Hesitate

Get your school holiday plans sorted now!

**Coffs Harbour – Monday July 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Port Macquarie – Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Taree – Wednesday July 10<sup>th</sup>**

All sessions 10am-3pm

[WWW.HOCKEYNSW.COM.AU](http://WWW.HOCKEYNSW.COM.AU)





### Become a scientist for a day

This activity unites technology with the great outdoors. Out in the rainforest participants will be given the skills to become instant citizen scientists while learning about the importance of healthy ecosystems.

Thursday 11 July and Friday 19 July

Times: 10:30 am- 12:00pm

Who: 7- 12 year olds

Price \$10 per child- bookings essential spaces limited.

Rain, Hail, or Shine -Wear weather appropriate clothing and footwear.

To book call Sea Acres Rainforest Centre on 02 5534 2770



Photo: Dorrigo National Park (Photographer OEH)  
OEH 2019/01 18 March 2019



CELEBRATE / CULTURE / COMMUNITY

# VOICE TREATY TRUTH

07 - 14  
JULY 2019

Let's work together for a shared future.

## NAIDOC FAMILY FUN DAYS

**WAUCHOPE**  
**LANDRIGAN PARK**  
9TH JULY 10AM - 2PM

**PORT MACQUARIE**  
**PORT MACQUARIE RACE COURSE**  
11TH JULY 10AM - 2PM

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT | BBQ LUNCH | ENTERTAINMENT | ACTIVITIES

HOSTED BY BUNYAH AND BIRPAI LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCILS

## Make friends, have fun and get active with Netball!

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|---|---|------|
| WHAT  | Hastings Valley School Holiday Clinic      Net/Set (5-7yrs) and GO (8-10yrs)  |      |
| DATE  | Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2019   | TIME |
| 10am-12pm (5-7yrs) & (8-10yrs)                                  |   |      |
| WHERE   | Hastings Valley Netball Association – Macquarie Park, Grant St, Port Macquarie  |      |
| DETAILS   | \$20.30 per participant, with registrations online via the trybooking website:<br><a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BDGUJ" style="color: #00a0e3;">https://www.trybooking.com/BDGUJ</a> |      |
| Please bring a hat, sunscreen, water bottle and healthy snacks! |   |      |
| CONTACT   | Kirsten Clarke      M: 0497 443 991      E: <a href="mailto:kclarke@netballnsw.com" style="color: #00a0e3;">kclarke@netballnsw.com</a>  |      |

Got-it! would like to say a great big THANK YOU to **Westport Public School** for welcoming us with open arms and allowing us to be a part of your school.

With great support from the principal and all of the wonderful teachers, supporting SLSO's, administration staff, parents and students, our program was a great success.

A big thank you to **Ms Amy Harland & Ms Annie Murgatroyd** for all their assistance with implementation of the program, the Got-It! team very much appreciate all your hard work.

The children involved are now fantastic team leaders with skills in emotions, thumbs up behaviour choices and being kind friends.

Thanks to principal **Mr Tony Johnston** and the teaching staff at **Westport PS** for accommodating the team with weekly assistance.

Enjoy the rest of Term 2 and have a safe and happy holidays!

The Got It! Team!

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