

# Scotts Head Public School

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## Newsletter - 12<sup>th</sup> June 2014 Week 7

### CALENDAR

Dates to remember:	June	Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	Bush Tucker Yarn Up LLLCC 9.30- 11.am
		Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>	School Athletics Carnival
		Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	School NAIDOC Celebrations
July	Tues 15 <sup>th</sup>	School Term 3 begins	
	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Small School Athletics Carnival	
August	Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>	Nambuuca Valley Athletics Carnival	

### Reminder for the Week

Athletics Carnival has been rescheduled to Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

**Canteen: Monday: 16<sup>th</sup> - April and Jenny Wednesday: 18<sup>th</sup> - Fran**

### Indo Corner Jam Berapa (What's the time?)

Jam	- O'Clock	Lebih/lewat	- More (i.e past)
Kurang	- Less	Pada	- On/at
Setengah	- half (i.e <b>half to</b> )	Seperempat-	quarter (i.e quarter past, quarter to)
Jam tujuh	- 7:00		
Jam duabelas lebih dua puluh-	12:20	(12 O'clock more 20 minutes)	
Jam sepuluh kurang sepuluh	- 9:50	(10 O'clock less 10 minutes)	
Jam setengah dua	- 1:30		
<b>Pada jam sembilan saya bermain sepak bola</b>			(At 9 O'clock I play soccer)
<b>Pada jam setengah empat saya menonton televisi.</b>			(At half past three I watch TV)

Hello, Giinagay, Hai,

**Peace**

**"A smile is the beginning of Peace"**

Mother Teresa

### Athletics

I am sorry that the carnival had to be cancelled due to weather and track conditions, it is now rescheduled to Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

### **'The Leading 21st Century Schools: Engage with Asia (L21CS) Program**

As part of the 'The Leading 21st Century Schools: Engage with Asia (L21CS) Program which directly support key national and school policy directions, early next week I will be attending the Asia Education Foundation Conference: New World. New Thinking. I will be presenting on our Indonesian Bilingual Program and will gain valuable information and direction about continuing our success as an Asian Literate school. Conference Information below:

#### **New world. New thinking.**

**New world.** Globalization, new technologies and the rise of Asia are the game changers for 21st century learning. An outward looking mindset, intercultural understanding, knowledge of Asia and the skills to collaborate and communicate across and within borders, are now basic for all young Australians.

**New thinking.** Equipping our students for the opportunities and challenges of their world requires new thinking in school education.

The conference focus is on cutting edge innovation in schools and in teacher education, professional learning and curriculum resources. It provides a rich and unique opportunity for all school educators who are committed to preparing young Australians for their future.

The conference will:

- share what's working to build 'Asia capable' Australian schools
- showcase innovation in Asian languages education and cross curricula studies of Asia
- deepen knowledge of Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia
- connect globally-minded educators from Australia, Asia and the world.

While I am out of the school On Monday and Tuesday Lawrie Renshall will be the relieving principal in my absence.

### **A school -university partnership: Community Engagement Bush Tucker Yarn Up morning Wednesday the 18th**

#### **Reaching Out Reaching In: A school - university partnership to promote Indigenous community engagement**

The project's aim is to foster a greater understanding of local Indigenous culture, historical perspectives and knowledge systems within the school and the wider community of Scotts Head. A yarn-up and morning tea with Aunty Shaa and other project members, will occur on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> from 9.30-11 am in LLLCC, with a walk around the Bush Track. Aunty Sue Tomkins from the Bush Tucker Shack, will be providing a delicious bush tucker morning tea and share her wealth of knowledge about plants that would be good to put into our garden. We welcome all parents input into this growing project.



Aunty Sue Tomkins beside Jane and Clayton Donovan who are ambassadors for our Bush Tucker Garden

### **Principal for a Day Report**

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June the School Captains Solomon and I (Freya) played the role of Principal for a day. The first thing we did was say good morning to all the teachers, parents and students, Mrs Stuart said this was very important. Once the bell had rang signalling the start of class, we went to help set up morning tea in the LLLC for the Parenting program. We went back to class for 1 hour while Mrs Stuart taught in the year 1/2 class.

We also took some photos of Cathy working with some of the 1/2's to help them finish their Aboriginal stitching. Mrs Stuart went for a walk around to bike track with us and told us of her plans to on day have bush tucker growing alongside the track.

Solomon and I had a great and very busy day learning how to be a principal and I'm sure it will help us in the future.

By Freya.



### **PACE Program**

Our 2014 Pace Programme has been drafted by Head Office with help of the parents, principal Gillian together with a teacher and students from TAFE Community Services staff.

The Proposal is currently with the Regional Manager and it is expected that it will be accepted.

Our grant will be very small this time with a focus on parent activities. Parents will be furthering their knowledge of culture so they can be the teacher of their children (as always happened in Aboriginal society).

At the same time the activities involved in the program will provide also for shared learning between parents, community and teachers.

This year the PACE Parents steering committee will oversee project operations and work in partnership with all stakeholders involved in the project.

I would like to thank all parents for their invaluable input at our Tele-conference. It was because of your attendance that we have reached this stage.

It is expected that approval will be obtained in time for us to launch this year's project at our NAIDOC presentations and celebrations on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

It would also be valuable if as many parents as possible could attend the Yarnup with Aunty Shaa and Aunty Sue Tomkins on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June as this also fits in with our programme.

Sue Renyard - PACE Co-ordinator

### **Outside School Hours Care Service (OSHC)**

Please return the survey to establish the need for Outside School Hours Care Service at the school which was attached to last weeks newsletter We need to investigate the need for the OSHC service and review caring for children before and after school maybe instead of After School Activities. Please fill in ASAP and feedback the results.

### **Happy Birthday Matiara!**

Scotts Head Public School is sponsoring a child in Indonesia. Her name is Matiara and she is turning 13 in September. The SRC would like to send her a birthday present. We are asking for donations of things a thirteen year old girl would appreciate. Any gifts are much appreciated by the SRC and Matiara. Soccer is quite popular in Indonesia and I think some school stationery will be a great gift as well. Solomon.

### Toastmasters

In the 4/5/6 class we have been doing toastmaster sessions. If you're wondering what a toastmaster session is it's where you work on your public speaking skills.

Every week on a Thursday everyone in the class will be given a role to play in the toastmaster's session and each week 6 students have to bring in a prepared speech on a topic of their choice.

After doing the toastmaster sessions everyone in the class have been getting better at public speaking. Everyone gets a little nervous before sharing their speech but they get over the nerves once they start their speech.

By Lilly

### CWA

Today a group of senior students will be travelling to the CWA International Day at Stuarts Point and joining the other small schools in sharing their projects on Botswana and celebrating the valuable contribution the CWA has made to our rural community over the time.

On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 4 people from the 4/5/6 (Solomon, Freya, Toby and Henry) class will be attending a CWA meeting. This year the 4/5/6 is studying the country Botswana.

Solomon, Freya, Toby and Henry will be meeting up with the small school in the area; Stuarts Point, Eungai and

Medlow. Solomon, Freya, Toby and Henry will be sharing some of the finished projects from our class. We are proud to represent the school and the work we have done.

By Henry



### Song Magic

No Song Magic this week due to the Athletics carnival.

Girls Touch Footy - Congratulations and good luck to Wulaaran Walker who has been selected in the next round of play-offs.

### Language, Learning & Literacy- L3

Bu Anna is currently participating in L3 training and is implementing L3 in the Kinder classroom. Teachers who teach in L3 classrooms participate in ongoing professional training inside and outside of the classroom. Initially the literacy instruction is conducted in small groups, with no more than three students in each group. Small group teaching enables the teacher to identify their students' strengths and areas that require extra support.

Students in L3 classrooms are taught in a way that equips them to understand what it means to be a self-regulated learner. They learn how to conduct themselves in a learning environment that is specifically designed to bring about a wide range of literacy achievement. The teaching practice is designed to help students learn to benefit from the experiences in the classroom, how to support their own literacy development and how to become aware of their own literacy growth. The physical

environment is an area full of rich language opportunities, problem solving, independent learning and a strong sense of personal success.

### **Year 4/5/6/ writers Festival Excursion - Nadia Wheatley - Class Excursion**

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June, the 4/5/6 class went to the Bellingen Youth Hub to have a creative writing workshop with Nadia Wheatley. We talked about a book she wrote called 'Going Bush'. Nadia Wheatley had written this book with 16 kids, some were from Australia but some were from other countries as well.

She talked about how she is a better writer if she knows about the environment she is writing in so she took the kids around different places in the bush and they wrote poems about what they saw and thought about the environment. Afterwards, we wrote our own poems. We wrote another poem after that and then we made a map like in her book 'My Place'; I drew and wrote a descriptive poem about Big Beach in Scotts Head. Everyone else wrote about great spots and drew great pictures.

We walked down to have lunch beside the Bellinger River and we played hand ball on the basketball court. It's a very nice place near the river with the skate park and basketball court.

We learnt a lot and she told us a writing technique that she uses, she starts by getting the Place, then she gets the People and then she thinks of the Plot. Place, People, Plot.

I learnt heaps and I'm sure I'm going to be a better creative writer now that I have learnt about all of these things strategies.

By Solomon Hill



### **School Jumpers**

Please ensure that all students are wearing school jumpers as it is the school uniform.

### **Sick students**

Please do not send unwell students to school as it is unfair to other students and staff as they have to manage a number of unwell students at the same time.

### **Student Screen Printing Thursdays**

Our students will now start the Screen Printing Program this week. This is the design they will be working on.

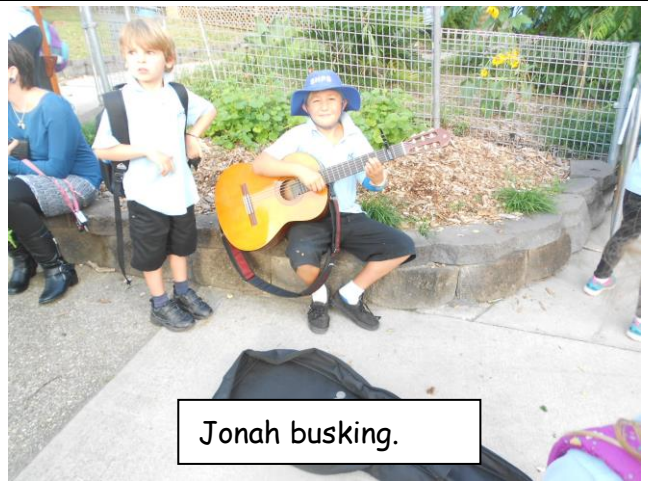


### **Work Placement Student**

Many thanks to our Work Placement Student, Harry Mitchell from Macksville High School for all his great work today. Please have a look at the wonderful job he did on the NAIDOC Celebrations invitation.



WOW - a 1/2 student with his dragon he created.



Jonah busking.



Beris, the Aboriginal Liaison Officer with the Organic Garden Shop Organisers.

**NADOC invitation**

See attached invitation.

Thanks, Terima kasih, Yaarri yaraang  
Gillian Stuart  
Principal

**P & C Update**

We have the opportunity to do a breakfast BBQ fundraiser at Unkya markets on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June from 7am.

If you are able to help with setup and cooking, please let us know by completing the note below and returning it to school or email: [scottsheadpandc@hotmail.com](mailto:scottsheadpandc@hotmail.com)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Times available:    7 - 8    \_\_\_\_\_    8 - 9    \_\_\_\_\_    9 - 10    \_\_\_\_\_    10 - 11    \_\_\_\_\_    11 - 12    \_\_\_\_\_

# Scotts Head Public NAIDOC Celebration

Wednesday, June 25th

Come along and celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

1.30pm – 2.00pm

Welcome by Gumbaynggirr and Dunghutti Elders

- Bush Tucker and Refreshments

2.00pm – 3.00pm

NAIDOC Activities

Including:

- Showcasing stitching programme initiated by the Dunghutti Elders
- Gumbaynggirr Songs: The Song Magic School Choir with Ruth
- Dreaming stories with Aunty Shaa
- Launching of the PACE Project



All Welcome