

PALLY NEWS

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Ms P's UPDATE

I would like to thank a few people that made last weeks school camp a success. Thank you to Scotty for driving us and getting us there and back safely. Thank you to the parents for supporting us. A big thank you to Mrs Hazell and Miss Penfold for going beyond your duties and I hope you both have rested and recovered over the weekend. Thank you to Ms Hodge for organising the excursion and all our fun activities. A massive thank you to our students, you all showed amazing courage and friendship towards one another and you never complained about anything. You are all the best kids and it was my privilege to go on school camp with you all. I cannot wait until the next camp!

REGIONAL LIFESTYLE MAGAZINE

Our amazing school is featured in the Regional Lifestyle Spring Issue Magazine. Stories to Inspire – showcasing the vibrant and diverse region we call home.

"Small school, BIG HEART" is the heading of our two page spread on pages 132-133.

Our local Pally Pub and other local businesses are also featured in the issue.

Copies are available from Balo Square & Sullivans Newsagents in Moree, as well as Warialda Newsagency. So grab yourself a copy and a cuppa and sit down and have a read.



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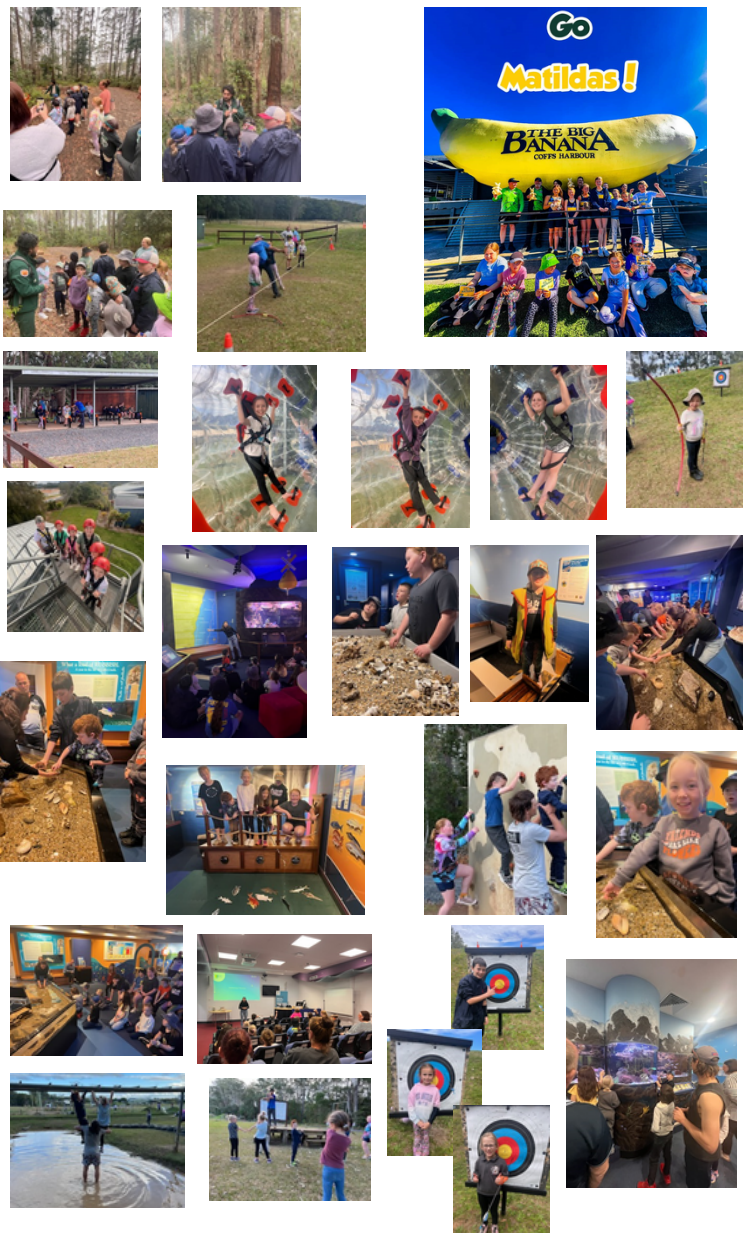
COFFS COAST EXCURSION

Day 1 – we arrived safely to the Coffs Coast Adventure Centre at 1.30ish and settled into our accomodation. Miss Penfold and 3 very brave dads along with our students all tackled the Commando Course: climbing over obstacles and up rope ladders , wading through muddy cold water, crawling through tunnels and tyres. Wahoo, what a great, fun and dirty afternoon everyone had. A wonderful hot shower followed by tea, and an exciting and very competitive 'Minute to Win It' Game capped off by supper and a welcome sleep.

Day 2 – The Big Banana. Well what an amazing day the students had today, consisting of: Mini Golf, Giant Slide, Toboggan Ride, 4D Ride Simulator, Demolition Derby and Laser Tag. I don't know who had more fun, the students, staff or the parents, Ha Ha! On our way back to our accommodation we took a little detour to the beach and had a paddle and a play on the playground. We cheered on the Matildas. Aussie Aussie Aussie Oi Oi Oi. Well Done Girls, you have done yourselves and the country proud.

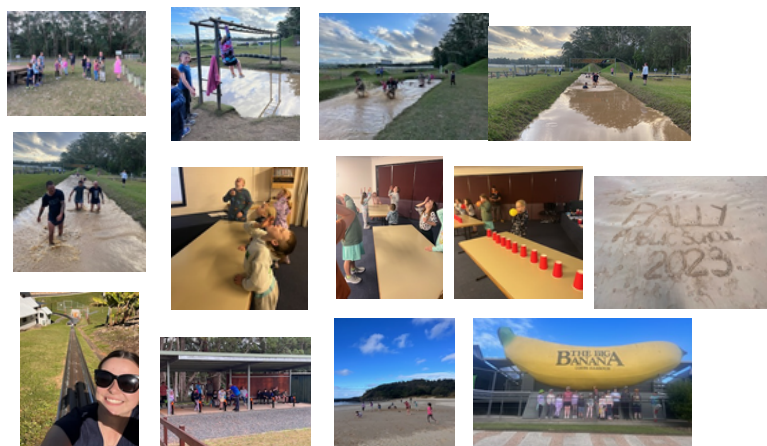
Day 3 – Discovery Rangers–Bongil Bongil interactive Bush Tucker Tour with Matt was a beautiful introduction to the bush on the coast. The rest of the day consisted of fun activities including Archery, Z-Ball and Sky Wire. These activities saw some of our students conquering fears which was fantastic.

Day 4 – National Marine Science Centre. Students got to interact, touch, hold and see all sorts of marine life. Try their hand at catching a fish off the Wharf (inside). Climb over and in a boat with life jackets on. Be submerged in a bubble under water to see all the amazing marine creatures. We said a farewell to the Coffs Coast and headed on our way home, tired but full of stories to tell our families back home.



JUMPSTART TRANSITION

Students in Jumpstart have been busily learning how to cut, crumple and fringe paper and roll designs in playdoh. Over the last couple of weeks they have been studying and learning about the letters 'M, N, O & P' and making Octopus & Princes Craft items.



STEM DAY

Students joined with Croppa Creek and Gravesend schools to continue working on the combined STEM project of Visual Literacy and Film Making.



BOUNCE FITNESS EXCURSION

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Bounce Fitness Excursion will now be held on Friday 8th September. Students that have already brought a note back for last term, this note is still valid. Notes have been sent home with students that haven't returned a permission note. An updated information note will be sent home next week.

SCHOOL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

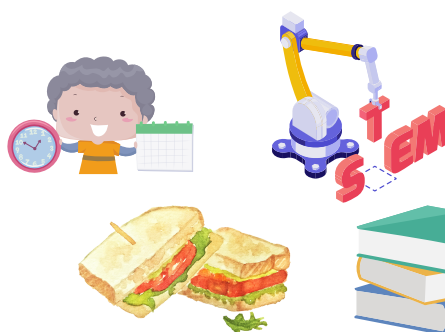
The School Bytes finance and attendance systems are up and running. Yeahha! The next step is to get all our parents to create a Parent Portal. A flyer explaining how to do this was sent home last Monday. Also an email will be sent out to all parents with instructions on how to create an account. The parent portal will enable parents to: respond to any student absences that have been recorded by the school, process online payments for any excursions or events, view payment history for all your children in one place. In the future when the other modules have been rolled out, you will be able to: give consent for an event, provide consent and payment for an excursion, view calendar, complete forms online, view or download the school newsletter.

WEEK 9

Pallamallawa Public School will be combining Education, Science and Book Week into one on Friday 15th September. Education Week theme is celebrating 175 years of Public Education in NSW. Read, Grow and Inspire is the Book Week theme for 2023, and the featured artist is Australian illustrator Matt Ottley whose book 'Luke's Way of Looking' was a CBCA Honour Book in 2000.

There will be a Book Fair on Friday 15th Sept for students/parents to purchase books. The days activities will start at 12pm with a Book Parade, Assembly and Performance. The school will then provide lunch for parents, students, staff and community members. The afternoon will consist of a book fair, where you can purchase books. A percentage of all books purchased on the day goes towards new books for our school library. Put a reminder in your calendar for Friday 15th and come along and enjoy the afternoon activities and support your child and school.

The school will be supplying a healthy lunch for everyone, this will consist of meat, egg, salad sandwiches, fruit & spider drinks. (celebrating Fruit & Veggie Month).



SANDRA PARSONS PUBLIC SPEAKING NIGHT

Our Prestigious Sandra Parsons Public Speaking Night will be held on Wednesday 13th September commencing at 6.30pm. Doors will open at 6pm.

The topic will be:

'If you could be any animal, What would you be and Why?'

Come along and support your child/children.



REGIONAL LIFESTYLE MAGAZINE SPRING ISSUE



CALENDAR 2023

Aug
Thurs 24th Jumpstart Transition
Fri 25th PCYC & Assembly at 2.30pm
Thurs 31st Jumpstart Transition
SEPT
Thurs 7th Jumpstart & Healthy Harold Visit
Fri 8th Bounce Fitness Excursion Inverell
Tues 12th STEM Day Gravesend
Wed 13th Sandra Parsons Public Speaking Night at 6.30pm
Thurs 14th Jumpstart Transition & BAMB Visit
Fri 15th Assembly - Education, Science & Book Week Activities
Thurs 21st Jumpstart Transition
Fri 22nd Last Day of Term
OCT
Mon 9th Staff and students return to school
Thurs 12th Jumpstart Transition
Tues 17th STEM Day - Pally
Thurs 19th Jumpstart Transition
Mon 23rd Photo Day
Wed 25th BMX Visit - St Joseph's School
Thurs 26th Jumpstart Transition

Curriculum Reform Fast Facts



Changes to the 3-6 Syllabus

Next year will see the release of the new curriculum for English and Mathematics in years 3 to 6. This will allow for the continuation of programs already implemented in the K-2 years to continue across the whole school. In the next series of newsletter, I will unpack the 3-6 English and Maths syllabus changes.

Ms Pidgeon - Principal

1. Key changes to the 3-6 English Syllabus

- The new outcomes and content are informed by evidence and identify skills needed by all students to develop competence in oral language, reading and writing.
- They build on the foundational skills developed in K-2, deepening and enriching learning, and highlighting the role and connection that 'understanding texts' and 'creating texts' have across all areas of English.
- The organisation of English 3-6 differs slightly from that of K-2 and 7-10.
- Content is structured to highlight the connection between 'understanding texts' and 'creating texts', and across focus areas and outcomes.
- There is a stronger progression of learning across the early and middle years, including clear, concise language to identify key concepts, knowledge and skills.

2. Key changes to the 3-6 Maths Syllabus

- The new Mathematics 3-6 syllabus uses a range of new language when exploring strategies to problem solve. Although many of these strategies will be familiar, they are described using different language.
- A more explicit focus on working mathematically, with reasoning embedded within the content and examples. Mathematical reasoning is identified as the essence of working mathematically.
- A focus on making explicit connections between mathematical concepts by highlighting related outcomes and content that can be taught in parallel.
- In the new syllabus there is a greater emphasis on the structure of place value.
- There are some slight changes to addition and subtraction strategies taught, when they are introduced and the language used.

2. Curriculum Reform: Draft Syllabus Release

The curriculum reform is not only updating the English and Mathematics syllabus but all key Learning Areas (KLAs). This includes:

- Creative Arts
- Science & Technology
- Human Society & Its Environment (HSIE)
- Physical Development, Health & Physical Education (PDHPE)

The draft documents have been released and are currently going through a 'have your say' period. This means that you can review the syllabus and provide feedback until 11th September 2023. This consultation time allows teachers, families and the wider community an opportunity to help shape what the final syllabus documents contain. Have your say & view the syllabus here: <https://shorturl.at/bowJT>.

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ASSEMBLY

There is a whole school assembly tomorrow, Friday 25th commencing at 2.30pm. All Welcome.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

If you need to contact the school for any reason, please ring between the hours of 8.30am and 3.30pm. The office will only be attended during these times. Thank you for your support.

