



Calendar

Fri 25 Nov	Swimming
Wed 30 Nov	Captains' Speeches
Thurs 1 Dec	Parent helper afternoon tea
Fri 2 Dec	Swimming
Mon 5 Dec	African Aid talk
Wed 7 Dec	Presentation & Musical
Fri 9 Dec	Swimming
Tues 13 Dec	Music Concert
Thurs 15 Dec	Year 6 Day Out
Fri 16 Dec	Special Assembly (class awards)
	Drum Performance
	Swimming
	Class Party

Canteen Roster

25 Nov	Nina	Kim	
2 Dec	Nina	Leah	Kim
9 Dec	Nina	Jo	Kim

Please remember orders with payment have to be in by Wednesday afternoon.

Horse Sports Raffle Tickets

The raffle will be drawn on Presentation night. Keep selling tickets, more are available in the office.

- 1st Prize – Lenovo 16GB Tablet
- 2nd Prize – Canon MG2560 Printer, A4 Laminator & Brother label maker
- 3rd Prize – Treetops Adventure Family Pass
- 4th Prize - BBQ Galore cooking class voucher, knitted rug and vacuum flask
- 5th Prize - \$60 gift voucher Bushrangers Bar & Brasserie Largs
- 6th Prize - \$50 JERF Café Voucher
- 7th Prize - \$50 Paterson Butchery Voucher
- 8th Prize - \$25 Lorn Butchery Voucher

Presentation Night - Reminder

Presentation night is Wednesday 7 December. As is our traditional practice, at the end of the evening on **Presentation Night**, we will also be having a visit from a jolly old man in a red suit. Parents are asked to supply a gift (\$15.00 value maximum), for their own children (including pre-schoolers), to be placed under the Christmas tree for our special visitor to hand out to each child. These can be secreted with Mrs Mahony or a teacher before the night.

Christmas Hamper - Reminder

P & C has once again provided a collection basket for contributions to our "Christmas Hamper" which is generally presented to the Salvation Army each year. The basket will be placed in the entry foyer of the Admin area where it will be convenient to receive your most welcome donation.

Leader's Elections

Our Year 5 students will be presenting their leadership speeches next Wednesday 30 November with our elections carried out on the same day. We wish them good luck as they present themselves to the rest of the school.

Parent Helpers Afternoon Tea

To show our appreciation to all parents, grandparents and community members who have supported the school this year we would like to invite you for afternoon tea next Thursday 1 December at 2:45 in the library. You just need to come along and please don't bring a thing.

PBL

This week's PBL lesson was Active Learning. A copy of this lesson is now on the school's website.

Class Party Day

Our joint class Christmas party this year will be held on the last day of school for students, Friday 16th December. This is **NOT** an out of uniform day as we are having class presentations in the morning. Our out of uniform day will be held on Thursday 8 December. The party will be held at the pool at the conclusion of the swimming program. We are going to order a range of pizzas (students will be surveyed to find their favourites. Please see Mrs Mahony if your child won't eat pizza). Each child will also be given a can of soft drink (not Coke) and a few lollies. Students will be given an ice block back at school. We are asking each student who will be present on the last day of school to bring in **\$5 to cover the cost of the party**. No additional foods or drinks will need to be provided for the day, except something for crunch and sip in the morning. For catering purposes, could you please let the staff know if your child will **not** be attending that day.

Chickens

Please see Ms Hamer if you are available to house the chickens over the holidays. They will need to be collected by Thursday 15 December. Thank you.

Stockland Star - Reminder

To be able to vote you must register and become a Stockland Greenhills "Bright New Beginning Member" at the Customer Care Centre. Voters are eligible to win a \$500 Stockland Gift card. This year voting will be simple; shoppers can take a photo of their receipt and submit via website as well as taking receipts into the customer care desk at Greenhills.

Registration now opened

Voting started on Monday 7 November

Voting ends on Sunday 4 December

Please vote for our Iona Star!

Christmas Carols

7pm on Saturday, 10 December at Largs School of Arts.

- Free Entry
- Choir
- Orchestra
- Community Singing
- Visit from Santa
- Supper available

Performance Costumes - Reminder

All students are involved in our end of year musical which will be performed after the official presentation on Wednesday 7 December. It would be appreciated if parents could ensure that students have the following costumes:

Choir - Black T shirt, shorts/tights.

Chorus – A t-shirt in the same colour as their narrator's role.

Dorothy – Black clothes, white canvas shoes **(please bring to school ASAP for painting)**. Hair in two plaits please.

Toto- Black T-shirt and shorts/tights, headband with ears attached.

Glinda – wand.

Munchkins – Black shorts/tight and a bright coloured plain T-shirt.

Scarecrow, Trees, Tin Man, Gatekeeper, Wicked Witch, and Flying Monkeys- black t-shirt and shorts/tights.

Lion – black t-shirt and shorts/tights, tail.

Uncle Henry - black t-shirt and shorts/tights, hat and tie.

Aunty Em – dress.

We understand this is a busy and expensive time of year so we have tried to limit the costumes to a minimum. Please don't buy without asking if someone could lend a costume to you first. Could we also borrow a toy axe if possible please!



Awards Week 6

Merit Awards were presented in:-

K/1/2

Aliyah for outstanding effort in sounding out words

Spencer for being a ray of sunshine! Thank you!

Max for outstanding behavior and consistent effort in his school work

David for great understanding and use of synonyms

Madeline for a detailed news presentation about gardening

Spencer for trying his best during art activities

PBL – Zander for participating in games with his peers at lunch time. “Having a Go!”

2/3/4

Fred for great work in problem solving tasks

Tilly for great work in problem solving tasks

Sophie for writing a wonderful folk tale

Shaleea for great work in reading activities

Seth for being a co-operative and helpful class member

PBL – Seth for always being willing to “have a go” at tasks

5/6

Kimberley for beautiful bookwork in mathematics

Grace for effort and application to maths tasks

Sofie for always trying in spelling

Lachlan for always trying his best

PBL - Oscar for independently working in Reading groups and producing quality work

Peer Nominated Citizenship Award

Sophie for her efforts and enthusiasm in the school play

Teacher Nominated Citizenship Award

Brodi for being especially helpful with prop making

Library Award

Bradlee for being an enthusiastic library user

Environment Award

Eaden for being a wise environmental helper

Healthy Food Award

Brodi for always showing good manners

PBL Award

Eaden (from Kim at swimming) for not giving up when trying to do turns at swimming

Sports Award

Dimo for always being a good sport

Birthdays:-

Caleb turned 6 on 12 November

Katelin turned 10 on 18 November

Anders turned 7 on 21 November

Tilly turns 9 today, 24 November



A Slice of Heaven

Tomorrow, on Friday, 25th November, we will be selling slices with prices ranging from \$1.50-\$2.50. Money raised will go towards a selected charity and Yr 6 Fundraiser, so don't forget to bring a few dollars to buy a delicious slice with!

Molto Delizioso Cioccolato

Tomorrow Yr 6 are selling chocolate balls prices ranging from \$1.00 to \$2.00. The money that we raise will go towards Yr 6 Fundraiser. So don't forget to bring your money!!!



Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive lessons

Australian summers usually involve plenty of fun in and around the water, but no parent should forget how important it is to make sure children stay safe.

Sport and Recreation's Swim and Survive classes for preschoolers and school-aged children help youngsters learn important ways to be safe and enjoy our pools, rivers, beaches and lakes.

The intensive nine-day programs provide wonderful results, and are great fun as well. Plus, family discounts make our program affordable for all the children in the family.

Sport and Recreation runs Swim and Survive classes in pools throughout regional NSW.

Our instructors are nationally qualified and screened for their suitability to work with children.

Prices for nine lessons are \$70 for school-aged children and \$50 for preschoolers (prices exclude pool entry fee).

For more information or to make a booking, visit sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or phone 13 13 02



MAITLAND CITY LIBRARY is excited to announce a bigger and better Summer Reading Club in 2017!

Star Wars Launch

We will be launching Summer Reading Club with a special Star Wars Launch on 1 December at Maitland Library, 3.30pm – 5.00pm. Join us for heroes and villains activities, have your photo taken at our Star Wars Selfie Station. Register for Summer Reading Club and pick up your starter pack.

The first 100 children to register at any Maitland City Library branch on 1 December from 3pm will receive an extra mystery prize.

Summer Reading Club runs from 1 December until 31 January. This year's theme is Heroes and Villains. There are many fun activities and great prizes up for grabs, such as movie tickets or book vouchers.

Win extra prizes by completing our *Book Bingo* and *What Happens Next Challenges*.

For more information on the Summer Reading Club and Star Wars Launch, visit our website

www.maitland.nsw.gov.au/Library