

# KULNURA PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

5 December, 2018  
Week 8 Term 4



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## Diary Dates

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December

- Assembly @ 9.10am All Welcome
- Acknowledgement to Country & Dance Performance @ Forrester's Beach Resort – K/1 students, Kailee and Lilly.
- P&C Meeting @1.30pm All Welcome

### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December

- Canteen
- *Family Statement payments due by today*

### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December

- Sport

### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

- Combined Scripture Christmas Service @ 2pm all welcome.

### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

- Library
- Last Book Mobile *returns only* – please ensure all books are returned by today.
- Online applications for placement in Year 7 in Selective High Schools in 2020 close.
- Platinum Rewards Day permission note due.

### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December

- Presentation @ 9.10am All Welcome
- Year 6 Farewell Dinner

### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

- Canteen
- Whole School Rewards Day permission note due.

### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December

- Sport
- Foot Golf with Mr Collins for platinum award recipients

### Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

- Reptile Park Rewards Day for K–6

### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

- Pink Stumps Day
- Last Day of Term

## Principals Message

Today you will receive a flyer on myON Summer Reading Digital Library. On those rainy wet days where children are kept indoors here is an opportunity to access free online library for all Kulnura families and friends. It is also a perfect opportunity to encourage children to read!

Over the summer, many students experience the summer slide, which can rob them of gains they made the previous school year. Children who do not read over the summer can lose more than two months of reading achievement. Unfortunately, summer reading loss is cumulative.

Together, we can help your child avoid the summer slide! Did you know that your child has FREE ACCESS to the myON Digital Library, a collection of more than 5,800 digital books to read over the summer on computers, laptops and other devices anytime, anywhere? myON contains books for every age, interest and reading level that will keep them engaged and learning all summer long!

To help encourage reading this summer, Renaissance has created a national reading program to motivate kids to read and will reward top schools with cool prizes. Please encourage your child to read as much as possible.

For more information, visit:  
[www.renaissance.eom.au/summer-reading-contest](http://www.renaissance.eom.au/summer-reading-contest)

We hope your child will enjoy reading with us this summer!



Principals are legally responsible for keeping accurate records of student attendance. Principals are also responsible for deciding if the reason given for an absence is justified.

Wherever possible, parents and carers are encouraged to provide an explanation for absences before the absences occur. Explanations need to be a genuine reason for absence and be a justified reason. Simply saying that your child was sick or that you were away is not enough information.

The Principal of the school has the right to question parents' requests for their child to be absent from school. The Principal also has the right to question an explanation given for a child's absence from school. To explain an absence parents and carers may:

- send a note, fax or email to the school
- telephone the school, or
- visit the school



Our P&C Christmas raffle is very well supported by the following community businesses. Without the support of local businesses our school P&C would not be able to subsidise transport and performances throughout the year. Please support our P&C. We would like to thank the following businesses in their support of our school; Bunnings Tuggerah, Bunnings West Gosford, Singo's Meat, Mangrove Produce and Hardware, Dan Murphy's, Mangrove Memorial Country Club, BWS Erina and Event Cinemas Tuggerah.

Pink Stumps Day will be on last day of term. Year 6 parents are invited to participate in a game against the Year 6 students while raising funds for breast cancer. Come enjoy a great game of cricket and lunch with your child on their last day in primary school.

Our K/1 class and two Year 6 students will be performing a welcome dance and Acknowledgement to Country at the Central Coast Primary Principal's Association this Thursday. We are proud of what our children can do and opportunities to perform in the wider community and potentially to all principals on the Central Coast and Lake Macquarie area is pretty special. Thank you to all parents who are

making this possible by transporting their child to the event.

Families are encouraged to travel or holiday during school holidays. If this is not possible, an *Application for Extended Leave*, or eligibility to enrol in *Distance Education* is required. Once the application is received, the Principal considers that the travel is appropriate and a *Certificate of Extended Leave* will be issued. Absences relating to travel will then be marked as leave on the roll and contribute to your child's total absences for the year. The *Application for Extended Leave* can be obtained from the office and must be submitted in advance to the leave commencing otherwise the leave will be deemed unjustified.

There are only about two weeks of school left this year. We remind the students daily that the rules do not change and our three values drive our behaviour at all times. Being caring, courteous and cooperative needs reinforcement at school, at home and in the community.

Our first event in the New Year will be our annual excursion to Point Wolstoncroft Sport and Recreation Centre in Week two of 2019. This is a good opportunity for our students and their families to get together for a fun day of activity and enjoyment. We will also use the day to gauge students wishing to participate in the Small School

Swimming Carnival in 2019. Please keep Friday 8 February free on your calendar to attend and spent a beautiful day out with your children. All parents and siblings are invited.

Thank you

Steve Collins  
Principal

### MERIT AWARDS

#### K/1

- ▶ Owen
- ▶ Parker

#### 2/3/4

- ▶ Ava R
- ▶ Molly

#### 5/6

- ▶ Jaidan
- ▶ Brooke

#### LIBRARY

- ▶ Molly
- ▶ Oscar



### KOOKA AWARDS

#### SILVER

- ▶ Isabella

#### GOLD

- ▶ Clayton
- ▶ Sienna

#### PLATINUM

- ▶ Matilda
- ▶ Chase
- ▶ Teagan



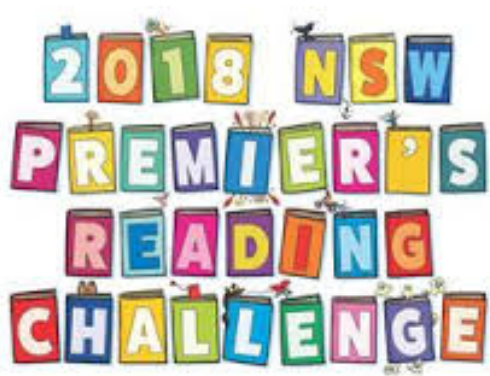
## Library News

This year our students from Kindergarten to Year 6 have again had the opportunity to participate in the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge.

The Challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for pleasure and to experience quality literature. It is an individual challenge to each student to read more and to read more widely.

The Challenge runs from March to August each year. For the K-2 students, the Teacher Librarian together with the Class Teacher keep a record for each student, of books shared during class. Students from Years 3 to 6 are responsible, with support, for keeping their own reading records.

Students who completed the 2018 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge will receive their certificates at Assembly this Thursday December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Gold and Platinum awards will be given to students at Presentation Day, Thursday December 13<sup>th</sup>.



### **\$100 VOUCHER FOR CHILDREN'S SPORT AND FITNESS FEES**

Parents in NSW can claim \$100 towards extra-curricular sport and other physical activity fees thanks to the NSW Government's Active Kids program. This program will provide a \$100 voucher for parents to put towards sporting fees and registration costs for each school-aged child in NSW.

Families can use the voucher for registration and membership costs, as well as fees for activities such as swimming and dance. The annual voucher will not be means tested because the NSW Government wants every child from every family to get active and involved in community sport and fitness.

The health of our children is a priority for the NSW Government, and it is hoped that this makes a difference in enabling you to enrol your child in the sport or physical activity of your choice.

More details about the program and how to download your voucher is available at [sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids](http://sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids) or by phoning Service NSW on 13 77 88.





## NEXT MEETING

**THIS THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR!

**WHERE: MULTI PURPOSE ROOM**

**TIME: 1:30PM**

**NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!**

If you are interested in joining the P&C but cannot attend the meetings: Membership cost is only \$1 and as a financial member you are able to vote and will receive monthly meeting minutes.

### AGENDA:

1. Welcome and formal opening of meeting
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the previous meeting  
(Receipt/Amendments/Adoption)
4. Business arising from the previous meeting Minutes
  5. Correspondence
  6. Reports:
    - President's report • Treasurer's report • Sub-committee reports • Principal's report
  7. General Business
  8. Close

**Canteen as usual this Friday!**

**NOM NOM NOM**

## FUNDRAISING

**COOKBOOKS STILL AVAILABLE  
FOR SALE: \$30 EACH.**

**FANTASTIC CHRISTMAS PRESENT!**

IF YOU OR ANY ONE YOU KNOW WOULD LIKE A COPY,  
PLEASE EMAIL YOUR REQUEST TO:

[kulnurapublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:kulnurapublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au)

This is the P&C's **LAST FUNDRAISER** for the year!

**WE HAVE SOME FABULOUS PRIZES DONATED!  
WE'D LOVE TO MAKE SOME HAMPERS TOO!**

The P&C are kindly asking for **DONATIONS** of any  
**CHRISTMAS HAMPER RELATED ITEMS:**

(Biscuits, tin food, non-perishable items, Craft, cooking etc.)  
to help **US** create some wonderful prizes **FOR YOU.**

**1 item per child if possible, please.**

For each item donated, your child will receive **ONE FREE  
RAFFLE TICKET!**

**ALL DONATIONS TO BE HANDED  
INTO SCHOOL OFFICE**

**NO LATER THAN: MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup>  
DECEMBER 2018.**

Please ensure all items are CLEARLY MARKED with CHILDS NAME.

**TICKETS SENT HOME LAST MONDAY  
19/11/18!**

**DID YOU GET YOURS?**

(Check The bottom of those school bags kiddies!)

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

**YOU'VE GOT TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!**

**Drawn at PRESENTATION DAY**

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> 2018**

**At Kulnura Public School FROM 910AM**

**Tickets \$2 EACH**

### UPDATED - CURRENT PRIZE LIST!

- 1 X JUMBUCK CHARCOAL SPIT ROAST KIT C/O BUNINGS WEST GOSFORD
- 1 X \$50 GIFT VOUCHER C/O BUNINGS WEST GOSFORD
- 1 X \$20 GIFT VOUCHER C/O BUNINGS WEST GOSFORD
- 1 X \$50 GIFT VOUCHER C/O BUNNINGS TUGGERAH
- 1 X \$100 DAN MURPHYS GIFT VOUCHER
- 2 X \$50 BWS GIFT VOUCHERS
- 2 X HALF HAMS C/O SINGOS ERINA
- 1 X BBQ MEAT PACK C/O SINGOS ERINA
- 1 X \$50 MEAL VOUCHER C/O MANGROVE MEMORIAL CLUB
- 1 X FAMILY FOOT GOLF PACKAGE 2 ADULT 2 KID C/O MANGROVE MEMORIAL CLUB
- 1 x WHEELBARROW  
C/O MITRE 10 MOUNTAIN PRODUCE
- 2 X \$50 FUEL VOUCHERS  
C/O CATLEX WEST GOSFORD
- 1 X \$50 MOVIE VOUCHER  
C/O EVENT CINEMA TUGGERAH

**Plus fabulous mini hampers!**



# PEATS RIDGE - KULNURA SCOUT GROUP

## Ever thought of joining Cubs, Scouts or Venturers?

Peats Ridge-Kulnura Scout Group welcomes children 8yrs and above to come along and experience the fun, creative and educational activities provided by qualified leaders in a safe, friendly and nurturing environment.

The Scouting experience provides children, whatever their age, a chance to form new friendships, learn new skills, and participate in a range of indoor and outdoor activities that can enhance their social, physical and emotional development whilst having a bucket load of fun at the same time! (And it's all technology-free!!)

If you think your child could benefit from such an experience, a 3-week trial period is encouraged before membership is commenced.

Parents are most welcome to stay and observe or assist with weekly activities.

### Weekly meeting times (school terms only) are:

Cubs (8-10yrs) Wednesdays 7:00-8:30pm

Scouts (11-14yrs) Tuesdays 7:00-9:00pm

Venturers (15-18yrs) Mondays 7:00-9:00pm

Enquiries can be made by calling our Group Leader, James on **0438 476 562**.



Games



Abseiling



Crafts



Fishing



Camping



Friendships



Hiking



Canoeing



Teamwork



Build things



Cooking



Fun!!





# BUCKETTY CAROLS UNDER THE STARS

**Saturday 22 December 2018**

Bucketty Tidy Bush Community  
and Bucketty & Districts Rural Fire Brigade  
invite family & friends to Bucketty

## **Carols under the stars**

Convict Wall, Great North Road, Bucketty

**\$10 PER ADULT, UNDER 18 FREE**  
candles and song book supplied \*\*\*\*\*

**6.00** – Food stall and grounds open

**7.00** – COMMUNITY CAROL SINGING  
Performance by Brian Stitts & others

**8.00** – **SANTA ARRIVES**

**BRING: BLANKET/CHAIR. SANTA GIFT FOR  
'YOU KNOW WHO' PLEASE LABEL CLEARLY**

**DONATIONS:** Buy raffle tickets for the famous  
Murray's Run quilt. Gifts – place under Gifting  
Tree. Donated gifts – labelled with age and  
gender. Gifts will be delivered to children  
in hospital. \*\*\*\*\*

