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DIARY DATES
Fri 18/11-Sports Day
Mon 21/11 Pupil Free Day for the school only
Mon 28/11-Preschool excursion to Hahndorf Farm Barn
Mon 5/12-7.00pm Governing Council Meeting to approve M&S Charge for 2017
Sun 11/12-Carols Night
Mon 12/12-2.30 Preschool Celebration Event
Wed 14/12-Year 7 Graduation Dinner
Thurs 15/12-Community Assembly/Year 7 Graduation
Fri 16/12—End of Term 4 2.20pm early dismissal

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Pupil Free Day
A Pupil Free Day has been approved by Governing Council for Monday November 21st. We will be examining data implications for next year and beginning discussions about whole school agreements for how English and Maths is taught throughout the school.

New Grounds Person
We are pleased to announce that Rob Kelman will take on this position from Katrina Parr. We thank Katrina for all the wonderful work she has done around the school since she arrived. She is now looking towards being a School Support Officer and working in a student support role. Thankyou Katrina and congratulations to Rob.

Community survey
The parent/caregivers survey is due tomorrow (11/11/2016). Please take some time to fill it out.

Some dates for your diary
Some events that you might like to attend are quickly approaching:
- Sports Day - Nov 8th
- Isobel Redmond will be here on Friday 7th Dec at 9:15 AM to present the Premier’s Reading Challenge awards
- Rebekah Sharkie will be at the school to say hello and “re-meet” the year 6 and 7 group she met in Canberra on their trip. The year 7 students will run an assembly for her. She is due here at 2:00 PM that day.
- Some of our students will perform at the community carols night on 11th Dec at the Echunga Institute Hall
- The Preschool will celebrate its year in the Alluvial Hall on Monday 12th Dec at 2:30 PM
- Our Community assembly, incorporating the Year 7 graduation and community tea, will take place on Thursday evening 15th Dec.

We're going to be busy.
SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL FEES 2017

Please see below details of the Materials and Services charge for Echunga Primary School for 2017. All parents are invited to the Governing Council Meeting to be held on Monday 5th December at 7:00pm in the staff room, at which the proposed charge is to be approved. In lieu of attendance at the meeting, you may express your views in writing to the Chairperson of the Governing Council, which can then be left in the Front Office.

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NEWS FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER

I’m enjoying my time working at Echunga Primary School and was pleased to hear that I will be here for another 2 years after funding from the Government was approved. I am employed by the Schools Ministry Group and am supported by a group from local Christian churches. My role is to work with students, staff and families and help and assist with wellbeing throughout the school, link families with local services and help out where I can.

I have been having a lot of fun running different things within the school and supporting people where I can.

I have finished running the Literature for Life course in the Year 5/6/7 class which was a great course all about coping with change and challenge and involved a number of fun activities. Topics covered included writing down ideas of what are some things that young people around their age can find stressful or challenging. Lots of great ideas were written down. Then we used a hurricane scale to look at where the challenges would be using the idea of a boat in a storm and the waves vary according to the storm. Some problems can be resolved fairly quickly and others take time to work through. We played an emotion guessing game describing how people would feel with different emotions and new feelings were learnt. We drew a picture of a person and discussed stress reactions. We can have thoughts in our mind, experience emotions and exhibit certain behaviours. We looked at ideas to help us cope in challenges and did some work on self talk and what we can say to ourselves through challenges. I enjoyed my time in the class and getting to know the students better.

I have started going into the 2/3/4 class and running some sessions on recognising emotions. Last week we had a small group but had a great time. We acted out stories about Hannah and angry Arthur, sang a song about feelings and what we can do, did worksheets on feelings and recognising them and made balloons filled with rice or sand which are great for feeling and calming down or just playing with!

It’s been great spending some time with some preschool families as we have gone through some Kids Matter material around starting school. We had some great discussions and enjoyed getting to know each other more. If you missed the sessions you can find them on the kids matter website under primary school, starting school and videos. There are 6 videos you can watch and some great discussion sheets you can look at which are applicable for lots of different ages.

There are some notes coming home about a Christian Christmas activity which is being run by the Echunga Uniting Church on Thursday the 8th December in the hall at lunchtime. There will be craft and interactive activities for all ages. If you would like your child to attend the form must be signed and returned as it is an opt in activity. We will be checking students off at the door and all names, even all siblings, must be recorded to come.

Today I launched a Salvation Army Christmas Hope can drive. This is a way we can help out others who are struggling this Christmas and we would love to be able to give 70 cans to the Salvation Army from our school. There is a note going home about this as well and donation boxes in each class and in the front office. Jordan from the Salvation Army will collect these towards the end of term and say thanks to each class.

We also had a fantastic time with Echunga’s Got Talent last term. The local churches provided $50 worth of $10 vouchers which were given out to the winners. Thanks to Amelia and Marj who were our judges. There were a lot of amazing acts and it was very close. Maddison, Katelyn, Mia and Imogen were our winners dancing to X’s and O’s which they sang without music and did a great job and Savannah did a fantastic rendition of “Roar” complete with actions and lots of enthusiasm. They received $10 vouchers however all the acts were fantastic. Foster had us all amazed by his magic tricks and not knowing how he did it, Raya had us amazed with the flexibility of her body and what she could do, Anna did a great job playing keyboard and the other acts were all fantastic as we watched all the singing and dancing and the boys’ hypnotist comedy act. Thanks to all the parents for coming along to this as well.

I am working Mondays and Thursdays this term at school and am enjoying supporting the school where I can. If you have any questions or would like to catch up let me know.

Narelle Chester
Pastoral Care Worker
On Thursday the 27th of October Ibis went to the Maritime Museum in Port Adelaide. We got to climb a lighthouse, go on the Archie Badenoch River Cruise, survey a working ketch as well as explore the museum. Below are some pictures from our excursion. Some of the highlights and talking points of the excursion were seeing dolphins; spotting Adelaide Oval from the lighthouse; finding out where people slept on the different ships; that the ketch had NO toilet, that the galley was tiny on the ketch; and that the ketch carried live sheep. The excursion has provided many points of interest in discussing the first fleet and first explorers of Australia. A big thank you to Michelle, Renee, Wendy, Marina and Josie for coming with us on the excursion.
SCHOOL NEWS

URAILA CARNIVAL

Last week the school attended the carnival on Thursday 3rd and participated in the three team sports of football, soccer and netball.

I had taken some Long Service Leave and a huge thank you goes to Pip Hansberry for coordinating transport and consent forms, with the help of Melissa Rosedale and Kayla Richardson. Special thanks goes to Steve Ward (soccer), Jacqui Irvine-Creaser (netball) and Renee Mooney, David Kettlestring (football), for looking after their allocated teams and umpiring matches. All I had to do was turn up on the day!

Again, a large group of parents volunteered the private transport which enabled the participation of 35 students, and the school appreciates their contribution.

The students were pleased to see the Principal, Alex Ponury, attend many of the matches, and again demonstrated excellent behaviour during the carnival.

A big thanks to all who played a part on this day.

Peter Moore

SPORTS DAY REMINDER

Sports Day is on the 18th November (next week on Friday).

A lot of information will be coming home in the next few days. Parent races and tug of war will again be featured on the day for house points.

We hope to see you there.

RUGBY CLINIC

Today (Thursday), a rugby clinic was held at our school. We invited the senior class from Macclesfield Primary School to join our senior class.

Melissa Rosedale and her class developed business and economics plans to set up food stalls for the day to raise money for charity.

The Governing Council also had a sausage sizzle.

Dave Cohen from the Australian Rugby League ran the clinics and games and was ably assisted by Steve Ward from school, and the legendary ex-student Lucy Northcott!
COMMUNITY NEWS

Macclesfield Community Association proudly brings you the 89th Macclesfield Strawberry Fete

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