



Term 4 - Week 9

Friday, 5th December, 2014

Principals Message



We are celebrating success at our annual presentation day today. It was lovely to see so many families joining with us to showcase the students' achievements during 2014.

Thanks to all staff for their efforts over the year, to our families for your support and our volunteers who ensure our specialised programs can continue. Look out for photos next week!

Our new flashing lights have been installed outside the school and hopefully will alert drivers to slow down for the kids!

Please take note in Diary Dates of start days for students in 2015.

Regards

*Belinda Ryan
Principal*

Student Christmas Party

When: Monday 15th December

Place: COLA

Time: 11.30am -1pm

Food: Please bring a plate of party food to share e.g. potato chips, lollies, cakes etc.

We would like to invite our students' families to celebrate the festive season with us at school on this day.

If you would like your child to receive a gift from Santa, could you please send one in before the day to your child's teacher.

Thank you

Jenny Lewis



Diary Dates - Term 4

Week 9

Friday, December 5th	Presentation Day
Sunday, December 7th	Official opening of Newcastle School Art Project Exhibition - Animal Sanctuary at Lake Macquarie City Art Gallery starting 11am

Week 10

Friday, December 12th	Graduation Day
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Week 11

Monday, December 15th	Christmas Party Day
Wednesday, December 17th	Last Day Term 4 - Students
Friday, December 19th	Last Day Term 4 - Staff



Diary Dates - Term 1, 2015

Week 1

Tuesday, January 27th	First Day Term 1, 2015 - Staff only
Wednesday, January 28th	First Day Term 1, 2015 - Continuing Students
Thursday, January 29th	First Day Term 1, 2015 - New Students

Special Event: Art Project

Students from several classes of Middle School have been participating in a special Art Project for Lake Macquarie City Art Gallery, alongside groups from Junior and Senior School sites.

The theme this year is Animal Sanctuary, this is our inaugural year creating an artwork for the exhibition. Professional artists will also be exhibiting their works on the theme of Wildside: The Animal in Art.

The exhibition officially opens on Sunday December 7th at 11am. Families are welcome to attend and a note will come home soon. The exhibition will run from 5th December until 1st February 2015 at the Gallery located at Awaba. You can look up details about it at the Art Gallery website link -

<http://artgallery.lakemac.com.au/exhibitions/coming-up>

Our students have been working very hard on a mixed media artwork which has been linked with HSIE (Human Society and Its Environments) studies. Students have learnt about Australia's natural physical environments, and how these provide habitats for our unique flora and fauna.

Hopefully many of our families are able to see the exhibition and admire our students' creativity.

Thanks

Judy Mouthaan

Art Project Co-ordinator

Christmas Hamper Charity

Donations for the needy

As we did last year we would like to organise donations of non perishable grocery goods (cans, packets, boxed items etc) of food items that can be organised by charity groups into Christmas food hampers for the needy, elderly or families in our community.



It would be much appreciated if you could donate one or more items on behalf of your child's family. There is a collection box in the Office and your donation(s) can be sent in your child's bag or in a separate bag to their teacher.

We want to make a difference to people struggling in our community at this time of year and hope you are able to assist us with this initiative.

Thanks for your help.

Judy Mouthaan

Organising Teacher

Thank you to all the fabulous sponsors of our Golf Day on Friday 7.11.14 at Merewether Golf Club!





We are so grateful for your sponsorship and support of our school!

You have helped provide fundraising to the fantastic amount of \$7000!

This will provide new playground equipment for our students!

