

for all of his time and knowledge in preparing us.

Kind Regards, **Kathy Hardaker**

Eisteddfod News

Despite the chilly weather our dress rehearsal went off without a hitch! Well done to everyone!

The big day is this **Wednesday 7 June**. A separate permission note has been sent home. Please ensure that notes and bus money have been returned!

Remember that the bus will be leaving at 8.45am. It essential that we leave on time as the eisteddfod starts at 9.30am.

Please ensure that full school uniform is worn. This includes school jumpers as we are representing Palmers Island Public School at a local event.

We look forward to having a great day watching and performing at the eisteddfod.

Thanks, **Jade Clare**

JAM



- JAM – Take 'just a minute' to stop, close your eyes and pay attention what you are feeling in your body and notice as many sensations as you can.
- Then return attention to your breath.

P & C News

Next P&C Meeting will be:

Wednesday, 7th June at 3pm

If you would like anything added to the P&C Meeting agenda please email

pipspc2463@gmail.com prior to the meeting.

Community News



Worried about your child's hearing?

Have they had lots of colds and ear infections?

Do they seem like they are ignoring you?

Then come along to

Otitis Media Awareness Day

Thursday 22nd June
Grafton Shopping World
10am – 5pm

FREE

Ear Health Checks for Children (0 – 18years)
No Appointment Necessary
Each ear check will take approximately 5 minutes



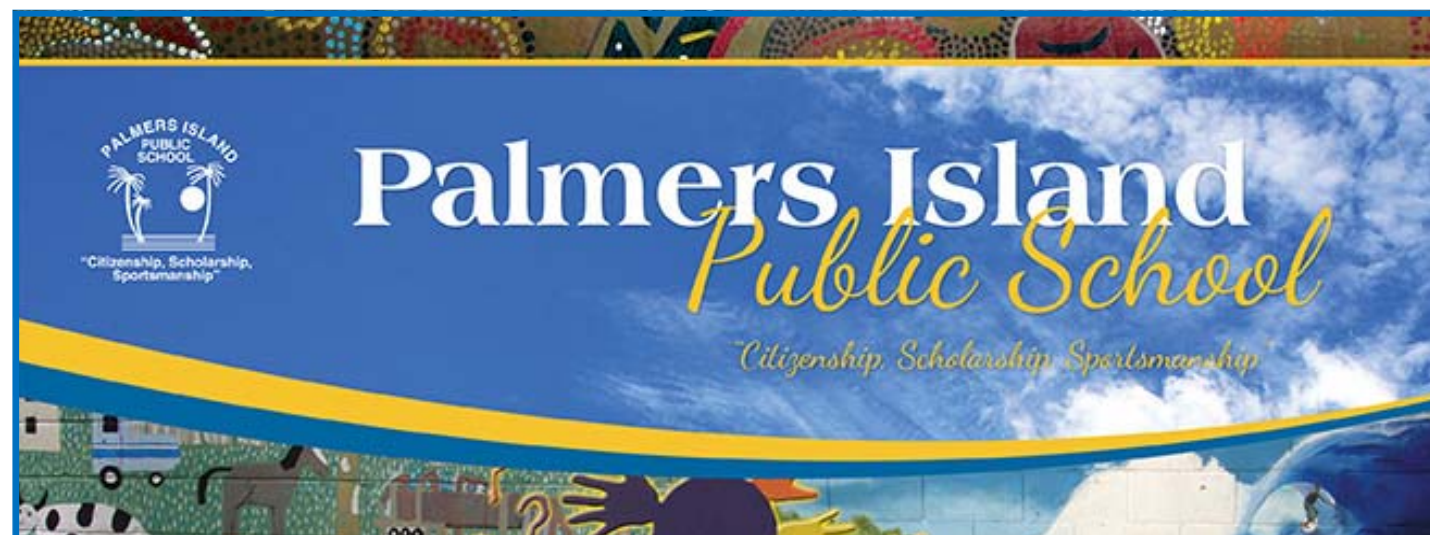
Afternoon Art Lessons
Starting Monday 22nd May, 2017
At Palmers Island Public School

Program Facilitator Kerrie Howland is a local artist and qualified art educator - Bach. Vis. Arts & Dip. Ed.
Kerrie has over 15 years experience in visual arts education

"As an art educator I'm always learning...especially when surrounded by creative young people. My teaching processes do not involve assessment or competition. I find it encouraging when students create something new and individual outside the boundaries of a particular activity. I believe this in turn empowers the individual to build confidence and self-worth. My role is to guide students towards their own creative goals though introducing hands on interactive activities and materials"

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Palmers Island Public School Newsletter 5th June, 2017

Principal News

Congratulations to our Students of the Week!

Reconciliation Assembly

Thank you to all students who participated in the Reconciliation assembly on Friday - your footprint display that symbolise 'Taking the next steps together' looked fantastic. Thank you also to Ms Hardaker and her 5/6 students who again did a great job presenting at the assembly

Spelling Bee

Well done to all 3-6 students who participated in the Annual Palmers Island Public School Spelling Bee today. Congratulations to Jessica Johnson and Cooper Crouch who were place 1st and 2nd in the junior competition and Taneka and Che who will go up against Lachlan and Sam tomorrow, who are away representing our school at the North Coast Touch Football Trials today. The two senior winners along with the junior winners will compete at the Clarence Valley Spelling be held at Iluka on Thursday 22nd June.

Eisteddfod

After a big effort at Thursdays dress rehearsal students are ready for the BIG day on Wednesday. I can not wait to see students on the stage. Please remember we have an early start - the bus leaves the school at 8:45am so please be here ready for its prompt departure. Students will be walking straight into a performance.

Staff Training

Staff have been busy training in two of our new programs that were introduced this year - iMaths, which is our new Maths Text for K-6 and English Stars, a literacy focused program for students 4-6. Ms Davies and Ms Clare also benefited greatly from their work with Instructional Leaders last Tuesday.

Kids in the Kitchen - 3/4

The smells of Mexico will be wafting through the school on Thursday as 3/4 students cook up a storm. Students benefit from a variety of hands on Literacy and Numeracy skills along with social development with opportunities with their peers.

Peaceful Kids

The Peaceful Kids program begins this week with the first mindfulness activity being introduced from Kindergarten to Year 6. J.A.M has been included in this weeks newsletter if you would like to practice at home.



5 June 2017



School Banking Day is: **Tuesday**



- **Grafton Eisteddfod**
Wednesday, 7th June
- **P&C Meeting**
Wednesday, 7th June
- **3/4 Kids in the Kitchen**
Thursday, 8th June
- **Queen's Birthday Public Holiday**
Monday, 12th June
- **Netball Gala Day Maclean**
Wednesday, 14th June
- **Small Schools PSSA Soccer playing Wooli at Maclean**
Thursday, 15th June - 10am
- **Debating Lennox & Maclean at PIPS**
Monday, 19th June
- **Footsteps**
Monday, 19th and Tuesday, 20th June
- **MHS Transition**
Wednesday, 21st June
- **Iluka Spelling Bee**
Thursday, 22nd June
- **K/1/2 Kids in the kitchen**
Thursday, 22nd June
- **Debate Yamba at Yamba**
Friday, 23rd June
- **Reports home**
Friday, 23rd June
- **P&C BBQ Home Hardware**
Saturday, 24th June
- **Athletics 1/2 Day Field**
Tuesday, 27th June
- **Athletics Track**
Wednesday, 28th June
- **Assembly of Excellence with guest Kevin Hogan**
Thursday, 29th June 2pm
- **NAIDOC Day**
Thursday, 29th June
- **Debating Brunswick Heads**
Friday, 30th June
- **Last Day of term 2**
Friday, 30th June

Opportunity Classes

Mrs Doyle's Visual Art group is progressing well. The students have started their clay modelling lessons this week with some crazy pinch pot monsters being created. Coders have built their bots and have begun testing their codes to control the robots. Please keep your bottle top/ lids coming in.

Canteen

Due to the public holiday Mrs Croft will run canteen on Tuesday, 13th June.

Kind Regards, **Ellie Wiseman**



School News

K/1/2 Class News

Welcome Week 7 already!!!!

This week in literacy, Kindergarten will be participating in activities based around the sounds 'e' and 'h' whilst Year 1 and Year 2 will be looking at words that have 'i_e' as in ice cream and 'y' as in fly in them. We will also be continuing to look at the language features and structure of persuasive texts.

Wednesday is an exciting day where we will all be travelling to Grafton to participate in the Grafton Eisteddfod. The bus will be leaving school at 8:45am. If you have not handed your note in, can you please do so by tomorrow. Please remember - girls need to wear their hair in a high pony tail and boys need to bring along their black shorts.

Each Thursday afternoon we have been participating in Athletics training preparation for our School Athletics Carnival which will take place on June 27th and 28th.

Hope you all have a fantastic week.

Kind Regards, **Ms Davies**

3/4 Class News

Welcome to week 7! It is going to be a busy one!

Good luck to the students who are participating in the PIPS Spelling Bee today. We have some clever spellers in Stage 2 and I am looking forward to watching them compete!

I am looking forward to the Eisteddfod on Wednesday! I know that 3/4 will enjoy performing their Trolls dance.

On Thursday, we have Kids in the Kitchen where will be making a Mexican fiesta! Please make sure that notes are returned. It would be lovely to see lots of parent helpers that morning!

We are very excited about the excursion to Coffs Coast Adventure Centre. Please remember that the advised cost will change after the P & C contribute their share. If you have any concerns about payment plans and costing please see our lovely office staff and they will help you out. Thank you to those who



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have returned notes and have indicated that they can help with transport.

During all of this busy extra-curricular activity I have been assessing the students in preparation for the reporting period. They have really impressed me with their application to their work and perseverance in "tricky" activities. Great job 3/4!

Have a lovely week (and enjoy the long weekend)!

Kind Regards, **Ms Clare**

5/6 Class News

Welcome to week 7.

Homework

This week in spelling we are looking at the sounds 'm' as in moon, 'mm' as in hammer, 'mb' as in thumb. The maths worksheets are looking at the Measurement and Geometry strand, for Year 5 (Map references) and the Number and Algebra strand for Year 6 (Operations with money).

I would like to thank those parents who were able to attend our Reconciliation Assembly last Friday. The children did a wonderful job with the dot painting of our feet.

The 5/6 students had a great morning attending the Maclean High School Production "Legally Blonde" we may have some inspired actors and actresses. The students and staff do an amazing job with their productions.

I am looking forward the Eisteddfod on Wednesday. I am sure that the children will step up and represent our school with enthusiasm and pride.

Students will have Library and History on Wednesday morning with Mrs Tranter.

Athletics

We will continue practice for our upcoming Athletics carnival this Thursday afternoon. The children will practice each Thursday afternoon to prepare their skills in High Jump, Long Jump, Shot Putt, Discus and Relay for our school Athletics carnival on 26th and 27th June (week 10).

Debating

The dates have been confirmed. Our team is made up of Delila, Tully, Arlia and Lachlan. I would like to thank them for their positive approach to what can be a challenging experience. I am looking for other 5/6 children to volunteer as a team to practice against at the school level.

Monday 19th June, debate against Lennox Head and Maclean at Palmers Island Public School.

Friday 23rd June, debate against Yamba at Yamba Public School.

Friday 30th June, debate against Brunswick Heads at Brunswick heads public school.

Peaceful Kids

We will commence our whole school aspect of Mindfulness this week. Our relaxation is "JAM – Just A Minute"

Netball Gala Day

Wednesday 14th June at Maclean.

Children from 3/4 and 5/6 will be attending a Gala day organised by Netball NSW. A note will go home shortly.

Soccer

We will play our first game in the Small Schools PSSA soccer competition on Thursday 15th June at Maclean at 10am. The children have been practicing at lunch times during the week. We would like to thank our super coach Mr Bryce Davies

