Year 6 Sydney Excursion
On the 25th of November most of our Yr 6 and three Yr 6 students from Wilsons Creek caught an overnight train to Sydney. When we got to Sydney’s busiest train station (Central) everyone was so excited. Then we walked to Arron’s hotel to drop off all the bags. We walked down the busy street of Sydney to the Westfield tower, we got to the top got to experience a beautiful view. We took the lift down to the bottom of the tower then walked to the sea life aquarium. We got to see amazing creatures like a sharks, dugongs, stingrays and we even got to touch a sea cucumber and a starfish. Then we walked down to the darling harbour food court where we got 10 dollars to spend on yummy food. Then we had to catch a ferry to Tooronga zoo and we went on a sky lift up to the class room and left our bags and went around the zoo at night.

THAT WAS DAY 1! What a great excursion.
Dear Parents/Carers

What a privilege it was this week to share in the celebrations of our Year 6 Farewell. Our year 6 students, their parents and staff members had a lovely evening at Brunswick Heads Bowling Club, with a great slide show to reflect on students’ time at our school and a delicious cake, purchased by the P&C. Congratulations to all of our Year 6 students, we wish them all the very best as the continue on their educational journeys into high school and beyond.

Thank you to our Year 6 students who held a special thank you disco and lunch for our staff on Tuesday. It was such a lovely way for the year 6 students to demonstrate their gratitude towards each of the staff who have helped them over the years. You are a wonderful group of students and all of our teachers look forward to sharing in your future success.

It was an amazing afternoon in 3/4JR on Tuesday, as they opened their doors to the rest of the school to enjoy their ‘Future cities’ exhibition. It was great to hear the students explain and justify their buildings and design concepts, which included high rises to gather electricity from lightning strikes, shoe shops, trees, roads, transport options and health providers. An outstanding effort by all of 3/4JR and Miss Douglas, congratulations!

Another congratulations needs to go to the 69 students who travelled to the Bowling Club to be involved in barefoot bowls and a special lunch. Our staff were very impressed with the skills of students and equally as impressed with the turn-out of parents and grandparents as helpers. In quite warm conditions, students were organised into teams and took ends of the bowling green to learn and enjoy the craft of lawn bowls.

It has been a week of celebrations and our End of Year Assembly was a lovely way to congratulate all of our award winners and students who have given their best efforts across the school. Thank you to all of our parents who came along and joined with staff to celebrate the successes of our students. I would also like to extend a special thank you to all of our volunteers and parent-helpers who have supported our students and teachers in 2014, your ongoing efforts have ensured that our school is a caring and nurturing learning environment where all students have the opportunity to succeed.

As this will be our final newsletter for 2014, I would like to thank all of our hard-working staff who provide quality teaching and learning for our students, thank you to our students for their efforts throughout the year and congratulations on all of your achievements. At this time I need to farewell and wish the best of luck to Mr Trotter, who will be returning to his position of Assistant Principal of Kempsey East PS in 2015, to Miss Douglas, who will be taking on a full-time position at Camdenville PS, to Miss Patterson, who will commence her full-time position at Mullumbimby PS, and to Jackie who will be moving to Tasmania. You are all outstanding staff, teachers and leaders and we wish you all the best with your future careers!

THIS WEEK’S WRAP UP

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COMMUNITY NEWS

ENROL NOW FOR TERM 1 2015

Offer your child the gift of playing a musical instrument at school.
Keyboard/piano lessons are on offer as well as African Drum and dance. Email musicforkids.oz@gmail.com or call Joanne on 0422562179 to enrol your child now.

FOR SALE
Tuckerbox Freezer - 160L - good working condition, $50 ONO. Phone Jodie on 6685 1563.

VACATION CARE
Vacation Care at Brunswick Heads Public School will operate on 18 & 19 December and will reopen on Monday 5 January 2015. Mullumbimby will be operating 22 & 23 December.
A full program is on display at the school.
Parent can pick up an enrolment from Gary at After School Hours Care or download one from Council’s webpage http://www.byron.nsw.gov.au/outside-of-school-hours-care

BYRON BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CAMPS -
CAMP 1; 12-18yrs - Monday 19/1/15 - Tuesday 20/1/15, 9-3 daily.
Cost- pre 14/1/15 $60 1 day/ $100.00 2 days, early birds rate.
CAMP 2; Under 12yrs - Wednesday 21/1/15, 9-3. 
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Entries close on Wednesday March 11. There will also be a Popular Vote competition commencing at 9.30.
There are prizes of $25, $15 and $10 in THREE sections: K - 2, 3 - 4 and 5 - 6. There is a limit of 1 photo per student. Photos only need be 4x6 ie standard print size and they can be colour or black and white. Entries can be left at the office of your school with your name, class and the name of the person you have photographed. Entries will be collected from the school office.
For more information phone Penny on 6680 1600.

Which is healthier: Fresh, Frozen or Canned vegetables?
Buying your fresh vegetables in season means they are at their peak nutritional value and at their cheapest. It’s important that they ARE fresh, though, because as the time they are stored increases, their nutrients decrease.
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CANTER: Last day of Canteen is TOMORROW. To celebrate, Lyn and the team are selling ice cream in a cone with sprinkles! 60c for a small, $1 for a large. Yum yum!

UNIFORMS: On Wednesday 28, Thursday 29 and Friday 30 January, Meg will kindly be opening the Uniform Shop from 8.45am until 2pm. The school website has the current price list.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS: Drop in your child’s good quality and washed outgrown uniforms so we’re ready for next year, or deliver them on the first few days of Term 1, 2015.

PLAYGROUND: Remember to contact Renee on 0400 796361 with your details and availability between Monday 12 January - Friday 16 January. We can’t do it without your help, we’re oh so close!

BUSINESS PLAN: Download a copy of the P&C 2014/15 Business Plan. It will up on the website for several weeks. Loads of P&C info, figures, ideas and strategic planning. Share it family and friends - they may wish to financially invest in some upcoming projects?

The P&C would like to wish all staff, students and families a safe, relaxing, fun Summer break.

Happy Holidays!

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