

Coffs Harbour Public School



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SOME DATES TO REMEMBER - 2009

Friday 6 th March	Stage 2 & 3 Swimming for Sport starts
Wednesday 11 th Mar	P & C Annual General Meeting. All Welcome
Wednesday 25 th Mar	Questacon (no cost)
Wednesday 25 th Mar	UNSW International Competitions closes
Wednesday 6 th May	2009 School Photos
12 th – 14 th May 2009	NAPLAN Testing
18 th – 20 th May 2009	Major excursion for Yrs 3 & 4 to the Great Aussie Bush Camp. Expressions of interest were given out this week.
24 th – 31 st May 2009	Education Week 2009
End of Term 3	Yrs 5 & 6 Sydney Trip

A Message from the Principal

Most of us have seen in the media news of the Building the Education Revolution. Our school could be eligible for up to two million dollars worth of refurbishments. Major projects we are seeking additional funds for are for the transfer of our school library into the building where the staffroom is currently located. Our library, though Mrs Howlin has made it a very effective and user friendly space is approximately a third the size of current standards for libraries. This would result in the staffroom being relocated to the current library space. A second major project we are seeking support for is the refurbishment of our school hall. This would be of great assistance acoustically and may also help us with the upgrading of the school canteen.

Should we be successful in our applications, work would need to be completed in a very short time frame.

The last funding available through the Federal Government was the Investing in Our Schools funds. Our new Creative and Practical Arts room is now almost complete. We look forward to its grand opening.

Ms Elaine Norman
(Principal)

Swimming for Sport Stages 2 & 3 Term 1 2009

This week, notes were sent home in relation to Friday Swimming for Sport for Stages 2 & 3. Children are reminded to wear their school uniform.

Please ensure your child has an extra t-shirt or rash shirt, school hat and covered in shoes as well as sunscreen, swimmers and towel. Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled. The children will walk to and from the pool.

All children are expected to participate each week.

Operation Art

On the 25th February selected students from many schools went to Operation Art. First up we did many paintings of fish,



then we did mono prints of fish and we made a coral garden collage. After lunch we used our imagination to make an imaginary fish out of clay.

It was so much fun we wish we could do it again.

Sarah Hodgson & Nelson Burrell 3/4L

Samba Experience



Last Thursday the 'Samba Experience'; visit out school. First he told us the instruments different names. the Go-go-bell, Tamborine, Shakers and

Bongo. Tom taught us the basics, the rhythms and the beats. Then we got into four groups and swapped around. First I was on the Bongo, then Tamborine, Shakers and then the Go-Go-Bell it went for 90 minutes. It was so much fun learning and playing the instruments. Tom was good at teaching us how to play. I enjoyed it.

Emily Brown 5/6W

On Thursday the 26th February we had a man come to our school for a 'Samba Experience'. His name was Tom.

There were four instruments we played, they were the Go-Go-Bell and three other ones but I can't remember what they were called.

We all had a fun time but the main thing was before you could play you had to count to four, it seems easy, but it is hard.

Madeline Jeffery 5/6W

Senior Boys Cricket Knockout Competition

CHPS v's William Bayldon PS

Bradley Streeter(Captain), Kyle Lynwood(Wicket Keeper), Jaymon Highland-Taylor, Donald Craigie, Dray Riley, James Langfield, Daniel McIntosh, Myles Bowden, Peter McLean, Jakoda Darcy, O'Shea Cadman and Nick Zancanaro.

Last Wednesday 25th February, 12 senior boys from CHPS opposed WBPS. The game was held at Toormina Oval, WBPS won the coin toss and chose to open the game by batting first, the teams played 20 overs each.

Unfortunately WBPS couldn't be defeated and the score was 86 to 45.

Congratulations to Dray Riley who was chosen as the best player of the day, while fielding he got two wickets and two catches, well done. When it was time for CHPS to bat Bradley Streeter (Captain) opened the batting and stayed in for the whole 20 overs.



Overall CHPS did a fantastic job as team players, they played to their best ability and importantly they had lots of fun.

Well done to the whole cricket team on their best efforts and sportsmanship.

Bradley Streeter (Captain)

UNSW (University of New South Wales) International Competition

Does your child enjoy a challenge? If so, it's time to apply for the International Competitions for schools run by UNSW (University of New South Wales) if you would like your child to participate in one or many of these competitions. Please obtain a permission note from the office with details of costs.

The closing date for ALL competitions is 25th March 2009. The competitions run from 27th May until 19th August 2009.

Mrs Firkins

P & C News

Our Easter raffle is on again this year. Children are asked to bring in Easter eggs to make up baskets. Last year we had 14 baskets to raffle. Eggs will be collected each morning before the bell. Tickets will go home shortly.

Many Thanks.

P & C Annual General Meeting

The 2009 Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th March 2009 at 7pm. All parents are encouraged to attend.

For those who are not able to attend Wednesday night, there is also a meeting on Wednesday morning 9.15am in the staffroom.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday.

Canteen Volunteers

Canteen volunteers are also always needed so if you can help weekly, fortnightly or monthly please phone Amanda on 66526913. Our team of helpers are a wonderful group of people and they warmly welcome newcomers to the team.

CANTEEN ROSTER – TERM 1 WEEK 7

Mon 09/03	Marg, Kerrie
Tues 10/03	Phil, Judy
Wed 11/03	Phil, Judy
Thurs 12/03	Frank, Katrina
Fri 13/03	Debbie, Amanda, Frank

Maths Challenge

Money Problems

How many 10¢ coins make \$2.40?

Find the cost of 100 articles at 5 ½ cents each.

How much has Kim left from \$20 after buying 4 books at \$2.95 each?

Noticeboard

Orara Valley J.R.L.F.C - Tomahawks

Wanted: Rugby League Players

Sign on at training from 4pm-5pm every Tuesday and Thursday at Orara High School Football Fields. Cost \$60 per player.

For more information Phone: 66569037 or 66587100.