Principal’s Pratter

Dear Parents and Citizens of the Community of North Haven Public School

Welcome back to a slightly different Term 3. Upon Peter Vincent's retirement last term, I will be Relieving Principal for terms three and four. Staff are excited about starting a new chapter in the future of North Haven Public School.

We welcome back Mrs Regan from a period of leave and thank Mrs Bell for the quality education and leadership she provided to the students in 6R. We also thank and congratulate Mr Tyrrell for his solid leadership within the school as relieving Assistant Principal during Mrs Regan's leave. He contributed highly to the school and the executive team. Mr Murtagh will replace me capably on 4G and the students are already enjoying his strong and engaging personality. Mrs McCleary will take on the role of Assistant Principal during term 3 and we are all very confident that she will meet and enjoy the challenges and extra responsibilities supervising stage 2.

We also welcome two final year Bachelor of Education interns to our school where they will put the final touches on their teacher preparation for qualified teaching positions next term. Mr Roberts will be working with Mrs McCleary on 3/4M and Mr Reed will be with Mr McGrath on 2M. Miss White is currently

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half way through a four week practice teaching block on 5M with Mrs Menzies.

Staff returned on Monday and worked very hard with programs including KidsMatter, a mental health initiative, as well as ongoing professional learning preparing for the implementation of the new Mathematics syllabus in line with the Australian curriculum. Thank you to Mrs Regan, Mrs Menzies, Mrs Crees, Mr Donovan and Mr McGrath for their professionalism in preparing and presenting high quality teacher professional learning for all staff.

We congratulate Daniel O'Brien for his Merit award and Jonah Garven, Tim O'Brien and Ashley Ritter for their Credit awards in the recent University of NSW Computer Skills competition.

Please give considerable thought about becoming active on the School's P&C. With a Fete year coming up in 2015 we need more help. Too much responsibility and family time is being expected from the small but effective group currently representing the number of families we have here at North Haven Public School. As such we are trialling a 7pm P&C meeting on Wednesday 6 August and we expect to see growing numbers of parents and or grandparents becoming involved in a positive and friendly North Haven Public School way.

We wish all students success in Soccer and Netball games today and tomorrow. Thanks to Mrs Bell, Mr Donovan and Mrs McCleary for volunteering countless hours of their own time in the preparation of their respective teams. We expect high standards of sportsmanship from our students and parents. As with any activity involving the positive support of students, we expect a level of personal control amongst those supporting on the sidelines.

Staff and students are also looking forward to the sounds of Band Camp. I am sure we will enjoy their concert at Bonny Hills Conference Centre on Wednesday afternoon at 3.30pm as they show what they have achieved at camp. Thanks Mrs Bruggemann, Mrs Skerritt and Mrs Fuller for your thorough preparation.

Work is taking shape at Lake Cathie Public School and we will continue to provide details and information as it arises.

The senior drama group will be performing next Thursday at the Glasshouse and we wish them well. Thanks to Mrs Bruggemann and Mrs Menzies for their hard work preparing the students.

Jock Garven
Relieving Principal
ENROLMENTS & STAFFING
AT NORTH HAVEN PUBLIC SCHOOL
IN 2015

North Haven Public School is preparing for 2015 enrolments and staffing, with Lake Cathie Public School starting day one, next year. Thank you to the many families who have responded to the survey sent out last term.

It is vital that we have a clear picture of anticipated enrolment numbers as this will involve the allocation of staffing and finances for our school. With a possible reduction of students at our school, staffing services within the Department of Education and Communities, in negotiation with the school, will determine if there is a need to nominate staff for transfer out of North Haven Public School. If teaching staff are nominated, they will retain their permanency but be relocated to a different school.

So as to support staff who may be nominated, we need to complete the survey so we can send in an anticipated enrolment figure to the Department of Education and Communities in early August. This will give any staff, being nominated, the best chance in being placed in a school within the local area.

We will contact all remaining families who are yet to reply to the survey to help us get an enrolment figure for 2015. We understand that decisions made at this early time may change before the start of the school year in 2015.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

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North Haven Public School
Student Absence Note

My child ____________________________ of class _______ was absent from school

on the following dates ____________________________________________

for the following reason __________________________________________

Parent’s Signature : ___________________________ Date : __________________
All parents are invited to attend our Education Week Open Day on Friday, 1st August.

**9.30 am**  
BOOK FAIR

Parents have an opportunity to purchase quality library material for students, and to donate books to the Library. If parents are unable to attend, students may still purchase books. Place money in an envelope marked with child’s name & class and they will be permitted to purchase books prior to the Book Fair.

*Where* - School Library  
*Prices* - Range from $2.00 - $20.00

**10.50 - 11.20 AM**  
MORNING TEA

Parents may enjoy morning tea with their child. The canteen will be hosting morning tea. A variety of sweet and savoury treats, as well as tea, coffee, water & soft drinks will be available to purchase 0.50c to $2.00.

**11.30 am – 12.30 pm**  
ASSEMBLY

Performances from various school performing arts groups including band, choir and dance groups.

**12.40 – 1.15 pm**  
OPEN CLASSROOMS

Parents are invited to visit and look around classrooms (this is not a time for parent teacher interviews). The Book Fair will continue to be available in the library.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Band Camp – will be held next week from Monday, 21st to Wednesday, 23rd July for participating students.

District Athletics – will be held on Friday, 25th July at Laurieton Oval. Participating students need to return their permission note to school by next Wednesday, 23rd July. Students attending Band Camp next week will need to return their note by tomorrow.

Drama Group – will be performing at the Glasshouse next Thursday, 24th July. Participating students should have already returned their notes and money.

English Competition – will be held on Monday, 28th July for students who have paid for this activity. Mr Garven will supervise this activity.

Missed your copy of the newsletter or a permission note? Find them at -
www.northhaven-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
or google ‘North Haven Public School’ and click on the newsletter tab.
NAIDOC WEEK 2014

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

As part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations at North Haven Public School, the School Representative Council will be selling ‘Koori Kids’ wristbands for $2 each. The wristbands will be available at recess in Area A from tomorrow. They are always very popular, so bring your money in as soon as you can and join in the celebrations!

Everyone belongs.
Every face has a place.

Mrs Skerritt
Aboriginal Education Co-ordinator

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Kids Disco – at LUSC on Saturday, 26th July at 6.00 pm. Open to all school aged students. Featuring face painting, lollies, hair spraying, glow sticks. Families and friends are welcome. This is a fundraising initiative of the Camden Haven Netball Club and Junior Rugby League Clubs.

Camden Haven Kids After School Care – is open Monday to Friday 3 pm to 6 pm and Vacation Care is open during the school holidays Monday to Friday 7.30 am to 6 pm (public holidays excluded). Diversified program with qualified staff. Term 3 After School Care Sports Program golf on Thursdays/ cricket on Fridays. For enquiries and bookings call 6559 5275.
PRIMARY PLAY DAY
GLASSHOUSE PERFORMANCE

WHO: Senior & Junior Drama Groups with Mrs Menzies, Mrs Bruggemann & Miss White (student teacher).

WHAT: The senior drama group will perform ‘The day the world changed’, a piece they have created and worked hard on during term Two. The junior Drama group has the opportunity to attend this performance day as audience members. Students will view works by groups from other local public schools.

WHEN: Thursday 27th July 2014 (Term 3, Week 2)

WHERE: Travel by bus to the Glasshouse, Port Macquarie.

TIME: The Bus will depart at 9.15am, and will return to school about 12:30. Students will then return to normal classes.

WHAT TO BRING: All students need to bring a packed recess and water bottle. These items should be placed in a disposable (i.e. plastic) bag as we will not be taking school bags with us.

WHAT TO WEAR:

Senior students should wear their costumes – a brightly coloured top (of appropriate length and with sleeves) and dark coloured (black, navy, grey) long pants.

Junior students should wear school uniform.

All students should wear/bring a school jumper – but remember to ensure it is labelled as students will be removing their jumper to reveal their costume.

Due to Glasshouse policy and the costs associated with ticketing we are unable to invite families to this performance day… but fear not, we will present the piece in the near future for families… watch this space!

Looking forward to this exciting new opportunity.

Mrs Menzies & Mrs Bruggemann.
SPORTS NEWS
NRL Port Macquarie All Schools Gala Day

North Haven Public School entered three teams in last term’s Port All Schools rugby league Gala Day – two Year 5/6 and one Year 3/4 team. The games were played in two ten minute halves.

Year 5/6 No 1 - North Haven played St Joseph’s Kempsey and defeated them 12-4, after leading 8-0 at halftime. Connor Cook scored twice and Fletcher Murray crossed for one try.

The second game was against Wauchope Public School. Wauchope won this tight encounter 12-8. Connor Cook continued his good form scoring both of North Haven’s tries.

Game three was against Westport Public School. North Haven really ‘clicked’ in attack, piling on seven tries. The final score was 28-8, with tries scored by Mikha Everingham (3), Josh McLaren, Riley Hoffman, Fletcher Murray and Connor Cook. Mikha’s hat trick of tries included one from the kick off and another from a well rehearsed move.

The North Haven team fell one try short of reaching the final. This was a particularly good effort as all games in our pool were very competitive.

Year 5/6 No 2 – North Haven fielded a less experienced but very enthusiastic second Year 5/6 team. This team came to enjoy playing rugby league – some boys were only having their first or second game of football.

North Haven played Kempsey in their first game. Led by Ned Garison, Cameron Frith and Tim O’Brien, we led early but Kempsey finished strongly. The final score was 12 all with North Haven declared the winners, due to being the first team to score. Try scorers were Ned Garison, Tim O’Brien and Max Maruszak.

North Haven were defeated 16-0 by Port Primary in the next game. St Agnes also proved too strong in the third match, winning 20-0.

This team comprised Ned Garison, Lleyton Blackman, Jackson Fletcher, Wiliem Stewart, Chayce Anderson, Cameron Frith, Tim O’Brien, Max Maruszak, River Evans, Ben Pratt, Ali Thomas and Raymond Morris. All boys contributed individually something ‘special’ and thoroughly enjoyed the games, never giving up.