Principal’s Pratter

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

Lake Cathie Public School update:

With both a level of excitement and a feeling of huge responsibility, I have been offered and have accepted the position of Principal at Lake Cathie Public School to start in term 4 this year. This process includes a period of time, ten business days, for a robust appeals process to be available if required. Lake Cathie Public School will open its doors to students and their families ready for the 2015 school year.

Staff have a commitment to public education across all schools and the bond that will grow and exist between Lake Cathie Public School and surrounding public schools will be strong and successful. Student enrolment patterns and trends will fluctuate through a healthy period of change at a number of local schools including Lake Cathie and North Haven Public Schools. There will be both student and staff movement over the coming years that needs to be positive and relative to individual student and family need.

Students already attending North Haven Public School will retain the right to stay at North Haven, as will their brothers and sisters in most cases. If
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children are safe and happy with good friendships, there may be no reason for them to move to another school. Families requiring support in making decisions about enrolments are encouraged to discuss this with me in person at North Haven Public School or with Mark Youngblutt, Director of Schools for our local area on 6586 6900.

This is an exciting period of change that will be beneficial to students and their families already supported by a great public education system in our local area.

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2R students with Ms Easey are presenting today’s K-2 assembly and if rehearsals are any indication, their performance will be wonderful. Congratulations 2R and Ms Easey!

Many of our students are attending the Lower North Coast Athletics carnival at Wauchope this Friday. Mrs McCleary and Ms Easey have provided significant training and organisation to our students and we wish all competitors well as they do their best and display great sportsmanship in their events.

Year 5 students are visiting Cowarra Dam today as part of their studies of water and associated systems. I’m sure they will learn a great deal and have a lovely day out of their classrooms with Mrs Menzies and Mr Donovan.

Sporting news sees Mr Tyrrell taking a number of students to a 7-a-side League Tag gala day in Port Macquarie today. Next Tuesday will be a Touch Football gala day where both girls and boys teams will play the first 5 games in the PSSA Touch competition. This is great organisation to have these games all on the one day, in the one location. Good luck to all of our aspiring sports stars. Thank you to Mrs McCleary and Mr Tyrrell for their ongoing commitment.

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Please take the opportunity as we move through this period of change, to become active on our P&C. It is vital to maintain the lovely feeling that is North Haven Public School into the future. Our great “family friendly” reputation is strong and with ongoing parental and community support, will continue well into the future. Our new meeting date and time is Wednesday 13th August at 7pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome!

Regards,

Jock Garven
Relieving Principal
SCHOOL NEWS

Primary Assembly – will be held on Thursday 14th August at 2.20 pm in the hall. The assembly will be co-ordinated by the Year 6 student councillors and class 5D will present an item. All parents are welcome to attend.

Maths Competition – will be held on Tuesday, 11th August for students who have paid for this activity. Mr Garven will supervise the competition.

Library News

Book Fair

A huge thank you to the families who supported our Book Fair on Friday. What a wonderful success! Over $5500 was taken on the day, of which the school receives a commission. I’m sure our students will enjoy the new books we will be able to buy.

Thank you for your support. Happy Reading!

Diane Eggins
Teacher Librarian

OUT OF UNIFORM

FOOTY COLOURS DAY

to support the Curtis Landers ‘Road to Recovery’ Fund

Friday, 15th August

An out of uniform day will be held on Friday 15th August with a footy colours theme. Students may come out of uniform on the day wearing the colours of their favourite footy or sporting team. No singlets, midriff tops, thongs or sandals (normal school shoes/runners should be worn).

Curtis fractured two vertebrae in his neck in a football game in May and is currently undertaking physiotherapy and rehabilitation in Westmead Children’s Hospital.

Please bring along a gold coin donation to support this event. Money raised will be donated the Curtis Landers ‘Road to Recovery’ trust.
WINGDING WEDNESDAY
Wednesday, 13th August

$4.00

Special meal deal includes -

3 x Marinated oven baked chicken wings (prepared fresh at the canteen)
10 x Potato Gems

Choice of - can soft drink, bottle of water or fruit juice poppa (indicate your choice on order form)

Orders must be pre ordered & paid for by Friday, 8th August

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Wingding Wednesday Order Form

PLEASE COMPLETE
ONE ORDER FORM PER CHILD

Child’s Name : _______________________________ Class : _______

Soft drink  Water  Poppa

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FRESH FRUIT AND VEGIE CAMPAIGN

The FRUIT & VEGIE campaign is here again at the canteen commencing next Monday, 11th August until Friday, 5th September

The canteen will provide lots of different items containing fruit or vegetables during this four week period. Students will receive a sticker if they purchase items such as a salad sandwich, chicken, lettuce and mayo burgers, salad tubs, fruit salad or any other daily specials containing fruit or vegetables.

Once two stickers have been collected the student will receive a prize. At the end of the promotion the canteen will send in all completed sticker cards to Sydney Markets for the major prize draw.

5D Afternoon Tea & Assembly

On Thursday 14th August class 5D will be hosting an assembly. Before the assembly 5D families are invited to come to the school a bit earlier and have afternoon tea with the class.

We would like to start around 1.30 pm, with the assembly starting at 2.15 pm.

There will be tea and coffee available for the adults and juice for the children. There will also be a variety of yummy cakes, biscuits and slices (at no cost).

Looking forward to seeing 5D parents there.

Mr Donovan, Mrs Sewell and class 5D.

This is an initiative supporting the KidsMatter program
The P&C meeting planned for 6th August has been postponed until **Wednesday 13th August** at the new time of 7pm (in the staffroom).

All parents are welcome to attend and we encourage new members to come along and get involved.

The P&C focus for the next 12 months will be the playground! We will be looking at –

- Extending the synthetic turf to level with the adventure playground
- Purchasing some new, fun, colourful play equipment
- Extending the cover over the playground equipment

We need to raise a lot of money to cover this expensive project, which will benefit all children and add to their enjoyment.

Please consider coming along for our evening P&C meeting and share your ideas, enthusiasm and most importantly, time. You will be made most welcome.

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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 :  ____________________
MEDICAL MATTERS
Mumps

We have had a reported case of mumps in a student at our school.

Symptoms

• Fever
• Swollen and tender glands around the jaw

Time from exposure to illness
14 to 25 days

Do I Need to keep my child home?
Yes, for 9 days after onset of swelling

Controlling the spread of infection
Immunisation (MMR) at 12 months and 4 years of age

Information provided by NSW Health

Student Absences

Parents are reminded of the legal requirement to explain any absences from school that their child may have. Verbal notification is allowable, by either speaking to your child’s teacher or contacting the school office.

Notification to the school needs to be done as soon as possible after the absence, (or before, if known in advance). After a period of 3 days, the school computer system automatically marks absences as “Unexplained/Unjustified” until such time as a note has been received.

Absences are marked on the school’s administration system as soon as teachers have sighted notification and returned these notes to the office for recording. On occasion, this process may take longer than 3 days and a pink absence reminder notice may automatically be sent out, even though parents have already notified the school. This is unintentional and parents are asked to contact the office if they have inadvertently received one of these reminder notices.
SPORTS NEWS
NSW Rugby League 70th All Schools Carnival

North Haven Public School’s Year 3/4 rugby league team represented the Port Macquarie district at the 70th All Schools Carnival held in the St Marys district of Sydney last Monday.

North Haven played three games. In game 1 North Haven defeated St Mary’s Casino 18-6. Ryan Moloney scored two tries and Jayden Hoffman one. These tries were converted by Bryce Cook, Ryan Moloney and Drew Kuhnell.

In North Haven’s second match we were defeated 10-0 in a close game against Shellharbour Public School.

North Haven met eventual runners-up Taree St Joseph’s in their third game. Taree got away to a great start and eventually won 34-6. Jayden Hoffman scored a great individual try, which Ryan converted.

The boys enjoyed the competition and the experience of playing in such a big event. They were great representatives of North Haven Public School, displaying great sportsmanship and being very competitive against some of the best under 10 sides in NSW.

A big thank you to all parents for transporting the team to and from Sydney and providing support. A special thanks to Anthony Cook for his encouragement and input throughout the day.

Geoff Tyrrell
Rugby League Coach

Class Merit Awards

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Value of the Week
Freedom