Principal’s Report

K-6 Sports Carnival

I would like to congratulate the coordinating teachers of last Friday’s combined sporting carnival – Mrs Dempsey, Mrs Souden and their colleagues spent many hours preparing and planning for this K-6 event which resulted in a wonderful day of sport.

I was very impressed with the high level of participation and achievement from our students. I would also like to thank (and acknowledge) the many parent helpers who contributed to the success of the day via the canteen, timekeeping and assisting with the field events. We also greatly appreciated the assistance given by the students from Brisbane Water Secondary College, Umina Campus who represented their school well. Whilst many individuals worked very hard on the day, the real ‘positive’ of the day came from the ‘team’ effort! I know that the individual coordinators would like me to acknowledge that their efforts were greatly assisted by the many staff and parents who helped with planning advice, transporting equipment to and from the venue and volunteering on the day – it was a great team effort!

Parent Information Sessions

Our next scheduled session will involve Mrs Lisa Wicks, L3 Coordinator presenting to parents on the L3 Literacy program on Thursday at 9.10am and again at 3.10pm. Many of you who have had children start in Kindergarten at this school over recent years will have heard talk of L3 lessons – Mrs Wicks hopes to present information to parents that will demystify this valuable literacy program. The timetable for future sessions has been distributed via the school app and in previous newsletters. I encourage parents to attend these sessions and thank the staff/guests involved for the time they have given in preparing for these sessions.

Flu season is here!

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness. The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit’s [vaccination page](#).

Being late for school is not okay

Missing a few minutes each day may not seem like a big deal but your child may be missing more than you realise if he or she is continually late. When children arrive late and take time to settle as they inevitably do, valuable learning time is lost. The law in NSW states that all children between six and seventeen years of age are required to attend school each day that the school is open, and that students can be excused due to illness, religious ceremonies, or relevant family situations. Children who are late are recorded on the class roll as “partial absentees”. When rolls are reviewed, those with a high number of partial or full absences, are noted and may be referred to the home-school liaison officer.

Grandparents Morning Tea

I would like to thank the many grandparents, great-grandparents & grand friends who visited our school last Wednesday; we were overwhelmed by the number of family members able to attend but equally, overjoyed at the level of support we received. Our students had been excited for some time at the prospect of having a grandparent/friend spend some time with them and our visitors certainly lived up to those expectations. I would like to acknowledge and thank Mrs. Archer, Mrs. Bruce & Mrs Clark for their efforts in coordinating this event and Mrs. Smith who assisted in the Library with the selling of books from the ‘Book Fair’. I would also like to thank Empire Bay Teaching staff who provided the lovely morning-tea for our visitors and for the open and friendly manner they welcomed our guests into their classrooms.

K – 2 Workers of the Week

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Book Fair
Our lucky Golden ticket winners were Lily H, Ava H little sister Norma Munro, Tamika Munro’s Nan and Jayden Federico, Teresa 3H little brother. Congratulations to these lucky people who won a $10 voucher to be spent at the Book Fair.

K-2 Sports Day Results 31/7/2015
Results are as follows:

**Kinder Boys**
1. Cody S
2. Liam M
3. Connor W
4. Hugh A (equal 3rd)

**Kinder Girls**
1. Rylee B-H
2. Breanna C/Mia H (equal 2nd)
3. Taylah S
4. Rubee S

**Yr 1 Boys**
1. Noah C
2. Jack R
3. Toby S
4. Massimo B

**Yr 1 Girls**
1. Alyssa H
2. Eva L
3. Tahlee C
4. Isabella N

Brayden R (equal 4th)

**Yr 2 Boys**
1. Damian S
2. Raj Sharma (equal 1st)
3. Jarvis W
4. Liam H

**Yr 2 Girls**
1. Troy N-S
2. Ellis J
3. Gabriella A
4. Piper L
School Band Fundraiser 'Xmas In July-ish'
Thank you to everyone who supported our fundraiser in some way to help pay for the instruments for our Training Band. The night was a success and we all enjoyed dancing the night away to Rod Thorncraft's band 'Tricky Business'.
Congratulations to the winners of the raffle which included the holiday in Port Macquarie, which was drawn on the night. All winners have been contacted.
Because we are still waiting for the auction funds to be paid, we will let you know the total amount raised in next week's newsletter.
Thank you for purchasing raffle tickets and a big thank you to all the band committee for all your efforts. We greatly appreciate it. All sponsors who kindly donated money and prizes are included in the newsletter. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!

Our Recorder Group
Our Recorder Group played at the Opera House in an Ensemble on Monday afternoon and evening. They played absolutely beautifully, behaved extremely well and were a pleasure to take to this great experience. They played three songs Dance of the Tumblers, Swans of Lir and Rondo. They also participated in the opening number and the Finale.
A huge Thank you to Mrs Kerryn Cooper for all her hard work.
Sue Archer

From the Canteen
HELP_WANTED: As little as ONE HOUR of your time in the mornings when you drop your children to school is a BIG HELP to us in the Canteen. Please consider becoming a volunteer if you have an hour to spare now and then. Your time is much appreciated!
Looking for a quick and easy way to order School Lunches - why not check out ON LINE ORDERING AT FLEXISCHOOLS. It will take the hassle out of lunch orders and that school morning rush!
Work Health & Safety requires anyone working in the canteen to wear closed in shoes so your assistance in this matter is much appreciated.

Uniform Shop
- Opening Hours
  - Tuesday 8.30am–9.00am
  - Thursday 2.30pm – 3.00 pm
- Uniform Shop is behind the hall

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION THERMOMETER

$15,000
$6,500
$6,000
$5,500
$5,000
$4,500
$4,000
$3,500
$3,000

Become an Ethics Coordinator at Empire Bay Public School
We currently have ethics classes for K-6. Ethics classes teach children how to approach ethical issues and develop their capacity for considered moral judgment, which will enable them to respond more thoughtfully to many of the problems and issues they will face in their lives. Dhttp://www.primaryethics.com.au or contact Jenni Bouchier, Regional Manager - Gosford Region, Primary Ethics for more information: gosford-region@primaryethics.com.au or call her on 0411 198 483 to the size of the Stage 2 class, we need an additional volunteer Ethics Teacher to teach Stage 2. We also need a new volunteer to be the Ethics Coordinator at the school. Ethics Coordinators and Ethics Teachers are provided with training and support by Primary Ethics. Coordinating can mostly be done by email in your spare time and would take no more than an hour per week. Members of the school community are encouraged to apply.

PENINSULA JUNIOR TOUCH
Registrations are now OPEN
Visit our website: www.peninsulajuniortouch.com.au or our FB page for information on how to register a team or as an individual.
Terrigal Wamberal Little Athletics Registration

Terrigal Wamberal Little Athletics will be holding their registration days for the 2015/16 season at Dufty Oval, Terrigal on:

**Friday 8th September:** 6:30am-9:30am & Saturday 12th September: 10am-11:30am.

Little Athletics is for children aged 5-16 years. It is based upon the sport of athletics (track and field), with a wide range of running, jumping, throwing and walking events conducted. The events are specially modified to suit the ages and abilities of children, with an emphasis on participation and personal improvement.

Registration is $50 for the first child and $10 for each child thereafter. Online registration is available however you still need to attend one of the above registration days. We do not have credit card facilities at Dufty Oval, so please have cash or cheque payable to: Terrigal Wamberal Little Athletics Centre.

For further information please go to our website: [http://terrigalwamberallittleathletics.wordpress.com/](http://terrigalwamberallittleathletics.wordpress.com/) or contact April Flores on 0405166503.

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**Rewarding regular savers with amazing prizes.**

We’re bringing the flash mob to Narrabeen! First to 101 Bupa SuperSaver Plan Savings, giving students who demonstrate good saving behaviour the chance to win amazing prizes.

- **101st Flash mob**: $100
- **Q2**: Books to Dr. Debrah-Humphreys
- **Q3**: $200 + Bupa SuperSaver Gift Certificates

Help the Narrabeen community to be as healthy as possible. To activate the Flash Mob, students must simply make a new or move School Savings and if they successfully make the commitment for a chance to win one of thousands of prizes. Students can also complete a money lesson on narrabeenbank.com. Visit to download this lesson plan and see how the idea came about. More exciting money related activities for students who have been saving over the year. Students will learn that the money manager at school has been a winner! Students will be able to download this lesson plan.

Win books for your school library.

For more information, visit narrabeenbank.com.au/flashmob

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**Schools as Community Centres (SaCC) Woy Woy Term 3**

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<td>A support group for parents/carers with children with a disability or chronic illness. Led by Coastwide Child &amp; Family Services. Bring your children or just come for a coffee. Free to attend. Contact Coastwide on 4940 1111.</td>
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<td>Join qualified educators in play, stories, arts &amp; craft and music for children of all ages. Eligibility criteria apply. Led by Coastwide Child &amp; Family Services. Free to attend. Contact Coastwide on 4940 1111.</td>
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<td>Fun activities and play stations to help build your child's literacy through phonemic awareness. Run by SaCC Staff and Volunteers. Free to attend. Registrations essential.</td>
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<td>Playgroup for all ages. Come and have coffee and play with your children before school for the day.</td>
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<td>123 Magic Emotion Coaching &amp; Parenting skills program. Learn easy to use strategies to communicate and deal with difficult behaviour in your growing child. Child Care available. Registrations essential. Fee: $20</td>
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<td>A series of 3 workshops for Early Childhood Educators: 1. Articulation Skills &amp; Changing Habits 2. Receptive Language Skills and the Impact of Technology 3. Expressive Language Skills and improving spoken language at a whole group level</td>
<td>Thursdays (Workshop) 10:30am-12:00pm</td>
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**Wednesdays 5, 12, 19 August 2015**

10am-12pm

A three-session program for parents and carers Facilitated by Schools as Community Centres Program (SaCC) at Woy Woy Schools as Community Centres - SaCC Enter from Bowden Road, Woy Woy (/Public Schools)

Learn:

- To engage your children's cooperation by positively noticing and encouraging them
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**Wednesday, 5 August 2015**

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