Message from the Principal

I am overwhelmed with our students striving for excellence over the last two weeks.

Congratulations to Pretty Beach Public School for winning the Gosford City Council Green House Programs Small School of the Year Award. Congratulations also to Jonah (pictured) and Bonnie for winning an award for their age group. Well done also to Year 3 who auditioned and were chosen to perform their piece ‘Time is Passing.’ Thanks to Mrs Jones for your help and support.

Under the guidance of Donna Cameron we were thoroughly entertained by two short plays performed by the Drama Groups on Tuesday. These plays were written and created by the students involved.

Performing ‘The Floating Menace’

Performing ‘Trouble in Wattle Creek’

I am so proud of your efforts and achievements.

Hardys Bay Church Community Carols will be held on Sunday 20 December at the waterfront, Hardys Bay. Carols start at 7.30pm food will be available from 6.30pm. If students attend this event they will have the chance to take part in the night. Thank you to Mrs Jones who has been teaching our students Christmas carols.

Deborah Callender
Principal

Diary Dates Term 4

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Merit Awards
Congratulations to the students who received Merit Awards or Principal Awards at our last assembly.

**Term 4 Week 6 - Awards**

Yr. 1/2G Kit, Eliza, Jasper
Yr. 1/2 R Zane, Maya, Ruby
Yr. 3 Noah, Lola, Sari, Alex
Yr. 4 Grace, Bailey, Elliot
Yr. 5/6 Brianna, Callum, Klara

Mo-gress Report
We would like to take a mo-ment of your time to provide you some more am-mo to cheer us to the finish line. We only have a few days left to raise as much mo-ney for our supre-mo mos! So far we have nearly raised four times our goal and sit at $765. Now that's mo small feat! We don't want to have to mo-w lawns to get there, so please click on the link below to save us the e-mo-tion:

[http://mobro.co/gilksyandpoddy](http://mobro.co/gilksyandpoddy)

We don't want to cause a com-mo-tion but we'd appreciate any amo-unt that you can mo-nate. It could be from your last pro-mo-tion! You don't have to be a famous su-mo wrestler or as rich as Ronald-mo to support men's health.

Thanks again to this amo-zing com-mo-nity for its strong support!

Yours mo-st faithfully,
Mr Pod-mo-re and Moster Gilks

Howdy it's the sheriff here... As you can see neither of them matched my impressive mo-ustache! If was a mighty fine effort though. If you have a few dollars to spare you might like to donate to this worthy cause.

3P Digital Excursion
3P participated in a digital excursion with Questacon in Canberra titled ‘Bust That Myth’ on Monday 23rd November.

We used the scientific method to explore some different myths and had the opportunity to ‘bust’ 2 myths with the help of a scientist in Canberra. We conducted an experiment to test whether the buttered side of toast is more likely to land face down. Our control group identified that the height that it fell from and the way it was pushed contributed to the way it landed. It had nothing to do with the butter!

Our results were interesting and students identified certain variables that could change the results of the experiment.

We look forward to doing more of these excursions in the future.

Andy Podmore
Teacher

Musical Evaluation
Please click on this link to give us your honest feedback about this year's musical. All responses are anonymous and will help us to improve for next time.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BYZBLYM](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BYZBLYM)

Library Borrowing
As we are due to do our library stocktake this will be the last week students can borrow books. Could all books please be returned next week.
Operation Art

Congratulations goes to Audrey, Macyn, Grace and Year 4 for their amazing artworks which were recently displayed and The Armoury at Sydney Olympic Park as part of the Operation Art Exhibition for 2015.

Operation Art is an endeavour by the DEC to allow students the opportunity to create uplifting artworks to inspire the children in Westmead’s Children’s Hospital. The artworks created by students across NSW are displayed at The Armoury and around 10 000 visitors view these beautiful works over September. From the thousands of artworks in the exhibition, 150 are then selected to go onto further exhibitions. Of these, only 50 are chosen to tour regional art galleries across NSW and these 50 then are then displayed in the Children’s Hospital at Westmead.

This year, Year 4’s collaborative artwork entitled “Our Land” was one of the 50 chosen to be displayed at the Art Gallery of NSW from the 17 of February next year. After this the art work will go on tour the state and be displayed in many regional art galleries, including Gosford’s Art Gallery. Following this long journey, the artwork will finally be displayed at the Children’s Hospital in Westmead to hopefully inspire and uplift the wonderful children there. Well done all the students involved. We are very proud of you.

Mrs Bridgman,
Art Coordinator

By Audrey Yr 2

By Macyn Yr 2

By Grace Yr 2

Canteen News

Thank you to all of the parents who have volunteered to help this term and this year. Please see the dates below for when you are rostered on. This is also on the school webpage. A reminder you are only required from 10:30 am to approximately 11:45 am.

Note: Canteen volunteers must sign in at the office before entering the canteen and the required Working with Children Check Declaration needs to be completed prior to volunteering.

Term 4 Dates

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OPAL Cards are coming 2016

Student bus passes are being replaced by School OPAL cards next year. If your child already has a bus pass, parents won’t need to apply for a School Opal card as they will be automatically sent to school at the beginning of the year. Parents will only need to apply online if the student is moving from Year 2 to Year 3, or from Year 6 to Year 7, changing schools, changing address or has not had a travel pass before. Please see the fact sheet at the end of this newsletter or contact the office for more information.

Health and Safety is Everyone’s Responsibility

Our children look to us to keep them safe. This is particularly important at the beginning and the end of each school day. As you are aware the traffic at these busy times is very heavy outside our school. Make sure children cross at the crossing and hold hands with and adult.
The staff car park is only available for staff. Please do not drive into the car park to pick up or drop off children.

By following our road rules and travelling slowly (40km or less) around schools during drop off and pick up times we are doing everything we can to make sure our children stay safe.

If there is an emergency and you are going to be late picking your child up after school please inform the office during school hours. A staff member will stay with your child in the office area until you arrive.

Kincumber High School

The latest Kincumber High School Newsletter is available by clicking on the link.

P & C Newsletter - November

Well, didn’t the children of our Drama Club do a wonderful job with their performances this week! A lot of laughter was shared when the whole school got to watch. And proud parents and grandparents enjoyed two amazing performances by the under-sea creatures of the junior club and the country town folk of the senior group. Well done everyone! And big thanks to Donna for guiding and teaching our children so professionally.

For those interested in joining next year, bookings are now open for the After School Drama Club 2016. For further information phone Donna on 43 602601 or 0432 535 041.

Our Christmas Market is coming up on Sunday 13 December and we have something special planned this time - there will be a Santa’s Grotto where the children can meet Santa and have their photo taken with him. There will also be face painting, a magician and a karate presentation in the morning, along with some lovely tunes from local musicians for entertainment. Come along and browse the stalls for some wonderful handmade Christmas gifts – a lovely day out for the family and a great fundraiser for the school!

As always, we welcome parent helpers for the P&C Stall and to drop off their home-baked goods. Please contact Maria 0400 051 170 if you can help!

Thank you and kind regards,
Una Davis
P & C Vice President

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SHIPBUILDERS MEMORIAL
PUBLIC OPENING
29 November, 2015 at 1pm.
Kincumber Foreshore, Carrack Rd, Kincumber.

- The Rotary Club of Kincumber in partnership with Gosford City Council has undertaken a major community project on the Kincumber Foreshore.
- The Shipbuilders Memorial commemorates a thriving shipbuilding industry that began in the 1820's and continued for well over a century. In addition to the major memorial, individual memorials are being located adjacent to their original shipbuilding site.
- Two individual sandstone memorials have been erected along the Kincumber to Davistown Foreshore walk. The major memorial, a stainless steel skeleton of a ship’s bow is now complete.
- The memorials have been created by local sculptor John Wouffe.

DESCENDANTS of the early shipbuilders are invited to REGISTER NOW
Shipbuilding families including the Aboriginal boat builders, Davis, Piper, Beattie, Woodward, Frost, Settree, and Howard and others.

Ph: 0404 491 603 or 0411 099 633 or email: kincumberrotary@gmail.com

- Rotary is seeking sponsorship from the community and local businesses to fund the project. Contributions over $250 will be recognized on a plaque at the main memorial.

Rotary Club of Kincumber Inc
GOSFORD CITY COUNCIL
P.O. Box 6050 Kincumber, NSW. 2251.
ABN: 26 099 004 835. CFN: 11926
Join us for a fantastic opportunity to pick up some amazing bargains for Christmas. Save big $$$ in your shopping purchases for you, family and friends. We will visit 10 warehouses.

All proceeds go to the work of Killy Cares in our local area.

**Date:**  Saturday 28th November 2015

**Departs:**  
- 7:30am Killcare (Killcare Shop) 
- 7:45am Empire Bay (Empire Bay Public School)

**Cost:**  $60.00 (Seniors / Students: $55.00) 

payment via cash or cheque (‘Killy Cares’)

includes morning / afternoon tea + lunch

**Contact:**  Marcia on 4360 1091 or 0408 752 942

Please extend this invitation to your family and friends from our beautiful community.

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Reserve your seat now! PHONE: Marcia on 4360 1091 or 0408 752 942

Name: 

# of seats:

Address:

Phone No: (MB)  (H)

Email address: 

Departure Point: 

Amount Enclosed: $60.00 or $55.00 each.  Please return to Marcia Groom - PO Box 4017 Wagstaffe 2257