



OCEAN SHORES PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS – WEEK 9 TERM 4

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OUT OF UNIFORM DAY

As a follow on for our plans to support the Smith family after last week's fire we propose to hold an out of uniform day tomorrow Wednesday 5 December. Students need to bring in a donation which will be collected by classroom teachers.

Appropriate footwear and clothing still needs to be worn, ie No thongs, singlets or T shirts with inappropriate slogans or images.

ASSEMBLY

Friday's assembly was hosted by KB. They danced beautifully and sang for us. They also performed a song with 3/4G.

We presented certificates to many students who have held leadership positions in 2012. Thanks very much to our school captains and vice captains, ministers, SRC representatives, sport captains and vice captains, library monitors, sound technicians and bus monitors for your great assistance this year.

It was also fantastic to be able to present dolphin badges and certificates to students who received their dolphin awards this year.

Principal's awards went to:

Hunter Hargreaves: For an excellent effort and improvement in reading and writing.

Christian Henry: For an excellent effort and achievement in reading and writing.

Lola Kennard: For always being a positive role model and a helpful, caring friend.

Sylvie Bennett: For being a thoughtful and caring student.

Christina Lygidakis: For improvement in writing.

P & C

Social gathering

We had a lovely evening on Monday night. Many thanks go to our P & C for their great work this year. We look forward to continued involvement in 2013. We will have a number of vacant executive positions to be filled.

Canteen Roster

7 December – Jennah Browning, Michelle Tree, Kim Simon, Leanne Wallace.

14 December – Kate Horsley, Felica Irby, Leanne Wallace, Liesel Fitzgerald.

PARENT /COMMUNITY HELPERS

Please remember that we will be hosting an afternoon tea at school on **Thursday 6 December** to show our appreciation for all of our school helpers. This will coincide with our wetlands celebration day and commence at **1.50pm**.

WETLAND CELEBRATION DAY

On Thursday 6 December we will be celebrating the improvements to our school wetlands. This is important in recognizing the support we received from the \$50000 NAB grant.

Students will be involved in rotating activities relating to the wetlands and environmental education. The day commences with a litter free picnic lunch. Parents are invited to join in and then take part in activities. The program for the day is attached.



This week we have continued to install nesting boxes for birds and mammals in our wetlands. These have video cameras and still cameras attached for recording activity. We already have some great photos of a sugar glider who has made one of the boxes home.

At our celebration day students will host wetland tours and we will be conducting more planting in our wetland area. All helpers welcome.

YEAR 6 FAREWELL

The Year 6 Farewell and Disco will take place on Wednesday 12 December at the Ocean Shores Country Club. All Year 6 students and their parents are invited to attend this exciting event. The cost is \$20 per student and \$15 for parents. All notes and money should now have been returned.

PRESENTATION DAY

You are invited to our 2012 Presentation Day Assembly on Friday 14 December at 9.30am. On that day we will recognise the achievements of our students across all curriculum areas. Our senior dance group and choir will also be performing.

SCHOOL LEADERS 2013

The school leader speeches will take place this Friday 7 December at 1.00pm in the hall. Our school leaders for 2013 will be announced on presentation day.

OCEAN ORACLE

Our annual school magazine- The Ocean Oracle is about to be printed. Notes have gone home in regard to pre ordering your copy. Please send these in by tomorrow. Ocean Oracles cost \$10 each.

SURFSENSE

Our 5/6 students have the opportunity to participate in The SurfSense 'Teaching Beaching' program. The program consists of audio visual and interactive presentations. It will also include a field trip to the beach.

The SurfSense Program explores:

- * rips
- * tides
- * wave action
- * weather
- * marine life
- * personal care
- * inherent dangers
- * essential beach safety tips

There will be four 1 hour presentations.

When: Thursday 6th December 2012

5/6W 10:00 – 11:00am

5/6E 11:25 – 12:25

5/6L 12:50 – 1:50

5/6C 2:15 – 3:15

Cost: \$3.00 per student or \$5.00 for family.

All parents are welcome and encouraged to come to a session and learn more about surf safety. Please make the most of this opportunity.

Please return permission note and money to school by tomorrow Wednesday 5th December.

NORTH COAST AWARD

I was pleased to be able to attend the North Coast Sports Awards in Ballina yesterday where Mackenzey Ormiston was recognised for her outstanding performances this year. Her national individual silver medal and two national team gold medals were certainly highlights of the north coast sporting year.



END OF YEAR EXCURSIONS

Notes have been sent home for end of year excursions. Please return notes and money ASAP.

ROBOTICS

Robotics has finished for another successful term. A huge thank you to Paul Williams for helping support and run robotics. All students were highly engaged throughout the 8 week course and used outstanding problem solving skills to complete all challenges. I can't wait to see what our students build next year. If you would like more information about robotics please see Mr.Stephens.



Congratulations to Jose for winning the robotic battle. (Your robot was truly talented.)

Thanks
Chris Hauritz