

# Term 4 Week 11

Tuesday 17 December 2013

Thank you to all the families who were able to attend our Presentation Day on Monday 16 December. We wish all our leaving Year 6 students success as they move onto High School in 2014. We also wish a fond farewell to families who have after many years of being part of the CMPS community now also leave us as their child enters high school.

A special thank you also to our wonderful volunteers who were able to attend our Community Morning Tea held after the Presentation Ceremony. Our staff provided a delicious

spread for your enjoyment as a way of saying thanking you for all your support and help in and out of the classroom during 2013.

Congratulations to our new Student Leaders for 2014 -

- School Captain Michaela Mackay
- Vice Captain Alex Muscatt
- Leaders Abby Fletcher & Carla Rutherford

Our Year 5 and 6 students enjoyed a Year 6 Farewell Dinner/Disco on Thursday 12 December at the Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club. We wish to thank our hardworking P&C for their financial support for this event. Thank you also to Abby's Grandmother, Mrs Lyon for baking the delicious cupcakes for supper. After dinner students enjoyed an evening of fun games and dancing.



Congratulation to our winners Abi R, Mikayla H, Claire Berecry-Brown in the Talent Quest held today.



## Reminders:

• Wednesday 18 December

Terrigal Beach Surf Fun Day - bus leaves school at 9:30am returns 2:45pm.

- Thursday 19 December School Development Day NO students at school. Teaching staff attending Professional Learning activities about Programming for the new Australian Curriculum. Non-teaching staff from all Small Mountain Schools participating in Excel Training in CMPS Library.
- Friday 20 December School Development Day NO Students at School. All Staff involved in Professional Learning Activities about Disabilities Standards and eCare Training.

## 2014

- Monday January 27
- Tuesday January 28
- Public Holiday
  - STAFF only return to school
- Wednesday January 29Thursday January 30
- Year 1 to Year 6 students return to school. Uniform shops open from 9-9:30am Kindergarten students start school. Uniform shops open from 9-9:30am
- Friday 31 January ALL students at school
- Tuesday 18 February P&C AGM 7.00pm at Mangrove Mountain Golf Club.
- NB: Kid's Kitchen WILL NOT BE OPEN UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE



Graduation Day for Miss Stilgoe (right) and her study buddy, Mrs Cranstone (left), after completing their course on Literacy 3. Miss Stilgoe implemented this program in her teaching program this year. Congratulations Miss Stilgoe!! We know your students benefitted greatly from your studies.

		Teacher's Awards for Week 9
Class		Student Award
K/1/25	Summerlilly	Asking fantastic question during talking and listening
	Logan	Being a great helper in the classroom and with the school compost
	Milayla H	Displaying a positive attitude at Swim School
2/3/4G	Chris M	Being a great helper in the classroom and with the school compost
	Kai	Excellent effort and attitude at Swim School
	Ashlee	Excellent effort and attitude at Swim School
	Emmaya	Excellent effort and attitude at Swim School
5/6M	Mikayla S	For her help and assistance with students in K-Year 2 and for being a fantastic role model.
	Matthew	For his mature attitude and always 'lending a hand' when needed.
	Jessie	For always getting on with her work with a minimum of fuss and her mature and helpful attitude
	Alex	For his settled and mature approach to all facets of school life
Principal's Award		
2/3/4G	Phoebe	Rainforest
		Postcard

Thank you Mrs Hughes and Mrs Mackay for being our Special Presenters at the Presentation Day Ceremony.



# Presentation Day – 2013 School Report

Welcome and thank you for helping us to celebrate our achievements for 2013.

**Our students have worked** so well this year to increase their knowledge and skills and we are very pleased to be able to acknowledge some of those achievements at this assembly.

As always our school has achieved many goals in fostering the development of the whole child in a happy, safe and inclusive environment.

#### Our whole school achievements are:

 Providing a safe and supportive learning environment that develops confidence, responsibility and respect, fosters leadership and good citizenship;

Many students have risen to the challenge being proactive when helping teachers, being good role models for younger students and being productive in their various leadership roles from running assemblies, doing recycling and compost duties, caring for sports equipment, being library monitors and also being involved in decision making and fundraising through the SRC.

Many students are building strong citizenship skills in supporting and encouraging their peers and acknowledging and respecting the achievements of others.

 Delivering quality educational programs that challenge students and implementing strong literacy and numeracy programs from Kinder to Year 6;

One special feature has been the delivery of differentiated programs providing learning experiences to cater for different levels of achievement. This provides the opportunity for students to be successful learners studying at their expected level in all subject areas.

Our focus on assessment using Best Start Assessment and Literacy Continuums has provided valuable information about what students know, understand and can do. NAPLAN provides a synopsis of results for one day of the year and we analyse whole school performance but the daily observations of work practice and ongoing assessment of learning outcomes and continuum skills provide the best information to direct future teaching and learning programs for individual students.

We have continued our commitment to enhance learning by using the Interactive Learning Programs, Mathletics and Spellodrome as a teaching resource and assessment program. The introduction of the Reading Eggspress program has enriched our literacy programs to improve reading skills.

#### Being a dedicated, caring and enthusiastic staff;

Once again our staff has been committed to working as a team to provide the best learning experiences. They have engaged in professional learning opportunities to strengthen our educational practice in delivering Literacy 3 and Focus on Reading strategies to teach the six elements of comprehension.

Staff has studied the new Australian English curriculum and have developed a sound knowledge of the curriculum in terms of planning and programming integrated literacy units of work. Next year our focus will be on assessment.

At this point I would like to acknowledge the leadership Mr Matthew was able to provide in my long absence this year. His understanding of the needs of our community together with his professional approach to the education of our students kept our school humming along like a well-oiled machine. Thank you indeed for making my return so enjoyable. Our school is very fortunate to have teachers who can really make a difference.

#### • Our True Blue Program

This year many students participated in the Gold Excursion to play Tenpin Bowling which was a fun filled day to celebrate the achievement of GOLD. Already we're thinking about next year's event.

**Our administration staff,** Mrs Wright and Mrs Hamilton have capably kept our office on track. Also, Mrs Bannerman who has worked in the classroom with Miss Stilgoe and also been involved in various admin tasks throughout the year. We really do appreciate your work above and beyond expectations, especially me!

Andrew Clarke, our school General Assistant as always has kept our school buildings and grounds immaculately to keep our children safe and pleasant learning environment. We are saving to purchase a new ride-on lawnmower next year and hope the new one will reduce his mowing time.

**Our school has benefited greatly** from the wonderful support of many parents who have volunteered in so many ways this year:

- Some as part of our school P&C, including the hard working executive committee, led by Deb Chu, our president, Lynette Callaghan, our treasurer, and Trudy Gray, our secretary.
- Glynnis Golsby ran our Book Club, Kylie Fletcher was our Kids Kitchen organiser and Lynley Woolley and Deb Chu continued to run our Uniform Shop this year.
- Many parents have helped in the classrooms, ensuring their children are well organised for school, sending in notes on time, completing forms, transporting children, and also supporting many fundraising activities.
- Many have also supported Kylie working in the Kids Kitchen to provide those delicious lunches two days a week.
- Every tiny contribution helps and your children really do benefit in from your involvement. We would like to express our wholehearted thanks to those who have supported our school.

At this point I would like to ask Lynette Callaghan and Kylie Fletcher to come forward to receive their thank you gifts.

Lynette Callaghan has been involved with our school since her eldest child Matthew began school about 12 years ago. We would like to thank her for her valued service working in the P&C being responsible for financial matters and good balanced advice on many occasions. We wish you well in your high school years with Ryan and Matthew.

Kylie Fletcher has been a shining light in the Kids Kitchen taking over the role and successfully transforming it into a healthy canteen with some treats in moderation. The introduction of the icy fruit and hot chocolate drinks were innovative and really delicious. Due to work commitments Kylie is unable to continue running our Kids Kitchen next year and we will need to close it until another parent is able to take on the responsibility. Kylie has kindly offered to mentor the next willing coordinator.

Our school has certainly benefitted from your contributions. Thank you from everyone in our school community.

It's been a delight to work with your children watching them grow and learn in our school. **We hope that** everyone has a safe and happy holiday season celebrating with their family and best wishes for 2014.



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