

TERM 4 Week 9 - December

- All Week *Five day School Swim Scheme - Mon 9th - Fri 13th
Y2 - Y6 only—see more info below on what to bring
- Fri 13th *Awards Presentation 5pm / Xmas Tree Night 6pm
* Deadline for Mystery Tour note and money (cash only)

TERM 4 Week 10 - December

- Tue 17th *Year 6 Farewell 5:30pm
- Wed 18th *Last day term 4 for all students K-6. *Mystery Tour*

—School Holidays—

2020/ TERM 1 Week 1 - January

- Mon 27th *Australia Day Public Holiday
- Tues 28th *Staff Development Day—Staff only
- Wed 29th * First day of Term 1 for students in Yr 1 to Yr 6
- Thurs 30th * First day for Kindergarten students

P&C CHRISTMAS TREE RAFFLE.

P&C will be holding a raffle at the annual Blakebrook public school Christmas tree night

We are asking if families can bring in non-perishable items to put into the hamper.

A box will be set up in the office for you to place items in

Please make sure that the items are in date and un-opened!

Thank you

P&C committee



SWIM SCHEME IMPORTANT INFORMATION



What to Bring:

Swimmers, towel, goggles, underwear, thongs/crocs and a plastic bag to place wet items in after swim sessions.

Students will get dressed into swimmers at school @10am and will return to school in swimmers to get dressed back into school uniform.

Thongs/crocs are to be worn to and from Trinity Pool. A short break will be allocated between swim sessions so please bring a snack and water bottle which can be placed in the snack tub prior to boarding the bus. Students will eat lunch at school at 1pm. School bags are to remain at school.

Book Club Issue 7—order with no name

No one as yet has claimed the book club order with no name. If you ordered from Issue 7 at the beginning of this term, but as yet have not received it please contact the office.

LIBRARY

Library borrowing has finished for the year. Can everyone please search at home for any Blakebrook School library books and return them before the end of Week 9.

Awards will be presented at assembly tomorrow at 3pm.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARD: **Loretta** for a polite student who always follows our school rules

Fynn for showing good sportsmanship and playing by the rules in the playground

Alex for being inclusive and encouraging others to join in games

CITIZENSHIP: **Drew, Chloe K, Lily C**

CAPA: **Hayden, beau, Max**

PBL: **Alicia, Sapphire, ryan**

ENVIRONMENT: **Blake, Mikayla, Baylie**

SPORT: **Ruben, Bradley, Sienna**

Nude Foodist: **Sapphire**

GOOD FRIEND: **Drew chosen by Austen S**

ACADEMIC

- K-1 **Charlotte** for always working above expectations
- 1-3 **Lilah** for writing interesting and engaging stories during literacy
- Baxter** for demonstrating independence in numeracy and literacy tasks
- 4-6 **Baylie** for presenting and awesome captain's speech

GO FOR IT

- K-1 **Max** for 'dancing up a storm' in the Talent Quest
- 1-3 **Tanisha** for a positive attitude towards learning
- Chloe** for assisting peers with how to correctly find and save work on computers
- 4-6 **Joe** for responsible and respectful at all times

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING (PBL)

- K-1 **Ayla** for having a happy positive outlook towards work.
- 1-3 **Luka** for thinking of peers on wet, smoky days by providing paper aeroplane templates to do inside
- Riley** for caring about the environment and making school grounds safe and inviting
- 4-6 **Ashlee** for displaying our PBL values of Learn, Respect and Safe



LIBRARY AWARDS

with Mrs Kelly

- K-1 **Loretta**
- 1-3 **Massimo**
- 4-6 **Wendell**

PRINCIPAL NEWS

Talent Quest

The Blakebrook Talent Quest was simply amazing. We have very talented and creative students at our school and this was a wonderful opportunity for them to showcase their talents! Well done kids!

2020 Captain Speeches

Our year 5 students presented their 2020 captain speeches to the whole school on Tuesday. They were very informative and persuasive. Students in years K to 5 will vote to elect the 2020 captains this week. The successful students will be announced at our Presentation Afternoon on Friday 13 December.

School Swimming Scheme

All students in years 2 to 6 are invited to attend the School Swimming Scheme in week 9 (next week). The cost for 10 lessons with qualified instructors, pool entry and bus travel is only \$30 – an absolute bargain. This has been heavily subsidised by the school. We are still waiting on numerous notes and payments to be returned to school. The due date was last thursday. Please ensure you return these ASAP. If you are having troubles financially, please contact the school to make arrangements. With the hot weather, summer and school holidays upon us, this is a fantastic opportunity for all students to improve their swimming and knowledge of water safety and rescues.

Presentation Afternoon and Xmas Tree proposed timetable

5:15pm: Presentations start (Please arrive from 5pm)

6.00pm: Xmas Tree commences

6.15pm: BBQ on sale – see P&C news for price list

7.00pm: bush dancing – students and families

7.45pm: Christmas carols – calling Santa - Santa's arrival

8.15pm: evening ends - At times there are slight adjustments to the running times, but this is our intended timetable.

Santa's gifts:

Santa will hand out prewrapped book presents (supplied by families), valued up to \$10 each. These can be left with the Mrs Skorjenko between now and the night. Please ensure they are labelled clearly with child's first and last name. Family books can be bundled together. Please cater for any additional family or friends who may be attending.

Front garden

Our front entrance is undergoing a transformation. Thanks to Marion (Mel's Grandmother) and Mr Hayes for creating a wonderful, low maintenance, water wise garden. A special feature is the bike. This bike was ridden to school by Mr Hayes' sister in the 1950's. It has been restored and now takes pride of place amongst the succulent garden. Come by and have a look. It's fantastic!

P&C Raffle

The P&C have recently asked for non-perishable food items to be donated for their Christmas raffles. If you are able, please bring in an item and place into the box in the office foyer by Friday of next week. Thank you. The P&C have also sent home some raffle tickets and are seeking your support to purchase the tickets. This is not compulsory and if you choose not to purchase, simply return tickets unsold to the school. Any sold tickets and money will need to be returned to school by next Friday 13th. Your continued support of the P&C is appreciated.

Calendar dates

Week 9 – Monday 9 to Friday 13 December – School Swimming scheme for all students in years 2 to

Friday 13 December – Presentation afternoon and P&C Xmas tree celebration

Tuesday 17 December – Year 6 Farewell after school at school

Wednesday 18 December - Mystery Tour and last day of term

2020 Kindergarten Enrolments

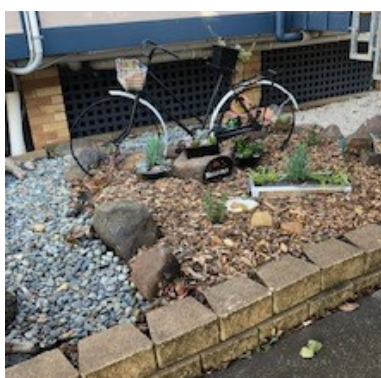
We are currently taking enrolments for 2020 Kindergarten. If you have a child who is coming to Blakebrook next year, please contact the office to arrange an interview with the Principal and to collect enrolment forms and other information. If you know of a family with a child ready for 'Big' school in the local community, encourage them to contact the school for an appointment to discuss enrolment or to have a look at our wonderful school.

Have a great week - Allan Duroux

Talent quest wrap up:

The judges were certainly wowed at last Friday's school talent quest. It was wonderful to see so many students getting involved and having fun. It was a hard job deciding on a winner but guest judges; Katy Perry, Hermione from Harry Potter and Mrs Wishy Washy finally settled on dancers – Sapphire, Layla, Lily C, Sienna, Melanie, Lily S and Riley F dancing to 'Senorita'. In second place was 'One Thing Right'; Ruben, Beau, Rhys, Alex and Caleb performing a mix of dance and gym moves. Well done to all those acts who joined in.

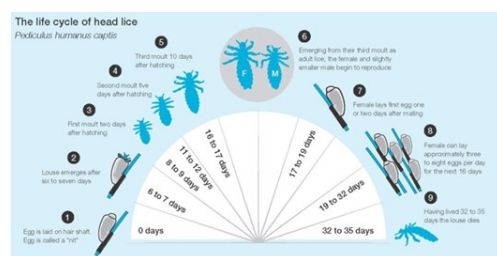
Mrs Tate



Front garden

Head lice alert

Once again these little critters are doing the rounds of our community. Please ensure you check and treat each child if necessary. There are a multitude of products available (shampoos) and remember that a once off treatment isn't enough. Combing the nits (louse eggs) out of the hair with a very fine toothed comb is recommended daily for 14 days. A 2nd treatment shampoo is recommended 7 days after the first treatment. Everyone co-operating & following through is the only way to break the cycle.



BLAKEBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOL GARDENING NOTES

This is our final report for 2019, we have little to do except water the citrus trees and the remaining vegetables. Of the ten beds there will be eight fallowed during the holidays. The other remaining beds contain the sweet potatoes and strawberries. 2019 has been a very rewarding year for us, we have enjoyed every week and we feel sure the children also have enjoyed tasting vegetables straight from the garden. Our final fundraising raffle will be drawn in the last week of the school year. Your valued support will be appreciated, please buy some tickets.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody a happy and prosperous Christmas and New Year, and look forward to be sharing 2020 with you.

Kind regards

Marion and John.



FOR SALE

Irrigated Herb Wall garden for sale. In near new condition. Make an offer

Christmas Craft Activities

Christmas Cards

Thursday, 19 December
11am
Mobile Library
in the courtyard of
Nimbin Neighbourhood
Centre



Christmas Gift bags

Friday, 20 December
10am - 11am
Goonellabah Library



Decorate a Christmas Sack

Friday, 20 December
2.30 pm - 3.30pm
Lismore Library



Reindeer Craft

Monday, 23 December
10am - 11am
Goonellabah Library



Christmas Sand Art

Tuesday, 24 December
10am - 11am
Lismore Library



Come along and join in our Christmas Craft Activities, we have lots to make and decorate!

Bookings essential for activities being held at Lismore Library.

No Bookings necessary for the activities being held at the Mobile Library and Goonellabah Library.

Richmond Tweed
Regional Library
Connect. Discover. Escape.

Goonellabah Library
02 6625 1235
27 Oliver Avenue
Goonellabah NSW 2480

Lismore Library
02 6621 2464
110 Magellan Street
Lismore NSW 2480

Enrolments are now open
for Music in Schools
tuition - 2020!



To enrol, visit
www.nrcac.edu.au

Join the

SUMMER READING CLUB

for your chance to win an iPad! Mini!

This year's theme is

A Roomful of Stories

- Sign up at Lismore or Goonellabah Libraries from 1 December. It's free! (For up to 18 yrs.)
- Tell us what you have been reading, or what is being read to you and win stickers, tattoos and bookmarks!
- Get your entries in for the major prize - an iPad mini! Come along to the SRC party in February to see if you are the winner!

Fill your home with stories and win, this summer!

Richmond Tweed Regional Library
Connect. Discover. Share.

FREE DENTAL FOR ALL CHILDREN AGED UNDER 18

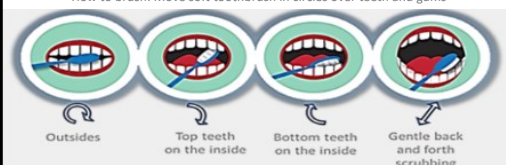
Available at NSW Health public dental clinics in Tweed Heads, Pottsville, Byron Bay, Ballina, Goonellabah (Lismore), Casino, Nimbin, Coraki, Yamba and Grafton

Call 1300 651 625 to book a visit for your child

Easy steps for a healthier mouth

- Brush teeth and gums twice a day with fluoride toothpaste
- Eat healthy foods and drink water instead of sugary drinks
- Visit a dental professional at least once a year

How to brush: Move soft toothbrush in circles over teeth and gums



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Northern NSW Local Health District

Blakebrook Public School P&C Newsletter

Thursday 5th December 2019 – Week 8 Term 4

Canteen - Last week of canteen for this term

Friday 6th December –	Meat Pies	\$4.00
	Sausage Rolls	\$3.00
	Fruit Smoothies	\$2.00

CANTEEN ROSTER & MENU TERM 4 2019

Week 9	Fri 13th Dec	Intensive Swimming – No lunch orders
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OUR ANNUAL XMAS TREE NIGHT

Will be held Friday 13th December. The P&C will be running the BBQ with a variety of food including steak sausages and vegie patties to go along with the delicious salads we will all be sharing, \$5 a plate. Cakes, slices and biscuits on sale. Drinks will include tea, coffee, water, soft drink and juice. Come along and join the festive fun! Donations of cakes, slices and biscuits can be left at the canteen on the Friday please.

Looking for volunteers on the evening to help serve food & cook BBQ. If anyone can help it would be greatly appreciated.

Christmas Tree Menu & Price List

\$5 for a plate of salad with either; Steak, Sausage or Vegie patty

Sausage Sandwich	\$2.50
Chicken Sticks	\$1.00
Plate of Salad	\$3.50
Cakes	\$1.00
Cans of Drink	\$2.00
Poppers	\$1.50
Tea/Coffee	\$2.00
Bags of Chips	\$1.50



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The raffle will be drawn on the night, tickets have been sent home with students to sell for \$2.00 each

