This week was the last official day of classes for Year 12 students. They have the holidays now to study for their HSC exams, which commence in the first week of next term.

We wish our Year 12 students every success for their study and their exams. Their hard work and their efforts deserve every success. The playground equipment is being installed of the holidays. This equipment is being installed in such a way that will allow relocation when Lake Macquarie City Council grants permission for us to commence construction on the Ironbark Road Site. It will be great for our younger children to have some new playground equipment to play on.

Thank you to the P&F for organising the equipment, and the fund-raising to pay for it.

The Primary Boys basketball team competed in the HRIS Competition this week and had a fantastic time. We have some really good basketball players and they played really well. Congratulations, boys.

The term concludes tomorrow and school finishes at 2:00pm.

Summer Uniform applies from next term. There is a two week period initially during which winter or summer uniform can be worn. Please see Chris Ryan for any uniform needs.

The Infants children made beautiful Chinese kites this week and flew on the ball court in front of the school. They were fantastic. The staff are travelling to Sydney by bus on the first Monday of next term for a day with Sydney Heritage staff. This will be our first combined professional development day and it should be really helpful and interesting. Students recommence lessons on Tuesday 14 October.

There will be a new Gosford bus route operating next term due to a pickup being required closer to the township of Gosford itself. There will be a couple of alternatives that will be tried and parents are advised to be in close contact with the drivers to ensure that they know where to be picked up and when. A timetable will be sent home today for the Gosford parents.

The Solos Concert is on the 2nd week of next term. Students are invited to play solos on their instruments.

One of our former students, Lauren Wiltshire, got engaged this week. We wish Lauren all the best for her future marriage.

Have a GREAT holiday. Thank you to all the teachers, staff, parents and friends for all your hard work, support and encouragement this term.

God bless over the holidays and see you next term.

Simon Dodson,
Principal
The end of ANOTHER term!

Thank you, reading Mums, for your time and support with our reading this term.

We have been working on some mini-interviews. In pairs, each of us has taken on either the role of a news reporter or a famous Australian Olympian. Tomorrow we’re hoping to film the interviews, complete with props, costumes and even black eyes (Nikita Cuffe)!

We’ve got a little post box (Anti-Bullying focus - Health) in our class now, and we’ve had lots of interesting mail from other children in our class, eg:
“Dear Tammy, You’re a good reader and a good friend.”
“Dear Stephanie, I think you are nice.”
“Dear Ruby, You are so funny sometimes and you are a good friend too.”
“Dear Laura, You are so cool and a good friend to play with.”
“Dear Annie R, I love the way you be my friend.”

On Friday we made Chinese lanterns, and on Tuesday we made kites. Kites were invented by the Chinese people and used to be made out of silk and bamboo. Our kites looked beautiful, with Phoenix birds on them and gorgeous flowing tails. We took them out onto the basketball court yesterday and let those birds fly!

In Maths this week we’ve been doing revision, so we’ve been revisiting all the topics we’ve done so far this term.

I have an un-named jersey in the class. If you think it may be your child’s, please call me or send in a note.

HAVE A RELAXING AND SAFE HOLIDAY – SEE YOU NEXT TERM!

☺ Mrs Pip

What a term it has been!! Here a few comments from the class to describe what the term has been like...

“I learnt that the Olympic flame has to go around the host country before it goes into the stadium.” Isabella Elton
“I learnt that the first emperor named Qin made the life size terracotta soldiers to follow him into the after life and protect him in to the second life.” Sophia Richards.
“Greece is always the first country to march into the Opening Ceremony because they are the founders of the Olympics.” Harrison Luke

Our Limericks are now published and on display. Here are a few samples:
‘There once was a rabbit called Jack,
He rolled in the mud and turned black.
The owner got mad
And said, “you are bad”,
So he decided to give him a smack!
(Kenith Schubert)
‘There once was a man from Spain,
Who got whacked with a big, fat cane.
He let out a yelp,
And cried for help,
But no one could cure his pain.
(Caleb Blacket)
‘There once was a boy named Todd,
Who didn’t stop loving God.
He lived on a boat,
And wore a small coat,
But didn’t know how to say, “nod”.
(Phoebe Tappouras)

Pictures of our “Terracotta Warriors” we made last week!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Isaac Ryan!

Some things the class said about Isaac:
☺ He is a really good friend.
☺ He is a very fast runner.
☺ His drawings are really creative.
☺ He’s a great cousin and he is good at drawing pictures.
☺ He makes me laugh.
☺ His writing is neat.
☺ He has a wonderful smile.”

Enjoy the Holidays!!
Mrs S
TRANSITION CLASS: OVER DUE FORMS

We are still waiting on Enrolment Forms for the following families: Please return by the beginning of Term 4:

Luke (Eden), A & I Ryan (Candice), L & A Tappouras (Shiloh) and J & C Ryan (Gideon)

Transition class for students commencing school next year will start on 16th October and finish on 4th December of Term 4. The class will be run by Naomi Richards and a parent helper.

SCHOOL FEES: OVERDUE invoices attached. PLEASE PAY

PERMISSION NOTE:

OVERDUE: Expression of Interest forms for Bronze Medallion Lifesaving course. Copy attached to Newsletter for students 15yrs and older.

PERMISSION NOTES:

NEW
HIGH SCHOOL SPORT TERM 4: Years 6—10
Due in Wednesday, 15th October with payment. Invoices attached.
ART EXCURSION: All students in year 6—9 and Year 10 Girls only.
Due in Tuesday, 14th October. Free
INFANTS and PRIMARY GYMNASTICS: Due in Wednesday, 22nd October with payment.
INFANTS and PRIMARY SWIMMING: Due in Thursday, 13th November with payment.

Please find all the permission notes attached.

PARENTS IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ALL PERMISSION NOTES BE RETURNED BY THE DUE DATE (with payment).

If this is done then it will save a lot of time for the administration staff. If this is not done then the admin staff will need to contact parents by phone.

Thankyou for you co-operation.

Vicki
Administration
Happy birthday to:

Aunty Rachel Madden
for TOMORROW
and to:

Chanan Crompton
18 on 27th Sept

Tekoa Ryan
10 on 27th Sept

Mary Richards
7 on 28th Sept

Annie Rose Madden
12 on 28th Sept

Sophia Richards
10 on 30th Sept

Aunty Ingrid Ryan
1st Oct

Sam Kirkwood
12 on 2nd Oct

Kyla Bradley
13 on 5th Oct

Mrs. Dangerfield
9th Oct

Aunty Ruth
11th Oct

Ben Dodson
16 on 16th Oct

Future Events:

Friday 26th Sept
Last Day of Term 3—Finish at 2pm

Monday 13th Oct
Staff Return

Tuesday 14th Oct
Students Return—Vaccination Program

Thurs 16th Oct
HSC Exams Commence

Have a happy and safe holiday everyone!

Photo Gallery

Farewell to Mr. Twist!
Darren Twist has been with us during Term 3 and has been a tremendous help to the teachers and encouraging the students.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH
AND ALL THE BEST IN YOUR TEACHING CAREER.

We hope we have helped you, too!

Eliza taking over the top job!

FAREWELL TO OUR
YEAR 12 STUDENTS
THEY HAVE “OFFICIALLY” LEFT SCHOOL!

Farewell to our school Captains Luke and Eliza.
Thank you for all your input and valuable assistance throughout your term of office