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Weekly Newsletter 17
Term 3 Week 8
Tuesday 5th September

Newsletter

Missed a copy of our newsletters? You will find them on our school website. Our school's website is found at:

<http://www.huntingdon-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

RECEIVING OUR WEEKLY

NEWSLETTERS BY E-MAIL ...

Please contact the school so we can add your name to our ever growing list of families receiving their newsletters by e-mail.

Upcoming events	
Monday 4 th – Friday 8 th September	Electricity Safety Week
Thursday 7 th September	Last Library Van visit for Term 3
Monday 11 th September	Fun with Maths Day
Monday 11 th September	Mobile Dentist
Friday 22nd September	Last day of Term 3
Monday 9 th October	Students return for Term 4
Principal's Message	

NAPLAN Online Readiness Testing

This week, all students in Year 3 and Year 5 will participate in the NAPLAN Online readiness tests. These tests are computer-based and will be in the same format as NAPLAN Online, however, they are not being used to assess student achievement. The NAPLAN Online Readiness testing is being held to assess whether our school has the technological capacity to successfully run these tests and to provide feedback to ACARA so that they can further develop the program in preparation for 2018.

Further information about the transition to NAPLAN Online can be found at:

<https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/naplan-online>

Kindergarten Transition Program

We had another very successful Kindergarten Transition visit today. We are really looking forward to 2018!

Our remaining Term 3 transition dates are:

Tuesday 19th September – 9.40-10.20am



Library Van Visit

The Mobile Library Van will be here on Thursday. Please remember to return all of your books!

Book and P&C Voluntary Contribution Fees

There are still a number of families who have not paid their Book Pack Fee for the year. If you are not sure if you have paid this, please check with Mrs Golding at the front office and arrange your payment as soon as possible. We are also still accepting the payment of P&C Voluntary Contributions.

Mobile Dentist

The Mobile Dentist will be visiting our school next week on Monday 11th September. Please make sure you **return your permission note** as soon as possible to make use of this free service to our school.

Soccer Gala Day

What a fabulous day we had at the Soccer Gala Day on Friday at Fairmont Gardens. All of our students were wonderful team players and thoroughly enjoyed themselves on the field. Whilst having fun in all of our games, we even came away from the day with some winning teams! Congratulations to the Huntingdon Year 3/4 Unicorns, K-2 Hornets and Scorpions.

A big thank you to Mr Dobson from Long Flat PS for organising the day!



Fun With Maths – Monday 11th September

Fun with Maths is a workshop to develop the creative thinking processes in students by engaging their minds, firing the imagination, strengthening their motivation towards life and learning in a fun way. There will be loads of hands-on problem solving activities in the following key maths learning areas: number and algebra, measurement and geometry, statistics and probability.

Bebras Challenge

On Thursday of last week the Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students took part in the second of 2 annual Bebras Challenges. Run internationally by CSIRO, Bebras promotes computational thinking. It is a great way to get students interested and participating in information and communication technology (ICT) by working with a partner to solve challenging problems.



Father's Day Raffle

Last week, our wonderful P&C held a Fathers' Day Raffle. Congratulations to the Ring Family, Teagan Smith, Cooper Dick and Ren Peterson, who all won prizes in the raffle.

A big thank you to our wonderful, fantastic community! Together we managed to raise over \$200.

Tyrus Reseck
6th September



Ethan Smith
7th September

Community Noticeboard

Town Tennis

Come and try Friday afternoon Junior Tennis between 4pm and 5pm every Friday at the Port Macquarie Tennis Club overlooking Oxley beach. Great for children wanting to improve their Tennis by playing other Junior Tennis players. The children will learn to rally, where to stand on the court and score.

Each child will receive a free sausage sandwich from our new outdoor Kitchen.

Cost \$6 per afternoon. For more info call Greg on 65849940 or email pmtc@bestit.net.au

Small changes, big differences.



Triple P Parenting Program

Triple P is one of the world's most successful parenting programs.

Learn simple and practical ways to:

- Build a strong, healthy family
- Raise happy and confident children
- Manage your children's behaviour
- Prevent common pitfalls.

Triple P Parenting Group is free to families with children aged from 0-12 years.

When:

Wednesdays from 23 Aug to 13 Sep 2017

Time:

10.00am-12.00pm

Where:

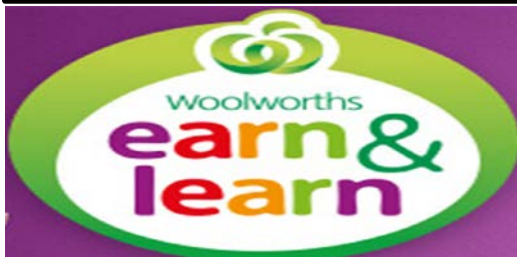
Uniting Burnside
7 Sherwood Road
Port Macquarie

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Light refreshment provided



Earn & Learn runs from
26th July to
19th September 2017 -
Thank you for your support

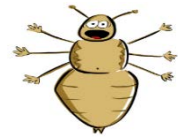


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Head Lice

- Avoid sharing clothing, especially hats, ribbons, head bands and helmets
- Discourage children from playing with each other's hair
- Don't share brushes, combs, towels and pillows
- Keep long hair plaited or firmly tied back to prevent contact from other students.
- Thank you for your cooperation.



Sept. Oct. School Holidays 2017



Tuesday 26th September

Little Bang Discovery Club @ Port Library

from 10.30am to 11.30am

Hands on Science Workshop for 4 to 7 years olds with Parents/Carers. Bookings essential 6581 8755

Wednesday 27th September



The Wonderful World of Bees @ Laurieton Library from 10.30am to 12 noon

Join Ana from Amber Drop Honey as we find out all about bees. Why are they so important to us? How do they work together to get the job done? How can we help bees in their work? Take a look at bees up close (but safely behind glass) and learn more about their world. Have fun with some bee craft and a story or two. **This activity is for 8 years plus.** For bookings, please call 6581 8177. Honey will be available for purchase.

Thursday 28th September



It's Wauchope's turn for the **Mighty Family Trivia Quiz Morning** @ Wauchope Library

11am to 12.30pm

All ages welcome. Test your brain power with lots of fun activities. Book a family table or come along and make new friends. Lots of surprise library pack prizes! Bonus points if you wear a crazy hat. Call 6581 8162 to book your place.

Thursday 28th September

Come and celebrate the refurbishment of **Kooloonbung Creek Arboretum**

Local Birpai Artist, Trish McInherney will be sharing her **Water Dragon story and helping you make a weaving using local natural resources** from 10.15am to

11.15am The Official Opening with morning tea will be at 10.30am. Meet at the beautiful Water Dragon on Gordon Street (opposite Finnians). *See you there.*



Friday 29th September

Pop Up IT @ Port Library

Pop up I.T. Open Day @ Port Library

9.30am to 11.30am You are invited to come in and try the latest in 'weird techie stuff' at Port Macquarie-Hastings Library's new Tech Room

- Virtual Reality, 3D Printer, Makey Makey, Raspberry Pi.

All ages welcome. No bookings required...just come along



Wednesday 4th October



Makers Market @ Port Library

9.30am to 12 noon Young stall holders are invited to sell

their handicrafts. **Registration essential** - see Virginia - 6581 8755 or

virginia.cox@pmhc.nsw.gov.au



Wednesday 4th October



Yoga For Young Ones @ Port Library

Join Phoebe from Nectar Creative Therapies for two Yoga sessions. **Pre-schoolers** with parents/carers are invited to join in a workshop from **10 am to 10.30am** and **school aged children (6 years to 10 years)** from **11.15am to 11.45am**. Bookings essential 6581 8755

Thursday 5th October



Port Macquarie Family Fun Day

Join in all the fun at Findlay Park Findlay Avenue Port Macquarie (near Westport High School). **Loads of fun for all the family.** 10am to 1pm. Look out for the Library Van.

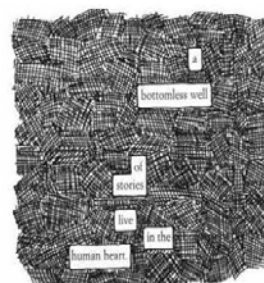
Friday 6th October



Blackout Poetry @ Port Library

10am to 11.30am

Returning by popular demand, we are gathering to explore this exciting idea. Blackout poetry focuses on rearranging words to create a different meaning. **A great activity for teens.** For bookings, please call 6581 8755



All activities free

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Port Macquarie Library - Corner Gordon & Grant Streets, Wauchope Library - High Street (near Post Office)

Laurieton Library - Laurie Street (near School of Arts Hall)

See you at the Library!