Welcome to Week 5 of Term 4.

Stage 2 have returned unscathed from their Brisbane adventure! A great time was had by all. The kids were awesome. Rock climbing was a real highlight, with many of our students showing incredible potential. A huge thankyou to our staff who attended, Miss Morrison, Mr Freebairn, Mr Moseley, Pete, Luke and Lee. Their enthusiasm and energy throughout the trip was wonderful and they were instrumental in ensuring our Stage 2 kids had a great time. Thank you also to our wonderful parents and carers who supported their children in attending, what was for many, their first 2 nights away from home. Your confidence in our staff and willingness to support our initiative was very much appreciated. We have some lost property in the foyer which can be picked up at any time, along with medications.

We conducted our Bush Fire Drill on Monday with our regional WHS rep in attendance. Tracey was most impressed with the attitude of our students throughout the drill. Their responsible decision making was a credit to them. We were all out and safely accounted for at EJ Biffen field within 12 minutes.

Kickstart session 2 was again held on Friday. Please be sure to encourage anyone that has a child starting Kindergarten in 2016 to come along and participate in the transition activities.

This Tuesday, Keenan Breasley will be officially recognised through the District Aboriginal Education Awards, for his public speaking success. We will travel to Woolgoolga Public School to acknowledge the efforts of both Keenan and other Aboriginal students who have acted as great role models for their peers throughout 2015.

Presentation Day preparations will begin in earnest on Wednesday afternoon as staff meet to consider recipients for our end of year awards. The awarding of students at this annual celebration is a chance to really focus in on excellence and engagement. I am really looking forward to seeing our hall packed with parents and carers who can help us to celebrate the achievements of these wonderful students.

Year 5 students have been briefed on their opportunity to present a speech on why they would be a great school leader in 2016. This is quite a nerve racking ordeal for many of our students, but one that each and every one of them will be encouraged and supported to participate in. Please contact me or your child’s classroom teacher should they be stressing excessively about their speech at home. We do expect each and every student to have a go and will support them right throughout the process. Speeches will begin next week at each morning assembly. Students involved have a time table so that parents and carers can plan to come in and have a listen.

Have a great week. Todd.
Stage 3 girls had a great lesson in Girl Talk last week with a special visit from Deb Munse. Deb showed the girls how to cleanse and wash their hands using Deb’s very own natural products. They then made soy candles and melts. The girls were really excited about the day’s lesson and had plenty of questions for Deb!
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**P&C Fundraiser Calendar**

It’s getting close to that time of year again for our calendars. Photos have been increasingly popular choices for the calendars, so start getting your ideas now. If you still wish for your child’s drawings on the calendar this year, then special paper will be available from the Front Office. All pictures must be drawn on the special paper. Come and see our display in the Front Office for great, cheap gift ideas. Order forms will be sent out in Term 4. For more info go to [www.crazycamel.com](http://www.crazycamel.com)

Artwork is due on Friday 13th November.

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**Community News**

**Skate demos, competitions and learn to skate at Macksville Park Fun and Fitness Official Opening and Nambucca River Festival**

Everyone’s invited to join in the fun when Macksville Park Fun and Fitness is officially opened with special skate demos and competitions at Macksville Skate Park on Saturday 28 November.

The event begins at 9.30am at the skate park, with pro skaters showing off their moves. Bring your own skateboard or scooter to have a go in the competitions or get a free lesson throughout the morning. The events are suitable for kids of all ages.

Nambucca Shire Council and the NSW government have funded the skate park and other works in Macksville Park, including lighting for the touch football fields, a community recreation room at the Macksville Memorial Aquatic Centre and fitness trails throughout the park. For more information closer to the day, see Council’s website at [www.nambucca.nsw.gov.au](http://www.nambucca.nsw.gov.au)

In the late morning, the Nambucca River Festival kicks off with events on the Nambucca River and on the foreshore. Music, food, and festivities will continue throughout the weekend. For more information on the Festival, go to [www.nambuccariverfestival.com.au](http://www.nambuccariverfestival.com.au)