

# Newling News



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Term 4 Week 10

7th December 2015



## Student of the Week Kayalanna

Kayalanna is always helping her peers. She is always willing to assist and show her friendship, if a pencil is dropped, Kayalanna is the first to pick it up. This is a great use of the 'Getting Along' Key.

Kayalanna loves to read and she uses words from around the room to help with her writing. Kayalanna has been showing great confidence in Mathematics and her hard work has improved her mathematical skills.

She can read two digit numbers and can count backwards from 10 with ease. Congratulations to Kayalanna.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Graduation Gathering

On Friday our newest students received their graduation certificates and were welcomed 'officially' to school with the presentation of school packs in readiness for Kindergarten in 2016.

We also acknowledged the departing students in Year 6, who go onto the next phase of their education in 2016 with the move to high school, with the presentation of the 'graduation bears'.

We thank the P&C who donated these 'gifts' from their fundraising efforts throughout 2016. Without the wonderful support of the P&C this would not have been possible.

The 'Transition class' will continue this week. This Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December will be the last day for this class.

### Big Breakfast

The very generous 'Breakfast Club' volunteers prepared a delicious breakfast on Thursday morning for students and their families.

Thank you to the parents who made the time to come and enjoy a meal with the volunteers, staff and the children at our school.

### Breakfast Club will not operate this week.

We thank the volunteers who have been busy all year preparing a hearty breakfast for our students four mornings each week. Their support of our students and school is greatly appreciated.

### Presentation Day / Fete / Gala Night – Tuesday 15th December

Tuesday will be one extraordinary day of recognition, celebrations and fun.

Presentation Day assembly will commence at 10:30am and conclude at approximately 11:30am with morning tea to follow.

The Fete will run from 5:00pm – 6:30pm.

Finally, Gala Night Concert starts at 7:00pm.

Christmas Hamper Raffle will be drawn at the conclusion of the Gala night performance.

### EFTPOS

It did not get here in time for Swim school payments but it is now here! Last week our EFTPOS machine was installed in office after requests from parents and community to make payments at office more convenient.

We will evaluate how effective this 'machine' is over the course of next year. We hope that having this technology at the office makes payments to school easier in future.

### Swim School

Swim school continues this week with one hour lessons at the TAS Pool. Last week our students' confidence in the water grew immensely as they practiced basic water safety skills. This week with the extended lessons we should see an even more dramatic growth in swimming skills.

### P and C Meeting

The final P&C meeting for 2015 was held today. With just one week before the end of year Fete, all final arrangements

were made.

We thank the dedicated parents and friends who attend these meetings and do an outstanding job supporting our school and the students. Thank you to all P&C members for your efforts throughout the year.

### Christmas Hamper Raffle

The Hampers continue to grow and we thank everyone who has made a donation. The donation of non-perishable items is still welcomed.

The Hamper Raffle is drawn on the Tuesday evening at the end of the Gala Concert. We ask that all tickets, sold or unsold, are sent back prior.

### Disco

On Tuesday evening we will be hosting a Year 6 Farewell Disco. Tickets will be for sale Monday and Tuesday this week at recess. The Disco will run from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. The cost will be \$2 for entry, and include a drink and snack during the Disco. All money raised will go toward Year 6 gift for school.

We look forward to all students, being present to Farewell our 'Class of 2015'.

### Reports

Semester 2 reports will be given to students this week. They provide a point in time summary of your child's achievement over the whole school year. Should you wish to discuss anything contained in the report, please contact the school to arrange a suitable time to meet with the class teacher.

### Star Awards

In the past weeks "You're a Star Award" certificates have been achieved by students who are using the *You Can Do It* keys to success and demonstrating persistence, resilience, organisation, getting along and confidence.

Congratulations to our recipients: **Nahri, Tia, Jessica, Stan Davies, Jamara** and **Caitlin**.

**Murray Cox**

**Principal**

## Important Dates

### DECEMBER

*Swim school all week – concludes 11th December*

*Year 6 Farewell Disco - Tuesday 8th 6.00 pm*

*Presentation Day/Fete/Gala Night/Concert - all on Tuesday 15th December*

*Last Day for students – 16<sup>th</sup> December*

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*School resumes – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2016*

*Swimming Carnival - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2016*

## P and C Notices

The final P & C meeting for 2015 is on Monday 7th December at 2pm.

### CHRISTMAS HAMPER



Donations are now being accepted for the Christmas Hamper. Please bring/send non-perishable items in to the school office. Thanks for your support.



### CHRISTMAS RECIPE BOOK

If you have a favourite family recipe could you please send it in to add to the recipe book. Thank you



## NECOM Trio

Our students were enthralled by the classical performance provided by the NECOM Trio last Thursday.



## 2016 CONCERT

Our end of year concert practice is in full swing. Students have been practicing their lines, songs and dance moves. Below is a list from K - 4 class teachers regarding costumes for the evening.

**Kindergarten** - 'Party' clothes - Tops/ Shirts Plain coloured please. (avoid Logos) Enclosed shoes must be worn.

**Year 1/2** - Shorts, Singlet top and thongs. (thongs for concert only)

**Year 3/4** - Jeans and bright coloured T-Shirt, baseball cap and joggers.

The Beginner Guitar group gave an excellent performance at the gathering on Friday.



## LIBRARY NEWS

All Library books must be returned to the Library this week please.

Look under your bed, check the cupboards. You can return books on any day this week.



Armidale District Baptist Church  
cnr Rusden & Jessie Sts

invite you to ...

**Our Holiday Kids Club**  
**Superheroes**  
Jesus is the Greatest Superhero!

Monday 11th to Friday 15th January 2016  
9am to 3pm



**EARLY BIRD SPECIAL**  
If you book and pay **BEFORE 31st December**  
\$7 per day or \$30 for the week  
**AFTER 31st December**  
\$10 per day or \$40 for the week

All kids K to 6

Morning & Afternoon Tea provided. Children bring own lunch, drink bottle & hat. Please make sure everything is labelled.

For bookings & enquiries ...

Please ring or email Ben Pratt  
0438 562 641, [bf.pratt@outlook.com](mailto:bf.pratt@outlook.com)



## Quote of the week

Before you put on a frown today, make  
perfectly sure that there are no smiles  
available!

### ABSENTEE NOTE

(To be returned to Classroom Teacher first day back after absence)

STUDENT'S NAME..... Class ..... Date of Absence/s .....

Reason for Absence

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Signature of Parent/Caregiver..... Date.....

