



Wow how quickly this year has flown by! We only have 4 weeks to go, but as always they will be very busy weeks, preparing for our annual Christmas concert, Year 6 farewell, movie day, Ice-skating show and that's just the tip of the iceberg.

I would like to personally thank Ms Webb for giving up time to take the students Yr 5-6 to Katoomba and Bathurst. I would like to congratulate the students on their excellent behaviour. I know Ms Webb was very proud of all students as they upheld the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Excellence.

Our Swim School has been underway for the past week, although we have had some weather disruptions, the children have coped brilliantly. Hopefully this week will go more smoothly. Year 5-6 and teachers are having a fabulous time at the Lake Macquarie High School Headstart transition weeks. The activities have been fun and exciting and I'm very proud to hear how polite and well-mannered our students are, they are a credit to their parents and carers and a great reflection on our school.

The weather is heating up and students are required to bring their school hat to school every day so that they can be sun safe during recess and lunch and during outdoor lessons. Please ensure that a hat is packed in your child's school bag. Unfortunately, there are a number of students who have decided to wear different coloured caps to school instead of a school hat. Please see the office if you require a new school hat for your child.

I've become increasingly concerned over the number of students who are here at school before 8.30am each morning. Each day I see lots of students in school well before 8.30am, sometimes arriving before any school staff are on site. There is absolutely no supervision for students prior to 8.40am and it is not safe for students to be on site before that time.

At this point of year we're doing lots of planning for 2020. While we don't wish to see anyone leave us, we know that sometimes the end of year brings movements out of the area and even interstate. If you are aware that you are moving at the end of this year, we ask if you can please let the office know so we are able to accurately plan our staff and classes for 2020.

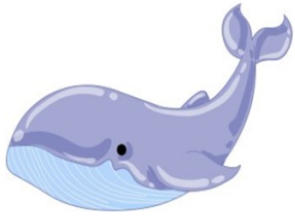
Louise Wrightson

Principal



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The Whales have certainly been busy these last few weeks. In week 4 they went on camp with Miss Webb and from the reports we received, they all had a wonderful time and some even managed to strike gold! For week

5 and 6, the whales are attending HeadStart transition at Lake Macquarie High School. All students have participated in activities with enthusiasm and respect. This is a great program that gives our senior students an opportunity to experience high school life and familiarise themselves with the school and staff before commencing high school. We look forward to being back at school next week to share our experiences with everyone!



Mrs Haydon and Mrs Wilkinson



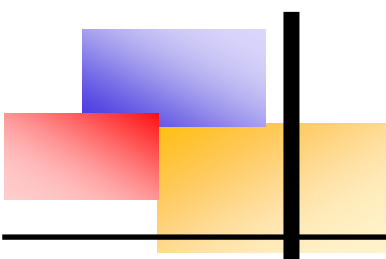
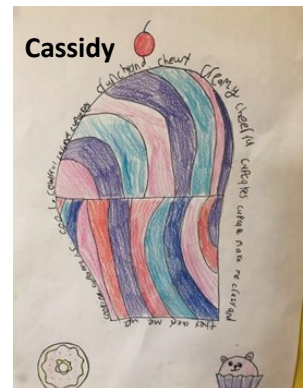
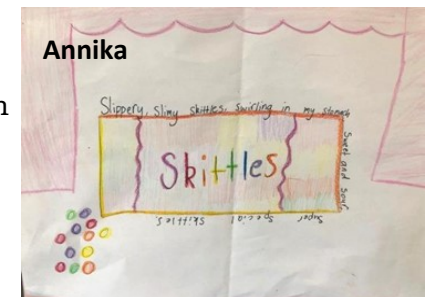
It has been great having Swim School this term, with all of the kids getting in and having a go, yet such a shame the students have missed out on a few days. The Stingrays have still been learning about different types of poetry and have created

some Acrostic poems and poems using onomatopoeia. In maths we have been doing daily number talks and have started multiplication which is a bit trickier but good to get those brains sweating!

It was great to have some of the Year 4's at the Remembrance Day Ceremony at the Speers Point Cenotaph. Jasmine read 'Road to Passchendaele' beautifully and in front of a big crowd so we were very proud of her.

We have been learning the 'Heel, Toe' for Dance this term and although the kids might not want to hold hands, they are having a lot of fun. The students will be performing a short play for Friday's assembly, so please come along to watch!

Miss Webb

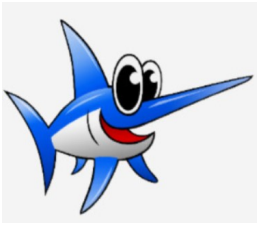


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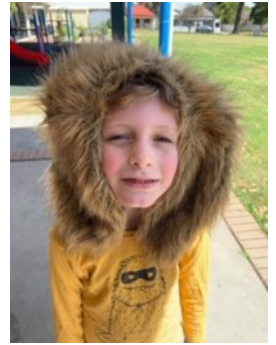


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The last couple of weeks the students have been focused on reading with expression and fluency and projecting their voice in front of a crowd. We were both very proud of their assembly performance of the 'The Very Cranky Bear'. Thank you to all the parents who came and watched, we definitely have some budding actors in the class!



We have continued to look at visual literacy in the classroom, the students have been analysing short films and picture books on how different colours are used to show emotions and where the character is looking. It has made the children more aware that these factors play an important part in delivering a message as well as the text.



In Geography, we have been studying about the impacts of how different weather conditions affects people, animals and food. We have been watching closely the devastating bushfires that have been happening around us and as a class, we decided to organise a fundraiser. So tomorrow, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November, all children are asked to wear mufti and bring a gold coin donation. We will also be selling ice-creams for \$1. These funds will go directly to the NSW Rural Fire Service. Thank you for your support.

Mrs Lynch and Mrs Clark



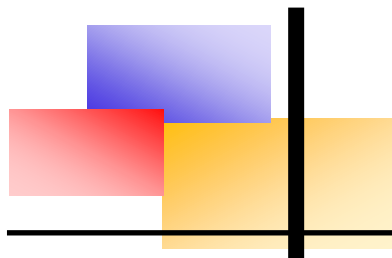
It's hard to believe that we are already in week 6! The Clownfish have been working super hard in literacy groups. This week we have particularly enjoyed the sound shoot game where we have to use the crocodile



to shoot a letter, then say the sound and write it.

We have been matching pictures and sentences then practising our neatest handwriting.

We have also been playing some fun letter and rhyming board games for word work. Here are some photos of us working hard in literacy groups!



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Last week we read the book 'The Bad Seed'. We talked about being a good friend and making good choices at school. We wrote letters to the bad seed making suggestions on how he could make better choices and be friendly to others. We also completed these super baaaaaaaad seed artworks!



We are so excited to be starting Christmas themed activities in our classroom soon. We have already started practising our songs for the annual school Christmas concert. The Clownfish plan on putting our class Christmas tree up next week which should be lots of fun! We can't wait to see if our classroom elves arrive soon after it... We hope they aren't as cheeky and naughty as they were last year! Bring on some Christmas fun!  
Miss McCaw and the Clownfish

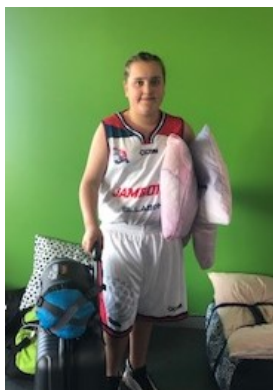


## BPS Little Stars

As you may know Payton started Basketball in late 2017 after the Newcastle Basketball Academy ran a sporting program here at Boolaroo PS.



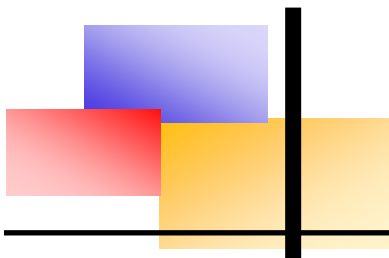
They were very excited for Payton to try out for their U12's Rep side for 2018 and we were very proud she made the Div 2 team. Payton made the U12's girls Div 1 team in 2019 and has gone on to compete in many tournaments at Hunter rep level; They were almost undefeated and won the competition leading them to play at a State level!



Payton has had some great opportunities within Basketball even playing in the intermission of the HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS!

More recently Payton was selected by NSW Country Basketball to attend a NSW Basketball Jamboree held in Tamworth in the first week of the school holidays just gone.

She had an amazing experience and made lovely new life long friends! We are very proud of Payton's Basketball achievements.



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**Commonwealth Student Banking day is each**

**Tuesday:** Students can drop their completed bank deposit book to the office in the morning for processing. Every deposit will earn a token, ten tokens can be used to claim a reward. Deposits also help to raise money for Boolaroo PS.



Thank you to those families that have already given notes and payment in for Movie Day \$7.00 and Beauty and the Beast on Ice \$15.00. If you have not done so the permission note for Beauty and the Beast is on Schoolstream.

No permission note is required for movie day as it is covered in the local walking permission.

Payments can be made via cash, EFT, or parent online payment (POP) via the school website.

Payments made for swim scheme that were not used due to weather cancelations will be applied to excursion fees.

Any questions or concerns please call  
in or phone the office.



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The school acknowledges the traditional custodians of this land.

