Regatta

Boat building is taking place in all rooms this week. Time to send in boxes and any paper craft items that could be used to decorate the boats. Old Christmas cards and wrapping paper are most welcome in all classes.

Mufti Day

Friday 5th December is a mufti day run by Year 6 as a fundraiser for the school. Children, please dress comfortably for the weather, remembering no sleeveless tops and you must wear closed in shoes and wide brim hat to play in the playground. Bring a gold coin donation, all funds raised go back to the school as a gift from Year 6.

School recipe book

We have around 30 beautiful school recipe books left and we would like to have them all sold. They will look great wrapped under your tree for your special someone this Christmas, and at the sale price of just $15 each, they are great value. Contained within is more than 130 of our school community’s best recipes - with lots of healthy options as well as some taste busters for special occasions. Download an order form from the school website (under P&C link) or alternatively leave a note with payment at school reception.

School Disco

Our fund raising committee has put a lot of effort into this week's school disco. If you have not yet paid for your child to attend, please send notes and money in ASAP.

Mrs Knight Donation

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation towards Erica’s ‘World Vision’ farewell gift. If you would like to make a small donation It's Disco Time

Get ready for lots of fun at our Christmas themed disco this Friday.

Annabel, Clara & Bailey having fun at last year’s disco.
towards this, please do so at the office.

**BYOD - Bring Your Own Device Procedures**

DEC has implemented a BYOD policy for all schools. From the start of 2015, students and their parents will need to sign a student agreement before devices can be brought to school.

The following will apply from the start of 2015.

- The smallest size allowable is that of an iPad mini or Kindle. iPod touches, iPhones or similar devices are not permitted under our BYOD policy.
- Devices should have the Mathletics App installed.
- All Apps that can be opened by student must be G rated (ie under 12, no violence or swearing).
- If a device holds PG, M or R rated Apps or data, these need to be in a file that has a parental lock installed or altogether removed from the device. Students are not to download APPS at school unless requested by their teacher.

Please note: Unless under special circumstances approved by the principal, devices can only be brought to school by students in Years 4-6. Younger students can still bring their iPod for use on the bus to and from school. Students will also need to sign the student agreement. iPods must be in school bags or the office during the school day. More information will be made available at the start of 2015.

**Student Academic Reports**

We would like to clarify the report system used in our school. The five areas of outstanding, high, sound, basic and limited and what they mean were not determined by our school. They have been mandatory requirements as per DEC and BOSTES guidelines since 2006. The only change we could make to them is to use A-E grades instead.

Our school is aware this could be confusing for parents. Each stage is for two years (except for kindergarten) so when a child is constantly achieving a SOUND grade, it appears that they have had no growth. This is why we divided each stage into four and introduced the indicators of where a student should be at each quarter of their stage. This way you can see the growth your child has made when you compare previous reports. Please note that when a child moves from one stage to the next, they will most likely look as if they have gone backwards—rather they are just at the start of a new two year period. A sound grade, as determined by BOSTES and DEC, is explained on the front of your child’s report. If you feel the report is not an accurate picture of your child, please contact your child’s teacher or Mrs Latta.

Please note: For legal purposes, each child will receive ONE academic report. If you require a second report for a non-residential parent, please contact the school before 3.30pm Thursday 4th December 2014 and this will be arranged. Both reports will be in the one envelope.

**LSTT Band**

Our next Performance, Lennox Carols by Candlelight, is on this Sunday 7th December. The Carols are being held at Williams Reserve, Lennox Head. The band is performing at 5.25pm. Students need to be ready in their uniform, with their instrument by 5.10pm. Don’t forget your Xmas Bling! Our last Junior Band performance for the year is Teven Tintenbar School Concert on Tuesday Dec 16. This will be held at Teven Tintenbar P.S. The band is performing between 5.50 and 6.10pm.

Teven Students will then have time to prepare for their class items. Thank you for all your support in 2014, Fiona Clarke and Mark Whitney

**This week’s song**

This weeks song is ‘Wildest Dreams’ by Taylor Swift and was chosen by Kate and Taylah ‘because it is the best song’.

**Guitar Lessons**

Students will be performing at the School Concert on Tuesday 16th December.

**Milo Cricket**

During Term one 2015 there will be a Milo Cricket program running after school. Further details will be provided in next years newsletter.
CHRISTMAS DISCO

Christmas Disco: Friday, 5 December: 6.30 – 8.30pm

With just two more sleeps to go until the Christmas Disco, the excitement is starting to build. The disco will be held this year in the kindergarten room at school.

Here are some do’s and don’ts for the night:

DO’s:

- Come along dressed up in something Christmassy. There are prizes for the best dressed
- Remember to arrive around 6.15pm ready for the disco at 6.30pm
- Do bring your spare change as we will be selling party food, drinks and slushies as well as some specially ordered light up Christmas novelties
- Watch out for the man in red
- Bring your party shoes – it’s going to be lots of fun

DON’Ts:

- Don’t worry about having dinner prior as we will be selling GF sausages in bread on the night
- Parents, leave your alcohol at home please
- Drop and run. Students need to be escorted to and from the disco by a parent / guardian. While parents no longer need to sign in and out, we do need students to ‘register’ on arrival and departure

The Fundraising Committee

CHRISTMAS DISCO

If you have not already returned your permission notes please do so and enclose $7 entry fee per child to the school TOMORROW, THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER. This is to ensure we cover the cost of the DJ to allow the event to go ahead.

I give permission for my child/ren:

Name: ____________________________ from class ________________
Name: ____________________________ from class ________________
Name: ____________________________ from class ________________

to attend the school disco on Friday, 5 December 2014, and have enclosed $__________ payment.

In the interests of child safety, please provide the name of the parent/person who will be collecting your child from this event. Note that we will no longer be requiring parents to sign their children in and out, but parents will need to physically escort their child/ren to and from the disco area (ie. no dump and runs please).

Name of person picking up child/ren: ____________________________________________

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Parents Name (please print) Parents signature

All offers of assistance to help on the night are much appreciated. If you can help out, please indicate below:

Name & contact details: _____________________________________________________________________