



26th July, 2019

First Week in August—Dental Week

Friday 2nd August—Zone Athletics Carnival

Tuesday 6th August to Tuesday 13th August—Book Fair

Tuesday 6th August to Friday 9th August—Writing Expo—8:30am-9am and 3:10pm-3:40pm

Friday 9th August—Book Parade - 9am

Friday 9th August—Confirmation—St Mary's Church Maclean at 6pm



NAIDOC WEEK 2019

Yesterday we celebrated NAIDOC week 2019. Michael Laurie, Uncle Ron Heron and Aunty Patricia Laurie welcomed us to Country and performed a smoking ceremony.

We walked through a path of 'Walking Together for Voice, Treaty and Truth' to the hall where Michael taught a traditional dance, while Uncle Ron and Aunty Patricia talked about Bush Tucker and Bush Medicine and shared stories from our Yaegl people around the yarning mat.

Here is some feedback from the children:

CC—I really like hearing about the Aboriginal culture and bush medicine. The artifacts were really interesting.

Benji—I liked how we learnt about Aboriginal culture and what they did to live and survive. I also like how they speak traditional language and respect earth.

Tully—I loved the smoking ceremony and learning a traditional dance. I liked the stories.

Luke—The smoking ceremony was so good because it smelt good and made me feel calm. The traditional stories were really interesting.



Thank you to Sue Frazer for the great ideas and organisation.



Sacramental Programs

Children from Stages 2 and 3 are busy preparing for the sacraments of Confirmation (Maclean St Mary's August 9th), Reconciliation (at school August 21st) and Eucharist (St James Church Yamba August 24th). We ask you to keep these children in your prayers.

Today all of Year 4 are in Grafton at **Accendere**. This is a chance build fellowship with children from other Catholic schools of the same age. For all children it is a wonderful day to begin thinking about how they can be the best they can be and how they can continue to grow as people of care, justice and solidarity.

Mass- You are all invited to the Parish School Mass this Saturday where we join with the parish community who support us in many ways.

Ann Dawson
SEACS

Little J's

Little J's went on a hunt around the school to find the Gingerbread Man! We found him in the library with gingerbread cookies.



Parish School Forum Meeting

Thursday 8th August
Start 5:30pm in the School Hall
All Welcome

Book Week Parade- Save the date!

On the **9th August at 9am**, we will be having a Book Week Parade for all students. We will all be dressing up as book characters and this year's theme is, "Reading is my Superpower!". If your name gets pulled out of a hat you will receive a voucher to spend at the book fair! All parents, grandparents & carers invited to come along.



Writing Challenge - Trim the Cat

Matthew Flinders came ashore in July 1799 to replenish water supplies and repair his sloop HMS Norfolk. He named it Shoal Bay which eventually became Yamba, 11 years after Port Phillip was established. His cat Trim was his companion on the trip and I would love you to find out about Trim and any stories of his visit to Yamba - A hint is to visit the Yamba Museum . Please bring me any stories you discovered in the holidays .

Lisa Dougherty
Leader of Pedagogy

Congratulations to the following students who completed the St James' Primary Winter Holiday Reading Challenge!
Keep up the fabulous reading!

Stage 1	Early Stage 1
Lola Dougherty Fin Waghorn Zoe Edwards Sage Edwards	Sarai Waghorn Slater Petersen Jensen Homewood Sol McInnes



Term 3 Sport

Athletics

Next Friday 2nd August our Athletics team will be travelling to Coffs Harbour to compete at the Clarence Zone Athletics carnival. Children need to make sure that they have returned their permission note and money by Wednesday 31st July. Students who are successful at the Zone carnival will then progress to the Lismore Diocesan Carnival to be held at South Lismore on Friday 23rd August.

School Sport

All classes will be participating in a 4 week touch football program this term. The program will begin on Friday 23rd August and, for students in Stage 2 and 3, will finish with their participation in the annual Lower Clarence Primary Schools Touch Carnival to be held on Friday 20th September.

Martin Dougherty
Sport Coordinator

Term 2 Week 10 Awards Assembly- Fri 5th July 9am

Principal's Award- Oscar Enns

Sassafras Sports Awards

ES1- Harley Easdown
S1- Eli Byrne
S2- Rohan Chivers Smith
S3- Cecilia Strain

ES1 Class Awards

SOW- Jake Seivers
Achievement- Kash Edwards
Encouragement- Slater Petersen
MJR- Siaan Lloyd-Smith
Be Your Best Self- Emily Tempest

S1 Class Awards

SOW - Indie Wright
Achievement- Lola Dougherty, Sage Edwards
Encouragement- Scarlett Long, Savana Wheatley-Mazzitelli, Clarence Dougherty, Aaron Perry
MJR - Gemma Hollington
Be Your Best Self - Zoe Edwards

S2 Class Awardss

SOW- Tully Waghorn
Achievement- Katie Courtney, Jack Carolan
Encouragement- Mitchell Galouzis, Will Hutchinson
MJR - Ellie White
Be Your Best Self- Leyla McInnes

St James' Award- Imogen Lee



S3 Class Awards

SOW- Declan McKone
Achievement- Jessie White, Casseea Lovell
Encouragement- Noah Smith, Felicity McKone
MJR - Cooper Crouch
Be Your Best Self - James Hutchinson



Oscar Enns—27th July,
Sage Edwards—30th July,
Finn Brossman—1st August,
Fr Nicolas—2nd August,
Tayah Cole—3rd August,
Imogen Lee—3rd August,

Isabel Duckett—8th August, Grace
Finnegan—8th August

Eisteddfod

Willow Seivers—Highly Commended
Sailor Short—Highly Commended
Pippi Short—2nd Prize and Highly Commended, 1st Place in duet.
Arlo Short—two 1st Prizes in solos, one 1st Prize in duet, one 3rd Place
Oscar Enns—two first Places, two 2nd Places, 2nd in Family Event.

Term 3—2019

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Monday 5th August to Wednesday 14th August—Book Fair

Tuesday 6th August to Friday 9th August—Writing Expo

Thursday 8th August—Forum Meeting—5:30pm in School Hall

Friday 9th August—Book Week Parade

Friday 9th August—Confirmation—Maclean

Thursday 15th August—Mass in School Hall—12pm

Thursday 15th August—Meerkat Production 2pm to 3pm

18th August to 22nd August—S3 Sydney/Canberra Excursion

Wednesday 21st August—Reconciliation—School Hall 11:35am

Friday 23rd August—Diocesan Athletics at Lismore

**Saturday 24th August—First Holy Communion 5:30pm St James Church
Yamba**

Monday 26th August—Safe on Social—Cyber Safety Education

Friday 30th August—Fathers Day Breakie

Wednesday 4th September—Zone Soccer/Netball Carnival at Grafton

Wednesday 11th September—Stage 2 Gala Day in Grafton

Friday 20th September—Touch Gala Day

Thursday 26th September—Last Day Term 3

Friday 27th September—Pupil Free Day

BOOK FAIR 2019

Dear Parents and Families:

Reading for pleasure inside and outside of school has real and long-lasting benefits. It unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here's what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- **Have a collection of books in the home. Update this collection routinely to keep pace with changing tastes and reading skills.**
- **Support our school's Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.**

Our Scholastic Book Fair is a reading event that brings to school the books kids want to read. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level. Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

Book Fair dates: Tues 6 Aug- Tues 13 Aug

Shopping hours: Each morning from 8:30 - 9:00 & each afternoon 3:10- 3:40pm

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair!

Remember, all purchases benefit our school library.

In order for the fair to be successful we need some parent volunteers to assist with the selling of the books. If you can spare 30 minutes before or after school to help out, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please write your name next to the time slot that suits on the form below and return to Sue in the office ASAP.

I can assist with the Book Fair on-(please tick a convenient day & time)

- ☐ Tues 6 Aug from 8:30-9am
- ☐ Tues 6 Aug from 3:10- 3:40pm
- ☐ Wed 7 Aug from 8:30-9am
- ☐ Wed 7 Aug from 3:10-3:40pm
- ☐ Thurs 8 Aug from 8:30-9am
- ☐ Thurs 8 Aug from 3:10-3:40pm
- ☐ Fri 9 Aug from 8:30-9am
- ☐ Fri 9 Aug from 3:10-3:40pm
- ☐ Mon 12 Aug from 8:30-9am
- ☐ Mon 12 Aug from 3:10-3:40pm
- ☐ Tues 13 Aug from 8:30-9am
- ☐ Tues 13 Aug from 3:10-3:40pm

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