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Friendship and Learning

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Term 3 – Week 4

In the classroom – year 3-6
More Acrostic Poems
Nippers is the best thing you will ever do.
It’s important to know how to swim.
People love to watch their children swim in the surf.
People fall down and lose but they get back up and try.
Every time I go to Nippers I feel happy.
Rope tied is one of my favourite things.
Sally loves to do Nippers with me.

By Jayden

Life is important to me because without life there’d be no earth.
I love my family and friends.
Feeling happy is the best feeling every.
Every day I have a laugh with my friends.

By Shania

Upcoming Bunnings Barbeque
Just a reminder that we will be holding a fundraising barbeque at Bunnings on Saturday 30th August. Please see Kathy Gillett to put your name on the roster, and to let her know if you are able to provide baked goods for the day.

Survey Due
We wish to remind parents, carers and community members to return the kindergarten survey now so planning can proceed.

Student of the Week
Seb Lazzarotto

Reader of the Week
Ben Johnson

Merit Awards
Deegan Fraser – Having great manners
Daley Jennens, Jess Walker, Deegan Fraser, Tristan Fernance – Gardening
Jordan Pettitt – Good contribution in class discussions
Tristan Fernance – Excellent effort in art
Shayne Beaumont – Excellent effort in art
Tristan Cross – 50 nights reading
Bella Allen – 100 nights reading
Deegan Allen – 100 nights reading

Coming Events for Term 3

Week 5
August 13 - Wed  Boat safety presentation – 11:30am
August 14 – Thurs Jump Rope for Heart demonstration – 11:30am – 1pm
August 15 – Fri  Zone Athletics

Week 6
August 18 - Mon  P&C meeting 6pm
August 18 – Mon ‘Fatty the Ratrod’ author & truck visit
August 18 – 27  Book week

Week 7
August 25 - 29  National Literacy & Numeracy Week

August 30 – Sat Bunnings BBQ – helpers required

Week 10
Sept 17 – Wed School Photographs
In the classroom K-2
Students in the K-2 classroom have now celebrated 100 days of school. There were many activities the students completed for this big event.

National Tree Day
Students in stage 2 & 3 participated in a tree planting for National Tree Week. Bunnings donated trees and representatives helped the students plant the trees.
Sydney Stage 3 Excursion
An expression of interest for Stage 3 Sydney excursion is attached to this newsletter. Please complete as soon as possible and return to school.

Bicycle Art
Mrs Hauritz has completed an art unit on bicycles. The unit began with the students’ interpretation of a bicycle which then evolved to a modelled version.

Library Overdue Books
Overdue lists were distributed last week. Please return books tomorrow during library lesson.

Wanted
Spare or scrap wool is needed for craft lessons in the k/1/2 class. All donations accepted. Thanks. Ms Lawton

Ways to encourage your young child to write
You don't have to be an expert to help your child with writing. Simply supporting your child with the areas of writing that you feel confident with will benefit them.

At a glance:-

- Kids need to understand that writing has a purpose.
- When you're writing something down, talk to your child about what you're doing and why.
- Praise your child for having a go at writing words that are new to them.
- Read your child's writing or get them to read their writing to you.
When your child has writing tasks for homework, help them understand why they have been given the writing task.

**Keeping your kids safe online is easy with a few simple precautions.**

1. Nothing replaces parental supervision and education for kids about cybersafety.
2. Set a technology curfew.
3. Remind your child to never give out identifying information such as your home address, school name or telephone number in a public message such as chat or newsgroups.
4. If your child posts photos online, use privacy settings to limit access to people they know well.
5. Remind your child that people don't always tell the truth online, and they can't take anything at face value.
6. Reassure your child that they can tell you anything, without fear of losing the laptop or internet access.
7. If they get a message or email that's threatening or rude, they should 'STOP, BLOCK, TELL'. First step is to tell your child to stop responding to the abuse and then block those people sending threatening or rude messages if they continue. Let your child know that if they are being bullied, or know someone else who is, they should tell a trusted adult.
8. Never click on any links that are contained in emails from people they don't know. As well as sexual content, they could contain a computer virus.
9. If you suspect your child has been contacted by a predator, try to save a copy of the chat log (or whatever form the contact takes) for evidence. Call Crime Stoppers 24-hour line 1800 333 000 to make a formal complaint.
10. Your child will be using computers and the technology for the rest of their lives – you're in the great position of being able to get them off to a safe, positive start.

Yours in education
Sheila Capperauld

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**Congratulations to Ben and Gus Jonson on receiving their Junior Black Belt from Master Chong Chul Rhee, Father of Australian Taekwondo. From all the Taree and Tuncurry students who now look to Ben and Gus for inspiration.**

**Bush Fire Danger Period and Fire Permits**

A Fire Permit is required for burning activities during the Bush Fire Danger Period. Please note that other restrictions, approvals and/or permits may apply to council areas where the Bush Fire Danger Period has not been declared. For example, backyard burning is not permitted in many suburban areas due to Environmental Regulations and Council or Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) permission is required.

**Note:** There is no hazard reduction or burning in the open. Permits have been suspended until conditions improve in the Greater Taree area. (rain)