

Tacking Point PS Newsletter

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Week 2, Term 3

3rd August 2018

APPROACHING CALENDAR EVENTS

Mon 6 th – Fri 10 th August	Education Week
Mon 6 th August	P and C Meeting 7.30pm - Staffroom
Tue 7 th August	STEM Fair Open Classrooms 10am-11am Ceremony of Excellence at the Glasshouse
Thu 9 th August	Aboriginal Dreamtime Experience K-6 - 9am
Friday 10 th August	K-2 Assembly 9am - General Assembly Stage 2 Assembly 2.00PM – Hosted by 3/4N
Fri 17 th August	District Athletics Carnival – Wauchope K-2 Assembly 9am – Hosted by KW Stage 3 Assembly 2.00pm
Thu 23 rd August	Book Parade K-6 9.15am

From the Desk of Mr Harris

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 3, on what will be another busy term!

Staff News:

Mrs Curtis has extended her leave and Mrs Schneider will now be teaching 1S for 4 days a week. We welcome Mrs Ostler who will be teaching 1S every Friday. The class have settled into their new routine extremely well.

Mrs Jordan will be on LSL in Week 3 and Mrs Moritz will be relieving Deputy Principal during that time. Mrs Le Febvre will be working with 5M that whole week.

Mrs Kennedy will be on leave in Week 3 and 4 and Mrs Higgins will be relieving School Administration Manager.

Mr Simpson will be on leave for the remainder of the term and Mr Cochrane and Mr Taylor will be working in the General Assistant's position during this time.

External Validation:

The leadership Team have been working hard with this. We have identified our evidence sets and will now be collecting evidence and matching this to the School Excellence Framework.

Education Week:

Education Week is next week with a number of activities in place.

- Monday: Morning Assembly under the COLA
- Tuesday: STEM FAIR, Open Classrooms and Ceremony of Excellence at the Glasshouse on Tuesday evening
- Thursday :Aboriginal Dreamtime Experience
- Friday: K-2 Assembly and Stage 2 Assembly

Parents are welcome to attend on Tuesday and visit classrooms, which are opened between 10am – 11am. Parents are also invited to stay and share recess with their child/ren on this day.

Parking Outside the School:

The Ranger will again be visiting and we remind parents about parking in the correct areas; being aware of safety, at all levels. We again, have had some serious breaches of safety outside the school, which could easily result in one of our children being hurt. **Crossings must be used at all times.** We have also had requests from neighbours, for children not to drop rubbish and food on the footpaths when children are leaving school walking home or to cars.

Skoolbag App:

We have been advised by SKOOLBAG, that they are currently updating the app to include additional features and also monitoring school usage. You maybe asked to provide your email and to create a log in password on SKOOLBAG. They have assured us that all information will remain secure and will not be used for promotional use.

Book Parade:

A reminder to all our children that our annual Book Parade is on Thursday 23rd August this year. Ms Horan will have plenty of information included in this week's eNewsletter.

Parent Meetings:

Many thanks to all our families who have indicated that they wanted parent meetings. This is an important step to ensure, home and school are working together to enhance the partnership and ensure your child works to their true potential. My congratulations to the families who are meeting with teachers over the coming weeks.

MINDSET: Fixed & Growth Mindset

Why we quit easily and lack motivation.

Perhaps you're "naturally academically gifted" or perhaps you have to work hard at school to achieve good results and even then "good results" may not be that great. Many students believe the reason they don't get good results is that they are not smart. As a result, they give up easily and lack motivation. Why bother working hard on a task if it is only going to end up making you feel disappointed or worse a failure.

What successful people have that most people don't have.

Successful people believe that failure is good! Yes, you read that right. Michael Jordon says, "I've failed over and over in my life and that is why I succeed". Some people see failure as a guide, clue, message, and information about what to improve so they can achieve their goal (they have a growth mindset). On the other hand, people who quit easily at the slightest hint of difficulty believe that failure is a reflection of who they are (fixed mindset).

What are fixed and growth mindsets?

1. Fixed Mindset

Many students believe that intelligence is fixed, that each person has a certain amount and that's it. This has been described as a fixed mindset. Students with this mindset worry about how much of this fixed intelligence they possess. A fixed mindset makes challenges threatening for students (because they believe that their fixed ability may not be up to the task) and it makes mistakes and failures upsetting (because they believe that such setbacks reflect badly on their level of fixed intelligence).

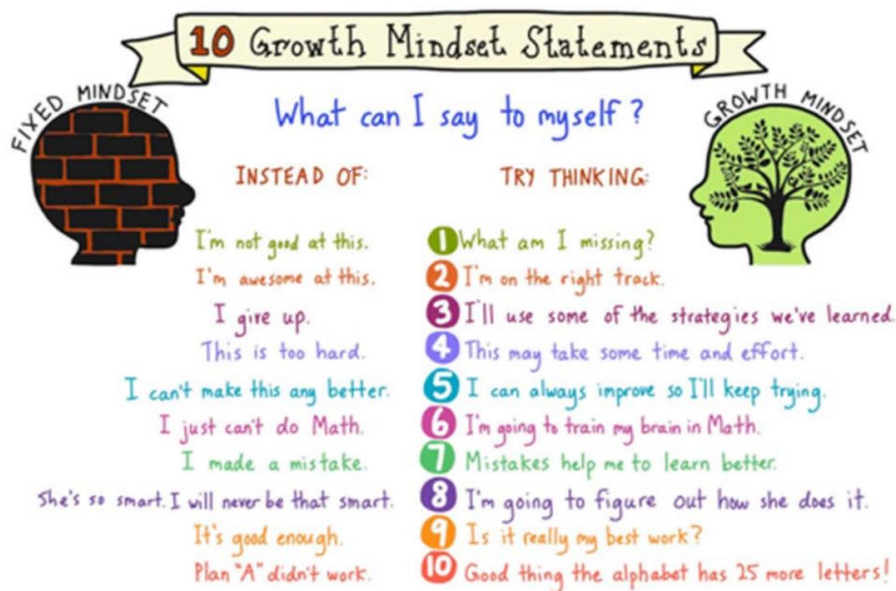
2. Growth Mindset

Other students believe that intelligence is something that can be cultivated through effort and education. They don't necessarily believe that everyone has the same abilities or that anyone can be as smart as Einstein, but they do believe that everyone can improve their abilities. They understand that even Einstein wasn't Einstein until he put in years of focused hard

work. Students with this growth mindset believe that intelligence is a potential that can be developed through learning. As a result, confronting challenges, learning from mistakes, and persevering in the face of setbacks become ways of getting smarter.

Develop A Growth Mindset

What you think, your self-talk, in other words, what you say to yourself matters! Here are ten Growth Mindset statements.



Yours in education
Phil Harris - Principal

From the Deputy Principals

At a recent professional learning conference, we came across a website developed by the Department of Education. It gives practical help for parents in a number of areas including homework, wellbeing, technology and much more.

Within the website are 2 areas; English A-Z and Maths A-Z. These pages have help sheets, tips, videos and examples to help parents understand classroom language and concepts that their children are taught on a regular basis. The 'parent friendly' pages will hopefully be helpful for homework, assignments or in everyday conversations about what happened at school each day.

They can be found at <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/home>
Definitely worth a look!

Subtraction $245 - 28 = ?$

Subtraction problems will involve trading if there are more ONES, TENS, HUNDREDS in the number being taken away.

This means the children will have to trade some from the larger column, ie ONES will trade with TENS, TENS will trade with HUNDREDS etc.

Hundreds	Tens	Ones
2	4	5
-	2	8
2	1	7

We can't take 8 away from 5. There are more ONES in the number being taken away, so we need to trade 1 TEN into the ONES column to give us 15 ONES. 15 ONES - 8 ONES = 7 ONES. Now we only have 1 TEN left.

Mrs Kelly Jordan and Mr Trevor Thompson
Deputy Principals

If you want your children to turn out **WELL**, spend twice as much **TIME** with them, and half as much **MONEY**.

- Abigail Van Buren

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The *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey

We are delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the ***Tell Them From Me*** student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a *Tell Them From Me* student survey in 2016 and 2017 and will again this year in term 1 and 3. Asking students to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year. *More information about the survey is available at:* <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be invited to participate. A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey has been sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please inform the school by **Monday 13 August 2018**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

The *Partners in Learning* parent feedback survey

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

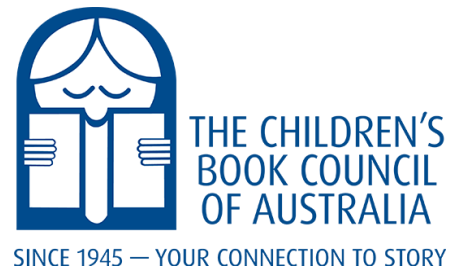
Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between **Monday 27 August and Friday 26 October**. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

Our school will provide further information about how to access the survey. In the meantime, more information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/>
Please contact me if you have any questions that the website has not answered for you; it simply is a snapshot of data that assists us to move our school forward under our strategic directions: Everyone Matters & Being Our Best.

This additional document may also answer any questions that you may have: http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/images/TTFM_Parent_Survey_FAQs_Parent_and_Carers_T32_017.pdf

Mrs Kelly Jordan
Deputy Principal



You're invited!

Book Parade 2018

When: Term 3: Week 5 Thursday 23rd August 2018

Time: 9:15 - 11:00am

Who: K-6

Theme: 'Find your Treasure'

In celebration of children's literature at our annual Book Parade, students, toddlers, teachers and parents are invited to come to school dressed in fancy dress costume of a favourite book character.

Some suggested book characters include:

- Classic fairy tales
- Dr Seuss – Cat in the Hat
- Mr Men series
- Enid Blyton characters
- Harry Potter
- Alice in Wonderland
- Classic poetry - e.g. The Man from Snowy River

Donate a book for \$10



A \$10 donation table will be available on the day where students, staff and parents can select books for a flat price of \$10 per title to donate to the school Library for all of our students to share and borrow to read. Your child's name or family name will be printed onto a special donation certificate at the front of the book and your child will be the first to borrow that title. Any donations would be greatly appreciated by all of our students and staff.

Looking forward to sharing this special day and making more wonderful memories!



Congratulations to the children and their families who have completed their Read Aloud Bookmarks this week Term 4 Week 4:

KW, Hamish Pope, Jack Morris, Kayla Button, Isa Balkin, **KC**, Braxton Bink, Lolani Collyer, Coco Cox, Joshua Harris, Isaac Chapman, Scarlett Brook, Sofia Hewens, **KE**, Lucas Browne, Grace Finney, Louis Burton, Lucy Archibald, Summer Booth, Harper Bargwanna, **KV**, Eden Barnes, Abbey Tretheway, Flynn Apthorpe, **1C**, Mahalia Anderson, Anneliese De Braun, **1J**, Kye Rickwood, Madeleine Chung **1K**, Alex Booth, Angus Hawken, Mikayla Fonyodi, **1/2G**, Hannah Young, Sam Moore, Grace Ashton, Allirah Rootes **2H**, Evelyn Archibald, Annie Randall, Jarryd Morgan, Wally Bull, **2M**, Sam Hewens, Tahlia Hall, **2R**, Noah Richards, Annabelle Ashton, **2S**, Grace Morris, Jonah Barnes, **3/4N**, Lucas Boath, Daisy Dunbar, Evie Hewens, **3J**, Sam Browne, Archie Hawken, **4O**, Arshak Martirosian, Lucy Robinson, **4H**, Lucy Rischards, **4R**, Jesper Robinson, Jaydan Rootes, Zen Steep-O'Brien, Lane Jordan, **5D**, Siena Crisafi, Lea Aubret, Isabella Campbell, **6B**, Ethan Apthorpe

Ms Horan
Teacher Librarian

K-2 Lighting the Way Awards

Term 2 Week 10



Term 3 Week 1



Kindergarten Enrolment 2019

Kindergarten enrolments for 2019 are now being taken. Please contact our office. We are again expecting 4 classes in 2019. Many thanks to the families who have already completed this process.

Lost Property

Office staff have been very busy sorting many items of lost property, including jackets, jumpers, hats and food containers. Labelled items have been returned to students. Please ensure all clothing, lunchboxes and drink bottles are clearly labelled. Thank you

TPDS Concert of Excellence

26th September, 2018

Now has Two BIG Performances

Tickets on sale from MONDAY 13th August, 2018

You are invited to attend our 14th Concert of Excellence on
Wednesday 26th September 2018
at the Glasshouse.

Matinee Performance

11.15am - 2.00pm (with a short interval)

TICKETS \$16 PER SEAT

CONCESSION and U/18 - \$10

On sale to the general public.

Evening Performance

6.15pm-9.15pm (with a short interval)

TICKETS \$16 PER SEAT

Prior to the evening performance starting, and during interval,
refreshments will be available in the foyer.

For your entertainment and enjoyment, impromptu performances by our musicians
Will take place in the foyer from 6.00pm.

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TICKETS \$16 PER SEAT

ON SALE FROM MONDAY 13th August, 2018
@ GLASSHOUSE BOX OFFICE.

As the Concert of Excellence will now be holding two performances both matinee and evening,
parents, grandparents, carers, family and friends may wish to purchase tickets and include
taking their own school children to the matinee performance.

Students who are not performing in the Concert of Excellence will have supervised activities at
school for the whole day.

Futsal Champions

Congratulations to two of our students, Hayden and Mitchell who competed for Australia in Futsal in the USA during the holidays. We are very proud of you both!



State Cross Country 2018

Congratulations to Oto and Grace who competed at the State Cross Country last week in Sydney. The competition was tough but we are told that they ran their hearts out! Sadly, Max was unable to compete due to an injury. We wish Max a speedy recovery.



Midwaste Food Smart

Come on TPPS families, **join** the **War on Waste!**

Register now for our Food Smart program.

Did you know that the average household throws away \$3,800 per household of perfectly good food each year - **what would you do with an extra \$3,800?**

Food Smart is a **FREE**

- save money
- reduce food waste at home,
- help the environment.

Food Smart involves families registering at <http://bit.ly/MidwasteFoodSmart> then:

- Day 1: Complete an online survey
- Day 7: First food waste study - receive email about conducting first food waste study and complete survey. **FREE Beeswax wrap workshop** for families who complete the first study
- Day 14: Receive email about using your **FREE** Food Smart Kit

- Day 21: Receive email about conducting second food waste study and complete survey
- Day 30: Receive Thanks for being part of Food Smart email and go in the draw for a beautiful **Oz Harvest cook book!**

We are partnering with MIDWASTE and the EPA to actively participate in Food Smart and join in the War on Waste!

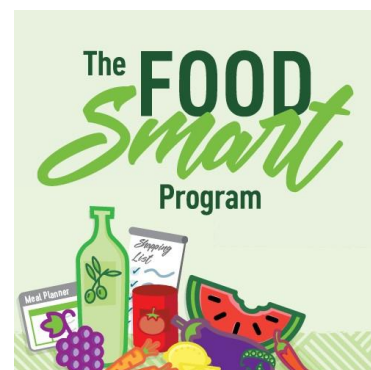
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Canteen

CANTEEN ROSTER

You can place lunch orders via the P&C's site <http://www.flexischools.com.au>

Mon 6/8	D.Gleave
Tue 7/8	A.Baker & R.Brennan
Wed 8/8	N.Mace & Y.Williams
Thu 9/8	A.Brickman & R.Brennan
Fri 10/8	H.Ryan, M.Brumby & R.Brennan
Mon 13/8	M.Dunn & R.Brennan
Tue 14/8	C.Baker & C.Clark
Wed 15/8	V.Wilson & help please
Thu 16/8	S.Willis & R.Brennan
Fri 17/8	R.Brennan & M.Fonyodi

In accordance with WH&S regulations, it would be appreciated if volunteers could please wear enclosed footwear and have long hair tied back. Thanks Leanne and Sandy.

UNIFORM SHOP

Open Mondays & Wednesdays 8.30 – 9.00am

Location: Assembly Hall

Uniforms can be viewed and purchased via the P&C's site <http://www.flexischools.com.au>

Community Notices

TODD WOODBRIDGE CUP

For students in Grades 3 & 4. Students do not need previous experience playing tennis, the event encourages participation, teamwork and a positive experience in physical activity.

Monday 13th August at Port Macquarie Tennis Club. Call 6584 9940.

SOUL SURFING

Kids Yoga with Soul Surfing: Creating a positive and fun journey with yoga. We learn postures, relaxation and kindness through yoga games and activities. 4 week block on Tuesday's 4-5pm \$40. 31st July - 21st August. Contact Loren on loren@soulsurfing.com.au or 0422957482


BECOME A VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILY

WEP is looking for families to join our community of wonderful volunteer host families. Contact WEP on 1300 884 733 for more information or email info@wep.org.au.

Glasshouse Port Macquarie presents a Monkey Bae Theatre Company Production

Josephine Wants To Dance

Based on the book by Jackie French and Bruce Whatley
adapted for the stage by Eve Di Cesare, Sandra Esling and Tim McGarry



BOOK NOW:
glasshouse.org.au
02 6581 8888

Tuesday 11 September, 9.30am, 11.15am, 1.15pm

A story about dreams, believing in yourself ... and a dancing kangaroo

suitable for ages 4-9 | duration 45 minutes

This project is supported by the NSW Government through Creative NSW. The project has been awarded by the NSW Government through the Creative NSW, to assist in setting and delivery costs.

Foster love

Foster care and make a positive difference to a child's life.

As a foster carer, giving a child a caring environment can make all the difference to their life. If you've ever thought about becoming a foster carer, why not come along and discover what's involved at one of our upcoming information sessions.

Monday, 6 August, 12pm - 2pm
Uniting Church
21 Gordon Street, Coffs Harbour

Monday, 3 September, 6pm - 8pm
Uniting Family House
7 McLean Street, Coffs Harbour


With heart.

Book your place now.
For more information or to register
uniting.org/fostering or call
1800 864 846



Uniting Child & Family Services – Hastings

Term 3 2018 Program

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
Mitji Guparr Playgroup For Aboriginal Families Venue to be advised (With Centacare) 10:00-12:00 23 Jul-24 Sep	First Time Parents Supported Playgroup Uniting Burnside Port Macquarie 10:00-11:30 24 Jul-25 Sep	Mum & Bubs Walk it Out Cultural Group Riverside Wauchope (With Centacare) 10:00-12:00 25 Jul-26 Sep	Mitji Wambuyn Playgroup For Aboriginal Families 4-Square Bethel Church High Street Wauchope 10:00-11:30 26 Jul-27 Sep		<p>We also offer all of these courses on a one-to-one basis for those who find group interaction a challenge.</p> <p>You can call us to set up an individual assessment for in-home visiting support if you are struggling with managing multiple kids, isolation, or anything else that might be impacting your ability to enjoy your family.</p> <p>Contact us on 02 6581 6600 for all enquiries & bookings.</p> 
Triple P Parenting Program Uniting Burnside Port Macquarie 10:00-12:00 30 Jul-20 Aug		Supported Fun Playgroup Uniting Church Hall Laurieton 10:00-11:30 25 Jul-26 Sep	Circle of Security Parenting Program Uniting Burnside Port Macquarie 10:00-12:00 16 Aug -27 Sep		
		Tuning in to Teens Emotional Intelligence Wauchope Library High Street Wauchope 12.15-2:15pm 01 Aug-05 Sep			
	RAGE for 10-13yr olds Re Navigating Anger & Guilty Emotions Uniting Burnside Port Macquarie 5:00-7:00pm 24 Jul-15 Aug	RAGE for 14-17yr olds Re Navigating Anger & Guilty Emotions Uniting Burnside Port Macquarie 5:00-7:00pm 05-26 Sep			

FUNDRAISING EVENT

You are invited to a closed screening of the latest Disney classic - Christopher Robin. Support a fantastic cause while watching the latest adventures of Winnie the Pooh & friends at the deluxe Laurieton Plaza Cinema.

Drinks & Canapes will be provided from 5.30pm with the screening of Christopher Robin at 6.30pm. Kids will receive a free choc top.

This special event aims to raise funds for Can Too who provide fitness training programs in return for much-needed support for Australian cancer research to fund the most brilliant, innovative cancer researchers.

Tickets available at 27 Grant Street, Port Macquarie or by phoning 02 6584 0977.

Facebook Event Link

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2176336365940068/>

Tell everybody, bring your friends for what promises to be a fun night supporting a fantastic charity.

Hurry Tickets Limited & must be pre-purchased Adults \$30, Children (Under 18) \$25



Keeping your children safe when dropping off and picking up at school

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children and others safer during drop-off and pick-up times during the school week:

- Make sure your children are fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size and that it is fitted correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone and look out for children who may be about.
- Watch for flashing lights on buses. They let you know that there may be children crossing or about to cross the road. A 40km/h limit applies when school bus lights flash.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Always park and turn legally around schools. Manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns are dangerous during busy school drop-off and pick-up times.
- Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area. Never call out to them from across the road – they may run to you without checking for traffic.
- It's safest for children to get out of the car through the Safety Door, away from passing traffic. This is the rear footpath side door of the car.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au



Lives lost on NSW roads.
Our goal is zero.

