

Tacking Point PS Newsletter

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Week 6, Term 3

31st August 2018

APPROACHING CALENDAR EVENTS

Fri 7 th September	K-2 Athletics Carnival 9am Stage 2 Assembly 2.00pm – Hosted by 40
Tue 11 th September	Josephine Wants to Dance Kindergarten – the Glasshouse
Wed 12 th September	Year 1 Fairytale Ball, 4.30pm - Hall
Fri 14 th September	K-2 Assembly 9.15am – Hosted by 2S Stage 3 Assembly 2.00pm
Fri 21 st September	K-2 Assembly 9.15am – General Assembly Stage 2 Assembly 2.00pm – General Assembly
Wed 26 th September	Concert of Excellence – the Glasshouse Matinee 11.15am, Evening 6.15pm
Thu 27 th September	Dance Eisteddfod – the Glasshouse
Fri 28 th September	K-2 Assembly 9.15am – Hosted by 2H Stage 3 Assembly 2.15pm Last day of Term

From the Desk of Mr Harris

Plans for our Concert Of Excellence are in full momentum at present and I'm sure this years concert will be as brilliant as all previous performances. The addition of the matinee session has been added, as part of the feedback process. We trust it will allow for more parents and grandparents to see this showcase of school excellence.

Our Book Parade was a huge success this year, with a majority of children dressing up and joining in the celebrations. Our staff were once again in full support and showcased many costumes to support the day. Many thanks to all the families for supporting this festival of books and also to the families, who purchased books, which will be a most welcome addition to the library.

Over the next few weeks some staff will be on leave and there will be a few changes. I will be on leave the last 3 weeks of term and Mrs Jordan will be Relieving Principal. Mrs Mangold will be returning for those 3 weeks as Deputy Principal. Mr Thompson will be on leave and Mr Rob Harris will be Relieving Deputy Principal for the last 2 weeks of term.

Mrs Geard commences leave in Week 8 and Mrs Payne will be on her class. Ms van Klink also commences leave in Week 9 and Mrs Mitchell will be on KV.

I also wish to acknowledge the hard work and dedication the leadership team has displayed in preparation for our External Validation.

Yours in education
Phil Harris - Principal

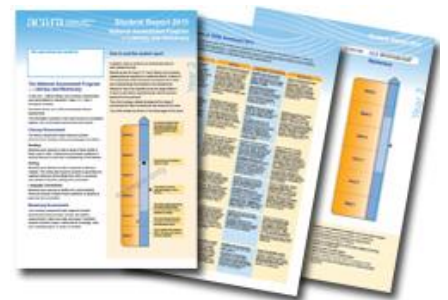
NAPLAN results are coming home soon

In May, our Year 3 and Year 5 students participated in NAPLAN. This year, for the first time, 20% of schools experienced this as an online test. TPPS was not one of them this year.

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN is not about passing or failing, but about assessing learning progress. At the classroom level, it is one of a number of important tools used by teachers to measure student progress against national minimum standards and student performance in other states and territories. It assists in supporting schools to identify specific areas of student learning, supporting individual needs, so that all students can reach their full potential.

Reports on individual student performance are provided to all students and parents/carers by the states and territories and these are expected to go home to all families within the next couple of weeks. (Mid August – Mid September)

All students who participated in the NAPLAN tests will get an individual report of their results.



What's in the NAPLAN student report

The front page of the student report provides some general information about the tests, and an explanation of how to read the report.

The second and third pages have diagrams that show the relevant part of the assessment scale in bands for that year level. For each year level, only six of the ten bands are shown on the student report.

- Year 3 student reports show bands 1 to 6, and the national minimum standard is band 2
- Year 5 student reports show bands 3 to 8, and the national minimum standard is band 4
- Year 7 student reports show bands 4 to 9, and the national minimum standard is band 5
- Year 9 student reports show bands 5 to 10, and the national minimum standard is band 6

The student's result in each area (reading, writing, spelling, grammar & punctuation, and numeracy) is marked on the common assessment scales. The diagrams in the student report also show the range for the middle 60% of students, the national average result, and the national minimum standard for each year level. The final page of the report has a table that provides a brief description of what students have typically demonstrated in the tests at each band.

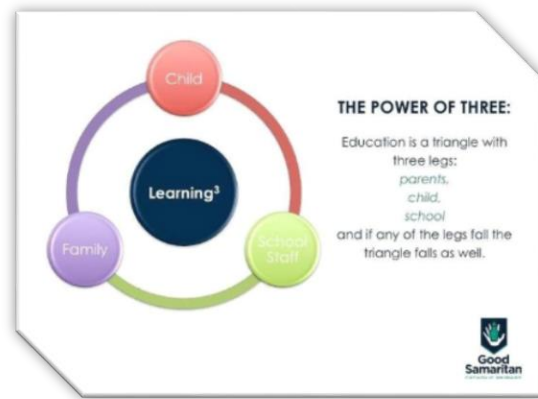
Mrs Kelly Jordan and Mr Trevor Thompson
Deputy Principals



Parents/Carers Please complete this survey!!!

The Partners in Learning

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 is NOW open; 30th August 2018 to 21st September 2018.

Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

Simply log on to the *Tell Them From Me* website at <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/tpps2018>
Mrs Kelly Jordan
Deputy Principal

NAPLAN Online Readiness Test 2018

The school readiness test is a 'practice run' for schools to assess their technology ahead of NAPLAN Online (2019). The readiness test is not an assessment of student ability. The readiness test allows schools to:

- become familiar with the NAPLAN Online test format and processes
- check whether they have the technical capacity, rooms and devices to administer NAPLAN Online
- provide students in NAPLAN years 3, 5, 7 and 9 with the opportunity to experience the online test question types and format by completing a practice NAPLAN online test.

Year 3 and Year 5 students *at our school* will be participating in an online readiness test on **3rd September – 7th September.**

Frequently asked questions

Which students will participate in the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test?

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will participate.

How should I prepare my child for the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test?

Your child will not need any academic preparation for the school readiness test. This is not a test of their literacy and numeracy skills, but an opportunity for them to experience the online test format and for their school to assess its online testing capability.

How long is the school readiness test?

The school readiness test is expected to include two assessments: a writing assessment* and a combined numeracy/literacy assessment. The duration of each assessment will be approximately 40 minutes.

* Year 3 students will only be expected to complete the combined numeracy/literacy assessment.

When will my school participate in the readiness test?

One week within the test period in August and September will be identified for each school to conduct readiness testing.

How will students be prevented from using the internet or spellcheckers when completing the test?

The NAPLAN Online assessment platform will have state-of-the-art security protections. The assessment is delivered inside a locked-down browser. This ensures students cannot access the internet or spellcheckers while completing the test.

Will schools and parents be provided with information on the results of the readiness test?

There will be feedback to schools about the technical information gained from the readiness testing. There will be no reporting of student test results from the readiness test.

Tacking Point Public School 2018 Book Parade

Thursday 23rd of August Tacking Point Public School (TPPS) hosted our annual Book Parade where the whole school K-6 dressed as their favourite book characters. It was a fabulous day of celebration of children's literature sharing lots of fun and imagination. Students, staff and some gorgeous preschool visitors joined the colourful display!



Every year we are truly amazed and awestruck with the standard, freshness and creativity of costumes! Our teachers made a spectacular display of colourful and imaginative costumes too, including our Kindergarten teachers dressed as Tooth Fairies!

Congratulations to the following winners of our \$30 book voucher Lucky draw prizes:

Kinder: Annie Wellings KW 'Josephine'

Stage 1: Sakura Attwood 1/2G 'Harlequin'

Stage 2: Maddie Whitton-Howell 4R 'Hermione Granger'

Stage 3: Hannah Young 6T 'Rainbow Magic Fairy'

Our TPPS Canteen spoilt visitors, students and staff alike with a gourmet selection of morning tea treats including delicious creative cupcakes and scones, jam and cream, washed down with a selection of barista made beverages from our coffee machine.



Visiting your local Public Primary School as a parent is nothing like it used to be! Thank you to our fabulous Canteen characters and Committee who provide us with such pleasures and civilised comfort!

At our Tacking Point Public School Book Parade we had a "\$10 Book Donation Table", which displays a large variety of titles that students and families can choose from to donate to our school Library. Students who donate \$10 are the first to borrow the title of their choice and a special donation certificate bearing their name and details is adhered to the front page of the book forever more. The children seem to really enjoy this notoriety. High School students come back to visit occasionally look for "their book" on the shelf and get quite a buzz to see their names immortalised.



This year we raised over \$700 for our school Library thanks to the very generous families in our school community. We really appreciate such generosity from our school community, especially after already giving so generously earlier in the week to our Drought appeal. Thank you to Mrs Sue Moore-Jones and Mrs Rachael Esho for organising or busy Donation tables and the administration of the special Donation book plates for each donated book!

Sincere thanks to the following families and students who generously donated books to our school library at the Book Parade:

Caitlin Marotte
Drake Houghton
Oliver Houghton
Harriet Houghton
Kobie Smith
Mabel Mace
Amelia Mace
James Mace
Madeleine Chung
James, Evie & Max
Kuchling
Serena Clarke
Margie Crowe
Francis Neild
Lillie Merrell
Momiji Ryan
Sami Edwards
Edie Edwards
Rory Johnson

Coco Cox
Jonah Barnes
Eden Barnes
Gabrielle Turner
Grace Finney
Siena Button
Kayla Button
The Inman Family
Domanic Candia
Alice Beard
Ethan Napier
Henry Ferguson
Zachary Richardson
Thomas Smead
Georgia Smead
George Patullo
Lyla Eia
Liam & Dylan Norman

Lucas & Alex Boath
Lachlan Napier
Nicholas Maetzig
Sophie Woodin
Amelia Woodin
Claire Woodin
Ryan Brumby
Noah Harris
Timothy Harris
James Hamblin
Lachlan Hamblin
Aiden Moore-Jones
Annelise Turner
Ms Horan
Anastasia Griffiths
Ashleigh Crompton
The Pope Family
The Gresswell Family

If you missed donating a book on the day, but would like to have your child choose a book for a \$10 donation, please send \$10 to the front office and we can organise that for you.



A big thankyou to Nick Lefebre who was our volunteer school photographer for the day! Nick's photos we hope to load onto the school's website. These are low resolution. If you are interested in prints of high resolution please contact Nick (mobile) 0458204792.

The staff and students thoroughly appreciate the parents and families who spend so much time, effort and energy in preparing the costumes for our children. The delight and fun is palpable creating many more magical childhood memories for our children.

The Book Parade is only a success because each student *AND* staff member makes the effort to dress up and participate, no small feat for such a large school of over 750 students! The TPPS Book Parade really is a sensational testament to Excellence in Public Education.

Warm regards,

Ms Lea Horan
Teacher Librarian





Congratulations to the children and their families who have completed their Read Aloud Bookmarks this week Term 3 Weeks 5 and 6:

KC Isaac Chapman, Lolani Collyer, Samantha Pomroy **KE** Harper Bargwanna, Summer Booth, Lucas Browne, Louis Burton, Grace Finney, Chloe Moye **KV** Flynn Apthorpe, Eden Barnes, William Etchells, Evan Norberry, Abbey Trethewey, Willow Trethewey **KW** Isa Balkin, Jack Morris, Harry Stephens **1/2G** Grace Ashton, Zayden Keedle, Samuel Moore, Adler Robinson, Allirah Rootes **1C** Mahalia Anderson, Logan Booth, Olivia Hamilton **1J** Noah Harris, Stella Herring, Benjamin Ryan **1K** Alex Boath, Ava English, Mikayla Fonyodi, Angus Hawken **2H** Emelia Begg, Walter Bull **2M** Lily Castiglioni, Tahlia Hall **2R** Joshua Ball **3/4N** Ziva Balkin, Lucas Boath **3J** Sam Browne, Keegan Pope **3K** Archie Hawkin **4H** Anastasia Griffiths **4R** Jaydan Rootes, Zen Steep-O'Brien, Maddison Whitton-Howell **5/6G** Aiden Moore-Jones **5D** Lea Aubret, Isabella Campbell **5L** Kelli Williams **6B** Ethan Apthorpe **6T** Abby Barker, Bayden Connerty

Ms Lea Horan
Teacher Librarian

Advanced Notice for School Swimming & Water Safety Awareness Program

Swimming School will operate for 10 days, **commencing Monday 29th Oct till 9th Nov.** This program is offered to all Year 2 students with some provision for non swimmers and weaker swimmers in Years 3 & 4. A total of 120 places will be available.

Cost for the 10 day program will be **\$57.00**. This cost is for travel by bus to and from Port Macquarie Olympic Pool and entry into the pool each day. The lessons are free. Eligible Year 3 students attending Camp may be offered a place in the scheme for 8 days and this cost will be \$49.00. Permission notes will be sent home early Term 4.

Mrs L. Smith
School Co-ordinator

Fee Reminder

A reminder to our families about our School Fees. We thank the families who have made this contribution to the school. We still have the potential of \$13000 of additional fees should all families pay this. A reminder that this equates to approx. \$1.20 per week. Your support of these fees who enable more literacy, numeracy and technology to be purchased. Invoices will be sent home shortly to remind you. Payment can be made at the front office and also via our website.

Tournament of Minds

Tacking Point Public School students have raised the bar with their intellectual feats at this year's Tournament of the Minds. Of the four disciplines – arts, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics), language literature and social science – Tacking Point won three first place trophies and one runner up (in the STEM category).

The outstanding effort means the school's winning teams will move on to compete in Sydney at the NSW branch final on Sunday September 9. If successful, they will then embark on a trip to Darwin in October for the international final.

Tournament of Minds is a problem solving programme for teams of students from both primary and secondary years. They are required to solve demanding, open-ended challenges from one of the disciplines. For example, the arts students were tasked with research before developing a creative interpretation in the form of dance, song, musical instruments, theatre and all forms of the Visual Arts.

Students were understandably thrilled with their results and excited to venture to Sydney – and hopefully Darwin.

Maeve Kinchington was part of the language literature team and loved competing in the challenge. "We had to make a play based on the challenge and include all of the different marks in it, then act it out to the judges," she said. "We also had to do a spontaneous challenge where we had four minutes to come up with lots of different ideas. "Tournament of the Minds is lots of fun, especially because I love working as a team. I love the challenge."

Bowen Lowrey, school captain, competed in the social sciences category and said it was a lot of fun. "It was a good experience. We found the remains of a fence and had to investigate who made it and what it was for," he said. "It was quite challenging and we only finished on the week it was due. We had five weeks to do it and worked together as a team to agree on the final outcome."

Brodie Ferrett were unlucky not to win first place in the STEM category after losing their well-designed robot. "We had to build a robot animal and have it demonstrate movement, sounds and how it ate," he explained. "We used hydraulics for the mouth and joints in each of the sections so it could coil. Unfortunately we lost it on the last day while we were recording a video and we left it behind and couldn't find it."

The remaining winning team, the arts, loved making their music production. "We had to do a mix of things for our performance and none of the teachers were allowed to give us any help," said Jack McManus. "Our play was about a conservative trying to stop people freely expressing themselves. We built up the characters and then played out the script. It went for almost 10 minutes. We were really happy with how we performed.

Good luck to the three Tacking Point teams who will compete on September 9.



TPDS Concert of Excellence
26th September, 2018

Now has Two BIG Performances
Tickets selling fast

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.

MATINEE PERFORMANCE

Tickets \$16

Concession and U/18 - \$10 PER SEAT

EVENING PERFORMANCE

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.

CANTEEN ROSTER

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

Mon 3/9	C.Brumby & D.Gleave
Tue 4/9	A.Baker & R.Brennan
Wed 5/9	H.Ryan & R.Brennan
Thu 6/9	K.Schmidt & B.Mills
Fri 7/9	L.Wiggins & R.Brennan
Mon 10/9	M.Dunn & D.Gleave
Tue 11/9	C.Clarke & C.Baker
Wed 12/9	A.Payne & N.Mace
Thu 13/9	A.Brickman & M.Gavel
Fri 14/9	H.Ryan, M.Brumby & R.Brennan

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

SPRING INTO SURFING WITH SOUL SURFING THESE HOLIDAYS! Running all our loved surf lessons catering to everyone BUT also the loved **FAB,FUN,DAYS** for the kids. 9am-3pm October 3rd/5th and 9th/11th. \$65 for the full day of local activity, surf lesson and beach games. Call Corey on 0428480266 or email corey@soulsurfing.com.au to book one of the best days your kids can have these holidays.

WEDNESDAY FUTSAL AT ST COLUMBA (SCAS) – IONA CENTRE

Presented by MID COAST FUTSAL INC Starts Wednesday 17th October 4.15pm

5 to 7 YRS FOR BEGINNERS = Skills and games FROM 4.15PM (1hr)

COMPS 7/8 yrs, 9/10/11yrs and 12/13 yrs

Registrations - 5/7yrs \$55, 8 to 13yrs \$60. Game Fee \$10 per player

Active Kids \$100 Vouchers, sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids

Contact Alison 0412 191923 or 0411 501 744

Email alison@midcoastfutsal.com Website www.midcoastfutsal.com

BRAVEHEARTS MID NORTH COAST TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 1 Sept 2018 at Port Panthers Auditorium. Doors 7pm, start 7.30pm. Cost is \$10pp – tables of 10 (over 18s only). Prize for the most creative team name. All proceeds to Educate, Empower and Protect Our Kids on the Mid North Coast. RSVP by 24 August 2018 to Louise 0414485502 or Janetter 0418837683. Email braveheartsmnc@gmail.com

BILLABONG ZOO CAFÉ - FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST FOR ONLY \$9.90*

Come in this Sunday for a special Father's Day Breakfast (pictured above) at our Billabong Café, now open to the public. The Father's Day Breakfast will be served between 8.30am and 10.30am on Sunday, 2nd September - bookings are essential!

Bookings on 6585 1060

*One Father's Day breakfast per family. Terms and Conditions Apply. See you on Sunday!

From the team at Billabong Zoo

PS: We've been renovating and making lots of changes at Billabong Zoo with a new kid's party room, new look, bright and airy entrance with a fabulous new and fresh menu for our café. So come and check us out and see for yourself - we're super excited and hope you will be too!

VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILIES NEEDED – WORLD EDUCATION PROGRAM

WEP's wonderful host families are all volunteers so you get to select the student that you think will fit in best with your family. Students will attend school full-time. You need to provide a welcoming environment, meals and a room. Students have their own spending money and insurance. Request a free info pack – SMS 'HOST' to 0428 246 633 WEP.ORG.AU Or 1300 884 733

PORT MACQUARIE MAKOS JUNIOR TOUCH

Under 8 Boys & Girls (born 2011, 2012, 2013)

Under 10 Boys & Girls (born 2009, 2010)

Under 12 Boys & Girls (born 2007, 2008)

Under 14 Boys & Girls (born 2005, 2006)

Under 16 Boys & Girls (born 2003, 2004)

Under 18 Boys & Girls (born 2001, 2002)

Mixed teams accepted in all age groups

Rego days to be held at SportsPower, Gordon Street, Port Macquarie

Thursday 6th September 4pm-6pm, Saturday 8th September 9am-12noon

COST: \$65.00. Registration fee to be paid to PMQ Junior Touch

BSB: 062592 ACC: 1008 3257 REF: players name/age

Get a team together and email Port junior Touch to get a rego form. If you don't have the numbers for a team we can place you in one! portjuniortouch@gmail.com

Competition starts:

Tuesday 16th October : U/8 and U/10 (4.15pm), U/12 (5.00pm)

Thursday 18th October: U/14 (4.15pm), U/16 (5.00pm), U/18 (5.30pm)

Comp ends: 11th/13th December 2018. Non-competitive, fun competition. Refs supplied.

UNITING CHURCH ANNUAL FAIR

Cnr Sherwood Rd & Oxley Highway. Saturday 1st September 2018. 8am until 1pm.

Many great stalls including books, clothes, craft, pictures, quality goods and jewellery, plants, jams and pickles, BBQ and Devonshire teas and lunches, drinks etc. Fashion parade with garments from our very own Sherwoof Boutique. Come and hear the Bells of Haven and the Concento Band.



COME AND HAVE FUN AT NIPPERS!

Nippers season at Tacking Point SLSC is just around the corner and we'd love you and your family to join us! We welcome boys and girls aged 5-14 years on Sundays at 8.30am at beautiful Lighthouse Beach.

Why join nippers?

There are so many reasons why nippers is great for kids...

- 😊 They learn about beach safety and different surf conditions
- 😊 They gain confidence in the water
- 😊 They enjoy the benefits of a healthy and active lifestyle
- 😊 They make new friends (and so do you)
- 😊 It's fun!

How do we register?

Come along to one of our registration days and we'll guide you through. Please bring photo ID and a copy of your child's birth certificate. And don't forget the NSW Government's \$100 Active Kids Voucher! Visit www.service.nsw.gov.au for more details.

Like to know more?

For more information about Tacking Point SLSC Nippers, please call Jacquie on 0447 172 688 or email admin@tackingpointslsc.com.au



KEY DATES

Sunday 16th September

1st Registration Day
Tacking Point Surf Club
9am – 11am

Swim proficiencies afterwards
at Town Pool 11am – 1pm

Sunday 23rd September

2nd Registration Day
Tacking Point Surf Club
9am – 11am

Swim proficiencies afterwards
at Town Pool 11am – 1pm

Saturday 20th October

River Fun Day & BBQ
Settlement Point
2.30pm

Sunday 21st October

Season starts
Lighthouse Beach
8.30am – 10.30am

TACKING POINT SLSC

Matthew Flinders Drive
Lighthouse Beach
Port Macquarie 2444

Facebook: Tacking Point
Surf Lifesaving Club Inc

Port Macquarie Junior Oztag Summer Competition

Start Date: Competition starts Monday 15th October
Finishing Monday 10th December – 9 rounds

Game Times: First game will start at 4:15pm with the second timeslot starting at 5:00pm

Cost: \$70 per player rego only or;
\$80 per Players includes playing team shirt with number
Shorts \$25.00 & Tights \$35.00

Divisions: Under 10 – Mixed – Born 2009,2010
Under 12 – Mixed – Born 2007,2008
Under 14 – Mixed – Born 2005,2006
Under 16 – Mixed – Born 2003,2004

Registration: Sports Power – Gordon Street Port Macquarie
Monday 3rd September 4:00pm – 5:30pm
Wednesday 5th September 4:00pm – 5:30pm
Friday 7th September 4:00pm – 5:30pm

If you don't have a team we can place you in one.

Any questions please email us at:

portmacquariejunioroztag@gmail.com

Stay updated by following the Port Macquarie Junior Oztag Facebook page and PMQjunioroztag on Instagram





How to help your children learn to read

Two workshops for parents and teachers of children in preschool, kindergarten and year 1

Learning to read is one of the most important skills that children need to learn in our modern world. If we can read we have greater opportunities in life for work, recreation, education, personal development and in our social lives. Yet many children struggle to learn to read.

Carol Baker (LCST, MSPA) is a paediatric speech pathologist who has had a long career working with children with speech, language, reading and spelling difficulties. She is a registered tutor with SPELD and she is passionate about early intervention and supporting and empowering parents to help their children. Carol has developed these practical workshops to give you some useful information and let you practice some skills so that you can help your children learn to read.

Workshop 1 will cover:

- how to create a rich home-learning environment
- evidence-based research findings on the importance of phonics for reading and spelling
- practical strategies on how you can help teach your child these early literacy skills:
 - The speech sounds associated with the single letters of the alphabet
 - How to write the letters of the alphabet neatly and use writing to help reading
 - The speech sounds associated with letters that work together eg: sh, ee, ow
 - How to break words into sounds and blend sounds into words

Workshop 2 will cover:

- A brief review of workshop 1 (basic phonics essentials)
- Working with longer words (words with more than 1 syllable)
- Some spelling / reading rules
- Looking at reading in text for fluency and comprehension

Where:

When:

Workshop 1:	Emerald Downs Community Hall	Monday 3 rd Sept	6 – 7.30 pm
OR	Port Macquarie Library Mtg Room	Thursday 6 th Sept	10 – 11.30 am
Workshop 2:	Emerald Downs Community Hall	Monday 10 th Sept	6 – 7.30 pm
OR	Port Macquarie Library Mtg Room	Thursday 13 th Sept	10 – 11.30 am

Cost for each workshop: \$25

To register online: google 'Eventbrite Port Macquarie' scroll down to the relevant workshops
To register by phone or email: call 0405 658 593 or email cb.speech@outlook.com