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## Upcoming Events

### **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov**

Headstart at Lake Mac High Yrs 5 & 6

### **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Nov**

Kinder Orientation 9am – 12pm

Parent Info session in Library

### **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Captains speeches for 2020

9am in Library

### **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Whole school swimming

### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Kinder Orientation 9am – 12pm

### **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov**

Year 6 Farewell RSVP and money due

### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Carols Night from 5.30pm

### **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Whole school Christmas lunch

### **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Presentation Day and Christmas

Concert 10am at Club Macquarie

### **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Year 6 farewell

6pm at Club Macquarie

### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec**

PBL rewards day

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Last day for students

## Monday 18th November 2019 Term 4 Week 6

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

What a fortnight we have had. With the devastating fires around the state and last Tuesday being rated as a catastrophic fire danger day, it gave us at Teralba a great opportunity to review our systems in managing any risks or potential dangers.

To start with, our hearts and prayers go out to all the people who have lost homes, schools and sadly lives in the devastating fires. Losing so much and building up from nothing would be unimaginable. As a school, all staff were fully aware of the steps they were going to take in the unlikely event of danger. Staff regularly plan and rehearse drills to ensure safety for your children. I wish to thank the staff for their professionalism at all times.

Please continue to keep an eye on what's happening

- Kindergarten orientation, 2 more sessions, this Thursday 21/11 and next Thursday 28/11
- Whole school swimming, 2 weeks, starts Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November
- Community Carols Night Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December from 5.30pm
- Whole school Christmas lunch, Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 11:15am
- Presentation day and school concert, commencing 10am, Club Macquarie
- Year 6 Farewell, Year 6 students and families and Year 5 students. Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 6pm Club Macquarie
- Whole School PBL Rewards Day- Speers Point Pool Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December
- Reports home Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December- Last day for students 2019

## STAFF NEWS

This week we welcome back Mrs White from her wonderful adventure around Australia. Mrs White will continue in the Learning and Support Role for the remainder of the year. Mrs Perrett will move back onto the K-1 class full time and Mrs Brazer will return to casual teaching.

I wish to thank both Mrs Perrett and Mrs Brazer for the amazing job they have done over the past 6 months.

## WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING

Swimming school starts next week, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Your child is to ALWAYS bring their swimming equipment listed on the permission note. Please note, students with long hair will need to have their hair tied back and it is recommended that students have swimming goggles. There is still a number of families owing money. Please pay immediately as this is a whole school activity. The amended departure time from school is 12.40pm.

## HEADSTART

Over the past week and for the remainder of this week students in Mrs Dubos' class have been at the high school participating in the annual 'Headstart' program. I have had the privilege to visit all our students and see them working hard in a number of classes, and from all reports students are loving the experience. Mr Maher, principal LMHS, has also commented on how well our Teralba students are going. I look forward to hearing more stories upon their return.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY

Last week the captains and I went to the Remembrance Day service at Speers Point Cenotaph. It was a lovely service remembering the many men and woman who paid the ultimate price for this beautiful country. Students back at school all participated in small services in their classes. Teralba PS has a rich history of active service men and women who fought for our country.



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## PBL AND CLASS ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Week 5 PBL award recipients for being safe in the playground were Jack, Jaylinda and Jordan. Week 6 PBL focus was for being outstanding achievers. Our recipients were Eddie, William and Luke. Congratulations to these students.

### Assembly award winners

Eddie West - improvement in reading

Maia Freund - gaining confidence in maths

Grace Merchant - trying hard in reading

Kalani Brown - working hard to improve writing

## UNIFORM POOL

In 2020 we are look to establish a uniform pool. If you have any uniforms in good condition that no longer fit and you'd like to donate, please drop them into the office. Thankyou.

## CANTEEN NEWS

Our canteen will be closed from **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December**. Thank you to all our parents that have helped in the canteen this year. We will advise families early next year of the canteens operating hours for 2020.



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## CHILDRENS UNIVERSITY



Dear CU Children and Families,

I would like to write a letter of thanks and congratulations to all students that attended the recent Children's University graduation ceremonies. This year we welcomed onto campus 1500 graduating students and over 4,000 families across the six evenings.

The CU team would like to congratulate all students for their behaviour and enthusiasm shown throughout the evening. We planned for these evenings to be a celebration and recognition of the effort and time you have placed into all the learning opportunities throughout the year.

Thank you to all families that attended. We appreciate your presence on the evening, hope you enjoyed the celebration, and look forward to seeing you all again in the future.

Children's University continues to encourage children and their families to keep learning in their communities during the Christmas holiday period. All learning experiences that occur between now and Term 1 next year are added into the hours for 2020 Graduation. Please place a line in your passports to indicate that 2019 hours are finalised.

Our FACEBOOK page lists events over school holidays. **Children's University Australasia (Newcastle)**

Your passport hours continue across into next year. To be eligible for graduation in 2020 you need to have moved up into the next award category. For example, if you got 30 hours this year you would have to make it to 65 hours to get the Silver Award.

This program is an annual commitment. Children have the capacity to opt into the program each year. If you would like to be involved next year, please indicate this to your teacher in charge of the program.

Once again thank you, children for your enthusiasm for learning and parents for your support. If you or your family has any questions about the program, please contact us. If you would like to make suggestions for improvements or place a comment regarding the evening please do so at [childrensuniversitynewcastle@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:childrensuniversitynewcastle@newcastle.edu.au) or call 49218739. Hope to see you all in 2020.

Children's University Newcastle Team