

UPCOMING EVENTS!

- Fri 5th Dec,
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entation,
Morning Tea,
Uniform Shop
- Tues 9th Dec
Presentation
Night
- Thursday 11th
Dec Year 6
trip
- Friday 12th
Dec Drama
Presentation
- Sunday 14th
Dec—Carols at
St John's. Wol-
lombi.
- Wednesday
17th Dec -
Carols, Disco,
Students Last
Day

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TERM 4, WEEK 9

3RD DECEMBER 2014

Last Friday morning was perfect walking weather—lovely and cool.

After some bacon and egg sandwiches, we went walking around John Forsyth's oval to raise money for the Westpac Rescue helicopter Service. Thank you to all of the students for your support and enthusiasm! We now need all sponsorship forms and money back in—please return to the school office. Thanks to all the parents who helped on the day and a special mention to Jennie Capstick who saved the day after a BBQ malfunction! - **Mrs Shaunessy.**

This Friday Mrs Shaunessy will host next year's Kindergarten class

for their final orientation day. The wonderful P&C are putting on a morning tea for new families in the staff room, and there will be a display of uniform items for 2015 that can be ordered. Included in the uniform shop for 2015 will be royal blue pants, skirts and long pants.

This week we say good-bye to Ms Jarrett, a student teacher who has been working in Mrs Shaunessy's class. She has really enjoyed her time here at Laguna and has offered to come back in a voluntary capacity next year! We wish Ms Jarrett all the best in the final stages of her studies.



Presentation Night Tuesday!

Presentation Night is next Tuesday, 9th December, and there has been much preparation! The night begins at 6.00pm, with an expected finishing time of 7.30pm.

On the day we ask parents to pick their children up from school after lunchtime - **12.30pm** or thereabouts. This will allow students to go home, rest, eat, and be prepared for a big night.

Students will need to be back down at Laguna Hall by **5.30pm**, for face painting and

costumes. Students are to wear plain black t-shirts, with black shorts for boys and black 3/4 leggings for girls. Black shoes will be provided on the day.

It will probably be a warm night, so please come prepared with your own water bottles. We will also supply some water bottles on the night.

We are all looking forward to an exciting night as we reward achievement and effort in 2014 and farewell our Year 6 cohort.

School Matters

Stanley's mum Juliette has been working with Ms Sewell each week with the singing group. The group will be singing at Presentation Night and at the St John's Carols at Wol-lombi on Sunday December 14th. Also performing at the Carols will be Finley and Oliver, playing a piece each on the church organ. **The Cessnock Community of Great Public Schools (CCGPS)** supports a wonderful choir that performs many times a year, under a wonderful music director. Auditions are to be held next week—if you think your

child would be interested, please contact Ms Sewell.

Santa is due to arrive at Laguna PS on Wednesday morning, 17th December. Please drop any book presents for his sack into the office please!



Santa's visit will be preceded by the students singing carols and will be followed by a disco in the library! Sounds like a great last day of school.

Glen O'Rourke from Wol-lombi RFS has offered to hold a workshop for any families who require assistance with preparing a bushfire plan for their homes this season. If you are interested in taking up this offer, please contact Mr Howe who will get things rolling.

Year 4-5-6 News

Our Year 6 students have been enjoying their visits to their particular high schools over the last week or two - our students will be split between at least 5 different schools. The students have also been enjoying their last few weeks together, which will culminate in a P&C sponsored trip to Luna Park next Thursday.

The Year 6 students have been a very impressive leadership group this year. Let me list the ways:

- Their dedication to their studies
- Their compassion and kindness
- Their sense of fun and creativity
- Their maturity and responsibility

Harley, Sally, Harry, Tilly, Eden, Ciara, Dhani, Ewan and Finley have played a major role in setting the tone of the school this year and they will be missed! But great opportunities await our next crop of school leaders who will have had great role models in 2014. Congratulations to our 2014 Year 6 cohort!

2014 isn't quite finished, but plans for 2015 are underway! The year 4-5-6 class will be going on a three-day camp to Milson Island, on the Hawkesbury River, in Term 1, from the 25th-27th March. It will be a fun, action-packed camp and the cost will be approximately \$240 per student, which includes all meals and accommodation.

*"Example is not
the main thing in
influencing others -
it's the only thing"*
- Albert Schweitzer

K-1 News *from Mrs Shaunessy*

Week 9 is upon us and we are still focused and working hard, particularly in Maths. Everyone seems to have found a groove in this subject and I can't give them enough. Homework has finished for the year but home reading HASN'T! That said, could parents please scour their bookshelves, lounges, dog kennels, cutlery drawers for any home readers that need to be returned before the end of

school. Bring in your favourite Christmas book for next week's show and tell.

Ms Jarrett has completed her fourth week in class, and I would like to say thanks for your contribution. It has been great having an extra pair of hands in the classroom and also learning about Light and Sound in science. We wish you all the best in your teaching career and hope to see you back at Laguna one day!

Year 2-3 News

Week 9. The countdown until end of term is on!

We have been busy preparing for our play this week and tying up loose BFG ends! Time is certainly flying. Some children may have some small costume requests for their part in our play but nothing too extravagant! We hope to get stuck into our Christmas craft soonish.

Our singing group has done a wonderful job preparing for Presentation Night and for the Carols at Wolloombi Church on Sunday the 14th of December. We have managed to squeeze a couple of extra practice sessions in this week. Thank you to Juliette for giving up her time to help us do our best! - **Ms Sewell**



Weekly Achievement Awards!



K-1 Playground Award - Sally,
for being a great friend in the playground!

K-1 Classroom Award - Taj,
for leadership at the Walkathon. Well done.



2-3 Classroom Award - Alisha,
excellent spelling!



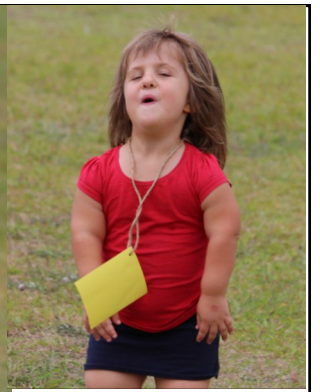
2-3 Playground Award—Sunny,
for being a great preschool visitor!



4-5-6 Classroom Award - Trevor,
for excellent citizenship and excellent scholarship!

4-5-6 Playground Award - Zac,
for being a great sportsman!

K-1 Classroom Award - Kiah,
for displaying great improvement in Maths.



Walkathon!