



The Brush Telegraph

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Week 3 – Term 1

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

Thurs 15	Commonwealth Games Day
Thurs 15	Student Banking Resumes
Tues 20	Meet the Teacher Interviews
Wed 21	Meet the Teacher Interviews
Thurs 22	Assembly 2.15pm
Wed 28	Canteen Meeting 12pm
Wed 28	P&C Meeting 1pm
Wed 28	Life Ed van visit

MARCH

Wed 21	School Photos
Wed 28	P&C AGM 1pm



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,
Congratulations to all the students that participated in the swimming carnival on Monday. It was a pleasure to see so many students displaying fantastic school spirit and encouraging fellow swimmers. A big thank you and 'hats off' to Mrs Jacklin for organising and running the carnival, and the teachers and parents that made it a successful day.

We know that parental involvement in their child's schooling is strongly related to improved student learning, attendance and behaviour. We believe that it is important for you to know about our expectations regarding learning and behaviour, become familiar with your child's teacher, classroom and routines and to share insights into your child. We look forward to seeing many parents at our **Meet the Teacher Information Sessions next Tuesday 20, Wednesday 21 February.**

You are the first and most consistent educators of your children and we would like to work in partnership with you to ensure a successful year. Communication and contact between parents and teachers regarding each child's welfare and progress is encouraged. Problems are best addressed promptly through the co-operative efforts of both teacher and parent.

'Let us be grateful to people who make us happy, they are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom.' – Marcel Proust

Regards,
Kylie Seaman
Principal

COMMONWEALTH GAMES DAY

All students from Wingham Brush will attend a joint Commonwealth Games Day with Wingham Public School at Wingham Central Park on Thursday February 15. Students are encouraged to come in their country's colours. Permission notes and money need to be returned to participate. This is a whole school event, there will be no supervision at school during this time. Our school canteen will be open as normal on this day with recess and lunch orders being taken. Recess orders will be delivered to the park for those students ordering.

MEET THE TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Meet the Teacher sessions for parents of students in KB, 1/2C and 2/3H will be held on Tuesday 20 February in the classroom.

On Wednesday 21 February a session will be held in the library for 3/4B, 4/5M, 5/6B and 5/6J parents. A note was sent home yesterday with session times and information.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Students who attended our annual swimming carnival had a wonderful day. They demonstrated excellent behaviour and sportsmanship at all times. Congratulations to the following swimming champions for 2018:

Jnr Girls: Lauren Oberg

Jnr Boys: Jack McAuliffe

11 yrs Girls: Sienna Ratcliffe

11 yrs Boys: Hayne Dawson

Snr Girls: Nalani Poini

Snr Boys: Will Hansen

Our Champion house for Swimming in 2018 is the Rosellas on 189 points!!





BOOK CLUB

Brochures for Issue 1 of Book Club have been distributed to students and are due by Tuesday 20 February. The book club order form together with payment needs to be completed and returned to the library to Mrs Pasolini (on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday). Payment can be made in cash, credit card or cheque (made out to Scholastic Australia Pty Ltd and not the school). Parents who wish to make use of the Scholastic online ordering and payment facility (LOOP) also need to have their orders submitted by 20 February, to ensure their order is submitted with the school order.

YEAR 6 SHIRTS

Order forms have been sent home for the Year 6 shirts. The cost of each shirt is \$30. Please complete the order form and return with money to the classroom teacher by Friday March 2. **No late orders will be accepted.**

STUDENT BANKING

Wingham Brush is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students again in 2018. School banking resumes this Thursday 15 February. School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.



The rewards available during 2018 are:

- Twister Power Handball
- Secret Scratch Pad
- Sparkle Glitter Pens
- Glow Light
- Mighty Boom Handball
- Heat Reactor Pencils
- Slushie Maker Cup
- Zoom Flying Disc

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is Thursday. Each week you need to hand your deposit book to the classroom teacher. If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2018 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit

commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

P&C

UNIFORM SHOP

Our uniform shop will be open every **Monday** and **Tuesday** between **8.45 – 9.30am**. Order forms are available from the front office or on our website. For more information contact Jill 0432 307 765.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

FEBRUARY

Thurs 15	C McGilvray	H Jessup
Fri 16	R Green	M Mills
Mon 19	CLOSED	
Tues 20	CLOSED	
Wed 21	S Deacon	
Thurs 22	C McGilvray	H Jessup
Fri 23	R Green	M Mills
Mon 26	CLOSED	
Tues 27	CLOSED	
Wed 28	S Deacon	

IN THE CLASSROOM

KB

KB have had a wonderful start to the year with their happy, smiling faces. They are learning how to be respectful, responsible and resilient in the classroom and out in the playground. They have met their friendly Year 6 buddies and spent lots of time with them in the first week. Since then, Kindergarten have been focused on making friends and getting used to school routines and expectations. In the classroom, they have been busy doing activities like learning their sounds 'a', 's', 'm', 'i', 'd', 'f', listening and responding to stories and learning to count forwards to 30 and backwards from 20.

Mrs Boyd KB



4/5M

4/5M have had a pleasing start to the new school year with Mrs Muller. They have been working hard to produce quality work tasks and display respect, responsibility and resilience in the classroom. Their

creativity producing their character faces has been very lovely to witness. Well done 4-5M!

Artwork by Matilda King, Kiah Hughes and Ellie Dawes.



2/3H

2/3H have had a wonderful first few weeks, getting to know each other and our new classroom set-up. We have agreed on expectations for behaviour in our classroom and discussed and practised explicit ways to show our school values of respect, resilience and responsibility.

We have started our class novel, 'Wonder' and have been inspired to 'Choose Kindness' just as the little boy, Auggie, does in the story (as do others around him). We all agree that this can make a huge difference to people's lives.

We have been exploring what we have in common and what makes us unique. We are all wonders.

Photo is expression through yoga (inspired by cute kitten pics).



5/6J

'New adventures' are the focus for our class. My name is Chris Jones and I am excited to be teaching the 5/6 J class this year. We have had a great start to the year, settling in, getting to know each other and connecting. This is developing positive relationships, nurturing the trust needed to push and encourage each other to do our best. This week we have successfully participated in the 'Swimming Carnival' and the combined Wingham Primary Schools 'Commonwealth Games Day' is on tomorrow. We look forward to what the rest of the year has in store for us! Hang onto your seats,

as the 'spirit of adventure' leads us into our destiny!



\$100 VOUCHER FOR CHILDREN'S SPORT AND RECREATION FEES

Parents in NSW are now able to start claiming \$100 towards extra-curricular sport and other physical activity fees thanks to the NSW Government's new **Active Kids** program.

Active Kids will provide a **\$100 voucher for parents to put towards sporting fees and registration costs for every school-aged child in NSW.**

Families will be able to use the voucher for registration and membership costs, as well as fees for activities such as swimming.

The annual voucher **will not be means tested** because the NSW Government wants every child from every family to get active and involved in community sport and fitness.

Parents are able to use their voucher to claim up to \$100 per school child, per calendar year to reduce the cost of sport registration or membership of approved active recreation activities.

More details about the program and eligible sports is available at www.sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids or by phoning Service NSW on 13 77 88.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WINGHAM NETBALL CLUB

Wingham Netball Club are now taking registrations for 5 - 17 year olds in 2018. All new players are welcome. Active Kids Vouchers accepted. Find us on Facebook, email: wnbc@outlook.com.au or phone Jenny: 0403 528 735.

2018 WJRL SEASON

Wingham Junior Rugby League are now seeking players for all age divisions (U6 to U16). For more info contact Darrin Lewis 0409930420 or Sky Lewis 0423775194 or visit www.winghamjuniorirugby.com.au

TAREE WILDCATS REGISTRATION DAYS

Any questions please contact Registrar – Jeremy Watson on 0425 379 256. Come and register: Saturday 10 February 10am to 2pm – Omaru Park, Friday 16 February 5.30pm – Cinema Under the Stars Wrigley Park, Saturday 17 February 10am to 2pm – Omaru Park or register online at -

<https://www.playfootball.com.au/player/player-registration>

GIRLS FOOTBALL

FMNC clubs will have lots of options for girls only teams in 2018.

- Girls Miniros – looking for further growth on top of U7 and U9 North comps in 2017. U11's this year would be great!

For more details on 2018 registrations visit the FMNC website –

<http://footballmidnorthcoast.com/2018-registrations/>

TAREE WEST RAIDERS HOCKEY CLUB

Taree West Raiders Hockey Club are having sign up days on Tuesday 20 and Tuesday 27 February at the Hockey Centre from 4.30-5.30pm. Email: tareewesthockeyclub@gmail.com

PLAY OR REFEREE FOOTBALL IN 2018

Opportunities to play and referee football at varying levels exist. There are competitions to suit everyone from a beginner to an experienced player or match official. Football Mid North Coast invites all those interested in playing or refereeing to register. For more information please contact the FMNC Office on 0265 850351. 2018 Registrations Open NOW - <http://footballmidnorthcoast.com/2018-registrations/>

COMBOYNE SHOW

Saturday and Sunday 24 and 25 February from 9am. Entry \$5 each adults – Children 16 and under free. Experience our 'Back to Agriculture' focus for the Show. Amusements for the kids and face painting, churn your own ice cream (and eat it!), agricultural displays and much more....See the **Comboyne Show** Facebook page and website for more details.

ARE YOU READY TO GET RAD? COME AND TRY BMX!

Manning Valley BMX Club is holding a 'Ride In 2 BMX' session on Saturday 24 February at Manning Valley BMX Club, Urara Lane Taree between 10.00am and 12.00pm. Join in on skills sessions, have fun playing BMX-based games and meet new friends. AWESOME! Bring the whole family, because mums, dads, brothers and sisters can ALL join in on this true family orientated sport.

SEASONS FOR GROWTH - INTERRELATE

This is an 8 week program for children aged 6 to 12 years that have experienced grief and loss in their lives. Sessions are Thursday 3.30 - 4.30pm at 146 Victoria Street Taree. Bookings essential – phone 65511200.

PCYC - Judo

PCYC Judo classes will be held Monday and Wednesday from 4.30 – 6pm for under 18 years. \$8 per class. PCYC Membership \$10 for under 18's. Contact the club for more info 65510292.

Good for Kids good for life

ACTIVE TRAVEL IN EVERYDAY LIFE

Active travel to school is a great way to get extra activity in your child's day but sometimes it isn't safe to do so. Luckily active travel can be added into everyday life to get your heart working!

- Check your local area for designated bike paths and ride your bikes to the shops
- Try parking at a greater distance from your location and walking the rest of the way.
- If you use public transport, get off one station before your destination and walk.
- Even making little changes in everyday life such as taking the stairs instead of the elevator can make a big difference.



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