Principal’s Report

We are now passed the half way point for the term, but by no means does that mean we are slowing down. In fact, momentum is building for what is going to be a MASSIVE last few weeks of school for the year.

Next week, year’s 3-7 will be going on school camp to Holloway’s Beach. It is shaping up to be a great week away and everyone is very much looking forward to it! Next Wednesday, the 19th November, the school will be hosting a prep information and orientation day, so please be sure to spread the word about how great our school is and come along on the day if you have little ones!

As we had to unfortunately postpone our planned event last week, I would like to again invite all parents to the school to take part in the Quadrennial School Review this Friday, the 14th of November. The review will form the basis of a new 4 year strategic plan for the school and is your chance to have your say in the future direction of the school. I encourage you to all please come along to the school from between 5pm—6pm to participate in the discussion. This will be followed by a BBQ dinner at 6pm and the Halloween themed Disco from 6:30—8:30pm. Hope to see you there.

Other events that are approaching include the Year 6 and 7 Graduation that will be held on the Thursday 27th of November. All students in years 6 and 7 and their families are invited to attend. Our school Christmas Party will be on the Wednesday 3 December, and everyone is invited to attend this evening of fun and celebration. This will be followed by the Cluster Swimming Carnival on Thursday the 4th of December in Cooktown.

As you can see, a lot is happening as we count down to the end of the year and I appreciate all of your support in ensuring these events run safely and smoothly.

Remember: Every Day Counts!
Help Spread the Word – Enrol now for Prep 2015

We are now taking enrolments for Prep for 2015. Children born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010 are eligible to start Prep next year.

Please help us spread the word. If you know anyone in the community with young children ready for Prep, let them know they can enrol NOW.

We will be holding a **Prep information and orientation day** **NEXT WEDNESDAY 19th November**. Orientation will go for the full school day, from 8.20 am to 2.20 pm. Parents are welcome to attend an information session from 8.30.

Toy Story

In the Junior class, all our work this term has been about toys. To finish off, we’ve been creating our own toys out of ordinary things such as cardboard, string and plastic bags. We needed to explain how our toys worked with a **push** or a **pull**. Emma

NO SWIMMING

We will not be going to Cooktown next Friday, 21st November, due to Yr 3s and Seniors being away on camp.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING!!

School Christmas party is on 3rd Dec, from 5.30 pm.
Senior Class Capers!!

Wow, how time flies when you are doing assessment. All the Senior students have been very busy completing their assessment tasks for the year. Thankfully the five new laptops have been really helpful when researching and typing up the assessment tasks. The laptops means that there are more computers for everyone and we can use them wirelessly so that can be moved to where they are needed.

Electives: Collage

Students are really excited about their electives. There is lots of fun to be had in the art elective with students cutting and gluing all sorts of masterpieces. Check out the pictures below!

By Victor Montieth

By Eliza Sail

By Ackron Gavin
Countdown to Camp!

Only... half a week to go!! Can you believe it!

High Ropes, Beach Games, Surf Carnival, Snorkelling, Sailing, Camp Fires, Map Reading and Problem Solving, all these are on offer for our school camp to Holloways Beach Environmental Education Centre next week!

One of the highlights of the week is sure to be our day aboard the Sailing Boat ‘Ocean Free’.

The day will start early with boarding at about 8am before setting off to the reef just off Green Island. Here, students (and staff!) will get the chance to go swimming and snorkelling and seeing all the amazing coral and fish.

Ocean Free moored off Green Island

- The Great Barrier Reef is larger than the entire country of Italy put together
- Over 1500 kinds of fish live in the Great Barrier reef. The smallest fish is called the Stout Infant Fish which is only 7 millimetres long, and the biggest is the whale shark which can grow up to 12 metres long!
- Many people call the Great Barrier Reef one of the “7 Natural Wonders of the World”. Other natural wonders include the Grand Canyon in America, Mount Everest (the tallest mountain in the world), and the Aurora (the colourful lights in the sky in the very north areas of the planet) – so the Great Barrier Reef is in some good company and very famous!

GET EXCITED!
If you have any questions in regard to school camp, please contact the school on 4060 3988.