



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Families
 What a term! So much to celebrate, successes to recognise and definitely moments to reflect upon. To our families....thank you! Your engagement, support and dedication make a huge difference in your child's overall development. Whether it's volunteering in the classroom, getting involved in school activities and being present here on site, attending learning conferences, or simply being actively engaged in your child's learning at home, your commitment is evident and appreciated.

A big thank you to our dedicated staff for all your quality teaching and efforts to connect with and support your colleagues, students and their families.

Most importantly, we want to thank our amazing children who teach us so much. Their enthusiasm, curiosity and dedication are a delight to witness. Their eagerness to learn, to ask questions and to explore new ideas inspires us all. Their kindness, empathy and willingness to help one another creates a vibrant and inclusive school community that we are proud to be a part of.

We have seen them overcome challenges, embrace new experiences and celebrate achievements. Their passion for learning and their determination to succeed serve as a constant reminder of why we do what we do.

Please enjoy the 2 weeks of holidays hopefully an opportunity to relax and recharge. On behalf of all of the staff at NHPS we wish you all a great break. Please stay safe.

Teachers return on Monday 29th April when they will be involved in a day of Curriculum Professional Learning. **Students will return on Tuesday 30th April.**

A NZAC Day March
 Each year students from North Haven Public School join staff to march in the ANZAC Day parade at Laurieton, from the LUSC to the memorial park opposite the police station.

This year ANZAC Day falls within the holidays on Thursday, 25th April. We are inviting students to consider participating in the march. It is particularly special if Year Six are able to join us in their last year of primary school.

Date Thursday 25th April

Place LUSC (meet outside)
 March from club to memorial park for Anzac service

Time Meet at 10.10 am for 10.30 commencement

Wear Full school uniform, including school hat

Our school leaders will lay a wreath as part of this ceremony.

If the weather is unsuitable to march, then the service is held inside the club.

Kind regards,

Linda Xerri
 Principal





NSW Public Speaking

The Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition

MPPS

Students from Years 3-6 are invited to participate in the 2024 Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition. The competition progresses in stages from individual classes to two finalists per stage who will go on to represent North Haven Public School at a local schools final.

What are the speaking requirements?

At each stage of the competition contestants present both a prepared speech and an impromptu speech. For their prepared speech, contestants must choose a topic from the list below and must convey a multicultural message. The impromptu speech topic will be on a general, non-multicultural theme, and contestants will have 5 minutes to write their impromptu speeches, starting with only blank palm cards and paper. Speakers are not permitted to use any additional props, resources or slide presentations for either speech.

2024 Years 3 and 4 topics

Mind your language
The Olympic Games
Peace
My culture and me
Multiculturalism on our screens
Racism – it stops with me!
Voyages
If kids ruled the world ...
Australian stories
My multicultural school

2024 Years 5 and 6 topics

Mind your language
January 26?
Welcome to country
Privilege
Representation
My neighbourhood
Learning from the past
Our voices
Conflict
Live together play together

What are the adjudicators looking for?

The adjudicators will make their decision based on:

- Matter – content and vocabulary
- Manner - eye contact, voice and gesture
- Method - speech structure

They will expect contestants to be confident and engaging, and will prefer speeches which balance personal opinion with information, and humour with sincerity. The prepared speeches need to show an understanding of multiculturalism, but the impromptu speeches do not. Speaking times are outlined below:

Division / speech	Warning bell	Speaking time	Continuous bell
Years 3 and 4 prepared	2 minutes	3 minutes	4 minutes
Years 3 and 4 impromptu	30 seconds	1 minute	1 ½ minutes
Years 5 and 6 prepared	3 minutes	4 minutes	5 minutes
Years 5 and 6 impromptu	1 ½ minutes	2 minutes	2 ½ minutes

Additional information and important dates will be provided to families early Term 2.

Mrs Cairncross
Public Speaking Coordinator



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Stage 3 Scripture

From Term 2, changes have been made to the Friday morning Stage 3 Special Religious Education (SRE) or Scripture timetable. This change enables students in Senior Band to also attend Scripture. Details are as follows:

9.05 - 10.05	Senior Band (unchanged)
9.45 - 10.15	Stage 3 students who are not in band will attend Scripture
10.15 - 10.45	Additional SRE session for students in Senior Band who attend Scripture

SRE and Ethics sessions for students in Kindergarten to Year 4 remain unchanged.

Families who have 'opted out' of SRE via the office will continue to NOT participate in Scripture.

Both Ethics/Scripture and non-Scripture groups are supervised by teachers.

Library News

Yesterday, every student in KE brought their library bag and borrowed two books for the holidays! Here they are in the 'lounge room' in the library. Congratulations to KE for being the first class with 100% library bags for a library lesson. You are setting a great example for the rest of the school!

Mrs Skerritt
School Librarian



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For notification of absences families may -

- Ring or email school
- Reply to the sms message sent at 10.30 am on the day of the absence
- Log the absence via the Sentral Parent Portal

Office Closure

Monday, 29th April

Due to office staff participating in off-site training and development on the Staff Development Day, the office will be partially closed on Monday, 29th April.

The office will be closed from 8.30 am to 11.30 am. Normal office functions, including uniform sales, will be available from 11.30 am.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday 12th April

School Anzac Day Ceremony

Friday 12th April

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

Monday 29th April

Staff Development Day
(pupil free)

Tuesday 30th April

Students K-6 return to school

UNIFORM SALES HOLIDAY OPENING

The office will be open for uniform sales on the
Staff Development Day -

Monday, 29th April 2024

From 11.30 am

- Families should come to the office to pay for their order and try uniforms for sizing if necessary.
- Alternatively, families can order uniforms via phone or email. When we receive your order we will send you a Payment Request via the Sentral app (or by email if you do not use the app). Payment can then be made via the app or clicking on the link in the email. Once payment is received the uniform will be sent home with your child.

UNIFORM PURCHASES

DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QTY	SIZE	TOTAL
School Polo Shirt	\$35.00			
Unisex shorts – microfibre	\$15.00			
Girls gabardine skort	\$18.00			
Girls sport skort	\$15.00			
Fleecy zip jacket with school logo	\$30.00			
Fleecy track pants	\$18.00			
School bucket hat – maroon with embroidered logo	\$12.00			
Sizes – 53cm, 55cm, 57cm, 59cm, 61cm				
Library Bag	\$3.00			
All clothing available in sizes 4-22			TOTAL \$	
Child's Name :	Class :	Date :		



School Cross Country

Our school cross country was held last Thursday and luckily the inclement weather held off long enough for us to finish the event by about 15 minutes before the storms hit.

Thank you to Miss Gouck & Mr McGrath who organised a course which allowed everyone to participate and have-a-go, whilst also giving students an opportunity to achieve their personal bests.

THE WINNING HOUSE IS BANKSIA

The results are as follows -

8/9 Year Champion

Piper Currie
Jordan Parsons

10 Year Champion

Ruby Jackson
Hanley Smith

11 Year Champion

Amaya Fahina
Dusty Currie

12 /13 Year Champion

Isla Googe
Max Smith
Myles Layzell

33 students will now progress to the Lower North Coast Cross Country to be held in Kempsey on Tuesday, 7th May.



Could you become a foster carer?

Call our Taree office on (02) 6552 0277 for a confidential conversation or visit our website.



April Holiday Club Exclusive Activities

15th Bean Boozled	16th Magic Show and Balloon Making Workshop	17th Loaded Milkshake	18th Burger	19th Pizza
22nd BISCUIT DECORATING	23rd Taste Test	24th CLOSED	25th CLOSED	26th Pizza

Port Macquarie Indoor Stadium

THERE IS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AND EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Club Open Hours
8.30am - 5pm

5 day pass \$190
3 days pass \$120
1 day pass \$42.50
1/2 day pass \$27.50

OPEN
Monday 15th April to Friday 26th April (closed 25th April)

Arts and Crafts

Friends

Table Tennis

Sports and Games

LEGO

Board Games

Building and Constructing

Send your kids to The Club these school holidays and know they are entertained and cared for.
The Club is for all primary school aged children.

Book via the QR code or website

www.sprocketsportmacquarie.com.au

A young girl with a developmental delay is sitting at a table, focused on drawing. She has a yellow hair tie and is wearing a white shirt with colorful polka dots. On the table in front of her are several colored markers in a white cup, a piece of paper, and some small objects. The background is a soft-focus indoor setting.

READY-SET-CONNECT KIDS

Does your child have a developmental delay, diagnosis, or an NDIS plan? Come and meet service providers in your area who can help.

PORT MACQUARIE READY-SET-CONNECT KIDS

WHAT?

An informative and free networking event connecting Parents, Carers and Teachers with disability providers offering services for children with a disability or developmental delay.

You will be moving from table to table meeting disability providers and organisations in your area who offer a range of child-relevant services.

Gather information. Ask questions. Make meaningful contacts to assist with your child's development.

WHO?

Parents, Carers and Teachers of children with disability or developmental delay. Support coordinators who support children also welcome.

WHEN?

07 May 2024

10:00 AM to 12:30 PM

WHERE?

The Westport Club

25 Buller Street, Port Macquarie NSW

FREE EVENT

TO REGISTER VISIT:

onecommunity.net.au/Ready-Set-Connect

Interested in becoming a Table Host? Visit our website to register.

info@onecommunity.net.au

onecommunity.net.au/ready-set-connect



Create & Connect Girls Craft Camp



What: Create and Connect is an art and craft camp that gives girls an opportunity to create awesome art and craft and connect with God and others.

Who: Girls in years 5-9

Where: Christian Youth Centre, Scott's Head

When: 14th - 16th June 2024

Cost: \$180 (\$170 early bird rego before 30/4/2024)

More Information & registration: sunsw.org.au/create-connect-camp-port-macquarie-hastings

14th - 16th June

Scott's Head



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BUILDING RESILIENCE, LIFE SKILLS & CONNECTION THROUGH A RANGE OF INDIVIDUAL & GROUP ACTIVITIES

10 WEEK PROGRAM FOR YOUNG MEN
AGED 12 - 15 YEARS

Lead by experienced & accredited childsafe facilitators

WAUCHOPE
SCOUT HALL
TUES 4:30PM - 6PM
CALL 65864055 TO
REGISTER

PMQ NEIGHBOURHOOD
CENTRE
WED 4:30PM - 6PM
CALL 65838044 TO
REGISTER

LAKE CATHIE
COMMUNITY HUB
THURS 4:30PM - 6PM
CALL 0408194947 TO
REGISTER



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HASTINGS NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES
Email: Hello@Sacredgirl.com



◆ WAUCHOPE - TUESDAYS 4:30-5:30PM
Ph: 65 864055

◆ PORT MACQUARIE - WEDNESDAY 4-5PM
Ph: 65 838044

◆ LAKE CATHIE - THURSDAY 4-5PM
Ph: 0408 194 947



Sacred Girl

This immersive program is currently offered to girls aged 12- 15yrs. Throughout a school term, we dive deep into daily rituals, self-reliance, self-expression, and resilience, guiding participants on a path of self-discovery and reconnecting with their sacred selves. Each session spans one hour, providing a dedicated space for growth, exploration, and empowerment alongside one of our incredible facilitators.

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Monday 15 th April	Tuesday 16 th April	Wednesday 17 th April	Thursday 18 th April	Friday 19 th April
<p>Grow It Garden Day</p>  <p>Inhouse</p> <p>Immerse young minds in the enchanting world of nature during our Grow It Garden Day! From vibrant foliage crafts to hands on planting activities, children will explore the wonders of the season while cultivating a love for the outdoors.</p>	<p>DIY Movie Day</p>  <p>Inhouse</p> <p>Lights, Camera, ACTION! Today we are revisiting our Movie Day for a potential sequel film from last holidays. Join us as we discover the finer points of planning, rehearsing and filming our very own movie to share at the end of the day.</p>	<p>All Things Art</p>  <p>Incursion</p> <p>Unleash the imagination and creativity during our All Things Art Day! Children will be able to explore various mediums and techniques with our experienced instructors from the Hastings Valley Art Association.</p>	<p>Wave Bowl</p>  <p>Excursion</p> <p>Strike up the fun with our Excursion to Wave Bowl in Port Macquarie! Children will lace up their bowling shoes, aim for strikes, and enjoy a day of friendly competition, laughter, and joy at the bowling alley.</p>	<p>Holiday Campout</p>  <p>Inhouse</p> <p>We're going camping! Join us as we explore and experience all the fun adventures of camping without the long travel. This will include finding the best camp site, setting up camp, cook-ups and telling stories.</p>
ASPIRE Activities				
				
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<p>Activities ongoing throughout the day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$70</p>	<p>Activities ongoing throughout the day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$65</p>	<p>Art Workshop 1pm – 2.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$75</p>	<p>Bus Departs @ 10.30am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$90</p>	<p>Activities ongoing throughout the day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">\$65</p>
What to bring:				
<p>Wide brimmed hat, morning tea, lunch, several snacks (more than they would have at school because they are so active!), water bottle, backpack, and enclosed shoes. Please ensure that childrens belongings have their names on them.</p>				

Service Manager:

Mobile:



Email: camdenhaven@aspire-oshc.com.au

Monday 22 nd April	Tuesday 23 rd April	Wednesday 24 th April	Thursday 25 th April	Friday 26 th April
Dress Up Disco	Master Chef	Spring Loaded	CLOSED ANZAC DAY	String Art Day
				
Inhouse	Incursion	Excursion	PUBLIC HOLIDAY	Inhouse
Get ready to groove and glitter at our Dress Up Disco Day! Children can dress up in their favourite costume and unleash their inner dance diva or disco dude, showcasing their own funky style with epic dance battles sure not disappoint.	Whisk up excitement and culinary delights during our Master Chef Day! Children will don chef hats, explore the kitchen with hands-on cooking activities, and compete in teams against each other to be judged by our local chef guest judge.	Today we are taking the bus to Spring Loaded! Jump, climb and swing the day away or show off your fort building skills with the giant soft blocks. Please remember to wear socks and enclosed shoes.		Scoobies, Macrame, Friendships Bracelets and String Painting! It's all happening today for our String Art Day! Make something for yourself or a friend or for family, the only limits are your imagination.
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Monday 29 th April	Tuesday 30 th April	Wednesday 1 st May	Thursday 2 nd May	Friday 3 rd May
<p>Device & Soccer Day</p>  <p>Inhouse</p> <p>Dive into the digital realm during our Device and Tech Day! Children will enjoy a day filled with digital fun and adventures during structured device time, and broken up with soccer games and activities to get us moving about.</p>	<p>Back to School Term 2</p>			
<p>ASPIRE Activities</p> 				
<p>Location: St. Josephs Staff ratio: Staff attending: 4-5 Vacancies: 35</p>				
<p>Device time will be broken up into slots throughout the day.</p>				
<p>\$65</p>				
<p>What to bring:</p>				
<p>Wide brimmed hat, morning tea, lunch, several snacks (more than they would have at school because they are so active!), water bottle, backpack, and enclosed shoes. Please ensure that childrens belongings have their names on them.</p>				

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