UPCOMING EVENTS DIARY

Monday 25th March
Tuckshop

Tuesday, 26th March
DIGI Ed Course for Yr 5
At West Kempsey P. S

Thursday, 28th March
Easter Hat Parade. 9.15am
Scholastic Book Club Clearance Sale
Orders Due Today.

Friday 29th March
Good Friday

Friday 5th April
Tuckshop

Monday 8th April
Tuckshop

Friday 12th April
Tuckshop
Last Day Term 1.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

1H Taite Davis
For completing all his work accurately and neatly.

2C Murray Beers
For attention to detail and quality in all areas.

DIGI ED
Through the Macleay Educational Community of Schools (MECS) Year 5 students from Gladstone Public School have been offered places at a DIGI Ed Course to be held at West Kempsey PS, on Tuesday 26th March.
The course will involve students working with experts in animation to create short films. There will be no cost to the students for this opportunity, as the school will cover the fee through our technology budget.
Please complete and return the attached consent form.
Parents and interested community members are invited to view our students’ films on the last day of term.
EASTER HAT PARADE
As Easter is approaching we will be hosting an Easter Hat Parade next Thursday 28th March at 9.15 am.
Students are asked to make and decorate their hats at home over the next week. The SRC (Student Leaders) will host the event and prizes will be awarded.
Later in the day Mrs Hutley will be organizing an Easter egg hunt.
We look forward to seeing how creative our students and parents can be! Parents and community members are invited to attend the parade.

BLAKE – IN A LEGUE OF HIS OWN
Blake Weston has gained selection in the Macleay Open Rugby League Team. After strong performances in the trial games, held at Gladstone Oval last Wednesday. Blake demonstrated the skill, determination and toughness required to be selected as a representative player.
Blake will now travel to Port Macquarie to trial for a spot in the Lower North Coast Team.
We wish him the best in his efforts.
Well-done Blake.

PSSA SOCCER TRIALS
Logan Davis will travel to Port Macquarie next Tuesday to trial for a spot in the Lower North Coast soccer team. Logan has demonstrated his skill and passion for soccer with the Kempsey Saints and now has the opportunity to press for representative honours. Good luck Logan.

P&C NOTE
The P &C need volunteers to take on some of the committee positions.
I would like everyone to consider what the P&C does. We need to have more input from parents.
There are a select few doing a lot for the school. Please consider this and attend our next AGM and don’t be afraid to put your hand up.
Thanks,
Juanita Davis.

1H CLASS NEWS
Swimming season has finished for the term. The days are cooling down slightly and Easter is on its way.
We had our class assembly on Tuesday afternoon. Well done to Marcel and Zenas on being great MC’s. Thank you to everyone who came along to watch and listen. We greatly appreciate your time.
It has been a quiet fortnight- not much happening apart from lots of hard work in the classroom.
Mrs Pugh has been working with the year 3’s on Tuesday afternoon in preparation for Naplan next term.
The swimming carnival last Friday was a great day with everyone participating and encouraging each other. It was a fitting end to the day that the two houses ended with equal points.
**IH Super Workers** Congratulations to Taite on being our student of the week. He is a hard worker, always completing his work accurately and neatly.
Well done to Keira and Zenas on their efforts with completing and presenting their homework at such a high level. Great job.
Elise and Brian have had consistent results in their weekly spelling test. Well done.
Zachary has been working very hard on his story writing – keep it up Zac.
Dominic and Ava have shown great improvement in their oral reading skills this term. Well done.
Jasmine – Great work in Literacy activities.
Georgia – Our champion swimmer from the intensive swimming program.

**2C CLASS NEWS**
Students in 2C have been working on a unit of work related to the history of Mt Everest. To develop 2C student skills in Writing Expositions, we will attempt to solve the mystery of who were the first people to summit this iconic mountain.
Along the way, students will learn about the Sherpa culture, religious beliefs and climbing abilities.
Students will develop a presentation of their research on the last day of term. All parents are invited to celebrate the excellent work of our amazing students.

**A NOTE FROM MRS PUGH**
I began teaching in the Macleay in 1992 after 3 years teaching Outdoor Education for Dept. Sport and Recreation and 10 years in the Horticultural industry. I have 3 children, a dog, a budgie, 5 chickens and a lovely husband. My love of learning and children make my days at school stimulating and rewarding. It is my aim to share that feeling with the students I teach.

My role as Learning Support Teacher/ Relief from Face to Face means. I will be teaching Mrs. Hutley’s class HSIE. I will continue the unit Families Past and Present until the end of Term 1. Mr. Lynch’s class will be learning about photography and this will help prepare them for their day of DIGI Ed in week 9 when they will be learning to create clay-mations.
I value your community and look forward to getting to know you. I will be at GPS on Wednesdays and Thursdays and am happy to return your call and/or arrange a meeting time.

**BUS SAFETY LESSON**
Earlier this month we were lucky to have three visitors to our school. They were here to teach Mrs. Hutley’s class about Bus Safety.
Susan Clarke from NRMA spoke about how to get on, off and travel safely on the bus.
Police Officer Linda talked about safe behaviour on the bus and stranger danger then Andrew took us for a bus ride around Gladstone so we could practice what we learnt. The children were all listening very carefully and asked some great questions. Here is a photo of the day.

**KEMPSEY BASKET BALL JUNIORS**
Kempsey Basket Ball Juniors have moved to Tuesday afternoons at the Melville High School Hall with skill sessions from 4pm followed by games until 6pm.
We are currently looking for 5-6, 11 or 12 year old boys who would like to join our training squad for the northern Junior League. We have a new young coach that has returned to the Macleay to teach who is keen to develop a training squad.
For further information contact Ev Jacobs on 0418463278.