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GLADSTONE GAZETTE

Term 1 Week 9



Term 1	Calendar
Thursday 28th March	Easter Hat Parade and Raffle Draw
Thursday 28th March	Last Day before Easter Break
Friday 29th March	Good Friday Public Holiday
Monday 1st April	Easter Monday Public Holiday
Thursday 11th April	PSSA Swimming
Friday 12th April	PSSA Swimming Last Day of Term 1
Tuesday 30th April	Student's First Day of Term 2

We have had another productive and exciting fortnight in and out of our classroom. Our Year 3 and 5 students completed their National Assessment Literacy and Numeracy program over the past two weeks. With all students showing off their literacy and numeracy knowledge and completing the tasks to the best of their abilities we are all very proud of their efforts and look forward to the results that will be sent out next term.

Our swimming team competed at the North Coast PSSA swimming carnival in Casino last week and certainly competed with great pride and sportsmanship. The team are off to the State PSSA Swimming carnival in Sydney in week 11. Congratulations to Tilly who has made it through in her individual swimming events and on her efforts on being named the junior girl champion at the NC Carnival. The relay team of Elton, Ingrid, Tully and Tilly won the PP6 relay event at the carnival and are all off to compete against the other Small Schools from across the state in Sydney on our last day of school for this term. We are excited to be able to watch the event following the live stream. We will be inviting our community in to share in this experience from school, more details will be posted in our next newsletter. Thank you to our families for taking time to ensure our swimmers have been prepared for each event in their PSSA journey. Without the dedication of each family this would not be a possibility for our swimmers.

Please see the attached information regarding the PPP (Triple P) Parenting support sessions. This is a great opportunity being offered to our community. The workshops and networking opportunities are free to our families, please contact Regen for more information.

Excitedly we warmly welcome our community to join us for our annual Easter Hat Parade. Parents, Grandparents and friends are invited to join in with an Easter morning tea from 11 am on Thursday. We will be following this with Easter themed activities and our annual Easter Hat Parade. Our invite encourages parent and community participation and we hope to see many of you join in the fun and sporting your Easter inspired hats for our parade!

Easter Holiday long weekend is almost upon us, we wish all of our families a safe and happy Easter Long weekend. Students return on Tuesday 2nd April for the remainder of term 1.

Regards, Rebecca Smith, Teaching Principal

CONGRATULATIONS TILLY!

Check out the latest news in sport across the Macleay Valley... Matilda has been named the Kempsey RSL Sports Person of the Month!

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Friday March 22, 2024 MACLEAY ARGUS 19

SPORT

Matilda named sports star

SPORTSPERSON OF
THE MONTH
BY MARDI BORG

YOUNG swimming sensation Matilda Buchholz has been selected as the Kempsey Macleay RSL Club Sports Person of the Month for March.

At the Macleay swimming carnival, the nine-year-old qualified to swim for

the Primary School Sports Association (PSSA) Lower North Coast in an impressive array of events. The events included the 100m open age freestyle, 10-year-old 50m freestyle, junior girls 50m breaststroke, junior girls 50m backstroke, junior girls 50m butterfly, and junior girls 200m individual medley.

She also broke Macleay PSSA records in several events.

Her success continued at the North Coast PSSA swimming carnival, where she qualified for multiple events, including the open age 100m freestyle, 10-year-old 50m freestyle, junior girls 50m breaststroke, junior girls 50m backstroke, junior girls 50m butterfly, junior girls 200m individual medley and the small schools relay.

Matilda's prowess in the pool was further highlighted as she broke LNC records in the 10-year-old freestyle, junior backstroke, junior butterfly, and junior individual medley events.

Matilda's achievements reached new heights at the NSW Country Swimming Championship, where she dominated the competition. She claimed first place in the

finals of the nine-year-old girls breaststroke, freestyle, 50m butterfly, and 100m freestyle events.

She also secured second place in the nine-year-old girls backstroke final, third in the junior girls 200m individual medley, and fourth in the junior girls butterfly final. Matilda said she was "really happy" with her recent swimming achievements.



Picture by Mardi Borg



Small changes,
big differences.



Group Triple P Takes the guesswork out of parenting

New positive parenting course starts soon...

- Become confident as a parent
- Encourage behaviour you like
- Deal with problem behaviour

DATE: 19th & 26th March, 2nd & 9th April 2024

TIME: 10am – 12pm

VENUE: Shops 1 & 2, 40 Clyde St, Kempsey

PRESENTERS: Regen & Wendy

BOOKINGS AND INFORMATION

FREE program with resources & light refreshments provided.

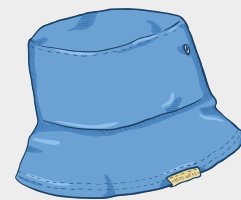
Bookings are essential due to limited numbers. Contact Regen on 0476 806 721

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We have a lot of unnamed clothing in our lost property cupboard that is situated on the office verandah. If your child is missing any clothing, please come and check to see if any items belong to them. It would be appreciated if all clothing could be clearly labelled with the current owner's name to ease confusion and ensure items go to the correct home. Thank you for your help with this matter.



Thank you to those families who have kindly donated to the P&C Easter raffle and returned their sold tickets.

Donations and tickets may still be handed in until Thursday morning!



Community Events!

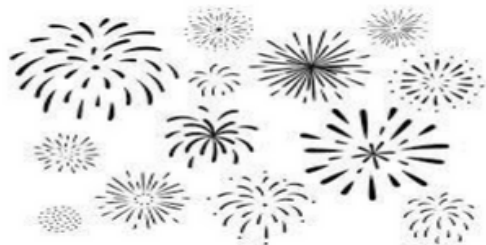
If anyone is interested in either of the following events please let Marion know in the office and she will e-mail you a schedule.

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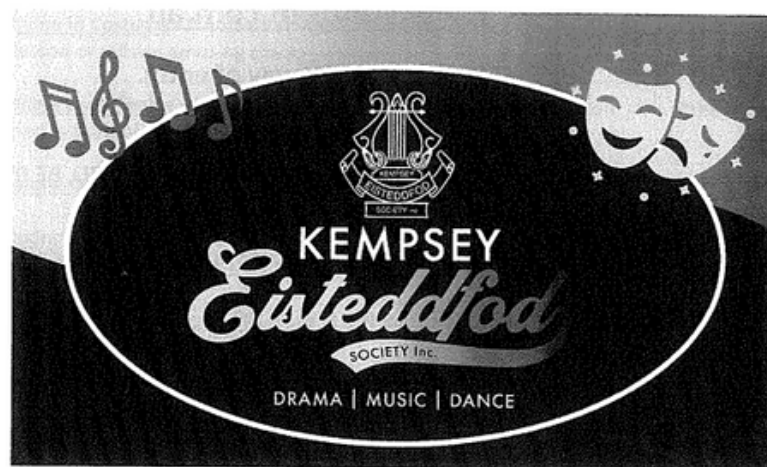
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TUESDAY 9th & WEDNESDAY 10th APRIL**

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Sunday 23rd June, 2024 – Friday 27th June, 2024