



NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR

Wed 10 November

**Kinder 2022
Orientation**

Thursday 11 November

Remembrance Day

Friday 12 November

Crazy Sock Day



Dear Parents

As we approach the middle of the final term for 2021, I draw to your attention some key areas to note:

2022 Classes

Teachers are currently engaged in setting class groups for next year. If you would like us to be aware of any issues related to the placement of your child for 2022, we ask that you put your thoughts in writing via email and forward this to the school office. Issues surrounding their placement would be related to areas such as avoiding your child and another student being in the same class, specific issues related to their learning or perhaps home issues that may be impacted by their placement. I point out that it is not an opportunity to request specific teachers but rather focus on ensuring we consider all key factors in placing your child in a class for the new school year. The closing date for the receipt of emails for class placement will be next **Friday 12 November**.

Reports

Reports will be sent home on **Friday 10 December**. We have just received the formatting of the reports from the CSBB Head Office and teachers have begun working on them now. As per 2020, they will reflect the HBL program taking into account that most children were not on-site for a significant part of the school year. That being said, assessments are still being conducted in classes to ensure the reports are an accurate reflection of the student's performance in 2021.

Public Health Orders

A reminder to all parents that we are bound as a school to follow the NSW Government Public Health Order. We do not set our own protocols and by law, we must ensure that all restrictions are adhered to. The key areas for parents to note are:

- Parents are not to be on-site unless they have urgent business at the School Office or are collecting a child from the office.
- Any parent on site must wear a mask when entering the Office and check-in via the QR code.
- Unvaccinated parents are asked to inform Office staff who will escort their children to your car out the front of the Office.
- Parents exempt from vaccinations are still required to follow the mandatory protocols at the school.

The Uniform Shop

The onsite uniform shop will be open again **from Monday 8 November**. If visiting the shop you will need to show a vaccination certificate, check in and be wearing a mask.



***"They shall grow
not old, as we that
are left grow old:
Age shall not weary
them, nor the years
condemn.***

***At the going down
of the sun and in
the morning,
We will remember
them"***

- Laurence Binyon

Tell Them From Me

As per the recent communication, we would like to invite you to complete the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey. As we value the role of parents and carers within our school community, we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Terrigal. The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You can access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by [clicking here](#).

Drive-thru

Thank you to the many parents who are assisting us in the afternoon pick up procedures. The staff are doing their best to get the cars through as quickly as possible, and parents following the protocols really gives us the best opportunity to do this. A reminder not to arrive before 2.45 pm or 3.05 pm if you are in the second wave. We are having to contend with the buses needing to keep to schedules and neighbours having to get into their properties, so any assistance is very much appreciated.

Week 6 Pick Up

A reminder of our afternoon pickup roster for this week:

1st Wave at 2.45pm: **MACKILLOP** and **TERRY** families

2nd Wave at 3.05pm: **POLDING** and **CHISHOLM** families

To assist with traffic flow, please do not arrive before 2.35pm

Congratulations to **Austin T** (4 Starfish) whom this week shared with me a great piece of writing (see below). Great job Austin!

I wish all families a very relaxing weekend.

Kind regards

John Barton
Principal

The Strange Ship

“Ahoy Mateys! Keep going ahead! “The ship kept going straight ahead and ended up on a secret island. They collected wood and made a warm, toasty fire. The next day they hopped back on the ship and sailed away into the mist. Three hours later they started to feel bumps hitting the bottom of the ship. They thought it could have been an iceberg skimming the bottom of the ship, but they were unsure if it was an iceberg or something else? A few hours later the bumps on the bottom of the ship came back but this time they were bigger. They looked over the side of the ship but could see nothing. Then something tore the bottom of the ship. They saw that it was a sperm whale and the captain said, “Everybody jump!” But one person stayed on the ship and managed to lower the lifeboats. Flames were coming off the ship and it was sinking. They all climbed into the lifeboats and sailed away from the flaming and sinking wreck. After a time, they found some land and decided to camp there for a couple of nights.

They had no food, so a crew member had to sacrifice himself for food. After a couple of days, they decided to continue their journey and find their way home.

Two years had passed and eventually, they made it home. They had a massive party to celebrate. No one ever talked about the strange ship or what happened out there ever again.

By Austin Tebbutt 4S



SPORT NEWS WITH MISS MOLLY:



CRICKET

Well done to two of our Year 6 students, Harry T and Josh F, who were recently selected in the Central Coast Metro and Youth Championships teams for state carnivals being held later in the year.

National OZ

Well done to some of our students who have been selected in their respective Oztag teams for the upcoming Junior Nationals to be held next year at Coffs Harbour.

9 Year Boys - Harry D and Ethan T

9 Girls - Charlie W and Emerson W

10 Boys - Max P and Rocco R

11 Boys - Ray P and Oli P

11 Girls - Olive E

12 Boys - Nixon Y

12 Girls - Abi C

We have been unlucky due to COVID over the past 2 years to miss the Central Coast OzTag school competition, fingers crossed we can get there next year and have these talented students lead the way!

Due to restrictions on events in term 4 2021, the Polding Tennis and Basketball Trials for early 2022 are 'to be confirmed' at this stage.