Dear Parents,

**END OF YEAR PARTY**

This year’s end of year party will be held at school on Friday 11 December. We have hired a Double Dive inflatable water slide. Children will be rotating through this and other fun water activities. A note will be sent home next week outlining the activities and what children should bring on the day. Please ensure your child returns their permission for this activity to be able to participate.

**CAR PARK**

For everyone’s safety please use the front gate not the driveway when picking up and dropping off children. The car park is for cars and we do not want children put in unsafe situations when there is a convenient alternative very close by.

**WACKY WEDNESDAY**

For the last Year 6 fundraising for the year we are supporting the kindergarten dress up day. This Wednesday our new kinders are dressing in the Fairy Tale theme so we will join them in mufti for the day. The Year 6 students will be face painting and Kim and I will be using coloured hairspray on the children. Please return the tear off section over the page allowing your child to have their face painted and hair sprayed.

**CAPTAINS SPEECHES**

The Year 5 speeches for next year’s captains will take place on Friday morning this week, 27 November at 9am in the 4/5/6B classroom. All welcome to attend.

**PUBLISHED AUTHOR**

Jaxen’s book is now in the library. What an honour for him to dedicate his story to Dungay Public School.

Thank you Jaxen. As this is so special this book will not be borrowed but used as a class and reference book.

**SCHOOL STREAM**

After two weeks with our new smart phone app being live we are interested to know if parents are finding this a useful tool? Currently we have 27 registered users. If you haven’t as yet installed the app it is very easy to do. Simply go to your device’s Store and search for School Stream. Once installed search for Dungay to connect to us. Setting your preferences is also important so that you receive the relevant alerts for the grade your child is in.

**GRANT SUCCESS**

Congratulations to Rod and Vanessa who have been successful in the application for an Eco Schools Grant. With this grant we will be able to commence a 3 stage

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### 2015 Dungay School Calendar

| Term 4 |
|------------------|------------------|
| **Wk 8** | Year 6 Wacky Wednesday fundraiser dress up day Kindergarten Orientation 9.30-2.00pm, with dress up day theme “Fairy Tales” |
| Wed 25 Nov |  |
| Thur 26 Nov | 2/3/4S surf safety 1.30pm |
| Fri 27 Nov | Captains speeches 9am |
| **Wk 9** |  |
| Mon 30 Nov | 2/3/4S class party |
| Tues 1 Dec | Volunteers morning tea, 11am K/1/2 community health visit 1.30pm |
| Wed 2 Dec | Kindergarten Orientation 9.30-2.00pm Year 6 parent evening Wollumbin HS |
| Thur 3 Dec | Final 2015 Playgroup, Christmas party Year 6 Farewell |
| **Wk 10** |  |
| Thur 10 Dec | Presentation night |
| **Wk 11** |  |
| Wed 16 Dec | Last day of term for students |
| Fri 18 Dec | Last day of term for staff |
process of installing a native—stingless—bee hive at school; propagating them; and harvesting honey. Bees pollinate 70% of the world’s horticulture and agriculture crops. Therefore without them the population would starve within 5 years.

Our climate is perfect for native bees as their optimal temperature range is between 18°C and 35°C. Dungay school students will work in partnership with Tweed Shire Council, Dorrroughby Environmental Educational Centre, Chillingham Bush Tucker and Tim Heard from Sugarbag Bees to learn about native bee populations, their significance and threats. They will participate in direct actions to help native bee populations including planting suitable habitat trees and increasing community awareness about the importance of bees. We will also investigate how indigenous people have used honey for food and medicine.

Having a hive at our school will increase flora pollination and contribute to the well being of our local biodiversity.

I emphasise that these bees are native Australian, non-stinging bees.

Have a wonderful week.

Mary Burgess
Principal

LIBRARY

All outstanding loans should be returned to the library by next Monday 30 November ready for stocktaking.

LIBRARY AWARDS

Congratulations to this week’s library award recipients:

Ebony        Luke C        Ginger
Reece        Zeon

Rethink Sweet Drinks

Many children are so used to sugary drinks; it will take time to break the bad habit, as taste buds need to be re-trained away from the sweetness overload these drinks provide. Here are some things you and your child can do to help break the sugary drink bad habit:

- **Decrease the frequency.** If your child is having juice three times per day, start by cutting out one serving per day.
- **Only carry water.** When out and about, carry water to quench your thirst.
- **Water down juices.** Yes, even drinks that are 100 percent juice are still loaded with sugar. Each day add more and more water to each sweetened drink until reaching a point of almost nothing there.
- **Stop buying sweetened drinks.**
- **Make water easily accessible.** Place a water pitcher in the refrigerator or on the counter, or put it in colourful, eye-catching water bottle or cup.
- **Infused water.** Mix in fruit (frozen or fresh), vegetables or herbs such as mint or thyme. Let it sit overnight, and in the morning you’ll have a delicious batch of infused water.
- **Unsweetened milk.** Cow’s milk, almond milk, soy milk or rice milk are all fabulous choices. Three servings per day help provide adequate calcium and vitamin D.

Next time your kids are reaching for a drink, help them refrain from sipping something sweet. Their health may depend on it.

WACKY WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES

I give permission for my child/ren ____________________________________________________________ to participate in Wacky Wednesday activities on 25 November 2015, including face painting and coloured hair spraying.

Parent signature ______________________________ Date ______________
## Student Awards

### Week 6

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| K/1/2R    | Zeon: Improved story writing.  
                        | Cody: Hearing and writing sounds. |
| 2/3/4S    | Ashton: Setting a positive example.  
                        | Chloe: Confident class person. |
| 4/5/6B    | Ebony: Consistent application to homework.  
                        | Thomas: Resilience and persistence. |

**Writer of the Week**  
- K/1/2: Jack  
- 2/3/4S: Paige and Sofia  
- 4/5/6B: Kahli

**Chance Card Draw**  
- K/1/2R: Harry  
- 2/3/4S: Paige  
- 4/5/6B: Oscar

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### Week 7

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| K/1/2R    | Will: Locating words for writing.  
                        | Rupa: Peeling fruit—‘a sensory experience’. |
| 2/3/4S    | Paige: A good independent worker.  
                        | Shakana: Good effort in class. |
| 4/5/6B    | Tara: Being a positive and respectful member of our class.  
                        | Oscar: Being a positive role model for his peers. |

**Writer of the Week**  
- K/1/2: Harry  
- 2/3/4S: Ashton  
- 4/5/6B: Jaxen

**Chance Card Draw**  
- K/1/2R: Will  
- 2/3/4S: Holly  
- 4/5/6B: Brandon

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**Principal Awards**  
- Zeon and Ewan,  
- Broden and Luke
For our community

Young Carers Project

A free and confidential service is being offered to young carers through the Commonwealth Respite and Carelink Centre. This project supports students 18 years and under who have a significant caring role to complete their secondary education.

What is a Young Carer?
A Young Carer is someone who provides significant support for a parent, partner, child, relative or friend who has chronic illness, disability, mental illness, alcohol or other substance dependence or who is frail aged.

What support is offered?
Support is based upon the individual needs of the young person but may include respite, tuition support, material resources such as school books or uniforms, support to attend school activities, referral to appropriate services.

Contact the Commonwealth Respite and Carelink Centre Far North Coast on 1800 052 222.
It’s that time of year again,

CHRISTMAS!!!

So we are asking for your kind donations of
Non-perishable, in date food items; Anything "Christmassy"; Giftware or Gift Baskets for the Christmas Raffle

The Raffle will be drawn on Thursday 10th December, 2015 at Presentation Night.

Raffle tickets will cost $1.00 each

Can you PLEASE have your donations into school before FRIDAY 4th December 2015

Attached is your Raffle Book, there are extra books available at the office

All Used & Unused Raffle Books are to be returned please

Thank you for supporting Dungay P & C

Presentation Night Dinner
Thursday 10 December 2015

The P & C Traditional Christmas Buffet Dinner with Roast Chicken, Sliced Ham, Bread Rolls, Party Pies etc and sides... The side dishes will be donated by each student, (this is how it has been run in the past).

Kids from 2/3/4 are to bring along a desert
eg cheesecake, tub of icecream, jelly

Please write your name & what dish you will be bringing

Name:........................................................................................................................................

Desert:........................................................................................................................................

Kids from K/1 and 5/6 are to bring along a salad
eg tossed salad, pasta salad, coleslaw, potato salad

Please write your name & what dish you will be bringing

Name:........................................................................................................................................

Salad:........................................................................................................................................

Meal Tickets are to be pre-ordered and cost:
Adults: $10, Child: $6, Family - 2 Adults and 2 Kids: $30, Extra Child: $3

Please write your Name & which Meal Tickets you would like

Name:........................................................................................................................................

Adult Meal Ticket:......................................................................................................................

Kid Meal Ticket:.........................................................................................................................

Family Meal Ticket:...................................................................................................................

Extra Kid Meal Ticket:............................................................................................................... 

For catering purposes please complete this slip and return it WITH PAYMENT for your Meal Tickets

NO later than Thursday 3 December

Don’t forget to bring along your own cutlery, plate & bowl...also a chair!!!

Oh and there will be a visit from someone special!!!

Presentation Night is about families coming together & having a good time.

Thank you

Dungay P & C