# Vacy Public School

21 November 2017



# Newsletter

November				
Monday 20/11	Swim School			
Friday 1/12				
Tuesday 21	P&C meeting 7pm			
Wednesday 22	Yr 6 Information Evening & Disco @ Dungog High			
Wednesday 22	PBL Reward lunch			
December				
Friday 1	Year 6 Farewell-\$15 per adult			
Friday 1	Book Club Orders Due			
Tuesday 5	Year 6 Orientation Day @ Dungog High 9.00am - 3.20pm			
Thursday 7	Surf School			
Friday 8	Presentation Day 9.30am			
Friday 15	Students Last Day			
January				
Tuesday 30	Students return for 2018			
Canteen Helpers				
Thursday 23	Loren and Christine			
Monday 27	Alyssa			

# Library News

All books are due next Monday 27th November. There will be no more borrowing until next year!



# Principal's Report

Week 7 sees the beginning of our annual Swim School Program for 2017. This program provides our students with the opportunity to learn and improve their swimming technique and water safety confidence over a two week intensive course. Thank you goes out to Mrs Greaves for again organising this fabulous opportunity for our students to participate in and learn these important skills.

Term 4 Week 7

Tonight, Tuesday 21 November, 7pm will be our last P & C meeting for the year. At the meeting I will be speaking about our plans for 2018. We will also be discussing the School Plan for 2018-2020 which is starting to take shape. We would love to see as many people there as possible so that you can share your ideas and opinions within a community forum.

Congratulations to all of the candidates that have been chosen to speak at our special assembly on Thursday afternoon at 2pm in the COLA. We have 7 nominees for School Captain and 14 for Sports Captain. Immediately after the candidates have spoken, the students from Years 1-6 will vote. Parents and family members are all welcome to come. There is certainly a very strong field of Year Five students this year and I wish them all the very best in their pursuit for captaincy.

Kind regards, Karen Fonti Relieving Principal

# Swim School

Swim school is off to a great start. Just a few reminders. Please ensure the children wear their swimmers under their uniform to school. We are on a tight schedule and don't have time for children to get changed when we arrive. Some days we may be indoors but as I am not sure when, the children MUST have a rash shirt. Please remember to send a towel, goggles and spare underwear. If your child's hair is long they will need a hair tie. Thanks for your assistance with this. Looking forward to a great swim school.



The brilliantly successful **Drum Corp** Super Jam brought together 150 performers from 13 different schools throughout the Hunter Valley for an almighty performance in Vmax Cinema, the biggest in NSW, on October 30.

The annual Drum Corp event for Stage 3 players included Drummers, Slappaphone and Barrel players, as well as an amazing dance troupe from National Academy of Dance, plus projections on the big movie screen. The performance was captured by a 7 camera crew and is currently being cut together for a video clip that will be released to Youtube by the end of the year.

The drummers in the photo responsibly represented VACY PS school with a high level of skill and musicianship. You may be looking at the next generation of rockstars. To find out when the Super Jam video will be released, you can visit thedrumcorp.com

#### **GERRICStudent Programs**

*(Gifted Education Research & Resouce Centre)* It is with great excitement that we open applications for our January GERRIC Student Programs for Years 3-10 students. We offer workshops in a variety of topics including visual arts, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths), creative writing and ethics, plus many more.

There really is something for everyone!

Dates: Tuesday 16th - Thursday 18th January 2018

Daily times: 8:45am - 3:30pm

**Venue:** Various rooms at UNSW Kensington Campus

Cost: \$365 per child

Application closing date: 17 December 2017 To apply for workshop descriptions and information go to <u>https://education.arts.unsw.edu.au/about-us/</u> gerric/for-gifted-students/

# **Christmas Card Competition**

Vacy Public School will be holding a Christmas card competition.

The winner will receive a small prize plus copies of their Christmas card to send to family and friends.

Rules: No words, must be in crayon.



Entries must be in by 1/12/2017

Br	Bronze Harriett L, Erin, Pearce.			
Silver Lincoln, Nicholas, Maddie L, Bailey, Jack, Cooper, Harriette Marshall, Fox, Charlotte H, Danika, Seth.		Harriette H, Sonny T Nikita,		
Go	Gold Poppy, Austin, Kodie, Abigail, Taylah, Layla Nellie P, Eva, Lars, Brigette, Charlie, Madis Nellie C, India R.		a, Ivy, Fletcher, Thomas, James M, Rhylee, son, Lincoln N, Tom, Ursula, Dakota,	
CLASS AWARDS		STUDENT OF THE WEEK		
κ	Penny & Tayl	ah for excellent work in drama.		
1	Sarah for fan	tastic persuasive writing.	K/R	Layla
2	James W for fantastic writing.		1/2G	Rhylee
-	Henry for more focussed work habits.		2/3G	Mia
4	Lucy for exceptional writing ability.		4/5B	Jackson
			5/6F	Tia
5	<b>5</b> River for excellent effort in presentation of the First Australian Explorers.			
6	Charlotte H fo	r working diligently in maths.	]	