



## LONG FLAT SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

# FLAT CHAT

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Week 9 Term 4 Tuesday 11th December 2018 Success through Innovation

Dear Parents and Community Members,



This Friday night we have our community Christmas Tree. Please arrive around 5.30 if you would like to enjoy the FREE BBQ. Students are reminded that they may have a drink of water or juice with their meal. If there are cans of soft drink, they are for the adults ONLY. All students have been reminded of this several times.

Please be aware that our school canteen will not operate on a Monday or Friday for the remainder of this year. This is due to the construction work at school that is still in progress.

### Costumes for Plays

Students have been reminded to bring in their costumes and props for the plays. They were told not to expect their parents to spend too much on these as most items can be found at home or loaned from another student.

### Police School Liaison Officer Visit

We were fortunate enough to have Constable Jeffery visit our school today. He gave a great talk about many issues impacting students today. Some of the topics he touched on included:

- The importance of honesty
- Keeping the community safe
- Dealing with crime
- The importance of school attendance
- Impacts of mobile devices

Our students were very attentive and asked some interesting questions.

He will return next year to discuss social media with our Year 5 & 6s.

### Small Schools Swimming Carnival 2019 Year 3 to 6 ONLY

This is scheduled for Wednesday 6th February. Please add this to your calendar. Permission notes will go home first day next year.

### 2019 Start Dates

**Wednesday 30th January is the first day back for years 1 to 6.**

**Thursday 31st January is the first day back for Kinder students.**

### Student Reports

We aim to give these out at the Final Special Assembly on Tuesday 18th December. This will be done at the end of the assembly. Any student who is not here on that day will be given theirs on the following day.

### NO MORE CANTEEN this year

Due to construction works going on at the school at present our canteen will NOT be open again until 2019. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered through the so that your children could enjoy this service.

### Overdue School Library Books and Library Van Books

On Monday 17th December all students who have no outstanding library books will be offered

small reward (ice block), after lunch. All students have been given a list of their overdue library books today to assist in this process. Should there be any issue with an outstanding book, could parents please send in a note. Books or parent notes should be taken to Mrs Pearce in the office.

### Year 6 Farewell

**Thank you** to the families who have let us know they will be attending the dinner. **RSVP was due yesterday.** Could all families please contact Christine this afternoon or tomorrow to let her know who will or will not be attending as we need to know numbers well in advance.

### Lucky Christmas Prizes

Thank you to those families who have been donating gifts for the prize draws we do throughout the night at the Christmas Concert.

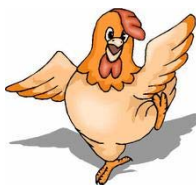
### 2019 Captain Positions

Our 2019 Captains will be announced at the year 6 farewell or at the end of year assembly. Best of luck to all those who would dearly like and deserve these positions.

### FREE Chickens—Only 1 year old

It is getting to that time of year when we give our chickens away. We have a number of hens and roosters to give away to any of our families who would like to take them.

If you are interested in taking some or all of these, please contact the school. We will give these away on a first in basis.



<b>COMING EVENTS</b>	
14 Dec	Community Christmas Tree
17 Dec	Year 6 dinner (invite only)
18 Dec	Special Assembly
19 Dec	Last day of school for students 2018
29 Jan 2019	First day of 2019 school year for staff
30 Jan	First day of 2019 school year for students in Years 1 to 6
31 Jan	First day of 2019 school year for kindergarten
6 Feb	Small Schools Swimming Carnival Yrs 3—6

### Staff Professional Development (PD)

As discussed at our recent P & C meeting, staff have two days of professional development at the end of the year. (Thursday and Friday after students break up.) This year, staff have done a lot of additional PD, particularly focusing on improving student writing. As a result of these extra meetings after school, staff do not have to attend the very last day of school this year.

Mr Mason will still be here on that Friday. If you need to contact us about anything, please drop in and see him.

Mr P Mason



### **CANTEEN ROSTER**

**NO Canteen until 2019**


## P&C NEWS

Due to a successful application (many thanks to Louella), our school became a lucky recipient of one the Port Macquarie-Hastings Council Community Grants that were offered this year.

This funding allows for our P & C to provide the School and surrounding community with a free BBQ at our Christmas Tree (December 14<sup>th</sup>)- this week! Please bring along family members and friends to help us celebrate the end of another successful year at school.

Big Thanks goes to our Grants Officer, our Committee and Helpers for the tiresome volunteer work they do all year, and especially in the organization of this important upcoming event.

**Merry Christmas 2018 from  
Long Flat P & C**

### **Long Flat Community Christmas Tree**

The Christmas concert is planned for **Friday 14th December at the school**. All students from the school will be involved in singing and drama.

***The night will begin at 5.30pm with a FREE community BBQ. This is being provided by the P & C.***

The performance will kick off at approximately 6.30pm. Students from both the Primary school and the Pre-school will be performing.

At the end of the night there will be supper **(please bring a plate to share—preferably with food on it)** and Santa will visit to give the students gifts. A note

will be coming home to parents so you know what needs to be done to organise a surprise for your child(ren).

**LUCKY Christmas Tickets** will become available in a few weeks.

### **CAR PARKING**



The best place to park for the **end of year assembly** and the **Christmas concert** is in the paddock next to the sports court.

WHS and Bago Community of  
Schools present

*A progressive theatrical  
extravaganza with delightful  
delicacies and entertaining*



... friendship and fireworks! An  
interactive night for young and old.



# LONG FLAT CHRISTMAS TREE 2018

DATE :- Friday 14th December 2018

TIME :- 5.30pm with BBQ

WHERE :- Long Flat School Covered Sports  
Court

WHO's Invited :- Community Members,  
Parents and Friends

WHY:- To Celebrate the End of another Busy  
Year

WHAT TO BRING:- A plate for Supper, Lucky  
Christmas Tree Raffle Ticket Money

WHAT HAPPENS ON THE NIGHT :-

A free BBQ

Music/Drama Performances by Preschool and  
Primary School Students

Santa visits with Lollies and Gifts\*\*

Supper

\*\*Please ring Louella Bayly for Info on Santa's Gifts 0457418043



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