

Principal's Update
Term 1 Week 3
12 February, 2019

Opening School Mass

Our Opening school mass was a wonderful way to begin our school year. The students were all truly reverent and respectful throughout the entire mass. It was also lovely to see so many parents here. Congratulations to our School and House Captains and SRC members who were inducted at the Mass.



School Captains

Ethan Meany
Jacob Avis
Kiara West
Louella Jordan



House Captains

Joseph
Mitchell Rigney
Ruby Thompson
Sebastian Gajardo-Cordova

MacKillop
Cody Villa
Georgie Lawton
Riley Hourn

Raymond
Brooklyn Laing
Demi Karipidis
Jacob Burgess

Woodbury
Bryce Barton
Cohen Prentice
Lily Burke

SRC

3 Blue
Cameron Bonnett
Aditi Patil

3/4 Gold
Arlo Benjes
Morgan Kernick

4 Blue
Eloise Eastham
Ethan West

5 Blue
Luke Andrews
Sarah Grant

5 Gold
Abigail Watson
Billy Zreik

Years 1 – 6 Goal Setting Interviews and Kindergarten Information Night

PLEASE BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PARENT TEACHER MEETING

Years 1 – 6 goal setting interviews will take place in Week 4 from Monday 18th to Thursday 21st February with the late night interviews on Tuesday 19th February. Information regarding booking these interviews were sent out last week and again yesterday afternoon. Goal setting sheets were also sent home yesterday afternoon. Can you please complete one for each child and return to the class teacher? **Kindergarten classes** will not have goal setting interviews but there will be a parent information night on Tuesday 19th February at 6:15pm

Bunnings BBQ

To fundraise for the Year 6 Graduation the Year 6 parents will be running a Bunnings BBQ on Sunday 24th March. It would be appreciated if you could encourage family and friends to come along and buy a sausage to support the students.

Key Dates for 2019

A reminder that key dates for this year were included in the newsletter last week. This can be accessed at all times on the school website.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop, located next to the Multipurpose Room, is open on **Monday and Friday mornings from 8.45am-9.15am** and now **Friday afternoons from 2.45pm-3.15pm** as well. Thank you to our parent volunteers who help keep the uniform shop running efficiently.

BOARDING HOUSE TO BE BUILT IN LOCAL AREA

There is currently an application before Council for a 25 room, two storey boarding house in 15 Leppington St. It is believed that this could be detrimental to the local area and our school given the close proximity. Local residents have been fighting this submission and are asking your help. **Important points that were shared with us are:**

- Where there are multiple adults in a household, each adult could sign their own submission form. By having separate forms, they'll count as multiple submissions. You can use the exact same objections list.
- Friends and extended family can submit objections too. They don't need to live in Wyong, nor do they need to even be in NSW.
- Ensure the DA is listed: DA/1484/2018.
- Ensure you indicate whether you have, or have not made any political donations (there's a field on the form for it.)
- You only have until 15 February 2019 for the submissions to be *received* by council.

This is a short list of the objections raised which may help to act as a starting point:

- Security – Both personal and property security are of concern based on potential occupants.
- Child Safety – Preschools, primary schools, Scouts, and Guides are located nearby.
- Traffic – Leppington St is already busy. This development will add to it.
- Parking – Insufficient off-street leading to more on-street vehicles.
- Pedestrian – So little footpaths exist that people are forced to walk on the road, and at night the lighting is poor.
- Privacy – Not enough consideration has been given to the privacy of surrounding properties.
- Noise – The impact of vehicle, visitor, and services for up to 50+ people in close proximity.
- Flooding – Storm water will be diverted into inadequate drainage on surrounding properties.
- Environmental – Asbestos is a concern during demolition.

- Waste – Questionable number and type of rubbish and recycling services for up to 50+ people.
- Survey results – the bulk of the survey results indicate our community do not want this.
- Property value – while you may all be concerned about potential devaluations to your properties, unfortunately this is not something that will be considered by Council.

This is the link to the submission form on the council website:

<https://cdn.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/submission-form-021018.pdf>

Once completed you can email it to Council, not to the Councillors via ask@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au or you could hand it directly to council in person.

If you would like more information please call our office and we will pass on contact details.

Alpha Program

Alpha is a series of free, interactive sessions exploring life, faith and meaning. Used by all Christian denominations including Catholic parishes around the world to help people investigate the Christian faith no matter what their background.

No question is off limits and a safe, non-judgmental environment is assured (these sessions will be for women only).

Where: Wyong Baptist church hall, 100 Alison Rd, Wyong

When: Mondays from 18th February, 10am-12pm

Morning tea and childcare provided at no cost.

To register or just find out more contact Angela Bailey on 0427503960 or email alpha@wyongbaptist.org

Come for the first week and check it out!

Visit alpha.org.au for more information

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Yvette Owens

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