Thank you to all school helpers!

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks to all parents & community members who gave up their time & effort in supporting the school throughout 2014. Your help with private transport, covering books, cooking, home reading, organising & running special events, fundraising & volunteering in the canteen, (we couldn’t possibly name them all!), is all very much appreciated. Your support helps us to provide your children with the most memorable experiences possible here at Empire Vale Public School.

Casual Day – last day of school

Students may wear casual clothing on the last day of school – Wednesday 17th December, for a gold coin donation. All proceeds will be donated to charity. Appropriate clothing must be worn, i.e. no shoe string strapped tops or thongs etc.

Review – Yr 6 Farewell Bubblenight!

The Year 6 Farewell Bubblenight was a splashing success! It was great see so many students come along to help farewell our Year 6 students on this very special & fun occasion. Check out the attached feature page of fun pics from the night!

Review – Gold Award Winners Sleepover

Our Gold Award Winners were treated to a wonderful night of fun, games, tasty food, karaoke, movies and snoring on Friday night as 18 of our students celebrated this outstanding achievement. The night was a fantastic success with all students and staff having a great time!

We look forward to celebrating our Gold Award Achievements in 2015!

See the photos on the final page 😊

Attachments

- Student reports
- Bubble Night Award Night Feature Page
Carols Evening

6:00pm  BBQ
6:45pm  Children assemble
7:00pm  Carols
        Kinder Presentations
        Yr 6 Presentations
        P&C Thanks & raffle
        Carols continued
8:00pm  Santa arrives
8:20pm  Thanks and goodnight

We would like to invite everyone to attend our Carols evening TONIGHT 16th December starting at 6pm. The BBQ will be open from 6.00pm sharp, as it is extremely popular, please be prompt in making your purchases as we usually have a big crowd to cater for!

In the event of inclement weather, the evening will be cancelled. Kindergarten and year 6 students will then be presented with their gift at our normal school assembly before class on Wednesday morning.

NOTE…. The mosquitoes are fierce! Come prepared!!

Have a safe and happy holiday!

Carols Evening Parking

It would be appreciated if parents/community members could avoid parking along the front of residential properties on either side of the school on Carols night - as the grounds can be quite wet, front lawns can become quite damaged. Parking is available:

• along the front of the school (no further than the where the old senior class demountable was situated, as this is private property & not suitable for parking) and
• the back paddock behind the school (which provides ample parking & easy access to the school’s grounds)

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated, thank you.

Zero Tolerance - School Security

Please be advised that the school grounds will be out of bounds for the duration of the school holidays and at all times that school is not in session. We ask that all community members be vigilant in the holidays to help us keep the school property secure. We have been advised the police are:

Conducting a zero tolerance operation targeting schools to reduce the frequency and intensity of malicious damage, arson, break and enter & trespass offences that impact upon schools. Police will document names and offences and utilise the move-on legislation to send a clear message that the current level of malicious damage, trespass, arson and break and enter offences in schools is not acceptable and the risk of detection and apprehension by Police is at maximum.

Please help protect our school, should you see anyone on school property during the school holidays, please call the 24hr School Security Unit hotline on 1300 880 021 or the local police. We thank you for your co-operation.
## Up & Coming Events

### December

**Tuesday 16th**  
Carols Evening 6pm  
Venue: EVPS

**Wednesday 17th**  
Last Day of school for 2014  
Venue: EVPS

### January 2015

**Wednesday 28th**  
First Day of school for 2015  
Grades 1-6

**Thursday 29th**  
First Day of school for 2015  
Kindergarten Students

### February 2015

**Tuesday 3rd**  
Small Schools Swimming Carnival  
Venue: Ballina Pool

**Wednesday 4th**  
EVPS Canteen resumes

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*Have a safe and happy holiday!*
P&C News

CALL OUT FOR SWEETS/DESSERTS FOR CAROLS NIGHT!

The P&C would like to put a call out for cooking of sweets for dessert for TONIGHT! Thank you everyone – much appreciated!

IMPORTANT CANTEEN NEWS FOR PARENTS!

Canteen will be operating TOMORROW as usual.

CANTO0E 2015

Just a reminder to parents that there will be NO CANTEEN in the first week back next year (Canteen does NOT operate on the first week back of EACH term).

Canteen will re-commence in WEEK 2, Term 1 2015!

Community News

SEEKING HOUSE TO RENT (SOUTH BALLINA AREA)

Looking for house to rent at South Ballina. 3 bedroom with double garage. If you know of anything available, please contact:
Shantelle 0407 488 982.