

Term 4 Week 10



Like Us On f Monday 16th December 2024

Principal's Report—End of Year Reflection

As we wrap up the year, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported our school community. A special thank you to Mrs. Swan for her leadership and dedication in ensuring the success of our End of Year Presentation.

Reflecting on the End of Year Presentation held on Thursday, 12 December, it was wonderful to celebrate the achievements of our students with so many of you. I sincerely apologise for my own section of the presentation, as I felt I didn't perform at my best due to nerves and fatigue. However, I am immensely proud of our school leaders, Leilah and Logan, who shone as outstanding MCs.

Congratulations to all our students on their outstanding performances. Your hard work and dedication truly paid off as you all looked and sounded amazing. Well done, we're so proud of you!

As we come to the end of the 2024 academic year, I am pleased to share that it has been a successful year of growth and achievement for all our students. The data we gather continues to guide our teaching practices, and as we move forward, we will implement changes to better meet the learning and wellbeing needs of every student.

Looking ahead to 2025, we are excited to introduce a three-class tier system. This targeted approach will ensure impactful growth in literacy and numeracy for all students. More details will be provided in the first newsletter of the new year.

We would also like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the recent Family Fun Afternoon, hosted by the Attunga P&C. Special thanks go to:

The P&C, parents, and carers for their organisation and support.

The face-painting team, Kirsty at Fairy Eyes

Marian from the D'Lish on Wheels

The Men's Group for their fantastic BBQ.

A big thank you to Beau and the Price family for their generous donation of a beautiful ham, which was raffled to raise funds for our student leadership team. Congratulations to Kevin Lanskey, the lucky winner! The raffle raised \$92—well done to all involved.

Student Reports went home last week. If you would like to discuss your child's progress, please don't hesitate to contact the school office to arrange a meeting, either in person or over the phone. We are happy to answer any questions you may have.

As we approach the end of term, students will finish on Wednesday, 18th December. We are planning a fun day at the Manilla Pool, but with temperatures predicted to reach over 42°C, we may need to adjust plans. A final decision will be made on Tuesday afternoon, and families will be informed via text message. If the pool day is cancelled, we will host a fun day at the school with plenty of activities, a BBQ lunch, and in air-conditioning.

The Attunga school grounds will be closed to the public from 27th January to 5th February for the construction of the new security fence.

We wish all our families a safe and happy summer break. We look forward to seeing you in the new year, with students returning on Thursday, 6th February 2025.

Maron Class

K-2 NEWS

VISUAL ART



We had to draw the reindeer with lead pencil and then paint it and then outline it with a Sharpie (Will).



SCIENCE

We were making animals out of playdough. I made a crocodile. They use their tail to push water away to get their food (Jordyn).





COOKING

We made chocolate crackles with Mrs Baxter (Astyn).



NUMERACY

We cut out hexominoes and folded them into cubes (Vincent).



Year 6 Farwell







LEFT: Our outgoing Captains and Leaders: L-R: Luke Sheedy, Phoebe Hughes, Logan Chaffey and Leilah Burns-McCulloch

RIGHT: Our 2025 School Leadership team L-R: Roy Bates (Vice Captain), Trevor Price and Cohen Fischer (Sports Captains), and Riley Hogan (School Captain).

BELOW: Our 2025 PBL Officers L-R: Abigail Warner, April Daley, Jordyn Cormie and Hayden Crowell



BELOW: Dance Club 'The Three Stars' put on a fantastic performance to close out the Presentation Day.







LEFT: Whole School performance of the song Absolutely Everybody in Auslan Sign Language, with the Auslan interpretation done by Year 3 student Dorothy Besant.



LEFT: L-R: Our amazing volunteers, Mrs Toni Moody (Library), Mrs Teegan Johnson (K-2 Reading Program), Mrs Margaret Markwick (Fundraising on behalf of the P&C), Mr Noel Hollis (On behalf of the Tamworth Men's Group assisting at events), Ms Kirsty Booth (K-2 Swim Program), and ABSENT Mrs Rebecca Bates (Ethics Classes and drum beat program).

A big thankyou to all our volunteers, as well as our very dedicated and hardworking P&C, all your efforts do not go unnoticed!

RIGHT: Our graduating Year 6 class.
L-R: Phoebe Hughes, Luke Sheedy, Logan Chaffey,
Leilah Burns-McCulloch





ABOVE: Premier's Reading Challenge Gold Certificates

L-R: Cohen Fischer, Riley Hogan, Benjamin Rowe, Luke Sheedy, Mia Burns-McCulloch and April Daley



ABOVE: The Blue Class and Mrs Sharp's amazing rendition of A Million Dreams was a very moving performance.



LEFT: Vincent Brennan Year 1.

All students received a book award from their Classroom Teachers.

RIGHT: 100% Attendance Award Abigail Warner Year 4





LEFT:
Chaplain Certificates
Abigail Warner and Lyla Tobin with School Chaplain, Mrs Player





LEFT:
CWA CAPA Award
Roy Bates Year 5 with Mrs Vinnie Todd

ABOVE:
CWA CAPA Award
Mackenzie Hogan Year 4 with Mrs Vinnie Todd



LEFT: Library Award Kindergarten student, Angelica Robinson with Mrs Stacey



ABOVE RIGHT:

The K-2 Class performing The Cha Cha slide was a crowd hit!

RIGHT:

NSW Teacher's Federation Award Owen Warner, Year 1 Thomas Regent Year 5





ABOVE:

Men's Group Achievement in Persistence Honour Award Xanthie Lewington Year 3 and Zeia Price Year 5



Excellence in Academic Achievement Award
—Stage 1 with Mr James and Mary McGuire with
Judah Umback, Year 2.

RIGHT:

Excellence in Academic Achievement Award

—Early Stage 1 with Mr James and Mary McGuire
with Mila, Kindergarten.







LEFT:

Excellence In Academic Achievement—Stage 2 Abigail Warner Year 4 with Mrs Debbie Fisher on behalf of the Abra family

RIGHT:

Excellence in Academic Achievement—Stage 3, Roy Bates Year 5 with Mrs Daniel Makings and Mr Damien Power on behalf of the Graymont Attunga Lime Mine.



LEFT:

Sports
Encouragement
Award recipient
Benjamin Rowe
Year 3 with Mr
Ken and Mrs
Jackie Blanch on
behalf of the
Blanch Family

RIGHT:
Our Best Always
recipient,
Jordyn Cormie
Year 2 with
Mrs Makings





LEFT:

Premier's Sporting Challenge Medallion recipient, April Daley Year 3 with Mr Bob Barber

RIGHT: Sportsperson of the Year recipient, Logan Chaffey Year 6 with Mr Bob Barber





LEFT:

Citizenship
Award recipient,
April Daley Year
3 with Mr
Daniel
Makings and
Mr Damien
Power of the
Graymont
Attunga Lime
Mine

RIGHT:

Dux 2024 Leilah Burns-McCulloch



We would like to extend a big thankyou to the special guests who presented on the day, our volunteers, our fantastic P&C who put on the Fun Day following the Presentation Day morning, and all our parents and carers who attended.





Drawn by School Captain and Vice-Captain Leilah and Logan



\$2,770.50 RAISED AND PROFITTED!

ATTUNGA PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C

Mega Christmas Raffle RESULTS ARE IN!

Raffle was drawn on Friday 13th December, at morning tea in front of the whole school.

Our lucky winners were:

1st Prize Family Holiday - Ben Umback (Judah's dad from our school)

2nd Prize Signed Wallabies Jersy - Shelly McIlrick

3rd Prize Family Photoshoot - The Urguhart Family

4th Prize Kids Picnic Table - Brendan Ervine

Thank you to all who bought tickets in our raffle, the money raised will go back into the school and benefit the kids throughout 2025.

Thank you again to all our amazing sponsors, businesses and families who supported our raffle, without you we would not have had such amazing prizes for people to win.

On behalf of the Attunga Public School P&C we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and hope you enjoy spending some quality time with your families.



Attunga Preschool & Before and After School Care

Subject to regulatory approval*

Coastwide Child and Family Services are thrilled to be the new Provider for Attunga Public School.

School Terms - Monday to Friday

The Coastwide team look forward to meeting our Attunga families as at Term 1 - 2025

OOSH for Children Kindy to Year 6
Preschool for Children aged 3 to 5 Years



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