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Newsletter: Term 3 Week 4

Principal's Message:

Education Week

Thank you to all the families who supported our Education Week Open Day. It is terrific for the students to perform in front of an audience what they have been practicing. Congratulations to all the students who performed so well in front of such a large audience. Also, a special thank you to Leyton and Lexi for the professional way you conducted the event.



School Fair

The 2025 Westlawn Spring Fair is Friday, September 19. More information will come soon.



School Attendance Target

We are currently focusing on unexplained absences, so please reply to the notifications you receive when your child is absent from school.

Year 1 Phonics Screener

All families of students in Year 1 will have received a letter notifying them that Phonics Screening will occur next week. This assessment assists teachers with future planning for students.

Smart watches

Smart watches fall into the same category as mobile phone devices. At present students are permitted to wear their smart watch if they are used as a watch only. Any student using it as a mobile phone or playing games will be required to hand it into the office as is required with mobile phones. Thank you for your support and understanding with this matter.

Road Safety at Westlawn

We want to keep our students safe at school and that includes leaving the school in the afternoon. We ask that parents encourage children to use the crossings provided and let Gary and Denise help your child/ren cross the road safely.

Before and After School

The school bell goes at 8:25am students should not be at school before this time as there is no supervision. The afternoon bell goes at 2:55pm and students are required to be collected within a reasonable time. There is no supervision after school and alternative arrangements need to be made if you cannot collect your child at bell time. This is for the safety of your children. Out of School Care (OOSH) collects students from and drops students to school each day.

Magpies on North St Entrance

Safety Precautions:

To avoid being swooped, it's best to avoid areas where magpies are nesting, especially during peak breeding season. If you must go through a potentially risky area, walk in groups, wear a hat or helmet, and carry an umbrella.

Trent Patterson
Principal

Sporting News

NSWPSSA Boys Rugby Union Championships

Claye played for the North Coast team at the NSWPSSA Boys Rugby Union Championships in Newcastle last week. Claye started in the run on side every game playing flanker. North Coast's results were:

Game 1 – North Coast 32 defeated North West 12

Game 2 – CIS 26 defeated North Coast 7

Game 3 – Sydney West 49 defeated North Coast 0

Game 4 – North Coast 17 drew with South Coast 17

Game 5 – Western 38 defeated North Coast 20

Game 6 – North Coast 10 – North West 0

The weather turned nasty after North Coast's final game on the last day and all remaining matches had to be abandoned. Congratulations Claye, on your outstanding achievements in rugby union this year!

NSWPSSA Netball Championships

Best of luck to Sadie who will play for the North Coast at this week's NSWPSSA Netball Championships being held in Coffs Harbour. Go Sadie!

North Coast Girls Rugby League Trial

We wish Hollie, Makella, Zoey and Ashlynn the very best when they take part in the NC girls rugby league trial in Yamba this Friday.

NC Touch Footy Trial Results

Hollie, Makella and Jed played for their MNC team at the North Coast touch footy trials held in Coffs Harbour at the end of term 2. The students played very well but missed out on selection.

Clarence Athletics Carnival Results

The Clarence Athletics Carnival was held at Terry West Oval on Friday 1 August. The discus and 1500m events were held on Wednesday 31 July. Competitors needed to finish in the first 4 in track events, first 3 in field events and be part of the first 2 relay teams over the line to progress to the Mid North Coast carnival.

Major achievements included Alice and Hudson winning their respective junior age championship and Westlawn winning 3 out of the 4 relays. Westlawn finished second in the overall point score.



Congratulations to the students who won one or more events:

Fyn – 11yrs girls 1500m

Jacob – jnr boys 800m and 1500m

Gracie – 10 yrs girls 100m, jnr girls long jump

Maya – 11 yrs girls 100m, 200m, long jump

Alice – jnr girls 200m

Savannah – jnr girls high jump

Hudson – 10 yrs boys 100m, 200m and jnr shot put

Winning relay teams:

Jnr Boys – Ashton, Hudson, Knox and Brodie in 1:02.75

Jnr Girls – Alice, Lola, Gracie and Piper in 1.04.81

Snr Girls – Ashlynn, Maya, Makella, Hollie in 1.01.86

Our senior boys relay team of Levi, Jed, Malaki and Leyton finished 3rd in 1.00.59.

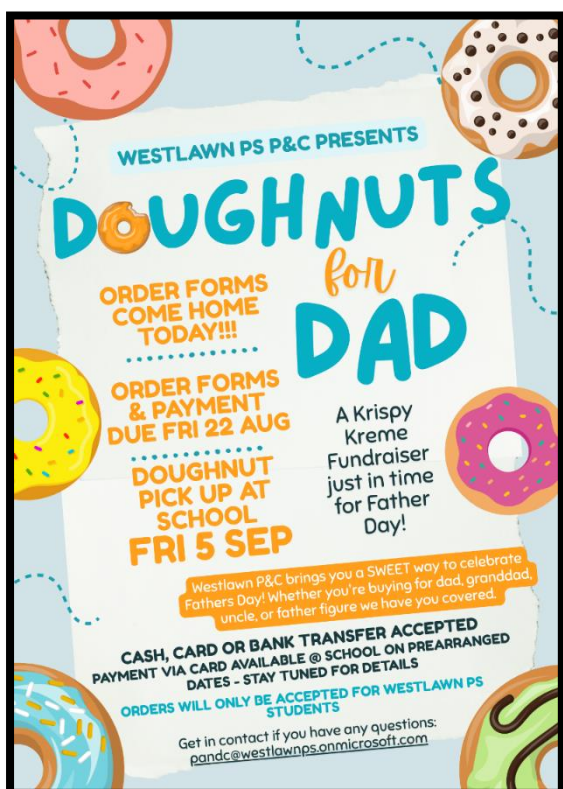
Below are the entries from Westlawn PS for the Mid North Coast Athletics Carnival to be held on Tuesday 19 August in Coffs Harbour. We wish all competitors the very best of luck!

Name Age Event Time/Distance/Height

Name	Age	Event	Time/Distance/Height
Harper	8	100m	18.96s
Alice	9	100m	16.43s
Lainey	9	100m	17.06s
Gracie	10	100m	16.22s
Lola	10	100m	16.56s
Maya	11	100m	15.28s
Daina	11	100m	16.5s
Ashlynn	12	100m	15.65s
Alice	Jnr	200m	35.22s
Lola	Jnr	200m	36.65s
Maya	11	200m	31.88s
Hollie	Snr	200m	33.09s
Ashlynn	Snr	200m	33.59s
Alice	Jnr	800m	3.15.62
Emmeline	11	800m	3.15.21
Makella	Snr	800m	3.09.02
Alice	Jnr	1500m	6.49.87
Lola	Jnr	1500m	6.55.59
Fynlea	11	1500m	6.43.78
Daina	11	1500m	6.47.78
Lexi	11	Shot Put	5.89m
Zoey	Snr	Shot Put	5.58m

Gracie	Jnr	Long Jump	3.37m
Maya	11	Long Jump	3.34m
Makella	Snr	Long Jump	3.43m
Savannah	Jnr	High Jump	1.05m
Honey	Snr	High Jump	1.2m
Knox	9	100m	16.24s
Hudson	10	100m	15.38s
Brody	10	100m	15.72s
Henry	11	100m	15.52s
Jed	12	100m	14.96s
Hudson	Jnr	200m	33.06s
Brody	Jnr	200m	34.5s
Henry	11	200m	32.34s
Levi	Snr	200m	34.15s
Jacob	Jnr	800m	2.55.88
Knox	Jnr	800m	3.08.78
Jacob	Jnr	1500m	5.50.66
Hudson	Jnr	1500m	6.20.90
Hudson	Jnr	Shot Put	7.38m
Nash	Snr	Shot Put	7.07m
Landen	Jnr	Discus	19.36m
Damon	11	Discus	17.38m
Hudson	Jnr	Long Jump	3.62m
Malaki	Snr	High Jump	1.26m

The Clarence schools and students would like to thank Westlawn P&C parents Carolline Kelly, Bianca Youngman, Karlie Cleaver, Rose White and Emily Stephenson for the time and effort they gave to organising and running the canteen at this carnival. It was greatly appreciated by the attending parents, family members, competing students and by Mr Ogilvy and the Clarence schools. Thank you also to Westlawn's GA, Alan Masson, for all his heavy lifting, transportation and expertise on the BBQ throughout the day.



Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun



Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss weeks per year and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight = 4 weeks = Over 1 year missed

1 day per week = 8 weeks = Over 2.5 years missed



Free dental for all children aged under 18

Northern NSW Local Health District provides services in the Richmond, Clarence and Tweed/Byron regions.

Call 1800 679 336 to book a visit for your child (Monday to Friday between 8:30am to 4:30pm)

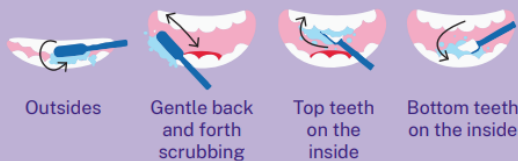
Have regular dental check-ups

Children need a dental check up every year

- Don't wait for a toothache or a hole in the child's tooth
- With regular visits, small problems can be treated early
- Regular dental visits can be short (about 30 minutes) and painless
- Every child deserves to have a healthy mouth for life

How to brush:

Move soft toothbrush in circles over teeth and gums



nswlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/services/oralhealth

Northern NSW
Local Health District



REGOS AUGUST 1ST 2025/26 SEASON OPEN

STARTS 5TH SEPTEMBER 2025

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TERM 3 CALENDAR

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 July	21 School Development Day	22 Students Return	23	24	25
			PSSA CROSS COUNTRY		
2 July /August	28	29 Hockey Knockout WPS V SGPS	30 Clarence Discus/1500m Day	31	1 Clarence Athletics Carnival
3 August	4 Education Week	5 Education Week Shopping world Concert Parent/Teacher Interviews GHS Yr 6 Parent Information Night @GHS 6pm	6 Education Week Parent/Teacher Interviews	7 Education Week – Classroom Visit & Picnic Day Parent/Teacher Interviews	8 Education Week Debating
		PSSA Boys Rugby Union @ Newcastle			
4 August	11 Book Fair	12 Book Fair PSSA Soccer v Corindi	13 Book Fair	14 Book Fair Girls PSSA Touch Football	15 Book Fair Debating North Coast Rugby League
	PSSA Girls Netball @ Coffs Harbour				
5 August	18 Book Fair	19 Book Fair MNC - Athletics @ Coffs Harbour	20 Book Fair Book Character Parade	21 Book Fair	22 Book Fair Doughnuts for Dad orders due
		PSSA Combined Touch @ Mudgee			
6 Aug/Sept	25 Book Fair	26 Ride for Sick Kids GHS SCIENCE TASTER DAY	27 Boys Cricket Touch football Gala Day	28	29 Debating GHS YEAR ADVISOR VISIT
		PSSA B & G Football/Soccer @ Ballina (NC)			
7 September	1	2	3 Girls Cricket v SGPS	4	5 Doughnuts for Dad pick up Tennis – Todd Woodbridge & Dudley Jones Cup
8 September	8	9 NC – PSSA Athletics @ Coffs Harbour	10	11	12
9 September	15	16	17	18	19 School Fair
10 September	22	23	24 PBL Rewards Day	25	26 Term 3 Ends

Calendar 2025

Eastern division

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Key dates

Check with your school as starting and finishing dates may change.



First to last days for all students:

Term 1: 6 February to 11 April
Term 2: 30 April to 4 July
Term 3: 22 July to 26 September
Term 4: 14 October to 19 December



School development days:

Term 1: 31 January to 5 February

Term 2: 28 April and 29 April
Term 3: 21 July
Term 4: 13 October



School holidays:

Summer 2024-25: 22 December 2024 to 30 January 2025
Autumn: 14 April to 24 April
Winter: 7 July to 18 July

Public holidays

Spring: 29 September to 10 October
Summer 2025-26: 22 December 2025 to 26 January 2026



School development days

The dates are determined by the department. Always check with your local school as dates may change. Parents and carers should not send their children to school on school development days.

education.nsw.gov.au/school-development-days



Scan me for key dates

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