# West Whispers

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**Wednesday 18th November, 2015**  
**Term 4 Week 7**

### 2015 Term 4 November

**Week 7**  
- Mon 16th to Fri 20th  
- Thurs 19th  
- Fri 20th

- School Swimming and Water Safety Program  
- Slim Dusty Centre Choir  
- School Captain Speeches

**Week 8**  
- Tues 24th

- Fundraiser at McDonalds for Support Unit Bus 4pm – 7pm  
- Kindergarten Excursion – Crescent Head  
- Cyberbullying Forum - 9.30am

**Week 9**  
- Wed 2nd  
- Thurs 3rd  
- Fri 4th

- Gold Excursion - Primary  
- Year 6 Transition to High School  
- Gold Excursion – Years 1-2  
- School Concert  
- Student Reports to parents

**Week 10**  
- Mon 7th  
- Tues 8th

- Principal’s Award Party  
- Volunteers Morning Tea  
- Year 6 Farewell  
- Mad Hatters’ Tea Party  
- Presentation Day

**Week 11**  
- Mon 14th

- End of Year Party - Classes 5/6W and 6K  
- P & C Meeting – Xmas Party  
- Students last day

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**Congratulations** to our students in the school choir who will be performing at the Grand Opening of the Slim Dusty Centre with Graeme Connors Travelling Band, tomorrow 19th November.

This is a wonderful opportunity to once again showcase our students to the community.

Students will leave school at 11.30am and return approximately 2.30pm.

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- Can I please have…?
- Thank you

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**This week in PBL – our three school rules for going to the CANT默默EN**

**Be Responsible**
- Stay in lines  
- Return to eating area after buying

**Be Respectful**
- Follow instructions  
- Consider others  
- Wait your turn quietly  
- Speak politely

**Be Safe**
- Walk  
- Stand quietly in line  
- Leave area promptly

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**Year 5 Captain/Vice-Captain Speeches**

**This Friday 20th November at 9.30am** our aspiring leaders in Year 5 will be delivering their speeches. Voting will then occur later in the day. The leaders will be announced at our Awards Presentation Day on Friday 11th December at 9.40am.

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**Cyberbullying - No Way!**

*You are invited*

*To a forum at Kempsey West Public School to learn more about Cyberbullying.*

*The dangers facing children using the Internet, Facebook, Instagram etc.  
Cyberbullying- Who, when, how  
How can I tell if my child is being bullied?  
What should I do at home if my child is being bullied?  
What is the school doing?  
Is your child a victim or a bully?*

*Guest speaker  
Senior Constable Steve Jeffries  
Police Community Liaison Officer  
Mid North Coast Local Area Command*

*Where—Kempsey West Public School Hall  
When—Tuesday 24th November at 9.30am  
Followed by a parent question time and morning tea*

*Lyn Dockrill, Principal*
Congratulations to the following students

**Canteen Roster**

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*PLEASE HELP US - *By sending in correct money with your child’s lunch order.
  *By placing all hot food orders before 9.20am.
  We are unable to change $50, $20 and $10 notes.
  No money is kept in the Canteen overnight.

*New at the Canteen - COBS of CORN – 50c each – Please order before 9.20am

**Assembly Awards Term 4 Week 6**

Congratulations to the following students

**Merit Awards**

- KR – Blake S, Dani W
- KH – Myra T, Wasee K
- KJ – Benjamin C, Holly H
- K/1B – Christine M, Kitaya B
- 1E – Harrison V, Kurt G
- 1/2S – Tanayah V, Tyler W
- 3G – Bella F, Deinara M
- 3/4M – Jessica D, Carlin D
- 4S – Shylie D, Nate R
- 4/5H – Michael Q, Dylan E
- 5/6W – Brooke H, Marley R
- 3-6T – Jordan T
- 2-6H – Blair M, Joshua M

**Students of the Week** – Kenneth G, Michelle W, Eliza N, Maylissa W, James R.

**Gold Awards** – Corey P, Abigail D, Harry G, Kira F.

**Students of the Week – Wk 6**

This week our library has welcomed the Museum in a Box Rainforest display. We are all looking forward to learning about the different types of rainforests in Australia, where they are located and also the animals that live in them. Congratulations to all students in Kindergarten, Years 1 and 2, 3G, SM and SL for completing this year’s Premier’s Reading Challenge. These students have read at least thirty books on the challenge booklist. Certificates will be sent home this week.

*Emma Bates, Teacher Librarian*

**Snow Domes and Library Bags**

**Tomorrow, Thursday 19th November Kindergarten will be selling Christmas Snow Domes and School Library Bags.**

Prices range between 50c and $3 each. They will be available in the Kindergarten courtyard at (11.30am eating time). This is to help raise money for their excursion to Crescent Head on 24th November, 2015.
CHRISTMAS GUESSING COMPETITION

TICKETS
Ticket books are being sent home with students today. Tickets cost 50c each with 10 tickets per book ($5). Please do not allow your child to sell tickets door-to-door as this can be dangerous to our children. Please return all sold ticket books and money to the Library. Drawn: Friday 4th December at the Concert

Year 6 Graduation
2015

Tuesday 8th
December, 2015
Kempsey High School
Auditorium
6:00 pm to 8:30 pm
$36.00

Tickets available at the front office

Tickets are only available at the front office till 9.30am Monday 7th December. After this time no payments will be accepted as numbers will have been finalised. Thank You

Issue 8 order forms will be sent home with students this week. Please complete order forms and place in an envelope with correct money, marked with child’s name and class and return to the canteen by 9.30am Friday 27th November.

Kempsey West Public School and Melville High School
Support Unit Bus
FUNDRAISER

NEXT TUESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER WE WILL BE HOLDING A FUNDRAISER AT MCDONALDS, SMITH STREET, KEMPSEY
10% of all money taken (not drive through) between 4pm and 7pm will go towards the upkeep of the support unit bus.
We will have raffles, 100 clubs, face painting, hairspray, and music.
Staff from Kempsey West Public School and Melville High School are volunteering their time to help with cleaning and serving.
Please come along for a fun filled evening

Jump Rope for Heart

Our final grand total is $1887.15. What a great effort!
Thank you to parents, family and community for supporting our fundraising for The Heart Foundation.

School Swimming and Water Safety Program

Important Dates

LAST DAY OF TERM 4:
STUDENTS: Wednesday, 16th December, 2015
STAFF: Friday, 18th December, 2015
2015:
STAFF ONLY (Pupil Free): Wednesday 27th January, 2016
TERM 1 BEGINS:
STUDENTS YEARS 1-6: Thursday 28th January, 2016
KINDERGARTEN: Thursday 4th February, 2016
We love Poetry!

We have been learning about alliteration, onomatopoeia, similes, rhythm and rhyme so far. Onomatopoeia is a word that is a sound, BOOM, BAM, ZAP! Alliteration was also exciting to learn about because we made up our own stories using this. When learning about similes we compared two things making them sound funny. Rhyming was so much fun and we have been able to find it through a lot of the stories we read in class. Poetry isn’t boring it is soooooo much FUN!!!

by Class 2D

Class KJ

I squashed it in to a circle and then I got toothpicks and I put them in to the circle and then I squashed a mouth. Charlie

We made an echidna and we made it with some toothpicks and plasticine. Imogen

Echidnas have very long tongues because they can catch the bugs. They have very sharp claws so they can dig a burrow. Cooper

When I was coming home from my Aunty’s I saw an echidna walking across the road. Eliza

I saw a dead echidna on the road. Isabella

I saw an echidna in the bush and I patted the echidna. Holly

I made an echidna and they have spikes. I like echidnas because I made one. Ruby