PRINCIPALS MESSAGE
Welcome back to Term 4 which is already shaping up to be another busy but enjoyable term with swimming, surfing and various end of year activities coming up.

Southern Cross University Student Teachers
I would like to welcome Jessica Bathie and Sandra Guinea to Duranbah School. Jessica and Sandra (see photo right) are doing their teaching practicums and have settled into our school and are already making positive contributions to our students learning. Jessica will be with us for four weeks and Sandra for six weeks. I’m sure they will enjoy their time here at our beautiful school.

Small Schools Choir
Next week the Combined Small Schools Choir will be performing at the Sydney Opera House. Eliza Francis will be travelling to Sydney as a member of the choir. This will be a unique experience for Eliza to perform in one of the worlds iconic buildings and we hope she enjoys every minute of her experience. We are very proud of her achievement and the dedication she has shown (with the support of her family) to the numerous hours all year, out of school time, practising, rehearsing and performing leading up to the Opera House visit.

Parent Guides
The school has purchased four books from the NSW Board of Studies. These are parent guides to helping your child with Maths, Reading, Writing and Grammar. They are available for parents to borrow and contain a great deal of information about how you can support your child's school learning with activities around the home. If you would like to borrow the guides see Lorraine at the office.

Chris Pritchard

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK TERM 4
CONGRATULATIONS

Infants Week 1
Shane

Primary Week 1
Seth

Eliza is travelling to Sydney next week to perform at the Sydney Opera House
LES PETERKIN PORTRAIT PRIZE
Emma and Esha attended the Tweed River Art Gallery family presentation day to receive their prizes in the Les Peterkin Portrait competition. Emma received the Co-ordinators Choice Award and had her artwork displayed at the gallery. Esha’s artwork was displayed in a folder at the gallery along with Portia, Matthew and Chyna’s. Congratulations to all students.

PRIMARY NEWS
VIDEO CONFERENCING
This term we will be utilising the video conferencing equipment available in the primary Classroom. This equipment is invaluable in allowing our students, teachers and possibly parents and carers the opportunity to participate in online learning events. On Wednesday our Primary students engaged in a very informative video conference (VC) on natural disasters. During the sessions our students communicated with students from Castlereigh Primary School and a science educator from Fizzics Education. The VC was a fantastic introduction to our new unit of work titled Natural Disasters. This afternoon, a VC facilitated by National Geographic’s Adrian Skerry on sea life will be a fantastic complement to a unit of work being taught by Ms Bathie.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS
As we are participating in activities outside the school this term could everyone please check their busy time tables to see if we will be able to transport the students to these activities by private transport. Swimming will run for six weeks at Casuarina Rec Club pool from 3 November to 8 December and surfing will run for four weeks on 11 & 25 November and 2 & 9 December at Kingscliff Beach. Any help will be greatly appreciated. See Lorraine with availability.

COMMUNITY NOTICES
ART EXHIBITION
You’re invited to come along to an art exhibition at Condong Public School. Original paintings by award winning artist Louise Klein, now living locally.
Date 21st October, 2015 - From 5.00 p.m. Condong Public School, McLeod St
RSVP 02 66722390 Quality artworks available for sale and also be a raffle.