



## Surprise! 21st Les Peterkin Portrait Prize

The Macnaughton Focus Gallery and  
Peter and Judy Budd Foyer

Friday 22 September – Sunday 3 December 2017

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Life is full of surprises!

In 2017, local primary school students were asked to create a portrait that best portrays an unexpected moment in life. Given the challenge to capture the element of surprise through illustration, these young and talented artists have used a variety of media to produce inspired and expressive portraits. Ranging from the delightful paintings of kindergarten students, to detailed illustrations by children in upper primary classes, *Surprise!* will feature 40 framed prize-winning works on the wall and another 200 outstanding works in display folders.

This increasingly popular prize is named after artist and art teacher Mr Les Peterkin and is a celebration of the artistic talent of local primary school students, giving a glimpse into how young people view themselves and others around them.



The Les Peterkin Portrait Prize (LPPP) is a collaborative project of Tyalgum Public School and the Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre; professionally co-ordinated by artist and teacher, Marianne Galluzzo. The LPPP is generously sponsored by the Tyalgum P&C Association, the Friends of Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Arts Centre Inc., Derivan, School Arts Supplies and Bunnings.

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*The happy girl*

Dungay Public School

First Prize (5–7 years), Les Peterkin Portrait Prize, 2016