BOYS TOUCH FOOTBALL SUCCESS

Congratulations to our boys Touch Football team who attended our first gala day for the State Knockout Competition in Murwillumbah last Tuesday. Our team first played Brunswick Heads, winning 21-0 in a masterful style. Mr Stephens was very proud to see that all of the training back at school had paid off. Our second game was against Pottsville Beach, which they won convincingly with a score of 10-2. The boys showed courage, strength and skill in both games. Our boys will now proceed through to the next round against Centaur PS next week, as they try their best to win through to the state level. Well done boys on your effort and good luck with the future games. Thank you to Mr Stephens and the parents who helped organise and transport the boys. Great job! Go team Ocean Shores!!

FESTIVAL OF THE IMAGINATION ART COMP

Please be reminded that our P&C Festival of the Imagination Art Competition is on again this year in conjunction with the Ocean Shores Art Expo. The cost is $4 which covers the cost of the canvas which will be supplied to students. The age groups are 4-6 year olds, 8-10 year olds, and 11-13 year olds. Entry forms and canvases for students are available for collection by interested students in the school office. Thank you to Jo Maiden for coordinating this activity.

SCHOOL GARDEN PRODUCE STALL

Thanks again to Cath for holding our School Garden Produce Stall yesterday afternoon at 3.15pm. Cath was excited to tell me that all produce from the garden was sold to some very hungry looking parents at the school gate. We thank members of our community who donated generously and now have lots of great home grown ingredients to inspire their cooking back at home. Cath managed to collect $59.90 in donations at the school gate which will be used to purchase more seedlings for our garden. Now we just need a lot of sunshine, a little bit of rain, more sunshine, and we’ll be able to do it all again once the garden is stocked full of some great produce. Thanks again everyone.

SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

We have our school Spelling Bee final coming up next week on Thursday 13 August. Participating students have been given spelling lists to practice with at home and will participate in class finals before we run our school final. Families of those students who make it through will receive an invitation with details of our Spelling Bee to enable you to attend if you wish. Good luck to all of our kids!

EDUCATION WEEK OPEN DAY & ASSEMBLY

I wish to pass on a monster thank you to all community members who came in for our big Education Week Open Day and Assembly last week. The kids always love seeing mums and dads and grandparents in the school, and this was no exception. The staff enjoyed having the chance to mingle too, so we hope you enjoyed the yummy morning tea and the chance to come in and see how much fun we have.

DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

We had 75 students attend our District Athletics Carnival last week and we were so proud of their efforts and their presence at the carnival. Thank you to Mrs Ensor, Mrs Christian, Mr Campbell, Mrs O’Donnell, and Mr Stephens for your help on the day to ensure a very successful carnival was held. Thanks also to our many family members who came along to help cheer on the kids throughout the day. Congratulations to the following 21 students who have made selection to attend the Far North Coast Athletics Carnival next week, Friday 14 August. Indiani Arundale, Sarah Alle, Lucia Brett, Charlee May, Zalia Simon, Eve Porter, Lucy Colli, Shanaya Kaperonis, Ella O’Donnell, Astra Waters, Meg Porter, Elli Neal, Jayden Tonnet, Harley Crossley, Charlie Ormiston, William McVeigh, Dylan Powell, Finley Neylan, Blake Nicholson, Josh Hosking, and Corban Thomson. I also need to express our sincere thanks to Michelle Kerlin and all of the volunteers who helped in the canteen either by being there on the day or to the many who donated baked goods to sell. The canteen made a profit of $1946.15, which is a tremendous effort. Thanks again to Michelle and her many wonderful helpers for your team effort on the day.

THE NED SHOW PERFORMANCE

Never give up! Encourage others! Do your best! These are the central ideas behind the NED show that will be held tomorrow morning at 9.30am in our hall. I wish to remind community members that you are also welcome to attend. I also wish to remind everyone that this show is free to all students, but will have a component where the kids are encouraged to purchase merchandise (yo-yo’s) which will form a part of the show.

Please note that kids do not have to purchase a yo-yo, but they will be available ranging in price from $8, $15 or $20 for the super duper model. Kids can bring money in to school on the day if they wish to buy a yo-yo. We will then use the hall as a yo-yo safe zone for kids to spin their hearts out and practise many of the tricks they will see at the show.
CANTEEN OPEN TOMORROW

Please be reminded that our canteen is re-opening tomorrow, which is a fabulous outcome for our students. Details and the new limited lunch time menu were sent home to families last Monday. Thank you to Michelle and our canteen volunteers for providing this wonderful facility for our students. We know the kids will be excited to have the canteen operating again.

CHILD PROTECTION LESSONS

All classes will be participating in mandatory Child Protection lessons this term. These lessons are discussion based lessons that aim to assist students to develop skills in recognising and responding to unsafe situations, how to seek assistance effectively, establishing and maintaining positive relationships, and strengthening attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility.

The Child Protection Policy is a mandatory part of the NSW PD/Health Curriculum that must be covered every year. Every student is expected to participate in these classroom lessons, which will be presented by their class teacher.

Parents who do not wish for their child to participate are asked to write a note to your child’s classroom teacher expressing your desire for your child to be excluded from this discussion. Please ensure this note is returned to your child’s class teacher before Monday of next week, 10 August, 2015. Please contact your child’s teacher for details of individual lessons if required.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Our School Photo Day was very successful last Tuesday. We thank all students for their great behaviour and cooperation on the day. We have the photographer coming back next Tuesday to take a few shots of individual kids who were away sick, as well as some of the group photos we were unable to take on the day. However, we cannot re-take class photos on this day, only individual or family photos. Please contact the school office before Monday morning at 10.00am if you would like your child to be included as we need to advise the photographer of the number of photos to be taken.

HEAD LICE

We all know that having head lice can be an itchy, and often very expensive problem for families who live in this Northern Rivers area. Unfortunately, we live in an area with the perfect breeding conditions and there are lots of scalps to cling onto, so we have a problem. I have recently had a number of discussions with community members who are all very frustrated at the time spent regularly checking their own child’s hair for eggs and live lice. It can also be very costly as we explore different methods to get rid of the dratted vermin.

With 3 of my own children, I speak from experience about the variety of options we have explored at home, and unfortunately, I do not have the answer to this problem, with the exception of everyone taking some level of ownership and regularly checking your own child’s hair. The offending creatures (louse and eggs) need to be removed using an approved nit comb that will hopefully remove the eggs as well, as they just hatch and then the live bugs are there again. Please understand that we do everything we can to advise parents if we notice your child has head lice to minimise it spreading to other children. Tying up long hair into a pony tail is also a good strategy to minimize these critters from moving from child to child. If I could ask for everyone in our entire community over the next week to check your child’s head for lice and eradicate as best you can, then we might alleviate a problem we currently have.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR BUS TRAVEL

It is every student’s responsibility to behave in a manner that ensures the safety and comfort of passengers and drivers. It is a good time to remind every student who will at some time travel on a bus of correct etiquette when travelling on a bus. This includes:

Behaving appropriately:
• Respect the needs and comfort of other passengers (eg no use of offensive or racist language, fighting, spitting, placing feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus, eating or drinking unless the bus operator gives written permission).
• Give up seats to all adults and any disabled passengers.
• Adhere to the law that bans smoking on buses.
• Obey reasonable directions from the driver (e.g. where to sit or to remain in the bus).
• Keep arms, legs and heads inside the bus.
• Refrain from attracting the attention of the driver, except in the case of an emergency.

Respecting property:
• Protect bus property.
• Ensure that buses are not vandalised.
• Report any vandalism (eg graffiti and window etching).

Holding passes:
• Show travel passes or tickets to the driver on boarding and when requested.
• Use the pass only for its intended purpose.
• ‘Swipe’ or ‘dip’ passes in ticket readers if available when boarding.
• Keep your travel pass for your own use - you should not lend your pass to other students or borrow one from them.

Disobeying these rules may lead to the withdrawal of school bus travel passes and/or prosecution. A full copy of the Code of Conduct can be found on the Ministry of Transport website at www.transport.nsw.gov.au

Please discuss these points and reaffirm safety rules for travelling on buses if your child travels to or from school on a bus. Please also ask them to remember their manners for bus drivers and others at all times.

OPERATION DOLPHIN

WEEK 3 – USE MANNERS & BE KIND TO OTHERS

Congratulations to the following students for being recognised for following our Dolphin rule this week: Ky Bristow (3/4G), James Ward (1B), and Flynn Daw (K-6Y). Well done kids!

Jeff Robinson - Principal (R)

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