EDUCATION MINISTERS VISIT TODAY
It was a very exciting day today with a special visit from the State Education Minister, Adrian Piccoli. Our school Captains greeted the Minister, along with Gina Brough as our P&C representative and took the opportunity to showcase our beautiful school with a walk and talk tour. Mr Piccoli is a huge supporter of our public schools and loves nothing more than getting the chance to visit with the kids in schools across the state. Thank you to everyone and the school leaders.

TEDDY BEARS PICNIC
A reminder that 2016 Kindergarten students are invited to attend an open day - Teddy Bears Picnic on Monday 24th August. The following program is planned:
9.30 - Parents meet in the hall to sign in
9.40 - Special mini concert in the hall
10.15 - Fruit break in the canteen area
10.30 - Rotation of classroom activities
11.30 - Teddy Bears Picnic with current Kindergarten
We are looking forward to meeting the preschoolers and it is going to be a fun and enjoyable day. See you then and don't forget to bring your favourite teddy bear!

NAPLAN RESULTS OUT TODAY
NAPLAN results for students in Years 3 and 5 who sat the tests last term are due to go home today. Well done to our kids who did the best they could and have achieved great results. It is at this time that I would like to remind parents that the NAPLAN tests are a ‘snapshot-in-time’ test, only indicative of how well your child performed for this set of examinations on the day. I reinforce that the best judge of how well your child is performing and who can clearly identify the areas they are achieving really well in and the areas for further growth, is their classroom teachers who work with them every day. Their opinion is much more informed as it takes into account the whole child, including their effort, their attitude to their learning, external factors that can influence a child’s learning, their relationships with others, their approach to different areas and their personalities. Assessing a child’s cognitive ability, in my opinion, is much more than just getting them to sit a test on a particular day. So make sure you have a good read of the results when you receive them, and I would then encourage you to speak to your child’s classroom teacher to ask any questions you might have or to seek clarification on any point.

NORTH COAST ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Congratulations to the students who represented Ocean Shores last Friday at the North Coast Athletics Carnival at Byron. Students displayed exemplary behaviour and sportsmanship and should be extremely proud of their achievements. Well done to Dylan Powell, Finley Neylan, William McVeigh, Charlie Ormiston and Blake Nicholson who now progress onto regionals which will be held at Lismore. Well done and good luck boys!

STAGE 1 EXCURSION
The students from Stage 1 have been learning about ‘Workers in the Community’. To support their learning a walking excursion has been planned to visit different businesses in Billinudgel on Wednesday 26th August. The students will have an opportunity to listen to skilled workers within the community. The students will also stop at Humble Pie for lunch. It is going to be an exciting and fun day. A reminder to please return the permission note and $8.00 to the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

P&C MEETING
Just a reminder that our next P&C meeting is on Monday 24th August, commencing at 7.00pm. We hope you can make the time to come in to have your say in your school.

OOSH UPDATE
Last week an information letter inviting interested community members to attend an information session about our new OOSH. We will have staff here from Camp Australia here to provide some details about the establishment of our new After School Care, which is due to commence operating on the first day of next term. We hope you are available to attend this public meeting in our school library commencing at 6.30pm before we start our P&C meeting on Monday. We hope to see you there.

SCHOOL DISCO
There will be a special Term 3 disco on Thursday 3rd September to raise money for the families affected by fire. All funds and donations raised on the night will be donated to those families in an attempt to ease their burden just a little. The theme for the disco is ‘Favourite Movie or TV Star’. Entry will be $7.00 which includes chips and a drink.
K-2 disco is from 5.30pm to 7.00pm
3-6 disco is from 7.00pm to 8.30pm
It is going to be a fun and enjoyable evening and a big thank you for your anticipated support.
FESTIVAL OF THE IMAGINATION AND ART EXPO

Our big event on Saturday 29th August is almost here. The day's program runs from 10.00 - 2.00pm. The community is encouraged to visit the Ocean Shores Art Expo then enjoy the concert, rides, market stalls, wetland tours, dancers and games for our Festival of the Imagination. There will be lots for everyone to do and enjoy and plenty of delicious food to eat. We have some great sponsors supporting our event and thank them for their support. We have sent home raffle tickets and have some amazing prizes to be won. Please sell the raffle tickets and return to school as soon as possible. Just a reminder to return canvases to school by Tuesday so they can be displayed in the library.

FATHERS DAY STALL

Father's day is soon approaching and our P&C are in the process of organising a special stall on Thursday 3rd September. A number of gift items for dads, grandfathers and any other special person will be available to purchase. A flyer will be sent home soon with more details.

ASSEMBLY

What an awesome assembly by 1E today, displaying their amazing singing talents and beautiful work. Congratulations to the following students on receiving Principal's Awards: Beau McKenzie, Amelie Tonnet, Chase Hall and Miah Georgakopoulos.

Our next assembly will be on Thursday September 3rd commencing at 1.00pm in the hall. IB will be hosting the assembly.

OPERATION DOLPHIN

WEEK 5 – USE EQUIPMENT PROPERLY

Congratulations to the following students for being recognised for following our Dolphin rule this week: Bailey Cooper (1E), Thomas Nisbet (1E), Riley McLean (KG), and Olive Collyer (2G). Well done kids!

Jeff Robinson - Principal (R)
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