

# SCHOOL NEWS



Term 2 - Week 2  
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A very special **welcome back for Term 2!** I hope all families had a safe and enjoyable holiday break. The smiles on our students as they returned last week shows that many are keen to be back. Similarly, many parents were also beaming in much the same way!



Last term saw us end with a myriad of activities and events. Once again we would like to say huge congratulations to students who showed perseverance at our annual **Cross Country**. As usual it is always excellent to see support from families and community members as they cheer on our students. We would like to wish all students who were successful in their selection for the **District Cross Country** carnival, to be held at Bowraville this Friday, the best of luck. Mrs Miles-Gavin will be our staff representative.

Congratulations to student leaders who so ably ran our annual **ANZAC** Commemoration at school last term. Our school also did itself proud yet again this year, as more than half our students marched in the community parade to the cenotaph for **Anzac Day**. Thanks to Ryley and Chanelle, our flag bearers, Evie and Ashlyn as they read prayers and Kara and Savannah as they laid the wreath. Thanks to Mr Mason for running the service and providing our students with the opportunity to show community citizenship.

Cheers, gasps and of course... cracks! These were the sounds heard at our annual **Egg Drop** challenge on the last day of Term 1. Thank you to all students, parents and teachers who participated. We had a great time watching whose contraptions would be successful, and who would join the Humpty Dumpty Club. A big thank you to everyone who donated to our Easter raffle and to the SRC for organising delicious hot cross buns for morning tea.

For the first day of Term 2, staff combined with other small schools to learn about the 'Seven Steps to Writing'. You may hear our students come home using language like 'Sizzling Starts', 'Dynamic Dialogue' or 'Ban the Boring'. We will have a parent information session in the near future to update interested parents on key aspects. The implementation of this in our classrooms will be another tool for our staff to achieve the improvement measures in our School Plan. I commend staff on the extra time and many hours out of school that is put into Professional Learning.

Over the holidays the Yarrahapinni Community House ran a '**Funky Fashion Fundraiser**' sponsored by many local businesses. A huge thank you to all involved with an amount of \$2104.50 donated to our school which will go towards the renovation of our playground.

Last week 4/5/6 went to Scotts Head Youth Centre for their annual **Peer Support Camp**. Students had a great time, whilst developing their leadership and teambuilding skills. They all look forward to applying these skills as they lead their peer support groups.

SRC will hold a fundraiser this Wednesday. '**Adopt a Farmer**' is the theme. Come dressed in mufti and bring a gold coin donation.

Don't forget, this Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May, the P&C will hold a **Mothers' Day** stall for students to purchase gifts for a small cost of between \$2 - \$7.

During Week 3 and 4, our Yr 3 and Yr 5 students will participate in **NAPLAN Online**. Thank you to the students who already show a growth mindset to all learning opportunities provided at school.

This year we will start Families Week on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May with our annual **Walk Safely to School** Day. We encourage parents to walk their children to school, and promote road safety messages.

This term each class will have a whole class cook-up for **Kids in the Kitchen** on a Monday where they will create their own lunch. 2/3 will kick off on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May. Any family members will be most welcome to come and help between recess and lunch, staying to join us for lunch. Further information will be sent home with students in the lead-up to the day.

**Voluntary Contributions** (School Fees) are now due for payment at the office. Single: \$30, Family \$50. House Points are still being awarded for families who pay this term. Thanks to those families who have already contributed. We are at 18% of families. Let's see if we can double this during Term 2.



All families are invited to colour in the Growth Mindset mantra. A **mantra** is an affirmation to motivate and inspire you to be **your** best self. Its purpose is to provide motivation and encouragement to you when you need to focus **your** mind to achieve **a** goal. All entries can be returned to the Front Office and will go into the draw to win a prize - have fun learning!

Thanks for your continued support.

*Tonya M Worling*

# Merit Awards



Xavier J,  
Kayden,  
Kimberly,  
Minnie,  
Kara,  
Leon



## Win Bin

Ngaarla, Annabelle, Isabelle

## FISH Award Make their Day

Kyla, Alanah, Ashlyn



## Take Home Reading Reward System

Please help your child remember to read every night and sign their reading log. Rewards are given out at assembly for milestones. Home readers should be returned daily.



**25 Nights:** Chaz, Riley B, Emily

**50 Nights:** Charli, Liam, Ari, Olivia, Holley, Jett, Tara,  
Kimberly, Connor, Alanah, Kara, Chanelle, Tamryn,  
Leon, Evie, Ashlyn, Ryley

## Best and Fairest Term 1

Charlie, Jack, Nysa  
and Wheaton



**100% Attendance: T1**  
Olivia, Kyla, Kimberly,  
Annabelle and Jett



Congratulations to the students who have reached 'Silver' level. We will hold our 'pop-up' reward on Thursday on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Thanks to all our STARS – Students Taking Action and Responsibility!

## School Attendance Policy

Holidays taken by students outside of school vacation periods are included as absences. Families are encouraged to holiday or travel during school vacations. If travel outside of school vacation periods is necessary, your child's absence will be marked as Leave.

# Messages

From 14<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> May our school will participate in **NAPLAN Online** for our Yr 3 and Yr 5 students.

One of the main features of the NAPLAN Online format is that it is a tailored (or adaptive) test. The tailored test provides a more precise assessment of your child's performance in the areas of reading, language conventions (grammar, spelling and punctuation) and numeracy by adapting to responses. As your child progresses through the test, questions may be easier or more difficult, to better assess his or her ability. Your child should not be concerned if he or she finds the questions more difficult than expected – the pathway may be more challenging. Many of the same questions appear in both paper and online tests, but not every student doing the online test will be answering the same questions in the same order. Your child's NAPLAN results and scores are based on the number and complexity of questions he or she has answered correctly.

This year's **major senior excursion** for all students in **Yr 4, 5 and 6** is to

**Coffs Coast Adventure Centre,**  
held from 16<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

Approximate cost: \$400

Please refer to the separate Expression of Interest that went home last term.  
Part payments can be made anytime at the office.



## PAYMENTS

Thank you to all families who have sent in payments such as Voluntary Contributions and excursions, so far this year. All payments should be placed in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and amount enclosed. We would appreciate your assistance with this. Many thanks.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Week 2

- 7<sup>th</sup> May - MHS Transition Day for Yr7
- 8<sup>th</sup> May - Adopt a Farmer Mufti + Gold Coin
- 9<sup>th</sup> May - Mothers' Day Stall
- 10<sup>th</sup> May - District Cross Country Bowraville
- Assembly Yr 2/3 item 2.30pm

### Week 3

- 14-23<sup>rd</sup> May - NAPLAN Assessments Yr 3&5
- 14<sup>th</sup> May - P&C Meeting 9.15am
- 17<sup>th</sup> May - Walk Safely to School Day

### Upcoming

- 20 -25<sup>th</sup> May - Families Week
- 20<sup>th</sup> May - 2/3 KIK 11.30am
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Biggest Morning Tea
- 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Silver Pop-Up Reward
- 24<sup>th</sup> May - Assembly
- 26<sup>th</sup> May - National Sorry Day
- 27<sup>th</sup> May - Reconciliation Week
- 3<sup>rd</sup> June - K/1 KIK 11.30am
- 7<sup>th</sup> June - Ocean Day Scotts Head
- 13<sup>th</sup> June - CWA New Guinea
- 19<sup>th</sup> June - Athletics Carnival



# 4/5/6

## Playful Perseverance at Peer Support Camp



Reflecting on our learning.



Working together to achieve a task.



Enjoying the simple things.



Night time; fun shooting the stars!



Night walk; chasing crabs!



Enjoying the sunrise.



The ground is lava!



There's a hole in the bucket.



Giant ball volleyball.

# Parent Information – A FEW REMINDERS



## Did you move during the school holidays?

If you moved residence during the vacation, or if your contact details have changed, please let the school office know as soon as possible.

By doing so, you will ensure that we can get in touch with you, or a nominated contact person, should your child get sick or an emergency arises.

## Arrival on time

Arriving at school and class on time ensures that students don't miss out on the important activities scheduled early in the day when the students are most alert; it also helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine and gives them time to greet their friends before class. Lateness is recorded as partial absence and must be explained by parents or carers in the same way as other forms of absence.

## Absences

The *Education Act (1990)* requires parents to ensure that children between the ages of six and seventeen attend school on each day that the school is open for instruction. If children are absent from school, parents are required to provide the school with an acceptable explanation within seven days of the absence.



## Don't forget your note

For the benefit of all children, parents or carers should ensure their child attends school regularly. Any absence from school should be explained within seven days of the absence.



## Bell times

8.30am	Morning Supervision (on cement area)
<b>Start School</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
9.00am	Leaders Report, Morning PE and Fruit Bat
9.30-11.00	Morning Session (Literacy)
<b>Recess</b>	<b>11.00 – 11.30am</b>
11.30-1.00pm	Middle Session (Numeracy)
<b>Lunch</b>	<b>1pm – 1.45pm</b>
1.45-3.00pm	Afternoon Session (COGS)
<b>Home</b>	<b>3pm</b>

## Assembly

Parents are welcome to attend our Assembly held every Friday fortnight at 2.30pm on even weeks. Special event assemblies will be advertised in the Newsletter.

## Sport

Held every Friday morning between 9-10.10am. We participate in whole school sport in the morning when the weather is a little cooler. This fits in well with our sun-safe policy. Students need to wear sports uniform which consists of black shorts and their house colour shirt. Bike pants are not considered shorts. During winter months students may wear their maroon tracksuit with the house colour shirt.

## Scripture

Lessons are offered each Friday between 11.30-12.10 and take the form of social skills, citizenship and values.

## Library Day

Please ensure your child has a suitable library bag to protect borrowed books.

☐ Yr 2/3 Tuesday

☐ Yr 4/5/6 Wednesday

☐ Yr K/1 Thursday

## Visitors

All parents and visitors to our school should use the **main entrance** via the footpath at the front in Banksia Street. On arrival at school, all visitors should report to the office so that staff are aware of their presence in the school. All visitors should sign the **visitors' book** (this does not apply when you drop or pick your child up at the beginning or the end of the school day.) Everyone should adhere to appropriate **Code of Conduct** when at school which is intended to ensure that students, staff, parents and visitors are not subjected to behaviours that wound their feelings, arouse anger, resentment, disgust or outrage. The aim is:

- To ensure all visitors to the school conduct themselves in an appropriate manner
- To ensure that students, staff, parents and other visitors are not subjected to aggressive, hostile or violent behaviours.
- To ensure the rights of students, staff and parents are respected and upheld.

You should note that entry onto the school grounds, or attendance at school events, is a privilege not a right. Failure to abide by this may result in the Inclosed Lands Act being invoked.



## P&C NEWSLETTER WEEK 2 TERM 2 6/5/19

The P&C welcomes everyone back to Term 2. We hope you all had a safe and happy Easter break.

We will be running our Mother's Day stall this Thursday 9th May. Students will have the opportunity to purchase a little gift for their mum or carer. Attached to the newsletter is a list of gifts and prices. It is advised that students have their money clearly marked in an envelope. Thank you to those parents who have volunteered their help with wrapping and manning the stall on the day.

A yummy, new Canteen menu is up and running for the term. Again, a big thankyou to those who gave their time to do a cook-up and have everything ready for first week back. Anyone who can spare a Friday once a term to help can see Nicole Lilly for further details. Please also remember to hand your WWC to the office if you haven't already done so.

School Banking resumes each Friday this Term. See Ashlea Donovan for details.

With the cooler weather approaching, School uniforms are available through the P&C. Girls uniform consists of maroon pants while the boys wear grey pants. Long sleeve blue emblem shirts as well as Maroon Jumpers and Jackets are also available to purchase. Order forms can be obtained from the office. All orders must be paid for in full at the time of ordering.

Just a reminder that the position of President remains unfilled. See Lee Taylor if you would like more information on this key role.

Our next P&C meeting will be held next Tuesday 14th May in the Library at 9.15am. We would love to see you there.

Canteen Roster:      Week 2 - Kerrie and Jane  
                              Week 3 - Looking for helpers

Thank you to our small band of volunteers for a great start to Term 2

Lee Taylor  
Vice President

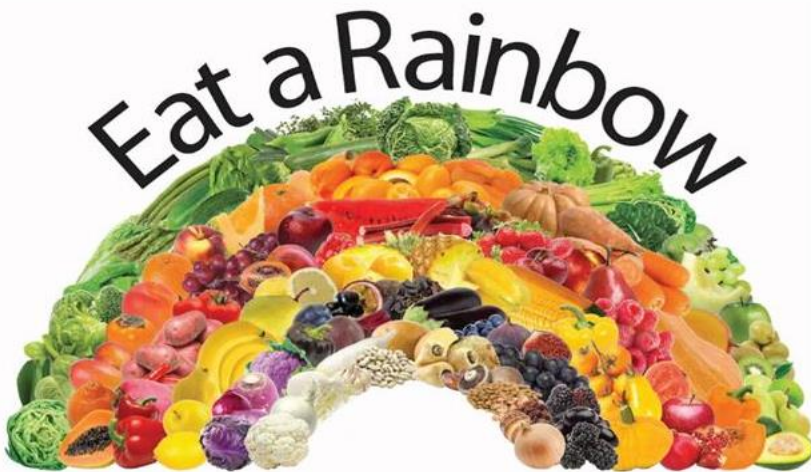
# Live Life Well @ School

**Get a variety of colours**

Fruit & Vegetables can be put in 5 different colour categories:


- Green
- Purple/blue
- Red
- Brown/white
- Yellow/Orange

Each category has unique health benefits.



**Eat a Rainbow**

How many colours can you eat today?

 **Health**  
Mid North Coast  
Local Health District

# UNIFORM PRICE LIST

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## THE P&C HAVE IN STOCK OR CAN ORDER

School shirts (short sleeve with emblem)	\$15
School shirts (long sleeve with emblem)	\$17
Boy's grey shorts	\$17
Girl's school shorts (maroon check) (to order)	\$17
Girl's summer check tunic (to order)	\$27
Girl's maroon pants	\$20
Boy's long grey trousers	\$20
Sport shirts (collared, house colours –red, yellow, green, blue)	\$15
Black sport shorts	\$13
Hats with emblems	\$10
Maroon Flying Jackets -waterproof with fleecy lining	\$30
Maroon Fleece Zip-Up Hoodie	\$27
Maroon Fleece Pull-Over with Hood (to order)	\$22
Fleece Crew Neck Sweater	\$17
Maroon Rain Jackets (to order)	\$22



# STUARTS POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL MOTHER'S DAY STALL



**BAMBOO FIBRE  
COFFEE CUP**

**\$6.00**



**WATER BOTTLE  
INFUSER**

**\$7.00**



**LOLA BERRY  
RECIPE BOOK**

**\$5.00**



**MAGNETIC PHOTO  
FRAME**

**\$2.00**



CHILDREN

WINK

STARS