Wednesday, 9th April 2014

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE
Wonderful Community School

It was great to see all of the families that came along to the P&C’s free BBQ and social gathering last Friday. It was a pleasure to see the boys and girls enjoying themselves at our relaxed, friendly, family orientated gathering. Congratulations to the P&C for organising such an event, we are looking forward to more in the future. Hopefully the weather will be in our favour next time.

Annual School Report
The school's 2013 Annual School Report has been submitted and is available on our website for all interested parents. Go to our website then click on the ‘Ourimbah Information’ tab at the top and then ‘Annual School Report 2013’ on the left.

Lots of Extracurricular Activities
This week has been particularly busy with extracurricular activities on each day of the week. Yr 6 had their Peer Support training on Monday and Tuesday, including a

DATES TO REMEMBER

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‘Don’t count the days, make the days count’
special BBQ lunch on Monday. Thank you to Mrs Wakelin, Mr Edwards and Mr Wilson for organising the activities. K-2 had their Easter Hat Parade which was enjoyed by all. The boys and girls have much to be proud of. It was great to see all of the parents, grandparents, friends and neighbours who came along to watch. Thank you to Mrs Miranda for organising the parade and Mr Whitehouse our MC for the event.

Weather permitting, our Cross Country will be on Friday. Thank you to Mr Edwards for organising this.

Friday is also our Magpie Rewards Day. A BIG thank you to all of the boys and girls who do the right thing, each and every day, you help make our school the great place that it is. Congratulations on your good behaviour.

Late arrivals
We are concerned about the number of students who are consistently arriving late to school. When students arrive late, they are interrupting teaching and learning, missing out on valuable teaching and learning time, as well as missing out on important organisational messages relating to the days activities. I have included an article by Professor Michael Grose explaining why, ‘It’s not Ok to be late.’ Please make an effort to read this article and ensure that your children arrive at school ready for an 8.55 am start each day.

Crazy Hair Day Fundraiser
The creative and performing arts team held a Crazy Hair Day fundraiser to support creative and performing arts endeavours. The students are to be congratulated for their support of this program. The hair styles were creative, unique and colourful and $275 was raised on the day.

ANZAC Day
We again have been invited to participate in the ANZAC Day March and service on ANZAC Day at the Ourimbah RSL Club. The march begins in Yates Rd at 2.30 pm and is followed by the service. All students are invited to attend.

We are holding a special ANZAC Day Assembly, for all students, on Thursday. Thank you to Mr Edwards for organising this. More details inside.

Staff Development Day
Monday, 28th April is our Staff Development Day. We will be focusing on the new Mathematics Syllabus and Live Life Well initiatives. We will be looking forward to seeing the boys and girls back at school on Tuesday, 29th April.

Leave
I will be on leave all of the first week back and most of the second week. Mrs Wakelin will be relieving in my role as the Principal. Please remember, if you have any problems, issues or concerns, the class teacher is the first person to see. If they are not available, their stage supervisors are the next point of call. Mrs Wakelin supervises Year 5 & 6, Mrs Bowd supervises Yr 3 & 4 and Mr Formby supervises K to Yr 2. Staff are happy to meet with parents. Please make an appointment via the front office or send a note in to the class teacher.

Holidays
This is the last week of school for term one. I wish you all a peaceful and relaxing holiday.

Until next time,
Mrs Linda Trigg

CLASSROOM EFFORT & BEHAVIOUR POINTSCORE

Week 9 – Winning House – Emus
Emus – 38 Platypus & Kangaroos – 37
Koalas - 36

Week 10 – Winning House – Koalas
Koalas – 41.5 Platypus & Emus – 35
Kangaroos – 28.5

CLASSROOM AWARDS K-2

Week 10

Week 11

CLASSROOM AWARDS 3-6

Week 10

Week 11

ANZAC CEREMONY
The school will be holding a K to 6 student assembly on Thursday in memory of our brave ANZAC soldiers who fought in Turkey in WW1, along with all other service men and women. The school would like to thank Mr Pankhurst from the Ourimbah RSL Club and Mr Paul, our band.
leader, for their contributions on the day. Class 5/6E will have representatives running the assembly.

ANZAC DAY MARCH
Traditionally our school has always taken part in the town march on Anzac Day. The march will be held on Friday, 25th April and will leave from Yates Road at 2.30 pm. Our school officials or senior students usually lead our school group followed by any interested students. If your son or daughter is interested in attending the Anzac Day March, please let Mrs Wakelin know tomorrow. Please be aware that parental supervision is necessary as there will be NO staff supervision. If your son or daughter can be present on the day it would be greatly appreciated. Students are expected to wear full school uniform, however as a mark of respect we will not be wearing school hats for the purpose of the march. Thanks for your support.

EASTER HAT PARADE
Thank you to all the families who came out to watch our K-2 Easter Hat Parade. We were fortunate enough to even have some sunshine on the day. The boys and girls created some marvellous Easter hats with the assistance of their teachers and a lot of PVA glue. There were many different bright and colourful designs that incorporated feathers, plastic eggs, chickens and even paper mache. The children proudly paraded their hats and performed their grade items to the delighted crowd. We were even lucky enough to have a visit from a little bunny. A big thank you to Mrs Miranda for organising such a wonderful event.
Happy Easter!

EASTER RAFFLE
Once again the P&C have done a fantastic job with the annual Easter raffle. There were close to 200 prizes and so many of our students went home winners. Thank you to all the families for their wonderful donations. Thank you to Mrs Keegan, Mrs Hagley, Mrs Feick, Mrs Barkley and Mrs Nagle who helped with the drawing of the raffle and a special thank you to our Easter raffle coordinator Mrs Jane Brooker, who spent endless hours collecting and wrapping the donations ready for the raffle.

Congratulations to the following people who were the winners of the top 10 prizes in the Easter raffle:
1st prize – Adam Rutter
2nd prize – Mark
3rd prize – Max G 5/6W
4th prize – Marco E KS
5th prize – Dominic G 1P
6th prize – Melody W KS
7th prize – Annabelle N 1/2MA
8th prize – Angus B KMB
9th prize – Taya W 2/3F
10th prize – Tom M 5/6E
MAGPIE REWARD
All students gaining their 10 Magpie Certificate will be rewarded this Friday at lunch time with an ice treat from the school canteen for their behaviour and effort throughout Term 1.

PEER SUPPORT TRAINING
The students in Year 6 completed a 2 day training course covering the skills required to assist them with leading the Peer Support Program in Term 2. Term 2 will be an extremely important time for not only Year 6 as leaders of the personal development program but for the entire school who will participate in the 8 lessons which are to be held each Friday.

MOTHERS' DAY STALL

MOTHERS’ DAY
2014
This year our Mothers’ Day stall will be held on Wednesday, 7th May.
Gifts will range in price from $4 to $10 each. To ensure a gift is available for each student to purchase on the day we need your help in the way of a donation.
Some donation ideas include:
- Writing Pads/Shopping Lists/Books/Candles/Picture Frames
- Tea Cups/Gardening Gloves/Tools/Chocolates/Hand Cream
- Manicure Sets/Nail Polish/Sewing Kits/Gift Bags

Please leave all donations at the office.
If you would like to help with wrapping or on stall day, please contact Angela Nagle on 0402 021159.

2014/2015 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS
Entertainment Books will be available again this year at a cost of $60 each. This book contains vouchers for discounts at many Central Coast and Newcastle restaurants (formal and casual) and local attractions and services.
If you are interested in pre-ordering a book, order forms for the 2014/2015 Entertainment Books are now available at the office.

SPORTS NEWS

PRIMARY CROSS COUNTRY
Weather permitting, the students in Years 3 to 6 will be participating in the Primary Cross Country Carnival this Friday morning at Sohier Park, Ourimbah. Please refer to the information note that went home last week and ensure that the attached medical form is completed and returned to school prior to the event. If Sohier Park is closed or weather results in the postponement of the event, the new date will be Friday of Week 1, Term 2.
All parents and families are most welcome to attend. The first race should get under way by 10.00 am.
Gary Edwards, Carnival Organiser

SYDNEY NORTH TRIALS
Congratulations to both Toby F for soccer and Jack C for rugby league who both attended trials for Sydney North representation last week. Though unsuccessful, both boys gave their best and should be proud of their efforts. Well done boys. Gary Edwards

AFL GALA DAY
On Wednesday, 12th March thirty of our senior students participated in the Paul Kelly Cup.
We entered teams in both the boys’ and girls’ divisions, competing against Berkeley Vale, Chittaway and Copacabana Public Schools. Each of our teams won a game and were defeated in the other two.
The players represented our school with pride and played with a high level of sportsmanship. Our teams should be very proud of themselves.
Thanks goes out to all of the parents who assisted with transport.
Mr Wilson
UNIFORM SHOP
**Operating Hours – Mondays & Thursdays**
The opening hours for the uniform shop are as follows:
- **Mondays 8.30 am - 9.30 am**
- **Thursdays 2.30 pm - 3.00 pm**

Online ordering and eftpos are available in the Uniform Shop. Order forms are also available from the office with an option to make arrangements for collecting/paying at the canteen or from the uniform shop.

BLUE GUM CANTEEN NEWS
Thank you for your support of our Easter Meal Deal Day on Tuesday. It was a very busy, exciting and successful day.

Look out for the new menu that will be sent home at the start of Term 2.

Have a great holiday and a Happy Easter.

Until next time,
Elise Blomfield

Some Useful Websites
**School holiday kids and family camps**
It's not too late to book your child into a NSW Sport and Rec holiday camp. There are also family camps available year-round, for an active, family-friendly (and pocket-friendly) getaway. Find out more: [http://bit.ly/1hWxTra](http://bit.ly/1hWxTra)

Managing screen-time
Helping kids find the right balance between activities, homework and screen time is a challenge that only gets harder as they grow older. Commonsense Media has lots of useful resources to help – from movie and game ratings to articles like this one on setting screen time limits that are realistic enough that your children will actually follow them. Read the article here: [http://bit.ly/1pBIfmk](http://bit.ly/1pBIfmk)

Books to boost brains
Literacy skills often progress suddenly in leaps and bounds. The secret is to keep kids of all ages reading over the weekends and school holidays. Even 20 minutes a night can make a huge difference to their reading, comprehension and general knowledge. It's also a great way to settle their minds down before sleep (for adults too!). If your child hasn't found a book that grabs their imagination, why not try them on a series book from the Premier's Reading Challenge list? Here are top suggestions for all ages, including young adult: [http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0](http://bit.ly/1dLSGC0)

Kik, Vine, Instagram – are they safe?
It's no contest – kids discover and understand new social media long before we adults do. If your child is thinking about creating a new social media account – or complains that “everyone else is doing it”, you can get the facts a glance from School A to Z’s technology glossary. You'll also find information about age restrictions and things to watch out for: [http://bit.ly/188OerY](http://bit.ly/188OerY)

COMMUNITY NEWS
**OURIMBAH VILLAGE BUTCHERY**
*Under new management*
Your local butcher is now open with premium quality meat at cheaper prices. We also sell fresh cut cold meat. Come in and say “Hi”, and compare the prices. We will also deliver for free.

Please contact Ross or Jeff on 4362 2905 for more information.

**OURIMBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY - 1970'S**
All parents and children who were part of the 1970's Ourimbah Public School community are invited to attend an informal catch up at the Ourimbah RSL Club at 11.30 am on Saturday, 3rd May 2014.

For more information please contact Toni Brewster on 4362 1421 or Hanne Rose (Berry) on 4362 1322.

**TUTOR**
Lianne Haddock - Ph 0415 984255
Tutoring all subjects. Specialising in project presentation mixed media - film, audio, images.
Tumbi Umbi - a pleasant learning environment provided.

**THE RHYTHM HUT**
The Rhythm Hut school holiday program is out now. The program includes drumming, kids music classes, hooping, movie nights, Nicky Bomba (John Butler Trio/Melbourne Ska Orchestra) and lots more. Check the website [www.therhythmhut.com.au](http://www.therhythmhut.com.au) for more information.
WELCOME TO
OURIMBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL
P&C ASSOCIATION 2014

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GENERAL MEETING DATE: Wednesday 9th April, 2014
TIME: 7pm       VENUE: Staff Room

AGENDA
(10 minutes reading time prior to commencement of business)

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Welcome to Country
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Business Arising
   1. Code of Conduct
   2. Vacant Treasurer’s Position
   3. Action List (see attached list)
   4. School Wish List
   5. Canteen
   6. Westpac Fees
   7. P&C Facebook Page
   8. Microphones
5. Correspondence
6. Reports
   1. Treasurer
   2. President
   3. Uniform Shop
   4. R.A.P
   5. Nitbusters
   6. Class Coordinator
   7. Fundraising
   8. Principal
7. General Business
   1. Blue Gum Art Show
   2. P&C Executive Badges
8. Date of Next Meeting (May 14th 2014) & Close

If you have any topic that is school related and you would like to be brought up at the next P&C Meeting please email the P&C Executive: email: ourimbahpandc@yahoo.com.au

President: – Kim Bettison
Vice Presidents: – Jane Brooker & Lorelei Barkley
Secretary: – Rhonda Wagenaer (correspondence) & Lesley Marshall (minutes)
Treasurer: – VACANT
Ourimbah-Lisarow RSL Club Ltd.

...your family club

**‘OUR’ Easter Egg Raffle**

Sunday 13th April

Huge selection of Easter eggs & Easter goodies to win

Tickets on sale from 12pm
Drawn at 2pm

**‘OUR’ Easter Seafood Raffle**

Thursday 17th APRIL

This raffle will replace our Friday night raffle just for this Easter weekend.

We will have a delicious selection of seafood trays in this raffle to celebrate Easter.

Tickets on sale from 6pm
Drawn at 6pm

**Sunday Funday Easter Raffle**

Easter Sunday Raffle 20th April

Our regular Sunday raffle with a few Easter surprises to win.

Tickets on sale 12pm
Drawn at 2pm

**The Easter Bunny & Mad Hatter Show**

Easter Sunday 20th April 2.30pm

FREE SHOW

The show includes:
* Fun Games
* Easter Magic
* Balloon twisting
* Easter Songs & Dances
* Free prize giveaways!