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PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Education Week Celebrations
A big thank you to all of our very supportive parents, family and friends who came along to our special Education Week activities, including classroom visits to look at the great work being done by the students and our special assemblies which further showcased their talents. It was great to see that many of you were able to stay on and share a picnic recess or lunch with the boys and girls who loved having you there. We really appreciate the fact that you were able to take time out from your busy work schedule to be part of our celebrations.

We don’t always have a say in what happens to us, but we do have a CHOICE in how we REACT.
Class Coordinators

Congratulations to our Class Coordinators who are doing an amazing job supporting teaching and learning, along with enhancing communication and parent participation in our Kindergarten, Year 1 and Yr 2 classrooms. We are fortunate to have such caring, enthusiastic and dedicated parents who willingly fulfil this role.

I had the great pleasure of attending the recent Kindergarten social gathering and thoroughly enjoyed the event, along with all of the boys and girls. It was a great opportunity for the boys and girls to socialise and have fun and for their parents to meet with and get to know each other better.

Thank you to all of the parents who support the Class Coordinators and the social events that they organise. Together we are helping to create a more cohesive, well informed, friendlier school community network.

Valley Schools’ Academic Excellence Assembly

Last Thursday, Lisarow High School hosted a new Valley Schools initiative with five students from Yr 3 to Yr 12, in each of the Valley Schools being recognised for their efforts with an Excellence Award. These awards were based on a variety of criteria and were not all based solely on academic achievement.

Congratulations to the following students who received an award: Maddy F, Bradley W, Connor W, Jason J, Ian J (Year 6), Ebony W, Wesley T, Kate M, Charlotte B, Jordan E (Year 5), Suzie M, Murray H, Jake K, Maja H, Georgia K (Year 4) and Caitlin M, Ella W, Savannah W, Timothy J and Bethany W (Year 3).

Athletics Carnivals

What a great day it was, with two very successful carnivals. The Primary Athletics Carnival was organised by Mr Edwards and the Infants Athletics Carnival was organised by Mr Miller.

Both carnivals ran smoothly thanks to the high level of organisation from Mr Edwards and Mr Miller and the staff who ran the events and supervised the students. Thanks to past staff members, family, friends and parent volunteers who worked all day to ensure the carnivals were a huge success, it was a real team effort.

Thank you also to Mrs Elise Blomfield, our canteen supervisor, for her high level of organisation which ensured the canteen operated smoothly on the day.

Many thanks to everyone who worked in the canteen.

The boys and girls are to be congratulated for displaying both a high level of sportsmanship and athletics ability. We had lots of proud mums, dads and family members watching and cheering the boys and girls on.

On the day, we also hosted a visit from the PSSA State Executive team who were very impressed with what they saw.
Central Coast Showcase

Congratulations to the Senior Girls Dance Group for making it through to the Central Coast Schools’ Showcase. The Showcase promotes the talents of a variety of our K-12 students, including vocalists, instrumentalists, bands and dancers.

Our Senior Girls Dance Group has been selected to be the finale act for the Showcase, performing with the band and vocalists, as part of their item. We are really excited that our group of talented dancers has been selected for this role.

The Showcase is being held at Laycock Street Theatre on Wednesday, 20th August and Thursday, 21st August, involving matinee and evening performances. Tickets for the evening performances are on sale through Laycock Street Theatre at a cost of $25 adults and $15 concession.

Thank you to Miss Sammut and Miss Adams for your ongoing support of the Senior Girls Dance Group. This is an outstanding achievement and our students should be very proud of themselves. Congratulations girls.

Power Rangers

The Power Rangers have been busy monitoring energy efficiency in classrooms at both recess and lunch times. Congratulations to 1P and 5/6D who are the winners of last fortnights ‘Power Rangers Award’.

RSL Club Car Park

Many thanks to our good friends at the Ourimbah RSL Club who continue to share their car parking facilities with us, we are very fortunate.

As a matter of courtesy, I respectfully ask that all parents and students display good manners whilst in the car park. Thank you to all of our wonderful parents who do this each and every day, you continue to be good role models for the boys and girls.

As a matter of safety, I also ask that you continue to demonstrate safe pedestrian and road safety behaviours whilst in the car park and crossing the road to school. We want everyone to arrive and depart safely from school.

Waste Free Wednesday

The students have continued to take part in Waste Free Wednesdays each week. Students and staff have been encouraged to bring recess and lunch to school with either no packaging or recyclable packaging each Wednesday. The aim of this project is to decrease the amount of rubbish in the school and to increase the school community’s awareness about caring for the environment.

Our Waste Free Monitors have noted a 12 % reduction in waste, this is a positive start. Our aim is to increase this figure to 40% by the end of term 3. So let’s all make a big effort and see if together, we really can make a big difference to the amount of waste we produce on Wednesdays.

Examples of a waste free lunch box include bringing recess and lunch in containers that can be taken home (as opposed to plastic cling wrap), bringing pieces of fruit instead of pre-packaged food and bringing reusable drink bottles.

P&C

Our next P&C Meeting is on tonight at 7 pm in the staffroom. New faces are always welcome.

Until next time,

Mrs Linda Trigg

CLASSROOM EFFORT & BEHAVIOUR POINTSCORE

Week 4 - Winning House – Koalas
Week 5 – Winning House – Koalas

CLASSROOM AWARDS K-2


CLASSROOM AWARDS 3-6


FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Friday, 5th September

Just a reminder that orders are now being taken for the Father’s Day Breakfast to be held on Friday, 5th September from 7.30 am. Notes have gone home this week and should be returned to the class teacher, with payment by Friday, 29th August. The cost is $5.00 per breakfast and orders are available for children and their male guests.
**LOST JUMPERS**

There are **29 jumpers without names** that have been picked up and put in lost property in the last 2 weeks. We cannot return jumpers to their rightful owners if parents do not put names on them. Please come in to the office and look for your lost property. If they are not claimed they will be given to the uniform shop or a charity. There is also a basket full of lost lunch boxes and containers.

**KINDER 2015 CLASS VISIT & TEDDY BEAR’S PICNIC**

This Friday, 15th August children starting Kindergarten next year are invited to visit our classroom and have a Teddy Bear’s Picnic from 9.15 am – 10.45 am. Children will enjoy story time and craft activities followed by a picnic morning tea. Parents are invited to be in the classroom during this session.

**SPORTS NEWS**

**NSWPSSA TOUCH BOYS GALA DAY**

The boys team played the first 3 rounds of the NSWPSSA Touch Knockout yesterday at Sohier Park. The team started the day off with a tough game against Niagara Park which ended up going into a drop off as tries were even. Ourimbah scored early in extra time and took out the game which meant they were still alive in the knockout. Next they came up against Lisarow in round 2. This game too was very tight throughout, with the Ourimbah boys hitting the lead with less than 5 minutes remaining. Fatigue however crept in and our neighbours to the south got home with a couple of late tries, including the winner on the siren. Bad luck boys, but games like that need to be put away in the memory bank for similar situations in life. Finally the last game was against the combined school's team known as the ‘Barbarians’. This group had toiled hard all day and included 3 of our own lads from Year 5 (Cody, Tom and Cooper) who each gave 100% in all matches. The school team finally got things to gel in this last match of the day and the boys piled on 10 great tries. Well done boys, 2 wins and a tight loss on the day.

Gary Edwards

**TOUCH FOOTBALL GIRLS GALA DAY**

The Girls’ Touch Football team took part in the State Knockout yesterday, 12th August at Sohier Park. Under threatening skies the girls did a marvellous job winning 1 game, drawing another and losing one in a very close tussle. The girls played very well and should be very proud of their efforts. Thank you to the parents who assisted with transport and supported the girls so enthusiastically. A special thank you to three of our Year 5 girls who helped out with the invitational Barbarians team - Vanessa, Morgan and Ella. Thanks girls, I really appreciate your efforts.

**INTERRELATE**

The P&C Interrelate evening is on next Wednesday, 20th August. There are two sessions being held, with the first suited to students in Years 3 & 4 and the second for students in Years 5 & 6, however students may attend both sessions. The cost is $27.00 for one session or $33.00 for both. Forms with full information went home with all 3 – 6 students a couple of weeks ago. Spares notes are available from the office.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

The NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes on 22nd August 2014. Please have your online entries completed by this date. If you have completed an Ourimbah Reading Challenge, you can use the same books to enter the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Students or parents are responsible for adding this data online.
BOOK WEEK
On Wednesday, 27th August, illustrator Craig Smith will be talking to our students. There will be a separate note about this sent home next week. A small cost will be involved.

Please note that there will be NO Book Week Character Parade this year.

K-2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Well done to all K-2 students for a great day at our school Athletics Carnival. The behaviour and sportsmanship of all students ensured the carnival ran smoothly. I would like to thank all parent helpers, K-2 staff, Mr Smith, Mr and Mrs Annabel, Mr Wright and Miss O’Malley (Ourimbah Uni students). A special thanks to Mrs Miranda for coming in on her day off and Mrs Potter for her help.

Results for the age races are as follows:

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Chris Miller
K-2 Carnival Organiser

BWPSA ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Friday, 22nd August
All team members will receive their permission notes today for next week’s carnival at Mingara Athletics Centre. The full team list has been posted in the Canteen COLA area of all athletes that have successfully qualified to BWPSA standards. Weather permitting, we will attempt to have a few training sessions before the carnival, so please pack some joggers each day. Presentation of the athletics trophies will be made during a Primary Assembly to all age champions and winning house in the coming weeks. Parents and caregivers of all recipients will be notified prior to the event.

Gary Edwards, Carnival Organiser

RAP WORKING BEE
Kylie Brooks and some of her colleagues from NAB are coming to Ourimbah PS to help tidy and weed the RAP trail on Tuesday, 2 September from 9:30 - 2:30. We are very grateful that NAB has chosen to donate this time to RAP and it is a wonderful, fresh time of the year to be working in our wilderness. If you would like to also participate (even for an hour or two) in this worthwhile activity, please see Kylie, Nicole Worrell or Liz Moore for further details.

RAP'S BIRTHDAY BUSH BASH
The Rainforest Access Project was started on 31st August 1994, so it is just about to turn 20 years old! To celebrate, we are running a RAP open day on 14th September, alongside the Blue Gum Art Show and Markets. There will be guided RAP trail tours, live animal displays and talks. Make your way to C Oval before or after you have enjoyed the artworks and sampled the markets. See Nicole Worrell or Liz Moore for more details.

BLUE GUM ART SHOW
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Entry forms will need to be filled in and returned, with your entry fee to the school office no later than Monday, 1st September. You can contact Cat Soper on 0438 821673 if you need more information. Also, if anyone would like to donate artworks or items for raffles please let me know.
So grab an entry form and get creative!

BLUE GUM ART SHOW
Calling all bakers!!
The P&C are holding a fundraising cake stall at the Blue Gum Art Show on Sunday, 14th September and would love your baking expertise.
I know there are plenty of you out there secretly looking to unleash your inner Margaret Fulton. So why not whip up a batch of cookies or get out Nan’s old choccie cake recipe and create something special for Ourimbah Public School’s Cake Stall.
Along with providing sweet and savoury treats for all those on the day, money raised goes back into the school P&C fund to assist with purchasing much needed resources for our school.
All those who contribute to our cake stall will automatically be entered into our lucky door prize drawn on the day.
Along with your delicacies, could you please provide a list of the ingredients. If taking a recipe from a website, just download the ingredients list and print off or email it to leannediggle@hotmail.com
More details regarding “drop off” to follow.
For any enquiries please contact Leanne Diggle on 0405 352 242 or email leannediggle@hotmail.com.

BLUE GUM CANTEEN NEWS
One month to go
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A stall site costs $25, with this money going to the P&C, whilst any money you raise from your stall on the day is yours to take home. You can sell trash and treasure, crafts, books, clothes, plants, etc.
For more market information and registration forms, please go online to the school website at www.ourimbah-p.schools.nsw.edu.au under Ourimbah Information or email ourimbahpandc@yahoo.com.au. Alternatively visit the front office during business hours.
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ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS – AVAILABLE NOW
2014/15 Entertainment Books are still available from the office at a cost of $60 each. The book contains vouchers for discounts at many Central Coast and Newcastle restaurants (formal and casual), as well as local attractions and services. If you are interested in purchasing a 2014/2015 Entertainment Book, please see the ladies in the office.

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.

School hats can be purchased from the canteen on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays at a cost of $15.00 each.

P&C MEETING
7 pm tonight in staffroom
All welcome

COMMUNITY NEWS
Congratulations to Angus M of 3/4A who was selected in the Central Coast Representative under 10 Baseball Team and played in the Country Championships on the weekend. Well done Angus!

LISAROW-OURIMBAH JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB
Registration Days - 2014/2015 season
Come and sign up with the mighty Magpies.
Boys and girls, new and old players are invited to sign up for all age groups. Milo in2cricket, U/9’s to U/17’s
New players must bring along a birth certificate.

When: Saturday 16th August 2014
Where: Ourimbah Lisarow RSL Club
Pacific Hwy, Ourimbah

Time: 10.00am to 2.00 pm

For further information go to www.lisarowourimbahjuniorcricketclub.com.au or contact Eugene Simpson on 4324 7126 (ah)
GENERAL MEETING DATE: Wednesday 13th August, 2014
TIME: 7pm   VENUE: Staff Room

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

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Acknowledgement of Country
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Business Arising
   1. Code of Conduct
   2. Action List
   3. School Wish List
   4. Blue Gum Art Show & Markets
   5. Interrelate
5. Correspondence
6. Reports
   1. Treasurer
   2. President
   3. Uniform Shop
   4. Fundraising
   5. Class Coordinator
   6. R.A.P
   7. Social Convenor
   8. Nitbusters
   9. CC Council of P&C Rep
   10. Principal
7. General Business
   1. Upcoming events.
   2. Ideas for increasing parent involvement.
   4. P&C Federation Insurance.
8. Date of Next Meeting & 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: – Belinda Jacobs