Principal's Message

Swimming—Congratulations to our Regional Relay Small Schools swim team of Jamie, Natalia, Marcus and Tannor who have secured a place in the PSSA State Carnival at Homebush on 7th April (week 11). Unfortunately Tannor will be unavailable for this event but Merrick as the reserve will fill his place. GO TEAM! Congratulations go to Bungwahl School from the Forster area, who will also be competing. We are also very grateful for our parent drivers, drive safely.

P&C News—The P&C Annual General Meeting was held on Monday with all positions still standing as in 2015.
President: Bevan Dorries
Treasurer: Ian Smith
Canteen Co-ord: Kim Smith & Kayleen Seach
Secretary: Michelle O'Connor
Uniform Co-ord: Suehellen Dorries
Publicity: Kim Smith
It was lovely to see so many new faces at the meeting. Keep attending, the more we have the more we can achieve.

Easter Raffle—Tickets for our Easter raffle will be sold at Taree City Centre near the escalators and the food court. Suehellen and Roselee will be there this Thursday (all day) but they will need helpers. If you could manage an hour or two please turn up and give a hand.

Science Excursion—Permission notes for next week’s excursion to Taree High School for students in Year 5&6 on Wednesday 16th March need to be returned.

MIPS Cross Country—On our MIPS cross country next Friday 18th March, hamburgers will be on sale for lunch at a cost of $2.50. For catering purposes could you indicate how many you and your family will need.

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HAMBURGER ORDER for MIPS cross country day on Friday 18th March 2016.

I will/will not be attending.
I will require ___________________ hamburgers @ $2.50 each (pay on the day).
FAMILY NAME ________________________________

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Wed. 16/3/16 Teddy Bear Hospital visit
- Thurs. 17/3/16 PSSA Girls Netball trials
- Fri. 18/3/16 MIPS cross country
- Thurs. 24/3/16 NRL visit
- Fri. 15/3/16 Good Friday holiday
- Mon. 28/3/16 Easter Monday holiday

Reminders

- Canteen tomorrow
- TENNIS tomorrow
- Student banking—last day this term
Awards—Aston, Darcy, Tristan, Cooper, Jamie.

Teddy Bear Hospital—Next Wednesday 16th March, the University of Newcastle Department of Rural Health will visit Y1, Y2 and Y3 with their program 'The Teddy Hospital'.

Children are asked to bring in a teddy bear or stuffed animal. The project aims to encourage a positive relationship between children and health care providers helping to remove any fears they might have when visiting a doctor or the hospital.

Parents/Volunteers —Due to legal advice, parents who transport children other than their own or who volunteer for any reason, need to complete “Working with Children Check-Declaration for Volunteers” form which was sent home several weeks ago. Thank you to the 8 parents who have returned completed forms and shown 100 point evidence - (birth certificate 70 points, current driver's licence/Centrelink Concession Card/Health Care Card 40 points, Medicare card/private health care card/council rate notice/rental agreement/utility bill 25 points, etc). If the remaining parents need another form they are available from the front counter in the office. Any evidence photocopied is kept in a secure locked area and shredded yearly.

Parent/Teacher Interviews—A reminder to pick a time in Week 9 (Tuesday 22nd or Thursday 24th March) to have a discussion with your child’s teacher. This exchange of information maintains the link between home and school, particularly in areas where parents can assist their children at home.

Photo Album

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BENEFITS OF TEAM SPORTS

Participation in team sports is a great way to increase your child’s physical activity. But did you know there are a number of other benefits to team sports, including:

- Teaching children skills in teamwork
- Increasing communication skills
- Helping children gain confidence through interaction with other kids
- Teaching children it is ok to lose sometimes
- Making new friends
- And most importantly having fun!

There are many different team sports to choose from such as soccer, netball, touch football and hockey. Why not see what team sports are available at your school or in the community for your child to participate in?

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