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"Living and Learning Together"

Newsletter: Monday, Week 10, Term 1, 2013



What's on for TERM 1

Week 10

- Tues 2/4 Preschoolers Morning - 10am - 11.30am
- Thur 4/4 Yr 3 to 6 - Festival of Football (Soccer) – Grafton
- Fri 5/4 Finlayson Cup – Chandler PS
- Sun 7/4 Daylight Saving Ends 3.00am

Week 11

- Tues 9/4 Term 1 Assembly – 2.00pm
- Fri 12/4 Last Day for Term 1

Term 1 School Holidays

April 25th – ANZAC Day March – 10.40am – Dorrigo

Week 1 TERM 2

Mon 29 & Tue 30/4 Staff Development Days

Wed 1/5 Students Return for Term 2

Thurs 2/5 RSL Representatives – ANZAC Talk – 2.30pm

Week 2

- Mon 6/5 World Children's Colouring Day
- Tues 7/5 Preschoolers Morning - 10am - 11.30am
- Wed 8/5 Fireguard for Kids – 12noon
- Thur 9/5 Yr 6 Leadership Conference – Coffs Harbour
- Fri 10/5 Stewart House Day
- Sun 12/5 Mother's Day

Week 3

- Tue 14 & Wed 15 &
- Thur 16/5 **NAPLAN Tests for Yr 3 & 5 Students only**
- Fri 17/5 Yr 6 YEC – Cascade EEC 9.30am-2pm

Notes and Money due: (if attached)

- Finlayson Sports Day Consent / Lunch Order & Money
- ANZAC Day Attendance Consent Note



Leadership Conference -Brisbane

I travelled to Brisbane last week with other Year 6 students from our Bellinger Dorrigo Learning Community to attend a Leadership Conference. We travelled by coach and stayed at a youth hostel. I shared a room with boys from Dorrigo and Bellingen. Our room had a great view of the city. When we arrived we got settled and then

went for a walk through the park which had an unreal water fountain. That night we had dinner, followed by a game of trivia. The next day we went to the Leadership Conference and listened to some really inspirational speakers talk about their lives and accomplishments. It was awesome and I had a great time. Thank you to Mrs Mulligan, Mr Becker and Ms Ryan for looking after me.

By Max Mears



Easter Hat Parade

It was wonderful to see lots of parents and carers come along and watch our Easter Hat parade last Thursday. Students enjoyed parading their magnificent hats that they had made, searching for Easter Bilbys and sharing their homemade hot cross buns.





Yr 3-6 Festival of (Small sided) Football – this Thursday 4th April - Grafton



Years 3 to 6 will be participating in the Festival of Football (soccer) at Barnier Park Junction Hill Soccer Ground in Grafton this Thursday 4th April. This sporting event is funded by AASC so there will be no cost for students. First games will commence at 10am sharp! The last games will finish around 2pm. Travel will be by Jim's bus to and from Grafton. Students will need to be at school ready to leave at 8am sharp. Students may wish to catch the high school bus run in the morning. We will be returning to school at 3.45pm. Students may be collected then or can catch the high school bus run home. Students must wear full school uniform (sports shirt), sunhat and joggers. **PLEASE NOTE: participating players will not be permitted to wear boots (football or other, i.e. riding/work etc.) of any nature. Players will be expected to wear soft toed joggers or similar. Shin pads and mouth guards can be worn (optional).** Students are to pack recess, lunch, snacks and plenty of water. If you ordered hot food, it will be available from the canteen on the day; otherwise you will need to pack your own food. **PLEASE BRING YOUR ORDER MONEY WITH YOU ON THE DAY.**

Changed Bus transport for K-1 Students – this Thursday 4th April 2013

Due to the Festival of Football at Grafton where students in Years 3 to 6 are utilising Jim's bus, there will be no bus run for this day. We are asking all parents if they could please drive their child/ren to school and pick them up in the afternoon or they may catch Jim's high school bus run. Thank you to everyone for being so understanding and co-operative.

Finlayson Cup Sports Day this Friday 5th April

We will be attending Finlayson Cup Sports Day at Chandler Public School this Friday, April 5. The day will begin at 9:30, and is due to finish by 2:30. We will be travelling by Jim's bus. **The school will be contributing towards the bus cost, to bring the cost per student down to \$5.00 each only.** Cup days are always enjoyed by all as they are about participation, giving it your best and socialising with other students. Everyone has the opportunity to try each event, and points earned throughout the day will go towards our school. Students will need to catch Jim's high school bus run in the morning and will return home on the high school bus – unless otherwise arranged with Jim. Students who do not catch the bus run will need to be at the shop at 7.50am in the morning and will need to be picked up at 3.45pm in the afternoon. **This is a whole school excursion.** Students and parents will be able to purchase lunch and morning tea, should they wish. Morning tea will consist of cake/fruit and a drink, with a sausage sandwich and drink for lunch. There will be a cost of \$5 per order. Parents are welcome to drive and meet us up at Chandler Public School.



Daylight Saving Ends this Sunday

Daylight Saving will end in NSW this Sunday 7th April 2013 at 3.00am, when clocks are put back one hour.

End of Term 1 Assembly – Tuesday 9th April – 2pm

We will be holding our **Term 1 Assembly on Tuesday 9th April at 2pm.** We would love as many parents as possible to come along to watch the students and see what they have accomplished this term.



Cubby House Mud – Friday 12th April (Last Day of Term)

Due to the wet weather lately, we had to postpone our cubby construction with mud until Mrs Sangster has some dry weather to sift the dirt. We plan on mudding up the cubby on Friday 12th April (last day of term). Students will need old clothes that can get dirty to be able to take part in the fun on the day. Clothes can be left at school before this date if you wish. Please send them in a plastic bag so that they can be returned home in the same bag for washing. If students do not have old clothes on the day then unfortunately they cannot participate.



ANZAC Day March – Thursday 25th April (During the Holidays)

The Dorriggo RSL Sub Branch has invited staff and students to march as a School Group in the Dorriggo ANZAC Day March and Wreath Laying Service on Thursday 25th April, this falls during the holidays. We need to assemble outside the front of the RSL club at 10.40am, ready for step off at 11.00am. Light refreshments will follow the service for our marchers at the Dorriggo Girl Guides hall. Young marchers are encouraged to wear their families' medals and decorations. Parental transport and supervision before and after marching is required.

Please return the consent note attached last newsletter to indicate if your child/ren will be attending by Wednesday. To look our best, full school uniform (school sports shirt) and navy hat will be worn on the day.

Update of Student Details

Attached is a copy of your Student's Emergency Contact Details Report that we use at school. Could all families please review this report and record any changes that need updating on the form attached to it. Please return these as soon as possible – if there are no changes, return it stating "no changes".

Recorders

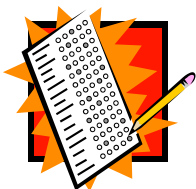
Both classes will be starting recorder practice very soon. Some students still have their recorder at school from last year, if not students need to bring their recorders to school in order to participate. If your child/ren does not have a recorder they can purchased at school for \$8.00 each.



Wanted – Old Tiles and Jars

If anyone has old tiles or parts of old tiles they wish to get rid of, we would like them. We will be using them for mosaics. Jars, especially small ones are needed for us to put our preserves in when we cook. Thank you to those in the school community who have already sent in their empty jars.

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)



2013 competition dates for Years 3-6 are as follows:

Computer Skills - Tuesday 21st May - \$8.00

Writing - Monday 17th June - \$17.00

English - Wednesday 31st July - \$8.00

Science - Wednesday 5th June - \$8.00

Spelling - Tuesday 18th June - \$11.00

Mathematics - Tuesday 13th August - \$8.00

If you would like your child to participate in any of these competitions, **return your choices and the competition money fee to school by Monday 9th April, (Week 11).**



Woolworths Earn & Learn Program 2013

We are excited to be taking part in the 2013 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Last year, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you. From **Monday 8th April to Sunday 9th June 2013**, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be dropped

at the school. The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 7,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more! We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at School.

P&C News & Community Notices

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to Tamika Bird - first prize, Gabe Baff - second prize and Jo Horwood – third prize in our Easter Raffle. Thank you to everyone who donated items. We raised \$219 for the P&C.

Free to Good Home - Kittens

Four beautiful Tabby kittens need a home now – FREE – 2 boys and 2 girls available. Please ring Joanne Baff on 66578012

Firewood For Sale

For Sale – Firewood - \$45 per ute / trailer load. “You load” Phone Ian on 66578 055.

Yoga – Wednesday’s 3.45pm to 5pm

Yoga classes will be held on Wednesday afternoons at 3.45pm until 5pm here at school. Cost is \$12 per class, with \$2 of each payment going to our P&C Association. Introduction class will take into account any special health needs. Got a question? Call Charlene on 66578101.

Enchanted Holiday Crafts – Dundurrabin Community Centre

There will be craft activities during these school holidays at the community centre. Cost: \$15.00 per day.

Wednesday 17th April from 10am to 2pm – Beeswax Candles and Crystal Fairy/Elf wands

Wednesday 24th April from 10am to 2pm – Tie-dyeing (bring along something to dye) and Mothers Day cards.

BYO lunch, drink and hat. **Phone: 041575979 or 0402808718** for bookings and information.

What’s On at Inner Hippy – 44a Hickory Street - Dorrigo

Meditation Circle – 9.30 to 10.30am Tuesdays

Crystal Healing – Thursday (or by appointment)

Craft sharing – 9.30 to 11.30am Friday

Conscious craft for kids – 10 to 11am & 3.30 to 4.30pm Wednesdays & 4 to 5pm on Fridays - \$10.00

Various art classes starting next term: wishing pot, mobile, picture frame, crystal tree, dream catcher, zen garden, glass painting, tie dyeing, candle making. **For more information come in, ring or text 0402 808 718**

Clarence Valley Council – Valley Vision – Council’s Strategic Direction

Valley Vision is our community strategic plan. This plan captures the needs, expectations and priorities of residents and rate payers as they relate to our ecology, economy, society and culture, human habitat and governance. It is our primary forward planning frame work that aligns our community’s vision with a clear strategic direction for the Clarence Valley’s long term future. Council is currently actioning a number of significant processes which are commenced but not yet complete, including organisational restructuring, asset management planning and a rigorous ten year financial plan. The outcomes of these processes will make critical contributions to our Valley Vision and are fundamental to ensuring financial viability and realistic service delivery.

Over the next two weeks our community has the opportunity to contribute feedback on the interim Valley Vision 2024 report. Our thoughts will help inform the report and be retained to assist shaping the final Valley Vision 2024 document next year.

The interim Valley Vision 2024 report is available from: Clarence Valley Council administration buildings in Maclean & Grafton, Libraries in Iluka, Maclean & Grafton, and council’s website www.clarence.nsw.gov.au

The community is encouraged to make comment on the report, by: sending your written comments to Clarence Valley Vision 2024 Project, locked bag 23, Grafton 2460 / adding your ideas to the on-line discussion forum “Clarence Conversations” visit www.clarence.nsw.gov.au and select the Valley Vision icon from the home page / emailing your thoughts to CVC at council@clarence.nsw.gov.au **The community feedback period closes on the 12th April 2013.**

Community responses will be reported to the May meeting of Council, with the final interim Valley Vision 2024 document available for down load from www.clarence.nsw.gov.au by the end of May.

2013 MS Readathon

The 2103 MS Readathon will be underway shortly and below is a list of important dates for you to remember.

June MS Readathon registration opens

August 1-31 MS Readathon reading period

August 23 60 Minutes for MS one day event

Throughout the month of August students can pick up their favourite books and read to raise funds to help others with Multiple Sclerosis. Registration can be done online at www.msreadathon.org.au

