SRC news

Thank you everyone for supporting Daggy Day last term which raised $136 for Red Nose Day.

Flavoured ($1.50) and plain ($1) milk will continue to be sold on Fridays.

Library news

The Premier’s Reading Challenge finishes at the end of August so keep entering the books on-line as you go using student log in details.

Congratulations to Mary-Rose, Lea-Ann and Heidy who have now completed the Challenge.

Our annual book week parade is on Tuesday, 25 August. Children dress up as their favourite book character and there will be a book fair in the library.

District athletics

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Small Schools Athletics last term. Bellbrook came first on the handicap point score and Margaret was the 11 yo Girl Champion.

On Friday this week, the following students will compete in the District Athletics carnival in Kempsey:

- Gracie (800m)
- Ellie (800m, 200m, Shot Put)
- Elenoa (100m, 200m, High Jump)
- Margaret (800m, 100m, 200m, Discus)
- Isimeli (100m, High Jump, Long Jump, Discus & Shot)
- Nemani (100m)
- Nathan (100m)
- Mahteece (100m)

Good luck! Our PP5 Relay team of Elenoa, Ellie, Genevieve and Margaret will compete in the Lower North Coast carnival in Wauchope on Wednesday, 5 August 2015.

Interest groups

On Thursday afternoons this term we will be knitting, making movies, gardening and special sports. Students will have five weeks in a group of their choice or interest. Anyone who can help out in any of these areas is encouraged to contact the school.

What’s happening in 3-6?

This term we are learning about Antarctica for HSIE and melting moments in Science. There will be a special homework task for science involving some simple experiments. Please keep an eye out and help your children complete them.

Private vehicle conveyance

An important message regarding Semester 1 payments:-

Transport for NSW has been reviewing PVC subsidy claims for accuracy after introducing a new computer system.

This has delayed collection of data from schools and payments for at least several weeks.

Transport for NSW has apologised for the inconvenience.

Daily 5 now across whole school

This term we will be implementing the Daily 5 program across the whole school for literacy. Students select from five authentic reading and writing choices, working independently toward personalised goals, while the teacher meets individual needs through whole-group and small-group instruction, as well as one-on-one conferring. These choices include:

- read to self,
- work on writing,
- read to someone,
- listen to reading, and
- word work.

From our last assembly, congratulations to these students for shining in their classwork:

- Fred
- Patrick
- Lea-Ann
- Riley
- Loieka
- Ellie
- Margaret
- Neman
- Gracie
- Elenoa
- Jill
- Imogen
- Isimeli

Congratulations to Loieka, Ari, Hannah, Nikia, Ellie, Mary-Rose, Isimeli and Gracie for becoming Honour Students for Semester 1. These students will carry the status into Term 3 and 4 but will start at Ground Zero for this semester.

Congratulations to these students who made it to Gold level:-

- Nathan
- Mahteece
- Patrick
- Riley
- Loieka
- Jill
- Margaret
- Elenoa
- Tamika
- Laylee
- Imogen
- Christy
- Nemani
- Marney

These students reached Silver level for Semester 1:

- Dane
- Lydaesha

Well done to these students who have been to school every day in Terms 1 and 2:-

- Ari
- Nemani
- Nikia
- Isimeli
School & Community News

SRC and whole school photos are available to order from school for a cost of $15 each. Please send correct money in an envelope with name and order written on. Orders must be in by 31 July 2015.

PCYC Thursday Afternoon Program

Unfortunately this program will no longer run as further funding was not secured. Please make sure all children are collected at 3.00pm unless they are catching the bus.

Principal’s news

Wellbeing framework - We are currently updating our school’s Code of Conduct policy to bring it in line with the Department’s new “Wellbeing Framework”. Students have had time to discuss any changes they would like to make with staff at a special whole school meeting. Parents were asked for their contributions at their PLP meetings last term. A draft will be sent out shortly for your comments.

National disabilities data collection

Please find enclosed a parent information sheet about this year’s data collection. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Homework centre & Breakfast

We will be running a homework centre and breakfast club this term on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8.30 to 9.00 am starting tomorrow. Students will be able to choose from weetbix or toast. Staff will also be available in the 3-6 room to assist with any homework questions.

Alison Mitchell

WHAT’S ON

Week 2
Fri 24 July District Athletics Kempsey (selected athletes only)

Week 3
Fri 31 July Book Club Orders due in

Week 4
Tues 4 Aug P&C Meeting 3.15pm
Wed 5 Aug Lower Nth Coast Athletics Wauchope

Week 6
Tues 18 Aug Assembly 2.30pm
Wed 19 Aug Get Hooked Fishing Program
Fri 21 Aug Premier’s Reading closes

Week 7
Tues 25 Aug Book Week Parade
Fri 28 Aug North Coast Athletics

Week 8
Tues 1 Sep P&C Meeting 3.15pm
Fri 4 Sep Father’s Day Stall 9.00am

Week 10
Tues 15 Sep Assembly 9.00am

Bellbrook Babbler

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Friendship, responsibility, life-long learning

YES, our school is collecting Earn & Learn stickers from Woolworths

Students in 3-4 have started the Daily 5 reading program and are excited about their new “do not disturb” folders.