Library news

Our annual book week parade is on tomorrow. Children dress up as their favourite book character using their imagination and recycled clothing/materials. Please send clothes in a bag for children to change into at 1.30.

There will also be a book fair in the library all day Tuesday and Thursday. Books are very cheap and all sales allow the school to purchase books from commission. The community is most welcome to come in and have a look. A great idea for birthday and Christmas presents.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to our eight students who completed the challenge this year:

Heidy, Lea-Ann, Mary-Rose, Hannah, Riley, Margaret, Ellie and Isimeli

Mapping the Macleay

Next week students will be constructing a mural or "story map" of our local area with the help of local Dungutti artists including Elwyn Toby. The process will be photographed and recorded in hope of creating our journey into a book.

Please sign the media release form enclosed and return to school as soon as possible.

Private vehicle conveyance

Transport for NSW has apologised for the inconvenience of payments still not being made.

After contacting Transport NSW last week, they advised that a request for data from schools will hopefully be received within a month, and as soon as schools have input data, then payments will be made in the week data is received.

School gardens

Our front gardens are almost complete and are looking great. The red gravel used around the Administration building has reduced the fire risk and this is the building we would use in case of shelter from bushfires. The minimal planting of smaller plants has reduced snake hiding places.

Father's day stall

The P&C will be selling small items on Friday morning in the library from 9.00am for Father's Day gifts.

Our Year 6 students had a great day at Kempsey High last week for their transition day.

Kindergarten enrolments

Enrolment forms are available for any children turning 5 before 31 July 2016. Please let anyone in the community know that forms are available from school.

A transition program for these children will commence on Monday, 12 October in Term 4 and run every second Monday for the term.

There is a Vision Screening Clinic in Kempsey for the compulsory 4 year old vision check on Wednesday, 7 November. Please make an appointment by phoning 66 567 061.

Needed

If you have any clean plastic shopping bags with no holes in, please send them in for our food scraps.

We also need any second hand clothing for small children so we have clothes when needed in case of accidents.

If your child has been sent home in school clothing marked with BPS, please return it after washing.

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Footy colours day

On the last day of term, Friday, 18 September, we will be raising money for Footy Colours Day. Gold coin donation is required and you need to wear your favourite footy colours. All funds raised support education programs for young Australians living with cancer including vital research.
Sophie, our Prac student from UNE, has now completed her time with us and we wish her well in her studies.

Principal’s news

Tomorrow is our Book Week parade and fair. Children are to bring their costumes to school in their bags. We will get dressed at lunch time ready for the parade at 2.00pm. Parents are most welcome to come along and join in the fun. The P&C meeting will follow at 3.15 pm.

Come in and have a look at the great range of cheap books for sale from $1.50. Children will be able to purchase books through the day if they have some money. The display will be in the library tomorrow and on Thursday.

Children will participate in a number of activities based on the short listed books for 2015. Activities will commence at 12.30 to lunch, followed by the parade at 2.00, finishing with one more activity between 2.30 and 3.00.

NAPLAN results are enclosed - if you would like to come in and discuss your child’s results, please contact me.

Allison Mitchell

WHAT’S ON

Week 8
Mon 31 Aug  Pet Education 11.30
Tues 1 Sep  Book Week Parade & Fair
            P&C Meeting 3.15pm
Thur 3 Sep  Book Fair last day
Fri 4 Sep  Father’s Day Stall 9.00am

Week 9
Wed 9 Sep  Mapping the Macleay Project
            P&C Meeting 3.15pm
Thurs 10 Sep  Mapping the Macleay Project

Week 10 (last week T3)
Tues 15 Sep  Assembly 9.00am including
            Fri 18 Sep  Footy Colours Day

Term 4
Kindy Transition starts Monday, 12 October every fortnight

Margaret, Jill and Lachlan had fun cooking donuts with Mr Fly - see recipe enclosed.

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