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On the traditional lands of the Gumbaynggirr people

NEWSLETTER NO. 19

TERM 2 WEEK 10

TUESDAY 27th JUNE, 2017

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 23rd June	Basketball Gala Day	Tues 18th July	STUDENTS RESUME FOR TERM 3
Thurs 29th June	NAIDOC Day Celebrations	Thurs 20th July	Touch Football Gala Day
Fri 30th June	NAIDOC Day Assembly	Mon 24th July	Garden Club @ 11.40am
Fri 30th June	LAST DAY TERM 2	Tues 25th July	Million Dollar Run Visit—Gold Coin Donation
Mon 17th July	Staff Development Day	Thurs 27th July	“Pick A Peck of Pickled Poems” Visiting Performance


ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The weather was perfect for an athletics carnival and everyone was keen to get into day full of fun and activity! We had a fabulous crowd of family and friends along with fellow students cheering along all the athletes. Everyone tried their best whether they were competing in a final or having a go at a novelty race. The sack races and three legged races certainly brought out the smiles and giggles, along with a few spills! Due to the discus cage area being too wet for competition, it was postponed. Final results for age champions and the winning house will be announced when this is completed. A big thankyou to all the staff and parent helpers on the day and of course to Mrs Hoffman for organising the event.





NEWS FROM OUR PRINCIPAL MR TREVOR MULLIGAN



WEEKLY SCHOOL RULE

The focus this week is the red rule
“we all listen to each other”

We ask that you reinforce this week’s rule at home with your child.

NAIDOC ASSEMBLY

I would like to invite parents and community members to the schools NAIDOC Assembly on Friday, 30th June at 11.45am. Class and special awards will be presented and our school’s Aboriginal Girls Dance Group will perform a special dance from our local culture. Gloria Mercy has spent all of this term teaching the group the dance. They will perform this again with Bellingen High School dance group next term in Education Week as well.

THE BUTTERFLY CHILDREN

The “Million Dollar Run” group is coming to our school on Tuesday, 25th July at 9:20 am to give a short 20 minute presentation to the students and staff. All parents and community members are also welcome to attend too.

This presentation will be made by one of the runners, Andrew, who is running 3000 km from Adelaide to Brisbane (an average of five marathons per week for eighty days) to raise awareness and much needed funds for an incredibly painful skin disease that affects children. These children are also known as “The Butterfly Children”. Andrew aims to raise over one million dollars to find a cure for these kids who get no funding from any public source.

Our student leaders will be helping with this issue and encourage everyone to bring a gold coin donation on the day.

SPECIAL VISITOR

Class 2A had a special visitor last week, Steve Young, who is a nature photographer. The students were absolutely engaged in what he had to say and show with his pictures of fungi, mushrooms and the forest areas they inhabit. Mrs Arnold, 2A class teacher, shared the following comments made by her students after Steve’s visit.

“I learnt today that some fungi glow in the dark and the forest is an amazing thing. Did you know that fungi meets the trees, just like the forest meets the sea? The tree roots connect to the fungi and share food with each other. Some fungi are as tiny as an ant and some grow on a leaf. There are more than one hundred types of fungi.” **Osha Joosten**

“I learnt today that trees and mushroom roots can talk to each other underground. I like the tawny frogmouth. Mushrooms are sooooo..... amazing. They glow in the dark and I think that some can be poisonous.”
Indiana Sticker

A THOUGHT...

“Good looks catch the eye but a GOOD personality catches the heart. Which is more influential?”



GIRLS SOCCER KNOCK OUT - ROUND 4

One week later and yet another game of soccer to be played. This time we had to travel to Kempsey in order for us to play Aldavilla Public School.

It was a tough game – both physically and mentally, having had the athletics carnival the day before I'm sure many girls (and muscles) were tired. We started off strong and played quite well. The ball moved back and forth across the field. While we had a few shots at goal, missing by quite a way (followed by some frustrated squeals), Aldavilla were the first to hit the back of the net. We didn't let this dictate our mood and we stuck to our strategy. Sure enough, when we least expected it, the opposition fumbled and Malayna managed to fire a shot past them. So unexpected in fact, she didn't even realise it was a goal!

The game continued like this, back and forth, for the rest of the time. With the score standing at 1-1 at fulltime, the coaches decided to play 5 minutes extra time both ways to allow time for the girls to score a deciding shot. Unfortunately this didn't occur, meaning we needed to go back and count our penalty corners. This is where we came unstuck, as we often kicked the ball out to relieve pressure on the defence (3-1 to Aldavilla).

Great game girls and sorry it had to end this way, but it was a tough game and you played brilliantly. Thanks again to parents for taking the time to drive them down to Kempsey and cheering us on.

Miss Wallace

URUNGA VACATION CARE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The full program for Urunga Vacation Care is again further on in this newsletter. There are also copies available at the front office.

GROWING BEAN PLANTS IN 2A

In Science this term, 2A have been looking at how a plant grows from a seed into a plant. They planted bean seeds and noted the factors that could affect the rate of growth eg changes in climate, watering routine. Each Friday they recorded in both words and pictures what had changed over the week. Their bean plants are amazing!!

Miss Arnold



WHAT'S DUE

- Schools Spectacular deposit of \$50 due by Friday 21st July
- "Pick a Peck of Pickled Poems" note and \$4 payment due Tuesday 25th July
- MEGA Raffle—sold tickets and money returned by Wednesday 26th July
- Yr 5/6 Excursion 3rd instalment of \$100 due Friday 28th July
- Voluntary School Contribution payments



NEWS FROM OUR COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER JENNY LUXON

NAIDOC DAY

On **Friday the 30th** all students, staff and visitors are welcome to wear the colours of our Indigenous flags.

Aboriginal Flag

BLACK – representing the Aboriginal people
YELLOW – representing the Sun
RED - meaning the earth and the ochre used in spiritual ceremonies



Torres Strait Island flag

GREEN – representing the land
BLACK – representing the Indigenous people
BLUE – representing the sea
WHITE – representing peace



NAIDOC 2017

THURSDAY 29TH JUNE

Uncle Mark and John McQueen will be storytelling and doing art sessions with all the classes.

The day will begin at 9.30am with Welcome to Country and a flag raising ceremony.

FRIDAY 30TH JUNE

11.40 NAIDOC Assembly
Girls' Dance Performance
Uncle Tom Awards

ALL WELCOME!!

Everyone encouraged to wear the colours of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A HUGE thank you to all our wonderful volunteers and helpers who do so much to make Urunga Public School such a great place to be. Our volunteers help with the P&C, at Garden Club, in our classrooms, tutoring children, in the canteen, helping out at sporting events and transporting students to events when the need arises.

We look forward to seeing you all again next term.

STAGE 3 MEGA RAFFLE

The Stage 3 MEGA Raffle still has 5 weeks remaining. There will be another minor draw at Friday's assembly and then again in Week 2 of next term. The Mega Raffle will be taking place in Term 3 Week 3. So please come and collect raffle booklets from the office before the holidays. Remember there is a prize for the person who sells the most raffle tickets.

Miss Wallace and Mr Patterson

COFFS HARBOUR EISTEDDFOD

Two weeks ago Ava McLellan, Chia and Lulu McGrath competed in the Coffs Harbour Singing Eisteddfod. There were many children performing with one section having 21 competitors. The students competed in a number of sections including Australia, Disney, Musical Theatre, Sacred amongst others. The girls performed 4 or 5 songs each, all singing at a very high standard.

Ava said *"I did very well performing my song. I was pretty confident with the bright lights shining on me."*

Chia commented *"I got a 2nd place trophy and a 3rd place trophy too, a 2nd place medal and the encouragement award with \$20. I was shocked and then excited! Mei Wei Lim was proud of me for my first Eisteddfod."*

Well done girls!

Judy Thorn

STAGE 1 EXPLORE THE BOARDWALK

On Thursday the 22nd of June, all of Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students went on a walk as part of our weekly sport. We left the school and headed off to the beach via Morgo Street Park and along the boardwalk. As we walked we observed elements of our local environment and practised our road safety skills. The children were rewarded for their long walk with a quick play in the sand.

Miss George



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Free 2 day workshop
for parents & carers of
school-aged students
on the autism
spectrum!

Coffs Harbour
30 & 31 August 2017

Register your place:

positivepartnerships.com.au



JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES







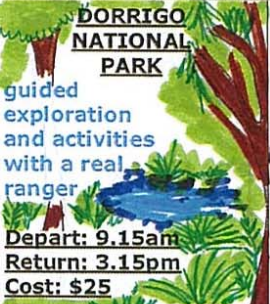



@ URUNGA LIBRARY

NAIDOC week stories and craft - Wednesday 5 July from 11am to midday. Come along and help make a colourful Aboriginal themed wall mural, using colouring and collage. Cookies and lemon myrtle tea will be served to children and attending adults.

Wildlife Rescue information session and craft – Wednesday 12 July from 11am to midday. Meet local Wildlife Rescue volunteer Cheryl, who will give a half hour talk on wildlife rescue. Cheryl is an expert on 'macropods'! The talk will be followed by an animal themed craft activity.

Library activities are free and open to all. No need to book ahead, just turn up to enjoy the fun!

For enquiries, call Urunga Library on 6655 6444.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3rd July 2017	4th July 2017	5th July 2017	6th July 2017	7th July 2017
<p>NAIDOC WEEK: Gumbaynggirr Language, Culture & Activities with Micklo Jarrett</p>  <p>Depart: 9.30am Return: 12 noon Cost: \$5</p>	<p>MAD HATTERS HIGH TEA PARTY: create delicious food & craft a unique beautiful box *costumes optional Lunch provided!</p>  <p>Centre activity Cost: \$10</p>	<p>SPRING LOADED: Trampoline fun, then BYO lunch for a picnic in Boambee Bay Reserve</p>  <p>Depart: 9.15am Return: 2.45pm Cost: \$25</p>	<p>SURVIVOR: You have been selected to survive on an episode of Survivor OSHC. Compete in the challenge to become the sole survivor, each child receives a prize!</p>  <p>Centre activity Cost: Free</p>	<p>URUNGA BOARD WALK: fishing, BBQ & nature craft Lunch provided!</p>  <p>Depart: 9.30am Return: 2.30pm Cost: \$5</p>
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<p>BELLINGEN BEAD & CRYSTAL HEAVEN & YOUTH HUB ROCK CLIMBING</p>  <p>Depart: 9am Return: 3pm Cost: \$15</p>	<p>DORRIGO NATIONAL PARK guided exploration and activities with a real ranger</p>  <p>Depart: 9.15am Return: 3.15pm Cost: \$25</p>	<p>URUNGA LIBRARY "WIRES" then BBQ PICNIC & PLAY in the PARK</p>  <p>Lunch provided! Depart: 10.30am Return: 2.00pm Cost: \$5</p>	<p>WHEELS DAY & BIG BOX CRAFT DAY Note: all children MUST bring a helmet</p>  <p>Centre activity Cost: Free</p>	<p>DEVICE DAY: Bring along your favourite games and devices (iPad, phones & tablets) to play & enjoy along with our favourite movies & popcorn!</p>  <p>Centre activity Cost: Free</p>

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- PLEASE REMEMBER ON EXCURSION DAYS TO BE AT OSHC 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE DEPARTURE TIME TO FILL OUT PERMISSION NOTES, MEDICAL FORMS ETC

Sun Safety No Hat, No Play (or play in the shade). Staff will endeavour to ensure that all children apply sunscreen although... **please remember to apply sunscreen to you child before they arrive**

Food Nutritious foods are essential for growing, playing and learning. Although we realise its school holidays and that means the occasional special treats, we do ask that parent/ carers please provide a healthy and nutritious morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea for their child or children. Children do burn off a lot of excess energy in the active program that we run so please ensure that your child has enough food to last the day. We also ask that treats such as chocolate or lollies be left at home for the evening or weekend. We are also a nut free zone. To ensure your child has enough water on hand throughout the day we also ask you to please pack a water bottle for them to be able to sip on throughout the day.

Clothing Guidelines Please bring warm layers of clothing for these cooler Winter months.. Children are encouraged to wear comfortable casual clothing, (midriff or singlet tops are not recommended) when attending Vacation Care. We ask that children wear covered shoes. (Thongs, slip-ons, high heels, strapless shoes; etc. are considered unsafe)

<p>OUR PROGRAM: Our program provides children with developmental provisions that are focussed around the children's interests, abilities and needs. Our daily program also offers creative arts, life skills activities, imaginative play, and construction, individual and group activities.</p> <p>OUR EDUCATORS: The educators at Open Arms Care Inc. OSHC Services provide a diverse and inclusive environment that fosters all children's developmental abilities and self-esteem. OSHC Educators are professional and strive for excellence within the service environment, whilst working together as a team. Our accredited services are supported by University and TAFE educated.</p>	<p>DIRECT DEPOSIT</p> <p>Bank: Bananacoast Community Credit Union BSB: 533 000 ACC No.: 100598866 Account name: Open Arms Care Inc.</p> <p>Parents using this facility need to ensure that they include the Child's name and service they attend as transaction details. e.g. J Smith Bellingen. (if this information is not included we have no way of identifying who made the payment)</p>	<p>Standard Fees</p> <p>Fees may be as little as \$1.80/day up to a maximum of Max. \$50 day, depending on individual C.C.B % benefit, (plus excursion costs where applicable).</p> <p>FEES ARE PAYABLE ON THE FIRST DAY OF CARE.</p> <p>Parents who have not linked their children for CCB will be requested to pay full fees until they are linked.</p> <p>No charge if 24 hour advance notice of absence is given.</p>
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URUNGA VACATION CARE - BOOKING FORM

3rd July to 14th July 2017

PARENT'S FULL NAME:				DOB
CONTACT NUMBER:	Home Ph:	Mobile Ph:	Wk Ph:	
CHILD/REN'S FULL NAME:	1.	CRN	DOB	
	2.	CRN	DOB	
	3.	CRN	DOB	
	4.	CRN	DOB	

PLEASE CHOOSE YOUR DAYS CAREFULLY as ALL DAYS NOMINATED WILL REQUIRE PAYMENT: This means that the normal session fee will be charged and in the case of excursions, a \$10 no show fee or the cost of the excursion – whichever is less, will also be charged.

PLEASE INDICATE DAYS REQUIRED BY WRITING CHILD/REN'S NAMES IN THE APPROPRIATE BOXES

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Please Note: Without this information we are unable to calculate fee relief.

- ✦ Please provide your Child Care Percentage (as provided to you from Centrelink) % Hours
- ✦ Please indicate how many children from your family will be using childcare that is CCB approved during these holidays.
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PARENT/ GUARDIAN PERMISSION AND FEE POLICY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

1. I acknowledge the service fee policy and agree to abide by it.
2. I hereby give permission for my child/ren to attend, travel by bus./walk and participate in any out of centre excursion nominated on the program for the holiday period 3/7/2017 to the 14/7/2017, as well as using community transport in inclement weather if needed to or from the centre.
3. I give permission to OAC staff to email my account for payment and the CCB usage statement to the email address provided above.

NAME: _____ SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: ___/___/___

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SWIMMING: Please notify the Coordinator about your child's swimming level, if your child is attending a swimming excursion.	MOVIES/DVDS & VIDEO GAMES: Please notify the Coordinator if you do not want your child to view G & PG movies or play video games.
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To Lodge This Booking Form

FAX to 6655 0628	Scan & email to: childrensservices@openarms.org.au	Hand Deliver to: 1 Elliot Close Bellingren 2454	CALL: 6655 2650 ext 1 <small>FOR MORE INFORMATION</small>
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