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On the traditional lands of the Gumbaynggirr people

NEWSLETTER NO. 24

TERM 3 WEEK 6

TUESDAY 27th AUGUST, 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

Tues 27th Aug	Whole School Assembly @ 2.20pm	Fri 13th Sept	North Coast Athletics in Lismore
Wed 28th Aug	P&C's Father's Day Stall	16th—20th Sept	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
4th—6th Sept	Year 4 Cascade Excursion	Mon 23rd Sept	Garden Club @ 11.10am
Mon 9th Sept	Garden Club @ 11.10am	Tues 24th Sept	Whole School Assembly @ 2.20pm
Tues 10th Sept	Whole School Assembly @ 2.20pm	Wed 25th Sept	Year 3-6 Social

BOOK WEEK PARADE

Last week was a wonderful celebration of Book Week! The theme was "Reading is my Super Power" and there were plenty of super heroes at Urunga Public School last Tuesday. A big thanks to our students, staff, parents and local community for making it all possible. It was fantastic to see so many colourful characters and super heroes proudly parading around at a special Tuesday morning gathering to showcase their dress ups. The music was blaring and everyone had a great time parading and applauding the vast array of characters.

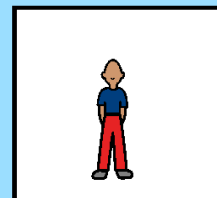




NEWS FROM OUR PRINCIPAL MRS JANE MARTYN

WEEKLY SCHOOL RULE

The focus this week is the blue rule
"keep hands, feet, mouth
and objects to myself"



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

SAS STAFF RECOGNITION WEEK

At Urunga Public School, we value the contribution to the school community of the work done by our School Administrative and Support Staff.

This week we are celebrating and acknowledging our wonderful SAS staff that work in our office, library, school grounds and classrooms with a morning tea.

Thank you to our outstanding SAS staff!!!

SCHOOL GROUNDS AND FIXED PLAY EQUIPMENT

This is a reminder that our school grounds are out of bounds for students outside of school hours and on weekends, unless you have the permission of the principal or are in our before and after school care program. This includes our fixed equipment. Students are not permitted to use our fixed play equipment before or after school. Students must be directly supervised by a teacher to use this equipment.



Some of our wonderful SAS staff

ENROLMENTS FOR KINDERGRTEN IN 2020

We are currently taking enrolment applications for students who wish to enrol for 2020. Please contact or visit our office for details for enrolment applications and our transition program

Jane Martyn



Superhero staff enjoying Book Week dress up

ATTENDANCE AWARD WINNERS WEEK 5, TERM 3

1 / 2 YELLOW



LIBRARY BOOKWEEK CONTINUED...

As well as our wonderful parade on Tuesday, class visits to our local, newly refurbished, Community Library were a huge success due to the dedication of the staff there. All classes were warmly welcomed and read one of the specially selected *2019 Book Week* short listed books on display. The follow up activities were stimulating and thoroughly enjoyed by our students. The range of books read and related activities were diverse, engaging and carefully planned by the staff at the Community Library.

Once again a big thanks to our local library staff and to our students who represented the school well. Kindergarten Red and Year 1 Pink brought smiles to many faces as we walked down the main street in spectacular and colourful costumes on our way to and from the Community Library.

Membership at the Community Library is free and so is access to the internet - so it's a great place for our students to visit and make use of the facilities, now and in the future. Membership forms are available at the school library as well the community library.

Unfortunately, I need to mention again that there are quite a number of long outstanding books overdue at the moment. I would greatly appreciate your assistance in helping your child to locate and return these items or see the 'Replacement Cost' of the book if it is lost.

Book Club Issue 6 brochures are currently available in the library for ordering online via the parent loop or simply drop your orders into the school office or library. All orders must be received or ordered online by Friday the 13th of September for processing.

**Reading is a Secret Power
and a Great Life Habit to
take up!**

**Love2Read - Anything Anywhere
Anytime
Geri Jensen (Teacher Librarian)**




Book Club LOOP
for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



PARKING SAFELY AROUND THE SCHOOL

It has been brought to our attention by some of the local residents of Orara and Bellingen Streets that cars have been parked across their driveways. We understand that there is limited parking around the school for drop off and pick up times, however, parking partially or totally across driveways is unacceptable. We ask that people find other parking locations if their car does not completely fit in a parking space in these streets. If you are the first car to park, please move your car as far forward or backward so that other cars can utilise the parking. We have asked the local parking inspector to come and monitor parking around the school grounds, especially around drop off and pick up times. Your assistance and support in preventing these occurrences is greatly appreciated by the school and local community members.



NEWS FROM OUR COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER JENNY LUXON

VISIT FROM OUR TWO LOCAL PRE SCHOOLS

Last week children from Stepping Stones and Community Preschools visited our Kinder classrooms. They joined in some singing and dancing and then participated in a variety of activities from dress ups to drawing and model making. Many children were able to rekindle friendships and say hello to past carers. The visit finished with a tour of the school for the Stepping Stones children and a wonderful story read by Mrs Mitchell.

Both Preschools will be joining us again on the 9th of September to engage in movement and obstacle course activities.

Many thanks to the staff from our local preschools and a special thank you to Mrs Mitchell and Mrs Connor for organising the activities and making our little visitors feel so welcome.



P&C NEWS

The **Father's Day stall** is tomorrow (Wednesday 28th August)
This year gifts will be priced from \$1.00 up to \$8.00. Please send your child with the correct money on the day.

Thank you to all the families who have donated wonderful gifts for all the dad's to enjoy this Sunday. Have a wonderful Father's Day.

Roz McLagan
P&C President

SPORTING SINGLETS AND SHIRTS

Thank you to those students who have returned sporting shirts. We are still missing a few so if you have a Urunga Public School singlet or shirt at home that was used at a sporting event such as the District Athletics carnival, touch football or hockey, please return it to the office as soon as possible.

Mr Patterson

MID NORTH COAST ATHLETICS

Seventeen of our athletes competed at the Mid North Coast athletics Carnival in Coffs Harbour last Friday. The wind made it tricky for some events at the start of the day but settled down by mid morning. Everyone tried their hardest and had a great day. A big congratulations to Makayla who won the junior girls discus with a huge throw of 20.61m and also Jayda who came first in the 9yrs girls 100m sprint. Harriet also qualified for the North Coast carnival by finishing 2nd in the senior girls high jump and 4th in the senior girls 200m. Lucy placed 4th in the junior girls high jump which makes her a reserve for the North Coast carnival. Well done to all the competitors. What a great achievement for those who made it through to the next level!



CRICKET BLAST CUP

On Thursday 22nd August, a number of our keen and aspiring cricketers from years 3-6 participated in the local Woolworths Cricket Blast School Cup Day at Bellinger's Connell Park. The event was conducted in a fun and safe learning environment, with girl's and boy's teams experiencing cricket in a participation-based and inclusive format. Each player had a chance to have a go at batting and bowling with most students never having had this opportunity before. They all had a ball of a time!

It was great to see the up and coming future stars that were showing excellent enthusiasm and sportsmanship on the day. There will be an upcoming Urunga Cricket Club open day if students are interested in playing cricket on Saturdays.

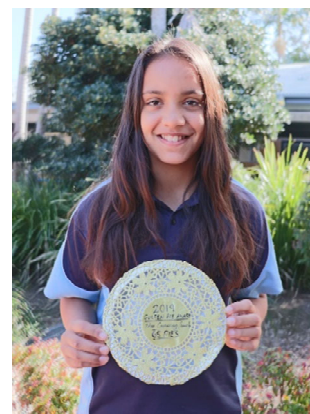
Josh Hurley
Cricket Coordinator



PIE DAY FRIDAY SUCCESS

What a fantastically successful pie drive we had! Many of our school families got on board to support the fundraising for the Stage 3 excursion by selling pies. Overall, the profit made was just under \$2500 which is an amazing effort. Thank you to everyone who bought or sold pies. The family who sold the most pies (a massive 65 pies!) and therefore won the inaugural 'Golden Pie Award' was the Canning family. Great job. A big thank you also to Tash, Jo, Judy and John who made the collection of all the pies on 'Pie Day Friday' a smooth operation! We hope everyone is enjoying some delicious pies.

Mr Ticli



P&C's Father's Day Stall

Tomorrow

Wednesday 28th August

Gifts will be available for children to buy for
between \$1 and \$8.

Please send your children with the correct
money on the day.



URUNGA WETLANDS Precious for our flora and fauna

You are invited to the

Urunga Landcare Wetlands Walk and afternoon tea
2:00pm Saturday 7 September 2019

Meet at the Urunga Wetlands Carpark, Hillside Drive, Urunga

Please RSVP or send any questions to office@bellingerlandcare.org.au

Urunga Wetlands is an endangered ecological community needing our protection. They have distinctive fauna including frogs, fish, turtles and waterbirds.

Wetlands perform important functions in our environment including the following.

- maintaining water quality as an important filter for the Urunga Lagoon and estuaries
- sinks which absorb excessive nutrients from urban runoff
- primary production of food sources for the whole ecological system
- drought refuge for water dependent fauna

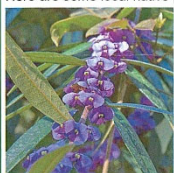
The wetlands walk will highlight the important native flora and the fauna which rely on the wetland and surrounding vegetation for habitat. This will be an introduction to a project to improve the condition of the native vegetation and wetland for this and future generations.

Please wear sturdy shoes, a hat and sunscreen.

Meet your neighbours and enjoy afternoon tea together.

Handouts provided with attractive native plant suggestions for your garden.

Here are some local native plants which naturally occur in the wetlands.



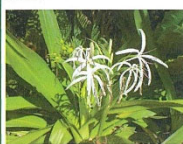
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Midyim Berry



Melastoma



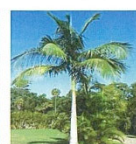
Crinum Lily



Goodenia



Spider Orchid

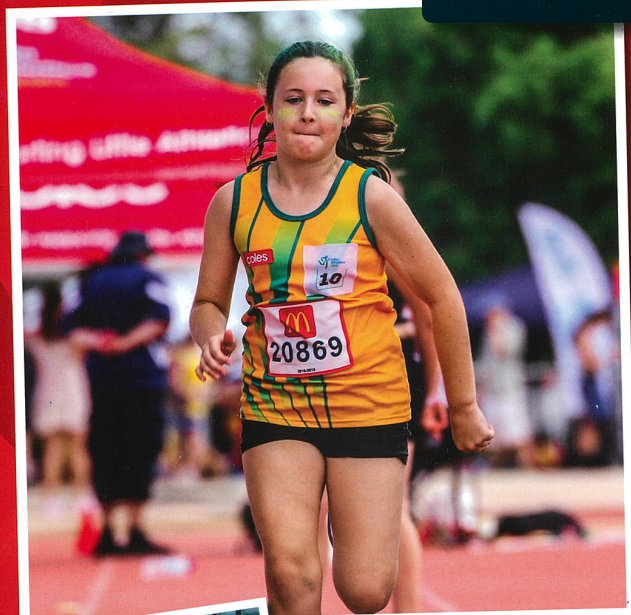


Bangalow Palm

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

littleathletics.com.au

FAMILY FUN & FITNESS



How to get started in Little Athletics

Who can do Little Athletics?

Little Athletics NSW venues are able to cater for children from 4 to 16 years of age, with many centres able to cater for athletes with a disability. No matter what your skills or ability Little Athletics is all about family, fun & fitness* and making sure you can be your best*.

How will I learn?

Many centres have coaches to help you improve and learn about athletics so you can get the most out of your involvement with Little Athletics. Learning is fun and in no time you will see your personal best (PB's) performances improve.

What are the benefits?

If you are fit it makes you feel good about yourself and you have the energy to do anything. Young people who take an interest in sport are more likely to stay fit for life.

What does my mum, dad or my family have to do?

Apart from making sure you get safely to and from Little Athletics, your mum and/or dad or your family make great helpers, officials and coaches of the future. Organising, raking, recording, directing and measuring are all jobs families and helpers are asked to do.

What events can I do?

Depending on your age group Little Athletics offers: Sprints, Middle and Long Distances, Hurdles, Relays, Walks, Shot Put, Discus, Javelin, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump and Cross Country.

How friendly is it?

You will find no shortage of friends or friendships at Little Athletics! Little Athletics has provided a friendly environment for over 50 years with millions of Aussies enjoying their experience. If you are uncertain or a little shy, bring your best friend and do Little Athletics together.

How do I join?

Simply visit our website to register online or contact your nearest centre for details. You can join at any time!

Run, jump, throw, have fun and be healthy.



To find your nearest centre visit www.littleathletics.com.au and click on "Find a centre" or contact:

Nthn Rivers & Mid Nth Coast Little Athletic Centres

Ballina Casino Evans Head Coffs Coast Grafton Lismore
Woolgoolga Glenreagh Lower Clarence Nambucca District
Urunga/Bellinger Valley Old Bar Camden Haven Gloucester
Kempsey Sth West Rocks Port Macquarie Wauchope Forster
Tuncurry Taree Stuarts Point Harrington



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littleathletics.com.au

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Association of
New South Wales Inc.
Locked Bag 95
Parramatta NSW 2124

NATIONAL NAMING
RIGHTS PARTNER:

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PLAY FUTSAL

5 A Side indoor Soccer

32 Industrial Drive North Boambee Valley Coffs Harbour
with Australian Futsal Association

New Season Junior Futsal programs/ Competition starting Term 3

Junior Comp/ programs

Junior Comp (10 Weeks) \$95
JINGA ages 4 to 16 (10 Weeks) \$120
\$100 Active Kids Vouchers Accepted

Coffs Futsal has pathways for

Representative Teams
Regional & National Club Championships
Regional & National School Championships
International Tours

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Creative Scholarships

A week of learning & fun in the
creative & performing arts!



Bellingen
13-17 January 2020

Camp Creative 2020

Thirty full scholarships are available for kids & teens aged 5 - 18, living in the Coffs City, Nambucca and Bellingen Shires.

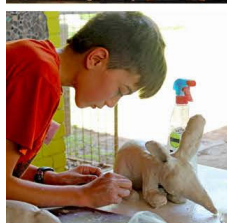
They'll get five full days of creativity across a range of course options including music, visual art, singing, drama, dance, craft and more!

How to apply

Ask your school for an application form or download www.campcreative.com.au/apply/scholarships

Applications close 5.00 pm, Friday 23 August 2019.

For more info phone 02 6655 9326 or info@campcreative.com.au



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

BELLINGEN HIGH SCHOOL CAPA 2019

FINE ARTS COMPETITION

Calling all artists to showcase your talents at the first BHS Fine Arts Competition

Categories are: Painting, Drawing, Printmaking, Photography, Sculpture and Digital Art.

GRAND PRIZE \$250

Stages 4, 5 and 6

1st PRIZE \$140

2nd PRIZE \$90

3rd PRIZE \$60

Highly Commended \$40

Stage 3

1st PRIZE \$40

2nd PRIZE \$30

3rd PRIZE \$20

Highly Commended \$10

CLOSING DATE 30TH AUGUST (deliver works to BHS Art Department)

All works will be displayed at the 2019 CAPA night Friday 13th September

(Conditions of Entry: Maximum size for 2D works 600x800mm, maximum 1 metre in height for 3D works, 1 entry per person)

Lids4Kids

Leave us the plastic lids from your milk water, juice and soft drink bottles and they'll be converted into prosthetic hands for kids.

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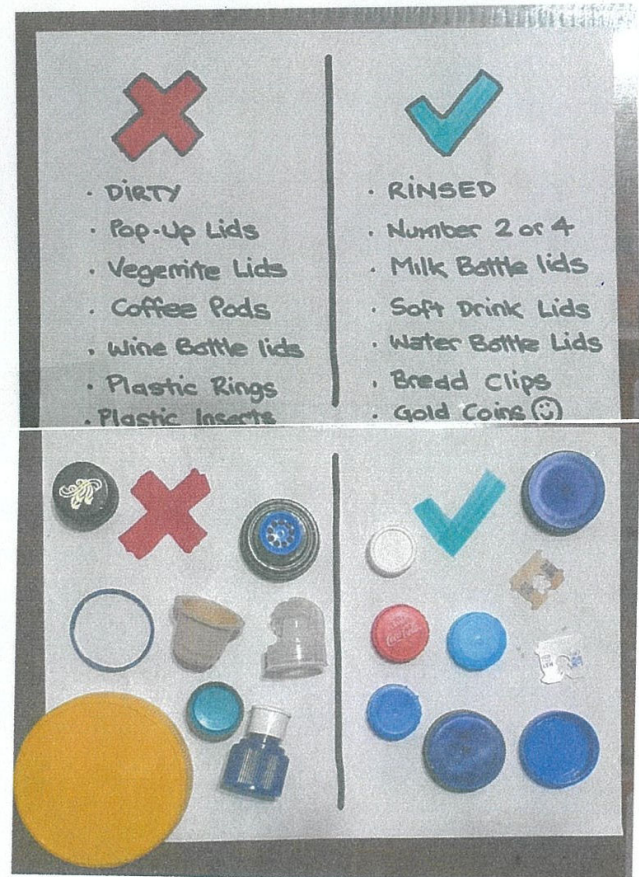
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For more information check out:

 @Lids4KidsAU
@EnvisionESI

<https://envision.org.au/envision-hands/>



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PREPARE FOR BUSH FIRE

**HOW FIREPROOF IS YOUR PLAN?
ASK A FIREFIGHTER THIS
GET READY WEEKEND**

**SATURDAY SEPT. 14TH
7AM - NOON
BOWRA STREET
OPP. SPAR SUPERMARKET**

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT RFS.NSW.GOV.AU



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