Principal’s Report

Stage 1 Parent Interviews
Many of our parents have taken the opportunity to speak with their child’s teacher this term with parents of Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 students offered individual appointments during these next two weeks. We are always pleased to discuss student learning with parents as we all gain from this focussed interview time. Parents are invited to contact their child’s teacher at any time to make an appointment at a mutually convenient time.

Reward Outings
Our students have been demonstrating our school values by being safe, honest, respectful learners this term. In recognition of their positive efforts, students in Stage 1 have been invited to walk to Bellwood Park next Wednesday 10 April 2013, Stage 2 students to the Stage 2 picnic on Thursday 11 April and Stage 3 have been invited to Bellwood Park on Wednesday 10 April 2013. Well done to those students who have received an invitation to these special events.

Showtime
Mrs Bolton and our Showtime dancers are really working hard to polish our performance for Showtime on Thursday 11 April 2013 at Nambucca Heads High School at 6.30pm. Our performers will visit Pacifica with Mrs Bolton on Friday 5 April 2013 at 11.00am for a “Dress Rehearsal” and a sneak peak for us at assembly at 11.20am in our school hall.

Attendance
The school works hard at being an inviting and friendly place for students to come each day. We provide a light breakfast on arrival and during break times provide interesting play alternatives. Learning activities are interesting and engaging. It is hoped that students recognise that on week days their job is to come to school.

It is a legal requirement for students to attend school every day and on time unless they have a justifiable reason for being away.

The school and the Home School Liaison Officer regularly check attendance rates and if there is concern about unjustified or large numbers of absences they are followed up. If you would like to discuss any issues you may be having getting your child to school regularly or on time please contact the school. We are happy to help families in whatever way possible.

Calendar of Events

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On Thursday 21st March the students and staff from Stage 3 were invited to the Youth Centre, to see some of the things they do there. They were able to share with us the produce of their garden. The Youth Centre is across the road from our school. We all took a taste tour of the garden and drank smoothies made with bananas from the garden.

By Bella Ronan

On Thursday 21st of March students and staff from Stage 3 were invited to the Youth Centre just down the road from the school. They took a taste tour of their garden. All the students had banana smoothies made from fresh picked bananas. We got to see some of the cool things they do in producing their gardens that's why I would really like to go back to the Youth Centre.

Sincerely Taj

Stage 3 Visit to Youth Centre for Banana na na Day

Children in 5-6H & 4-5-6W recently visited the Nambucca Valley Youth Services Centre where the group participated in a number of activities.

The children toured their amazing garden where they have a huge range of fruits, vegetables and herbs growing. As they learned about different plants, they sampled some of the home grown produce, such as passionfruit, grapes, strawberries and smelled the lemon grass and mint. Children were then invited to share in a mouth watering banana smoothie.

The youth workers have a tremendous project underway and offer wonderful opportunities for the local youth. Our students now have an insight into what the Youth Centre has to offer and how much fun it is.

The students thoroughly enjoyed the day and would like to thank the Youth Centre for making the day possible.

By Bella Ronan

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On Thursday 21st March, students and staff from Stage 3 were invited to the Youth Centre to see some of the things they do and to share in the produce of their garden. We had a taste tour of their garden and drank smoothies made with bananas from their garden. We had a great time and it was lots of fun.

By Elizabeth Bryce

**SCHOOL BANKING THURSDAYS**

If you are a new banker please contact the school office to receive a starter pack.

**Reminder for 4-5-6W & 5-6H Classes.**

Fee for Spelling Workbook is now due.

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**Holiday Reading**

Have your kids signed on for the Premiers Reading Challenge? Get a head start with holiday reading time. Booklists are here: What’s your child reading right now?


**April school holidays**

Have you got April school holidays organised yet? It’s not too late to book for a Sport and Recreation Kids’ Camp. Watch the video to see how much fun these kids are having.


**Parent-teacher interviews**

Have you got a parent teacher interview coming up? Here are some tips for getting the most out of these important meetings. Prepare a few questions to ask, and walk away with a plan.


**School calendar**

What’s on when? Stay on top of school holiday, term and state examination dates across NSW.


**Scotts Head Nippers**

A reminder to all Nippers & their families that this Sunday, April 7 will be the last training day for the season and Sunday, 14 April will be the Nippers Presentation Day - AGM - BBQ.

We look forward to seeing all Nippers and their families at these final events.

Thank you all for your support over the 2012/2013 season!
COMMUNITY NEWS

VACATION CARE
FUN FOR CHILDREN
DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Vacation care is a federally funded service which provides child care for primary school aged children of parents and carers who are working, studying or looking for work; respite places are also available. This service operates in Macksville and Nambucca Heads during the school holidays from Monday 15th April to Friday 26th April. Our Nambucca Centre (ONLY) will be open on Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th April for the Pupil Free Days.

The program provides high quality care, fun activities, sport, craft, excursions and lots more! Hours of operation are from 8.00 am until 6.00 pm; fees start from $6.85 per child per day (with Child Care Benefits); even less with Child Care Rebate!

After School Care service also operates at Frank Partridge VC Primary School Monday to Friday during school terms.

For information on both services and bookings please phone Gail at Family Services on 65681474 Monday to Friday 9.00am – 4.30pm or email vac-care@bigpond.com. Bookings and enrolments are necessary before children attend.

HOLIDAY FUN

Sydney’s largest school holiday program returns this autumn, with over 50 fun-filled activities to keep your kids active, outdoors and entertained.

A range of activities are free or under $20, making it affordable to discover Sydney’s most exciting playground this holidays!

25 Twitch
All Day Vacation Care
Archery and Gymnastics Lessons
ARTEXPRESS workshops – FREE
A Very Birdy Journey – FREE
Circus Skills and Flying Trapeze

Fizzics Education- Lego Robotics
Lodge ‘Super Safari’ Holiday Camp
Monster Action Sports
Soccer Camps
Writing Workshops
Urban Jungle Adventure Park.....and lots more

Sydney Olympic Park

SPORT

Mid North Coast Rugby League

Last week Isaac Jones, Luke Sheppard and Llogan Greenup-Stokes attended Mid North Coast Trials. Isaac was selected to attend North Coast Trials in the opens division. Llogan was selected as a shadow player in the 11 years division.

District Netball Trials

Charlotte Williams, Bella Ronan and Kaylah Naden have been selected to attend District Netball Trials tomorrow. Good luck girls.

Friday Sport

Due to the rainy weather sport was cancelled many times at the beginning of this term. This affected trials, swimming carnivals and Friday Sport choices. Some groups have only participated in their chosen sport once or twice out of 5 weeks due to the weather. We have decided to run sport choices for 2 more weeks. Children will need their fishing rods, tennis racquets, dancing shoes etc for 2 more weeks. If this is a problem please let me know.

Next term we will start Friday Sport with Cross Country and end the term with Athletics.
KIDS HOLIDAY FISHING WORKSHOP

The fishing workshop is designed for children (8 - 14 yrs) to learn how to fish safely and sustainably. The workshop runs over a four hour period in which the children learn how to tie knots and fishing rigs, handle and identify fish and learn how to cast. This is followed by a short lunch break and then fishing. The cost is $40 and in return the child receives a good quality rod and reel, tackle box, shirt, wide brimmed hat and info showbag. **Kids must wear enclosed shoes that may get wet.**

The workshops coming up are located at:
- **Ebor**, 19th of April, 10am - 2pm, Dutton Trout Hatchery
- **Coffs Harbour**, 23rd of April, 12pm - 4pm, Park Beach Reserve
- **Nambucca Heads**, 24th of April, 9am - 1pm, Bellwood Park

Parents/Guardians must contact me to book their spot for the workshop (my details are all below).

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