2015 is the year for Nationally Consistent Data Collection

All Government and Non Government schools in Australia will be required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on school students with disability. Not enough is currently known about students with disability at the national level to enable governments to target support and resources in schools to help all students to reach their full potential. A nationally consistent approach to collecting data on students with disability will give governments, schools and education authority’s information about how many students with disability are enrolled in Australian schools, where they are located and the level of adjustments provided for them to participate in schooling on the same basis as other students.

Data will be used to gain a clearer picture of the needs of students with disability, and give more support to schools so that they can better understand and implement their core responsibilities.

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data for students with a disability is mandatory for all schools both Government and Non Government from 2015. This data collection will occur on an annual basis through our office.

scheme. In the past students who had additional needs had to have a diagnosis from a Doctor, however with the new system the professional judgment of Teachers will reflect student needs supported by evidence of class adjustments. Obviously there are various levels of adjustment that different students require. It does appear that future funding for school students with disabilities will be based on the number of students in a school listed in the data collection.

Parents are a very important part of the process and students cannot form part of the data without parental permission. Parents can speak to their child’s classroom teacher if they have any questions or ask to speak to Mrs Makinson the Learning and support teacher. More information over the next few weeks.

Westpac Helicopter Needs Your Help

The students had an exciting start to Tuesday morning with a visit from a large number of cyclists from the Newcastle area that were fund raising for the Westpac helicopter service. The riders generously donate their time and energy each year by taking a week off work to ride for this worthy cause. This year they are riding from Urunga to South West Rocks riding 60-80km each day around the local area.

ATTENTION BUS TRAVELLERS

If there is a change of arrangement for bus travel on any day or travel is required on a different bus, please supply a note for the bus driver. You may also be required to pay a fee.

If changes have been made to the days your child regularly catches the bus to after school care please advise the school also.
P&C News

Have you bought your tickets yet?

Our monster Easter Raffle is on again this year with the 10kg block of chocolate for first prize. Don’t forget to donate some Easter Eggs for our runner up prizes which can be left at the office. Raffle will be drawn after the Easter Hat Parade on Tuesday 31 March.

P&C AGM

The next meeting of the P&C will be the AGM followed by a General Meeting. It will be held in the hall on 18th March at 6.30pm. It would be great to welcome some new faces. Current members need to pay their $1 annual fee to the treasurer before the next meeting.

SRC Cake Stall

A massive thank you for the amazing array of cakes that you sent in yesterday for our cake stall. We had fun selling them at our stall. There were lots of happy, full children. Thank you for supporting our fundraiser. We raised $227.60.

They all looked very fit. The students had a brief presentation about the valuable job the Westpac helicopter does, about a healthy and safe life style which was given by a Knights Football representative (who thought a little blue would look good with our red uniform), and a talk about the important parts of a bike and safe riding. At the end of the presentation students were able to talk to the riders and have a close inspection of the mountain bikes the cyclists were riding. The P&C generously donated a sum of money to the cyclists for the Westpac helicopter.

This week a bucket will be in the office if parents would like to make a donation. Students may also like to donate a gold coin. You never know when you may need the valuable services of the Westpac Rescue Helicopter.

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No job too big or too small
Seemore says “Use equipment safely”

Bella, Keyna and Jack taking turns on the slide.

Pippi, Heidi, Kyan, Taj and Denzell skipping.

Year 3 boys Kaylan, Connor, Rowan and Josh swinging safely on the monkey bars.

FOR SALE

We have some strawberry plants from our school garden. All money will be used for more gardening items.

$1 per plant
Thursday and Friday Morning

REMINDER
When paying for shows or returning notes, please fill in separate notes for each child and pay separately if possible.

2014 Annual School Year Book

Hopefully the 2014 Year Book will be available by the end of this Term. If you paid your 2014 School Contribution you will automatically receive one complimentary Year Book per family. If you would like to purchase a Year Book the cost will be $30. Don’t miss out. Get your orders in ASAP as the number of Year Books is limited.

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Stars of the Week - Friday 6 March 2015

Tess Aspiotis, Chevy Loughton, Jade Emerson, Mia Morrison, Zoe Aspiotis, River Aiken-Hooler, Jundamir Sultan-Georges, Ryan Faulds, Denzell Greenup-Stokes, Chloe McCarthy, Leonor Pell, Layla Weaver, Jairah Sheppard, Ellalee Muddle, Joe Beeby, Zaylie Gillard, Carter Lambie, Keira Phelps, Rowan Cook, Cameron Adair, Caleb Jackson, Aailyah Hodnett-Daly, Tihana Dell, Lucy Green, Connor Ford, Tarryn Cook, Makayla Cook, Poppi Rogers-Palmer, Jackson Purcell, Lachlan Hussey, Emily Houliston

Students of the Week

Jacob Bright, Indigo Sharp, Kai Davies, Taya Legend, Lochie Heighington, Rachael Purcell, Annaliese Holladay, Ochre Aiken-Hooler, Sophia Gora, Zouga Birse.

Where in the World is Seemore?

This term, find Seemore visiting somewhere in the world. He might be somewhere local or he might be visiting another country or a famous location.

This weeks clue is:

E______ T______

Fill in the slip provided and place in the Seemore box at the office to win a $2 Canteen Voucher. Two winners will be drawn - one from Yrs K - 2 and one from Yrs 3 - 6.

Entries to office by Friday Morning. Winners will be announced at Fridays Assembly.

Invitation to Parents, Carers, Relatives and Friends of 3F

You are invited to join us at assembly on Friday to watch our performance, 'Bang and Clang'. Hope to see you all there.

Facts about tutors

Private tutoring to give kids a helping hand in their schooling is a growing business. However, it’s also an area where parents can be vulnerable to bogus offers and misleading advertising.

Students Engaged in Group Learning

4-5M students engage in their learning by working cooperatively in groups. Their task was to plan a waterwheel design that they will make.

Succeeding in science

Encouraging your teen to ask questions and helping them find the answers is top of the list in helping them to succeed in science.


Nambucca Exhaust & Brake
For all your Mechanical Repairs Services & Pink Slips
See Jim or Wayne
Nambucca Industrial Estate, Monro St, Nambucca Heads

Nambucca Valley Basketball Club

Registration, training and informal games each Monday, 4pm - 5.30pm, at the Macksville Indoor Stadium. Registration is $20 for the year, with a $5 weekly game fee. Parents or guardians are required to sign rego form. Decent footwear and water bottles are essential. New players and parent helpers are always welcome. Ph. Michelle 0428 452 277 (evenings), or just turn up.

DOWNLOAD SKOOLBAG!

Skoolbag is a FREE mobile App for the school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). We post items such as:

- Newsletters
- Class Notes
- Forms
- Excursion Information etc

And you can advise us of:

- Absences
- Change of address or phone numbers

Just click on your APP Store and type in School Name and install. Select OK for push notifications and “Setup” as required.

(See office if you need more info)
Public speaking

Does your child suffer glossophobia? Fear of public speaking is common. Try creating opportunities for your child to present speeches to the family, without putting pressure on them to perform. Here are some tried and true tips to make your child’s next speech a success.


Science starters

Did humans live with dinosaurs? Does the moon disappear in the day? Kids love to know the answers to life’s mysteries but there are a few facts they often get wrong in the name of science.

On Friday 6th of March, the Nambucca Heads Public School cricket team finally took the field to compete against Macksville in the first round of cricket. It was a very close encounter with Macksville, and all students played very well.

Macksville chose to bat first, giving Nambucca Heads the task of bowling the strong Macksville side out. All bowlers were impressive; however Logan Donovan bowled the first person out with a great delivery.

Macksville showed some good batting performances throughout the match, but an impressive bowling display by Ethan Taylor saw him get two Macksville batters out and put Nambucca back in the fight.

Tremendous fielding efforts by all students, in particular Aidan Ahearn and Jarrace Ham who ran a batter out respectively, and a caught and bowled by Koelby Welsh.

Macksville scored a total of 128 runs off 30 overs and set up a big challenge for Nambucca. The Nambucca Heads team were excited and ready for the challenge. A few wickets fell early, but Will McKinney came in and was hitting the ball very well, scoring him an unbeaten 43 not out. The rest of the Nambucca side tried their hardest to stay in the game and score the required runs. However they were all out for a total of 100 runs, which is an excellent performance considering more than half of the team do not regularly play.

The Nambucca side acted as a team and supported each other throughout the whole day. Great sportsmanship and teamwork were commended by all parents and officials on the day.

Thank you to all the parents and helpers who drove the students to and from the ground and those who helped with the running of the game. A big thanks to Peter Lee who supplied the cricket gear for the Nambucca team.
North Coast Swimming Carnival

The North Coast Swimming Carnival was held last Wednesday 4th March at the Lismore Swimming Pool. Daniel Williams and Elle Holladay represented our school at this carnival. Both swam very well. Daniel finished 6th in the 8 years 50m and Elle finished 9th in the 8 years 50m Freestyle.

North Coast Cricket Trials

Liam Jones attended North Coast Cricket Trials last weekend. Four teams from the North Coast Area competed for the Barry Cooper / Merv Buchanan Trophy. Liam’s team won the trophy for the first time in 8 years. Unfortunately Liam wasn’t selected in the North Coast Team.

District Soccer Trials

Maliq McGrath, Will McKinney and Kade Scarth will attend Boys District Soccer Trials tomorrow at Urunga. Good luck boys.

Open Rugby League Trials

Koelby Welsh, Monty Wilson, Lucas Dumas and Jarrace Ham will attend District Open Rugby League Trials this Friday 13th March at Bellingen. Good luck boys.

Sport Choices – Stage 2 and 3

Sport Choices continued last Friday. Some children have now been dancing for 2 weeks and have not paid. If there is a problem with payment please see Mr Katte. Dancers who have not paid by this Friday will have to join the Netball / Cricket group.

Thank You Parents

Thank you to parents for waiting in the correct place. The school encourages parents to wait in the front playground for afternoon pick-ups for safety reasons and to not cause disruption to classes during the afternoon with children getting anxious about bell time when they see other parents arriving.

Please remember to write your child’s name on all jumpers, lunch boxes etc that they bring to school.