Did you get to the Dorrigo Show over the weekend? Wasn't it great to see so many of our students' entries! Congratulations to all of our students who won prizes in the many different categories. Our students entered the art work, photography, decorated biscuits, flower arranging, 'My Pet Rock' and even the decorated gum boot section. It was lovely that Dorri McSpud, our beautiful cow was 'let out of the paddock' and was on display in the hall. Thank you to Mrs Carey for putting together our display and to all of our students for entering the show.

Thank you to Mrs Carey, Miss Atkins and Miss Marks for all their organisation of our swimming school. A special mention needs to go to our wonderful parent helpers. We couldn't have run the program without you.

Today some of our Year 5 students presented their Captains speeches to the school. All students and teachers had the opportunity to vote for a boy and a girl who they think would make a great school captain. The results will be announced at our Presentation of Awards on 14 December.

Our teachers have been busy finalising assessments and preparing end of year student reports. They have also been busy planning our end of year activities. Miss Gibson and Year 6 have been working on their Year 6 gift and special Year 6 assembly, Mrs Bingle and the Year 5 parents are finalising the Year 6 farewell, Mrs Carey has been working with the new Kinder students, Mrs K has been organising the upcoming excursion and Miss Jones has been preparing the Kinder students for their Graduation Assembly. We are very fortunate to have such hard working, committed teachers.

Tanya Bajda
Principal
Canteen Term 4
Week 9
Wed 1 Dec  Mel C  Michelle W
Fri 2 Dec  Anna G  Katie D

Week 10
Mon 7 Dec  Aimee D  Michael E
Wed 9 Dec  Cara R  Sarah M
Fri 11 Dec  Louise M  John M

Assembly Awards
Congratulations to the following students who received merit certificates at last week’s assembly.
K/Year 1  Zac  Holly
Year 1/2  Ruby  Leo
Year 2/3/4  Kassey  Julian
Year 5  Emma  Asher
Year 6  Rhys  Liam

Gold Awards
Congratulations to Kyra, Sarah, Lucas, Ebony and Samuel who received a Gold Award at Friday’s assembly. Gold Awards are presented to students for excellence in maintaining positive behaviours and attitudes.

Belle received a Bronze Award at the assembly. This award is presented for excellent behaviour and attitude at school.

Yr 5 will be conducting the assembly this Friday 4 December at 11:15. Parents and community members are invited to attend.

Engaging Dances from Stages 1 and 2
During assembly on Friday, children from Stages 1 and 2 show-cased one of the dances we are learning through the Musica Viva programme this term. I felt very proud of Eucla, Sam, Rebekah, Tia, Cooper and Skye for their wonderful presentation of a Tango piece. They will be performing this dance along-side the Musica Viva Jazz Musicians on Tuesday 8 December at 9:30. Well done all.

M Montes

Year 6 Party for the last lesson of Musica Viva
On Wednesday the 9 December Year 6 will be having a party for the last lesson of Musica Viva with Miss Montes. If you can make it please bring in some food and drinks including lollies, chips or soft drink. Remember no nuts allowed!

Clio Year 6

Library News
Please return all overdue library books this week. There is no more borrowing this term.
Big Day Out – Excursion 16 December 2015

Consent notes for our Big Day Out Excursion were issued last week. Thank you to those who have already responded. If your child is unable to attend this excursion we ask that you let us know at the school office, so that our bookings can be finalised.

Parent Line 1300 1300 52

If you have any questions in regard to your child’s development you can phone Parent Line or go to www.ParentLine.org.au

Each child develops at his or her own pace. If you have any questions or concerns about any of the following: mealtimes, communicating, moving, playing, learning new things and behaviour you may be able to access intervention.

School Photos

School photos arrived and have been distributed. Year 6 informal photo and School Captains photo are on display on the noticeboard in the foyer. Copies @ $15 each may be ordered at the school office. Please return the completed order sheet together with payment to the school office by Friday 4 December, to allow time for delivery before the end of term.

Christmas in the Clouds 3 December 2015

Please come along to Christmas in the Clouds in Hickory Street. There will be Carollers, Jumping Castle, a Visit from Santa, Live Music, Story Telling and a Chocolate Wheel. There is a Colouring in Competition for Christmas in the Clouds. If you would like a copy please come to the office.

Breakfast Club

Thanks to the dedicated band of volunteers from the Anglican Church we are able to offer toasted, healthy, nutritious breakfast snacks to our students on Monday and Thursday, for just 20c. Children can elect to pay on the day or put their name in the Breakfast Club book and pay later.

At this stage of the year we are asking for a gold coin donation from those students who regularly avail of the Breakfast Club.

All monies received will be given to the Breakfast Club to help them continue this wonderful service.

Bunnings Colouring In Competition

Don’t forget to grab your Colouring in Competition sheet at the front office as per last week’s newsletter.

Year 6 Informal and School Captains Photos

I would like to order ……… copies of Year 6 Informal Photo ……………… Copies of School Captains Photo at a cost of $15.00 each.

Student: ………………………………………… Class: ……………………

Amount enclosed: $………………

…………………………………………………. …………………
Parent Signature Date
Rock and Water

Year 6 have been enjoying participating in Rock and Water sessions with Tammy provided by Bellingen Shire Youth Council on Fridays. The Rock and Water program aims to apply a physical/social approach to assist boys and girls in their development to adulthood by increasing their self-realisation, self-confidence, self-respect, boundary awareness, self-awareness and intuition. A specific goal for the course is teaching boys and girls to deal with power, strength and powerlessness. The program is funded by Bellingen Neighbourhood Centre and has proven to be very valuable in allowing the students to explore their ability to centre themselves and resolve conflicts. We are looking forward to our final two sessions with Tammy.

A Gibson

Megan Christmas Tree – Saturday 5 December from 4 pm at the Megan Hall.

Please bring a present for Santa to give to your children (with name attached up to the value of $10) and a plate to share and a donation to the hamper.

$10/family - All welcome - sausage sizzle, drinks, ice cream, games and races for all ages.

enquiries Christine 66574186 christinerees@live.com.au

Possible DVD copies of Cruzin Through Music

We have been investigating ordering copies of the Cruzin through Music, School Production DVD for parents to purchase. If you would be interested in ordering a copy, can you please fill in the slip below, and return it to the school office.

A Gibson

Planning for 2016

Planning for next year is well underway. If you know of any students who are interested in coming to our school please contact the office for an information pack.

Lots of winners at the Show

A Gibson

DVD copy of Cruzin Through Music

I would like to order ……… copies of The Cruzin Through Music DVD at a cost of $10.

Student: ………………………………………….. Class: …………………..

Amount enclosed…$……………….……………………………

Parent Signature Date
A big thanks to swimming helpers

A big thank you to the parent helpers who put their board shorts on and jumped in to the pool for our Swimming Program for the last two weeks. We are very grateful for the time you have given to assist our students in improving their confidence and skills in the water. Without your help our students wouldn’t have the opportunities to learn such a valuable life skill. Many thanks.

L Carey

Carols by Candlelight Sunday 13 December

The Scripture Group from Dorrigo Public School has been invited to perform at the Carols by Candlelight at St Stephen’s Anglican Church on Sunday 13 December 2015. There is a free sausage sizzle at 6pm followed by carols at 7pm. Please sign and return the consent note which was issued today so that we know how many students will be attending.

Anglican Service

A Special All-Age Service for Advent - Christingle - Sunday 6 December 2015 at 10am at St Stephens Anglican Church - all coin donations for The Smith Family.

Year 5 – Cooking with Steffi

Our Year 5 students are developing some fantastic cooking skills during their weekly sessions with Steffi Eppler. Thank you Steffi for sharing your talents. Thank you also to those who have donated ingredients etc. towards these sessions.

This week we will be tackling some Christmas fare.

P&C Invite - Christmas Meeting this week

Please join us this Wed at 5.30pm for our last meeting for the school year. We will hold our regular meeting with a few Christmas treats and nibbles – all welcome.
Mini-Fete

Tuesday, 8th December from 12:00pm

White Elephant  
Water Bombs!  
Messy Treasure!  
Mini-Golf!
Stretch the Snake!  
Face Painting!

And lots more!

Tokens 4 for $1
Will be sold in class on the day
Non-uniform day
Some activities may involve getting wet!