I’d like to acknowledge and thank all of our staff, students and community members who helped to commemorate ANZAC Day. On Friday we held our school ANZAC Assembly with all of our students placing flowers on a special piece of ANZAC artwork. I’d like to thank Mrs Barbara Dowling and Mr Barry Thatcher from the Dorrigo RSL Sub Branch for attending this assembly. Mr Thatcher read The Ode and Mrs Dowling announced the winners of the Art and Poetry competitions. Congratulations to Luke and to Jonah.

On Saturday our school participated in the Dorrigo Community ANZAC Day March and Commemoration Service. It was wonderful to have so many of our students marching either with our school group or in other community groups such as the Girl Guides. The Dorrigo RSL Sub Branch and the Dorrigo community worked together to make this a very meaningful and memorable event. Thank you to Mrs Carey for coordinating our school participation.

Welcome to all of our new students. Heath and Sierra are working in Kindergarten, Ebony and Sam are in Year 2, Tye is in Year 4 and Tyler is in Year 5. It is great to have you in our school. We will also be welcoming some new students over the next couple of weeks. At our P&C meeting next week, I will be more than happy to answer any questions about our current class structure changes due to these extra enrolments.

This afternoon at 4:15pm we will be holding a NAIDOC Day meeting in the staff room in preparation for our big NAIDOC Day Celebrations. Parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Dorrigo ANZAC Day Competitions

Thank you to all students who participated in the Dorrigo RSL Sub Branch’s competitions. Congratulations to Luke who won 1st prize in the Junior Section 2 Years 5-6 of the Poetry Competition and Jonah who won the Junior Art Competition.

Well done boys!

K/1 Library

K/1 students will be having Library lessons and borrowing on Tuesdays this term.
Canteen Roster

Week 2
Wed 29 April  John and Louise M
Fri 1 May  Katrina I  Caritta C

Week 3
Mon 4 May  Korina C

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS)

If your child in Years 3-6 wishes to participate in the ICAS Science competition please ensure that application and entry fee of $4.00 reaches the office by 4 May 2014.

P&C Invitation – Class Changes

Our first P&C meeting for Term 2 will be held next week on Wed 6 May. As always, interested parents and community members are invited to attend. The minutes of our last meeting are attached to the newsletter for your information.

We will begin our meeting with an information session about the class changes that have been made for this term. Those with students in the changed classes are particularly encouraged to attend. The information session will be held at 5.30pm prior to the P&C meeting itself. Those wishing to stay on for our meeting following the information session are welcome to do so.

K/1 Gymnastics

Gymnastics begins this Wednesday 29 April for all students. Children will be required to remove shoes for this session. Please send your child to school in shoes they can easily take off and put on again themselves eg Velcro or school shoes not lace-ups.

Rugby Union – Stage 3

Thank you to Sim Mila who has volunteered to conduct Rugby Union training sessions at lunchtimes. The first training will be tomorrow, Tuesday 28/4/2015 at 12:00 noon. Interested Year 5 and 6 students will need to ensure that they have returned the signed consent to play Rugby Union form which was issued last week.

Mother’s Day Stall – Thursday 7 May

It’s time to get organised for our Mother’s Day Stall to be held on Thursday 7 May – Week 3. All sorts of cooking, knick knacks and goodies make great gifts for the mums, nans and special people in our school community. As always anything that is bottled, boxed, wrapped or bagged ready to go is a big help. Items will be priced and sorted to allow each class a similar selection.

Non-perishable items can be left at the school as soon as you get organised. For cooking items the Wednesday afternoon before or first thing on the Thursday morning would be best. Helpers will be needed to sort on Wednesday afternoon and sell on Thursday morning.

Please mark the date on your calendar and pop some small change aside ready for the day.

MOTHERS’ DAY STALL

I would am available to assist with the Mothers’ Day Stall on

☐ Wednesday 7 May Sorting and Setting up
☐ Thursday 8 May Sales

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