As we head towards the end of the term, there are a number of events our students will be involved in.

This Friday, 19 June weather permitting, we will be holding our annual Athletics Carnival. Some of the students will be involved in elimination events during lunchtimes to help with the smooth running of the carnival on Friday. A big thank you to Mrs K for organising these events and to the many parents who have volunteered to help out on the day.

Next Friday, 26 June, all students and teachers will be attending our annual NAIDOC on the Plateau Celebrations. This year, the day will be held at Dorrigo High School. This is always a great day with parents and community members very welcome to attend. We will hold our regular morning assembly under the COLA on Friday to allocate student groups, and then walk over to the high school together. At the end of the day we will be walking back to school for afternoon bus pick up. This will ease congestion at the high school. Further information will be sent home next week.

This afternoon I met with the Director of Dorrigo Preschool to start planning for our Kindergarten 2016 Transition Program. Children who turn 5 years of age by 31 July 2016 are eligible to attend DEC schools. Similar to previous years, we will be offering a wide range of fun activities to help our new students become familiar with our school.

I’d like to welcome a new student to our school. Gabrielle is working with Year 6 in Mrs Phelps’ class.

This Wednesday evening we will be holding a Student Welfare Information meeting in our school library at 5:30pm. We will be outlining the procedures we follow and the structures and programs we use to support the wellbeing of all the students. All parents and community members are very welcome to attend.

I’d like to thank Mrs Phelps, Mrs K and our school staff for their work while I have been away.

Calendar – Term 2

Week 9
- Tues. 16/6 ICAS Spelling Competition
- Wed. 17/6 Update Student Welfare Meeting
- Fri. 19/6 Athletics Carnival – High School Oval

Week 10
- Wed. 24/6 ICAS English Competition close
- Fri. 26/6 NAIDOC – Dorrigo High School

Term 3

Week 1
- Mon 13/7 Staff Development Day
- Tues 14/7 Students resume school

Week 3
- Education Week
- Tues 28/7 Education on Show Bellingen
Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards

Congratulations to Joshua, Tyler, Nicholas, Lachlan, Poppy, Sam and Evan who received a Bronze Award at the assembly on 12 June. Bronze Awards are presented to students for displaying appropriate school behaviour.

Congratulations to the following students who received a Silver Award at the assembly – Ivy Layla, Skye Caitlyn, Haydan Hanna, Ava Lacey, Holly Molly, Jamison Alyssa, Zahara Lincoln, Tia Kassey, Rebekah Kahlia, Melyn Annastasia, Zaliah Joey, Max Jarrah, Drew Liam, Isabelle.

Silver awards are presented to students for maintaining positive behaviour.

Rugby Union

On Wednesday 10 June Jonah, Logan, Rhys, Drew, Harry and myself went down to Grafton Rugby ovals to try out for the North Coast Rugby team. We all played our hardest but not many of us made it into the possibles and probables. Jonah and I made it to the possibles and probables. We both played our hardest. We both successfully made it into the North Coast team and we are going to Sydney in August to try out for the State team.

We would like to thank the mums and dads for taking us down.

North Coast Cross Country

I was Dorrigo Public School’s only representative at the North Coast Cross Country at Kempsey on Friday 5 June. The run was 3kms – one lap of the racecourse and a lap around the stables. I ran my best time ever for 3kms 12 minutes 20 seconds and finished 6th which gets me a place on the North Coast team for State Cross Country in Eastern Creek on 17 July.

Thank you to all my supporters especially my Mum for driving me to many sporting events.

Creative Kids

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All sessions offer some outdoor playful active time, the opportunity to explore clay and draw using a variety of mediums.

Small groups $25 per child per session

Jenni Francis 66572625
jennifrancis2453@gmail.com

One-to-one clayfield sessions 2pm – 4pm each day $50

Zac and Nate after playing a game of rugby league for their team the Bellingen/Dorrigo Magpies under 7’s at Woolgoolga on Saturday. They travel to Bellingen on Tuesday & Thursday afternoons and are always ready to get the game started. Their team is going very well. Nate and Zac give everything at every game and are quite happy to get in and tackle and have a run with the ball.
Dorrigo Anzac Day 2015

Dorrigo RSL Sub Branch was fortunate to have three video cameramen recording the Centenary of ANZAC Dawn service and March and Wreath laying Service on 25 April.

The events were filmed by Peter Rohl from Brisbane, Jim Norris from Dorrigo and Graham Bell from Coffs Harbour, who also compiled and edited the final video, which runs for 35 minutes.

Graham Bell has produced over 20 historical videos and is currently working on a video about Dorrigo’s history.

As Graham said “the town of Dorrigo really came up with a very different service this year. I haven’t heard of any other town or city having an Anzac Day Service quite like the one that was held in Dorrigo this year. The weather on the day was perfect and everything about the service was also perfect. The town people from the small school children to the Dorrigo war veterans were involved as was the large crowd of people who joined in. Congratulations to the RSL and all those Dorrigo people who attended and made this a day to remember. I’m sure there will be many people who were there on the day will enjoy seeing themselves and many others they know on the video. I know I was proud to be asked to be part of it."

Copies of the Dorrigo centenary of ANZAC Video may be purchased for $20 from the Dorrigo Memorial RSL Club (6657 2294) or by contacting the RSL Sub Branch Secretary Bob Denner on 6657 1145 or rdenner@bigpond.net.au

BreastScreen New South Wales

BreastScreen North Coast’s brand new mobile unit will be visiting Dorrigo in mid June 2015. The unit will be conveniently located in Hickory Street, near the Star Supermarket.

The service is free and women in the target age group, between 50 and 74 years are actively encouraged to attend for their two yearly mammograms. However, all women over the age of 40 years are eligible for the service.

A doctor’s referral is not necessary. To make an appointment call 132050 for the cost of a local call.

Dorrigo Juniors Strong

It was a strong showing from the Dorrigo Highlanders Club fielding two junior teams in last weekend’s Coffs Coast Tigers Soccer Gala Day. Coaches Anna Guest and Katie Dawes led the 8’s girls Dorrigo Lyrebirds and boys Dorrigo Quolls in four matches each against clubs from across Coffs Harbour and Grafton.

Both teams fared well against the city clubs showing some good teamwork and passing up the field, strong kicks for goal and some great goal keeping in the opposition half. The Polwarth Drive fields held up well after inclement weather during the week with only a few fields showing signs of mud. Fortunately, or unfortunately (from the kids point of view), the Dorrigo teams didn’t get a game on one of the slippery surfaces.

The day of away competition will do wonders for the skill and confidence of all our juniors. Well done and congratulations to junior boys Luke, Scott, Jamison, Oliver, Marshall and Nicholas and to our junior girls Hayley, Teegan, Mikaylah, Kyra, Leah, Linsay, Ruby, Molly, Charli and Poppy.

All the Dorrigo Highlanders Football Club junior teams will be at home this Saturday playing on the Alex Cork Fields from 9am. The morning will kick off with our Miniroos on the main field and will be followed by 9’s Dingoes vs Bellingen at 9.30am; 8’s boys Quolls vs Sawtell at 10.30am; 11’s Wallabies vs Sawtell at 10.40am; 8’s girls Lyrebirds vs Nambucca at 11.30am.

Both intermediate teams, 14 girls Bluegums and 16 girls Waratahs, play Sawtell with the 16’s kicking off at 10.20am and the 14’s at 11.40am.

It’s a weekend of away games too for our senior teams with the Women’s Cedars at Upper Orara at 1pm and the Men’s Highlanders at Corindi, also at 1pm.

Follow all our teams each week at northcoastfootball.com.au.