Thank you to all of those parents and community members who went to Bellingen High School for the Education Week Concert. It was wonderful to have such a large group of Dorrigo parents supporting both our school and Dorrigo High School.

Our students did an amazing job. Their performance was lifted when the audience started clapping along with the music and showed their support by cheering for our performers. Thank you to Ms Montes for her work preparing our students, and also to those parents who let me know how much they enjoyed the concert.

Congratulations to our Athletics team who competed at the District Athletics Carnival in Urunga last week. What great results! We had many firsts, seconds and thirds in many different events. Both Mrs Bingle and Mrs Carey were very impressed with the efforts of our students.

Thank you to Mr Burley for running our Burley Ball Games on Friday. All K-6 teams were very enthusiastic and cheered on their Houses. It was wonderful to see great sportsmanship and team work.

This afternoon the Conservatorium Players performed for our school. It was great to have another live performance in our school. Thank you to Dundurrabin and Hernani for coming along.

I’d like to welcome some new students to our school. Cooper is working with Kinder in K/1 class, Belle is working with Year 3 in 2/3/4 and Charlotte is working with Year 5.

Thank you to Dr Matt Hansen and Mrs Margot Hoskins for visiting our school last week to talk to our Stage 3 students. Thank you also to Mrs Phelps for organising this meeting.

We have been very fortunate to have Ms Annie Harman (relieving District Guidance Officer) visit and offer School Counsellor support. Ms Harman visited here on Thursday and will be visiting again this week. She has been working with students and families and assisting staff in applying for additional support for our students. I’d like to thank Ms Zahira Tolhurst (District Guidance Officer) for also working with our students, staff and families.

It has come to my attention that some of our students have been using iMessage, Group Chat and Facebook. As you are aware there are age restrictions on these social media sites. If appropriate filters aren't in place, children may be exposed to public images and inappropriate material. I ask that parents please continue to monitor your child's Internet use. I have invited our Police Youth Liaison Officer to visit our school to discuss these concerns with our students.

Our staff have been busily working not only on providing our students with quality learning experiences, but also on their own Professional Learning Plans and our School Plan. They have been attending workshops based on Student Wellbeing and Literacy support.

It was fantastic to be able to present so many of our students with their Gold Awards. Classrooms have been using their Tools for Learning, with teachers giving students the opportunity to regulate their own behaviour. I was very impressed with our Year 6 students who recognised when their learning was being interrupted and were able to identify what they needed to do to get their learning back on track. Well done Year 6, keep up the great work!
Canteen

Week 4
Wed 5 August Cara R Christine K
Thurs 7 August Pete S Caritta C

Week 5
Mon 10 Aug Melissa P
Fri 31 July

State Cross Country

On 17 July I went to Sydney for the State Cross Country. There were 90 people in my race. It was the top two that got to go through. I came 39 out of that 90 which means that I am the 39th fastest 11 year girl in New South Wales. My family and I are so proud.

Thank you
Cheyenne Year 6

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received merit certificates at last week’s assembly.

Kindergarten/Year 1  Skye  James
                   Mika  Cooper
Year 1/2           Lucy  Ruby
Year 2/3/4         Sara  Belle
Year 5            Charlotte  Angus
Year 6            Liam  Clio
Class of the Week  Year 6
Gymnastics        Year 5

Calendar – Term 3

Week 4
Wed 5/8 P&C meeting 5:30

Week 5
Thurs 13/8 Parent Teacher interviews
Fri 14/8 MNC Athletics Coffs Harbour

Week 6
Mon 17/8 School Spell Off 12:45

Friday’s Assembly

Year K/1 will conduct the assembly on Friday 7 August at 11:15 am. Parents and community members are most welcome to attend.

Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received a Gold Award at the assembly on 31 July. Gold Awards are presented to students for excellence in maintaining positive behaviours and attitudes.

Alyssa  Zahara
Tia    Rebekah
Kahlia Cassandra
Linsay  Kelly
Charlie Ruby
Lucy  Jack
Angus  Leo

Congratulations to the following students who received a Silver Award at the assembly. Silver awards are presented to students for maintaining positive behaviour.

Eucla  Callan
Lucas  Julian
Brenan  Ebony

Congratulations to Lilly and Elle Rae who received a Bronze Award at the assembly. Bronze Awards are presented to students for displaying appropriate school behaviour.

Parent Teacher Interviews

We are currently organising interviews for Week 5 13 August. If you have not already completed the Interview appointment request form please consider doing so as we do encourage parents to take this opportunity to meet with their child’s teacher.

2016 Enrolments

Enrolments are now being taken for 2016. If you know of any student who would like to come to our school in 2016 please contact the office for an enrolment pack.
Rainforests

Our class has been learning about the different rainforests that are all over the world and why it is important to take care of our forests and animals. Deforestation has taken away and endangered many of the world’s animals, trees and plants.

The largest rainforest in the world is the Amazon rainforest in South America. The Amazon rainforest is where there are over 3,800 species of birds to be found. The most famous birds that live in the forest are the Toucan and the Macaw.

We are working on macaw artworks. We were only allowed to use four colours and we can use different shades. Our artworks have been taking us a while to finish because there are a lot of small detailed patterns. They are beginning to look very effective.

Year 2/3/4

District Athletics Carnival

On Wednesday students from years 2 to 6 went to Urunga to participate in the District Athletics Carnival. Students from 2/3/4 participated in track and field events.

Well done to Hayley who went in her age race, 200 and 800 metres and high jump.

Jamison, Kahlia, Kassey and Tye also raced in their age races.

Well done to Rebekah who ran in all her races and went in high jump, long jump and shot put.

Tia also participated in shot put.

Lincoln did his best at his age race, the 200 and 800 metre and long jump.

Also well done to Eucla who did high jump, long jump, shot put and all of his races.

A big thank you to all the teachers and parents who trained and coached us at school for us to be ready for the carnival. Thank you to Mrs Carey and Mrs Bingle. Also a thank you to Grahame who was our driver for the day.

Eucla and Lincoln Year 2/3/4

A big thank you to Beth Richards who was a wonderful help on the day of the carnival. Beth did a terrific job making sure that our students were at their events and were ready for their races. Your assistance on the day was truly valuable.

Lisa Carey

Urunga Sports Carnival


Tarra went in the shot put and came second.

Cameron went in his age race, high jump and long jump.

Asher went in 200m and high jump.

Luke went in long jump and came 3rd.

Josh came 1st in 800m, high jump, age race and came second in long jump.

Paris went in shot put.

Ryder came 2nd in his age race, 3rd in 200m and also went in high jump and 800m.

Izzie went in 800m, 200m and long jump.

Shelby came 3rd in her age race and in 200m and also went in 800m.

Linsay went in long jump and age race

Charlie went in her age race.

Kyle went in his age race.

Bonnie went in long jump, age race and 200m,

Harry went in long jump and shot put.

Liam M went in 200m and came 1st in his age race.

Liam C went in shot put and came 2nd.

Cheyenne went in 800m and came 1st, and 2nd in 100m and long jump.

Kyran went in 800m and long jump.

Logan 1st shot put, 3rd discus.

Hannah 2nd in long jump, 2nd in high jump. She went in 100m, 200m, 800m and shot put.

Clio 1st discus, 1st high jump and 2nd shot put and long jump.

Well done to everyone who tried their best. Thank you.

Bonnie and Clio Year 6

FREE Fireworks Spectacular

Come along on Saturday 8 August to Bellingen Showground and enjoy FREE Fireworks and family fun. Glow sticks, Food and Drink will be on sale from 4.30pm.

Bring your parents, grandparents, aunts & uncles, friends and neighbours along and have a great night. Rug up and don’t forget your chair & blanket.

Lion Wal Tyson

Bellingen Lions Club

Phone: 66551072
Soccer finals near

The North Coast Football season is quickly drawing to a close with finals just around the corner. For our junior teams there are only 2 weeks of regular competition left with our senior teams already into their finals rounds.

Our Miniroos have enjoyed their Saturday mornings honing their skills on the Alex Cork Fields but will meet Bellingen in a clash of the Minis before their season closes.

This weekend will be the last round of home games for our junior teams with 5 teams playing at home as follows:
9’s Dorrigo Dingoes 10am vs Urunga;
16 girls Dorrigo Waratahs 10.15am vs Woolgoolga;
8 girls Dorrigo Lyrebirds 11am vs Boambee;
14 girls Dorrigo Bluegums 11.40am vs Woolgoolga and
8’s boys Dorrigo Quolls 12 noon vs Macksville.

The 11’s Dorrigo Wallabies will meet the Northern Storm at the York Street Oval in Coffs Harbour before finishing their season at home next Saturday against Urunga. Keep an eye on the North Coast Football website over the coming weeks for all the end of season games and results.

For our senior teams it has been a busy season with mixed results. The Women’s Dorrigo Cedars have shone finishing top of the ladder in their division winning all their games. Our 14 girls Dorrigo Bluegums will also have a finals run sitting in second place on the ladder (behind Sawtell) with 7 wins and 3 draws. The 16 girls Dorrigo Waratahs are in 5th place with 3 wins and 2 draws keeping them just out of finals contention. For our open team, the Dorrigo Highlanders, it has been a long season managing to field a team right to the end despite injury. Unfortunately the tally of draws and losses relegated the Highlanders to the wooden spoon position despite some spectacular individual play and great team work.

For the Highlanders Club, as a whole, it is the number of players and teams fielded across the competition that has measured our success. Our players have committed every week, to regular training plus home and away games with support from parents, grandparents, partners and family. Spectator support at games has been great helping all our players pull on the green and gold strip every week with pride.

Next on the agenda for the Club is the Annual Presentation Day to be held at the Alex Cork Fields on Sunday 13 September (between Father’s Day and School Holidays). The day will begin at 12 noon with a BBQ lunch before presentation and the regular “all in” adults versus kids match on the main field. Each team will present their Best and Fairest and Coaches Players Awards with submissions to be made to the Club for the Team of the Year and Player of the Year awards.

Congratulations Highlanders and thank you all for your spirit throughout the season.

Vaccination Information Night

Tuesday evening 6pm 18 August at Dorrigo Drama Club.

Risk? Benefits? What is the best protection for your child?

Invited guests include Naturopath Andrew De Ward and Doctor Horst Herb.

Please come to this important free night that effects the entire population. For more information call Michael on 0413221890.

Information Meeting for Stage 3 Parents - Thursday 6 August at 3:30 pm

Information meeting for Stage 3 parents to discuss Sydney excursion planned for Term 4. Points for discussion
* Itinerary
* Roles and responsibilities for all
* Expectations leading up to and during excursion

Hope you can make it. Thanks.

Sue Phelps

Kindergarten Orientation 2016

We are in the process of planning our Kindergarten Orientation 2016 activities. If you would like your child included in this program please contact the school so that the information can be sent to you.