Congratulations to our swimming team for their great effort at the Macksville Swimming Carnival! Mrs Phelps said it was a very good day with all of our competitors trying their best and enjoying being part of the competition.

Congratulations also to our Cricket team who played against Urunga PS at Urunga today. The boys enjoyed the match. A match result will be included next week. Thank you to Mrs Bingle for coaching the team, Mrs Carey and Mrs Burley for sharing their expertise (and cricket whites) and all of the parents for transporting the students to the game.

I’d like to welcome a new student to our school. Diane is in Year 3 and has been working with Miss Jones.

Last Thursday we held our Induction of Leaders Assembly. Our captains, vice captains, sports captains and class leaders were presented with their badges. It was lovely to have so many family members in our school for this special event. We wish these students all the very best in their leadership roles.

During the week I visited Macksville Public School to see how their students and teachers have been using Visible Learning strategies in their classrooms. Macksville PS have also been looking at what makes a good learner and have been using Superheroes to help remind students what they need to do to help get out of the Learning Pit and stay focused on their tasks.

Tomorrow Sam Bailey, a motivational speaker will be visiting our school. Sam works on his farm and flies ultralight aircraft, all while overcoming the challenges of being a quadriplegic. Sam will be talking to our students about the importance of wearing a seat beat, of not giving up and following your dreams and valuing your family and friends. Hernani PS and Dundurrabin PS students will be coming along to this presentation.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Meet and Greet tomorrow.

Tanya Bajda
Principal

Calendar – Term 1

Week 5
Tues 23/2 Sam Bailey visit 11:00 am
Meet and Greet 5 pm

Week 6
Wed 2/3 P&C AGM 5:30 pm

Induction of Leaders

Congratulations to our leaders who were inducted at our School Assembly.

Captains   Jarrah Isabelle
Vice Captains Cameron Paris

Class Leaders Semester 1
K/1 Shyla Jaxon
1/2 Caitlyn Nicholas
Year 3 Molly Sam
Year 4/5 Kyra Eucla
Year 6 Emma Ryder

House Captains
Davis Charlotte Ryder
Drummond Emma Tyler
Page Zaliah Joey

House Vice Captains
Davis Isabelle Eucla
Drummond Melyn Deckllen
Page Rebekah Asher (absent)
MEET AND GREET TUESDAY
A joint P&C/School event
23 FEBRUARY 2016 5PM

We will be holding our annual Meet and Greet tomorrow 23 February 2016. This is a good opportunity to meet with your child’s class teacher, gain information about class routines, timetables and units of work being studied this term.

The P&C will be running a sausage sizzle from 5pm. Many hands make light work so if you are available to assist with BBQ/sale of drinks/cleanup your help will be appreciated.

Our School Captains have organised a fully supervised social to give parents the opportunity to meet teachers. Children need to be accompanied by a parent for this event.

Meet your child’s teacher sessions have been scheduled and will provide an opportunity for parents to find out how their child’s class operates, what the teacher’s expectations are and how parents can support their child’s learning at home.

The session times are:
5:15pm  K/1  Mrs Carey
5:30pm  1/2  Mrs K
5:45pm  Year 3  Miss Jones
6pm    Year 4/5  Mrs Bingle
6:15   Year 6  Mrs Phelps

Friday’s Assembly

Years 4/5 will conduct the assembly on Friday 26 February at 11:15 am. Parents and community members are most welcome to attend.

Canteen Term 1

Week 4
Wed 24 Feb  Caritta C
Fri 26 Feb  Michael E  Tracey C

Week 5
Mon 29 Feb  Renae C  Aimee D
Wed 2 March  Lisa L  Ashleigh M
Fri 4 March  Louise and John M

Congratulations to our Pony Club members

On the weekend of 13 and 14 February Emma, Tia and Elle attended the North Dorrigo Pony Club Gymkhana on the Saturday and Zone 9 Sporting and Camp draft on Sunday. It was a great weekend for all riders.

Zone 9 Sporting and Campdraft

On the 13 and 14 February I took part in the Zone 9 Sporting and Campdraft. I had a great experience. I placed in most events and 8th in the campdraft. I was also joined by Tia and Elle. Big thanks to mum and all the people who helped out.

Camp Creative

On the 11 to 15 January Bellingen High School hosted Camp Creative. The group I participated in was photography for young people. There were many other groups to choose from. My brother, Chad, chose Simon Says Circus. We both had lots of fun and would like to go next year.

Emma Year 6
P&C Notice of AGM

The AGM of the Dorrigo Public School P&C Association will be held Wed 2 March, 5.30pm in the school staffroom. All members of the school community are invited to attend. The principal business of the meeting will be to approve the accounts for 2015 and to elect the Executive of the Association for the forthcoming year.

All committee positions will be considered vacant. We note that the Vice President will not restand for nomination. New members are most welcome to be involved formally as the holder of an executive position or informally as a committee member.

Michele Kellett
Secretary

District Swimming Carnival 2016

On Friday 19 February students from Year 1/2 to Year 6 went down to Macksville for the District Swimming Carnival for 2016. We had to get down there by 9:30am and we finished around 2:00pm. A few people got through to the next level which will be held in Coffs Harbour. I think we all had a great time and would like to thank the parents for driving us down.

Congratulations to Paris, Melyn, Max and Zaliah who have qualified for the Mid North Coast carnival. Any further qualifiers will be included in next week’s Newsletter.

Cameron Year 6

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.

Kids’ fishing workshop

Kids 8-14 years old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructors are experienced volunteers and staff from Industry & Investment NSW. The day runs from 10 am-3 pm and involves fishing techniques, bag & size limits, fish handling for catch & release.
COST: $40 PER CHILD, and includes
rod & reel combination, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag — all to take home!
BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL, Maximum 25 participants.

Location: Dutton Trout Hatchery,
Point Lookout Rd, Ebor
Date: 15 April 2016
Booking Close: 8 April 2016
Contact Milan Duwenhogger-Lange
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