Congratulations to both our Cricket team and our Swimming team! Our cricketers played a fantastic match against Urunga last week and our swimmers placed very well at the Zone Carnival. Congratulations to Melyn who will be competing in the Regional Swimming Carnival and Max who is a reserve swimmer.

Last week we were very fortunate to have two published authors visit our school. Sam Bailey, author of Head over Heels, was truly inspirational. Students from Dorrigo PS, Dundurrabin PS and Hernani PS sat attentively and asked great questions about Sam’s life and his achievements. The focus of his presentation was the importance of wearing a seat belt, never giving up and valuing your family and friends.

Heidi Munan, Isabelle and Sam’ grandmother retold some traditional stories from Sarawak. Heidi wrote down and published the oral stories of the Iban, Bidayuh, Melanau and Orang Ulu people. She entertained the K-2 students with the story of The Tortoise and the Mouse Deer, and the Year 3-6 students with the story of Apoi Soloi and the New Cloth.

It was fantastic to have these visitors in our school, sharing their stories about life, wellbeing and traditional culture. I would like to thank Sam and Heidi for coming into our school and for generously donating their books to our School Library.

Thank you to all of those parents who attended our Meet and Greet last week. The teachers were happy to share their timetables and answer questions about class routines and units of work being studied this term. Any parents who were not able to attend the Meet and Greet are very welcome to contact the office to make an appointment to see their child’s class teacher. A big thank you to our teachers for running these information sessions, our Year 6 captains for organising the social, and also our P&C for running the BBQ and opening the canteen.

Looking forward to seeing parents and community members at our P&C AGM this Wednesday 2 March at 5:30pm.

Tanya Bajda
Principal

Calendar – Term 1

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

Week 7
Tues 8/3 MNC Basketball trials Coffs Harbour
Wed 9/3 Pre-meeting Brisbane Leadership Conference 1:30-2:30pm

Sam Bailey

On Tuesday 26 February Sam Bailey came to visit our school. He talked about the challenges of being a quadriplegic. He also gave us some important life lessons. They were:

1. Always wear a seatbelt
2. Always believe in yourself and never give up on your dreams
3. Value your friends, family and everyone around you.

We would like to thank Sam for coming and would like to see him again in the future.

Melyn Year 6
Heidi Munan

On Thursday, 25 February, Heidi Munan came to read to the school. She was reading books that she had written. 1/2's book was about a tortoise and a mouse deer. We really enjoyed it. Thank you Heidi for reading to us.

Cruizin' Through Music

The DVD has arrived and has been distributed to those who ordered and paid for one. We will be placing a further order on Wednesday 2 March. If you wish to order a DVD please complete the order slip below and return it to the school office, together with payment of $10, by Wednesday 2 March 2016.

Friday's Assembly

Year 3 will conduct the assembly on Friday 4 March at 11:15 am. Parents and community members are most welcome to attend.

Canteen Term 1

Week 6
Wed 2 March    Lisa L    Ashleigh M
Fri 4 March    Louise and John M

Week 7
Mon 7 March    Anna G
Wed 9 March    Mel C    Michelle W
Fri 11 March   Ness T    Denna B

Canteen

The Canteen strives to run a healthy canteen, providing nutritious lunches for students and staff. Students are reminded that purchases of treat items such as ice-creams/fruit tubes are limited to one per student and children should not be purchasing for their friends.

Assembly Awards

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

Kindergarten/Year 1   Kristopher
                      Kaitlyn
Year 1/2              Liam
                      Marshall
Year 3                Linsay
                      Diane
                      Jamison
Year 4/5              Tyler
                      Kassey
Year 6                Cameron
                      Jarrah

Principal’s Class of the Week - Year 1/2

Library - Reminder

It would be great if students could bring a library bag as it keeps the books protected from leaky water bottles etc.

It would be appreciated if books could be returned to the library promptly so they are available for other students. Dorrigo PS library books are easily recognisable by the barcode on the front cover.

Cruizin’ Through Music

Please return by Wednesday 2 March

Name .............................................................  Class .................

I would like to order ........ DVD of Cruzin’ Through Music at $10:00 each. Payment enclosed.
Routine Forms – Please return

Early in the school year we issue notes for completion and return to the school office – Variation of School Routine (Walking Note), Authority to Publish and Emergency Evacuation. Thank you to those who have already returned their forms. We ask those who have not yet completed the forms to do so as soon as possible, and to return them to the school office.

Cricket

On Monday 22 February Max, Asher, Deckllen, Toby, Tyler M, Daniel, Julian, Callan, Fraser, Brayden, Lincoln and myself went to Urunga to play in the PSSA Knockout Cricket competition.

The game started at 9:30. I was captain and Urunga won the toss and chose to field and we batted first. The openers were Julian and Fraser. When Julian got out I went in. Fraser and myself both retired on 25 and we had over 50 partnership.

After Lincoln retired I went in and then Fraser retired and Max went in. Then we had a break. After the break we fielded. I was keeping for 12 overs. Callan opened the bowling then Braydan. After Asher, Lincoln bowled – he got 3 wickets. We all had fun but sadly, we lost by 7 wickets.

Thank you to the parents who drove us down and Miss Bingle who coached us and Mrs Carey for organising the kit.

Eucla Year 5

Little A’s

Hayley and Linsay went to Newcastle last weekend for the Little A’s carnival. Linsay went in 70m sprint, hurdles and discus. Hayley went in high jump, 400m sprint, 800m sprint and shot put. It took two days to go through the whole thing. It was very hot. We were suffering when we were running.

Hayley jumped 1.10m and made it to State High Jump. Linsay threw the discus 10.45m but sadly didn’t make it further.

Eucla Year 5

Easter Treats Raffle

Traditionally we have asked families to donate Easter treats for Easter Treats raffle prizes. Donations can be left at the office. Each class will have an Easter Treats prize and there will also be an overall prize winner – so that means there will be six prizes to be won. The raffle will be drawn at assembly on Thursday 24 March. All funds raised will go towards fundraising for our larger excursions including our Big Day Out held at the end of each year. Attached is your book of 5 raffle tickets – cost $1 each. We thank you for your support.

Hayley and Linsay Year 3

Enjoying a rest at cricket

Cricket

On Monday 22 February a team of Year 4, 5 and 6 students from Dorrigo Public School travelled down the Mountain to compete against Urunga Public School in the PSSA Cricket draw. We lost the toss and were up to bat first, with Fraser and Julian opening. Unfortunately Julian was bowled out, which brought Lincoln onto the pitch, smashing out a number of runs including five 4’s. Both Lincoln and Fraser retired not out, allowing Eucla and Max to bring us to the end of our 25 over innings.

After lunch we went in to field, with Callan opening the bowling for us and Eucla and Lincoln as alternating wicket keeper. We had 3 of them out, bowled by Lincoln, and a contentious "no ball" from Eucla which would have bowled another. At the end of the day Dorrigo was 1/96 and Urunga was 3/97 with only 7 balls to spare. A huge congratulations to the boys for their fantastic effort on the day and in preparation, and to the Mums and Dads not only for transport but also for coaching Mrs Bingle in cricket and keeping her shaded at Square Leg. It was a great day with fantastic sportsmanship shown by all.

Mrs Bingle
P&C Meeting Invite – this Wed

P&C meetings are open to all Parents & Citizens of our school community to support the school in the many areas that government departments and funding don’t reach. The support from a P&C is both financial and physical. We are lucky to have many “hands on” volunteers who help with a variety of activities and P&C events across the school. Our P&C committee however is only small and it is here that we need some new faces to share ideas, opinions and knowledge.

Our P&C supports (and has supported) the school with gymnastics, Musica Viva, language lessons, Healthy Harold, equipment purchases and facility upgrades. The P&C also manages Chaplaincy funding which provides our Chaplain, Seasons program, drumming, boys camps and more.

There may be other areas of the school that you think would benefit from P&C support and other ideas to use P&C funding – that’s why we need you!

Please consider joining us, our meetings are just once each month, are not held in school holidays and are open to you.

Come & Try Hockey

Want to try a different sport this winter?

You can try HOCKEY for free at Connell Park, Bellingen on 19 March 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Visit www.hockeycoffscoast.com.au
www.facebook.com/pages/Hockey-Coffs-Coast
https://www.facebook.com/NorthCoastRCC/
Phone Phil Jackwitz 0475 972 477

GFS

Term time Wednesday 3-5pm Anglican Church Hall

Afternoon Tea, Games, worship and Crafts

Kindie through to year 7
All welcome!

Rev Mike

Congratulations to Tia

Tia competed in the Junior U12 cattle parading at Armidale show on Friday 26 February. She came 5th out of 15 paraders in her section. On Saturday she helped parade her family’s Stud Simmental for the show competition.

Let’s Look at Lunches

Inspiration for fresh, fast & budget friendly lunchboxes from your local health service

Take the challenge out of packing a healthy lunchbox thanks to a new initiative from Northern NSW Local Health District. They have created a fortnightly e-newsletter that will be delivered straight to your inbox full of lunchbox inspiration, tips, recipes, ideas and competitions. Our school encourages healthy lunchboxes so we recommend you subscribe if you haven’t already. The feedback has been amazing! All you need to do is send us your first name, email address and postcode by:

- Email to lookatlunches@gmail.com
- Text to 0429 033 517, or
- click here

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