Arts Extravaganza
Our Arts Extravaganza is shaping up to be something quite spectacular. The students are excited and looking forward to performing in front of an audience. I would like to thank the Arts Committee and individual teachers for their work with students and to recognise the work of Mrs Whitney who is directing the production.

Our Arts Extravaganza is an opportunity for students to perform for their family and friends. The process of preparing a performance builds confidence and expression by making learning fun and inclusive. We are looking forward to tonight’s performances. Hopefully the weather will have cleared up by then. If not, you may need to consider bringing your umbrella.

Fixed Equipment
Please note that the fixed equipment will be out of bounds from this afternoon and will not reopen until Thursday morning as there is no outdoor staff supervision of students during the Arts Extravaganza. Staff are busy supervising classes and organising students for their performances. Students are requested not to run around the school, play on the oval or be on any play equipment. These areas are out of bounds on the evening of the Arts Extravaganza. Please help us keep your children safe.

Life Education Program
The Life Education Program provides our students with the face to face delivery of an essential curriculum-based program that is designed to empower children to make safe and healthy lifestyle choices, both now and into their adult lives. A specially trained educator presents vital health and safety messaging through tactile and multisensory activities available in the Life Education Van. Each session is designed to intrigue and excite children of all ages, which captures their imagination and has a lasting impact. Joined by Life Education’s loveable mascot, Healthy Harold, their educators bring to life lessons that empower children to make safer and healthier choices, now and in the future.

NAPLAN Results
Parents of students in Year 3 and Year 5 will receive individual NAPLAN results this week. Please keep your eye out for them, they are in a sealed envelope. If you would like further clarification regarding the results, please do not hesitate to contact the classroom teacher.

Holiday Safety
For safe play, children should always be supervised by an adult. Make sure children are in a safe place to play, such as a backyard, fenced park or recreational area. Children can dart into traffic quickly when distracted by games they are playing. Roads, carparks, footpaths and driveways are not safe places to play.

Make some family rules about safe play, talk about them with your children and then stick to them – every time they are using bikes, trikes or scooters. It is important to reinforce these road safety messages:

- Always play in the backyard.
- Don't play in the driveway.
- Never follow your ball onto the road.

School Donations: Building A Better Foundation
The school has established two tax deductible funds to enable parents, relatives and friends the opportunity to make donations. The Building Fund has provided financial support to complete our school hall renovations, install reverse cycle air-conditioning units in every classroom and construct classroom computer centres. During the next three years, the Building Fund will be used to improve playground facilities. The Library Fund has provided reading materials for guided reading, home reading and the Reading Eggs technology program. This fund will continue to expand reading resources and technology for literacy learning.

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Important Bike Safety Messages
Help children understand:
- Helmets and enclosed shoes keep them safe.
- We must ride and play away from traffic – in the backyard or at the bike track.
- Footpaths and driveways are never safe places to play.
- Young children should not ride their bikes, scooters or skates without adult supervision.

Important Car Safety Messages
Remind children to:
- Click clack front and back.
- Always buckle in your seatbelt.
- Get in and out of the car on the footpath side only.

School Holidays
Have a happy and safe holiday. Please note that we are not having a School Development Day at the beginning of next term and students return on Monday 15 October.

Until next time,
Mrs Linda Trigg
Principal

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Parents are reminded that students performing in Concert 1 at 6.00pm are to be at school between 5.30-5.45pm and students performing in Concert 2 are to be at school between 7.00-7.15pm. All students are to be dropped off and picked up from their respective holding rooms, as per last week’s newsletter. Full details in previous newsletters.

Positive Behaviour for Learning
Our new focus for this fortnight is Responsible – end of school routines. The safety and wellbeing of our students is at the heart of explicitly teaching students about the expectations of moving from classrooms and other school settings to leaving the school grounds. If walking home, please leave the school grounds as soon as you are dismissed by your teacher. If you are riding your bike, scooter or skateboard home, please walk to the bike and scooter racks, get your bike, scooter or skateboard and walk out to the gate. This expectation also applies to parents and carers who have ridden to pick up their child/ren. If you are catching a bus home, please walk straight to bus lines. If you need to go to the toilet, please see the teacher on duty before you go to the toilet so they know if they need to hold a bus for you to get back from the toilet. Please speak to your child about the importance of following end of school routines.

Grandparents’ Day - Wednesday 24 October
Grandparents play a very special role in our lives. Please let all grandparents know that our Grandparents’ Day will be held on Wednesday 24 October and they are welcome to attend. Grandparents are encouraged to join the children at a special assembly at 9.20am Wednesday morning, then to visit classrooms and have morning tea at 10.30am in the hall. If you have grandparents attending, please RSVP to your child’s class teacher before Wednesday 17 October to assist us in planning and to ensure there is enough morning tea for them. All grandparents are welcome to join us as we celebrate this important day.

North Coast Debating Team
Chris (6W) will be travelling to Sawtell this Wednesday to compete against 20 other students for a place in the North Coast Debating Team. Chris performed to an outstanding level during the rounds, with all three adjudicators making mention of his style during their feedback to our teams. We wish Chris all the best!

Band News
The rehearsal for the Arts Extravaganza was excellent. So tonight the Bunyip Band, Wilderband and the String Ensemble should delight you with their performances.

Just a reminder that Friday 26 October, Term 4, Week 2 the band will be participating in the Music in Schools BIG PLAY DAY in Lismore. It should be a great day! The Music in Schools Big Play Day will bring students in Years 3-6 enrolled in the Music in Schools program to participate in a day of playing in large ensembles on site at the Northern Rivers Conservatorium.
The ensembles are: Concert Band, String Ensemble, Rock Band, Drum Band, Guitarkestra, Percussion Ensemble.

Students have been working on common repertoire with their Music in Schools tutors in Term 3 in preparation for coming together for the BIG PLAY.

The Big Play Day Ensembles will perform a concert in the sheltered outdoor area of the new Lismore Regional Gallery which is a neighbour of the Conservatorium in The Quad. A permission note and excursion details will be sent home in Week 1 of next term.

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Term 4 - Week 1 Canteen Roster

Mon 15 Oct  Dianne Brien, Michelle Roesler
Tue 16 Oct  Tiffany Stickl, Natalia Klein
Wed 17 Oct  Danielle Gleeson, Kathy Gleeson
Thu 18 Oct  Kelly Stenner, Sarah Link
Fri 19 Oct  Emma Rolley, Berry Liberman

Term 4 Menu Changes
In order to comply with the new Healthy Canteen Guidelines, there will be a few changes to the current menu. Both the Chicken Mornay and Mexican Vegetable Pie will no longer be available due to portion size. The Cheese and Spinach Roll will be available, however will be a smaller snack size. The Steak Pie and Sausage Roll will also continue to be available in a smaller snack size. Prices for these items have been reduced to reflect the smaller size.

The Canteen will also be introducing a new compostable fork and spoon once our current plastic stock has run out. Please note that the cost to buy these items will increase to 20c. We encourage students to bring their own cutlery when eating food brought from home.

A huge thank you to all our wonderful canteen volunteers who have helped during Term 3. We wish everyone a safe and happy holidays and look forward to seeing you all in Term 4.

If you are able to assist or can’t make it in, please contact Mandy in the canteen or email bbpscanteen@gmail.com. See our Term 4 Menu attached.

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Head Lice
Head Lice are once again on the increase throughout the school. With school holidays coming up, this would be the opportune time to treat and check your children. Please check and treat your children regularly. For detailed information and the treatment of head lice go to www.health.nsw.gov.au/environment/headlice/Pages/default.aspx

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P&C Monthly Raffles Cancelled
This month’s raffles at the Golf Club on Friday 28 September have been cancelled. The will be back next month with a Mega Raffle.

Monthly Meeting Change of Date
The P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 18 October at 6pm in the staffroom. New members are most welcome. Child minding is also available by contacting the school office.

School 125 Year shopping bags
With the introduction of the ban on single use plastic bags, now is a great opportunity to purchase your eco friendly shopping bag from the school uniform shop. The P&C have 125 Year bags for sale for $10 each. The uniform shop is open every Monday from 8.30-10.30am.
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