COMING EVENTS
Thur 21 Mar  Harmony Day 10:30am
Thur 21 Mar  K-2 Assembly 11:30am
Thur 21 Mar  Cyber Bullying Presentation
Fri 22 Mar  District Girls Soccer Trials
Fri 22 Mar  5/6D Blue Mufti Day
Thur 28 Mar  K/1/2 Easter Hat Parade
Fri 29 Mar  Good Friday Holiday
Mon 1 April  Easter Monday Holiday
Tue 4 April  P and C Meeting 1.45pm
Tue 9 April  School Cross Country

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
It was very pleasing to see our school receive a mention in the Sydney Morning Herald on Thursday, 14 March. It was in relation to our wonderful results in the 2012 NAPLAN testing program. Our school achieved results in numeracy and literacy which were well above the State average in the growth of students between Year 3 and Year 5. **A reminder that this year’s tests for years three and five will be held in the week commencing 13 May and it is very important that all students sit these tests.**

Mrs Davis has organised a small group of Year Five students to attend the Young Leaders Day to be held at the Entertainment Centre in Sydney on Monday. I know from past experience that they will be inspired by the high profile speakers they will be exposed to.

You will have received notification of a Cyber-bullying presentation to be held here at school tomorrow night (Thursday). We are really hoping to get as many people here as possible to gain an understanding of how you may be better prepared to deal with the ever growing problem of cyber-bullying. All or students and staff will attend sessions during the day. For the school and parents to be effective in dealing with problems when they arise in this area, we really need good parental involvement. Please make an effort to come along. It may well help you to avoid future problems.

Early notice that our school’s cross country carnival will be held on the last Tuesday of term. (9 April)

First term reports will be sent home on the last day of this term. For those parents who are new to our school you need to know we provide reports in terms one and three as opposed to the traditional terms two and four. This enables us to make contact early in the year and also report in term three about directions that will be taken in term four in regards to your child’s learning.

STUDENT BUS PASSES
Transport NSW requires students in Year 3 this year to complete a new bus application form in order to be issued a current bus pass. Transport NSW removes year 3 students off the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) for this year until Priors receive a new bus application. This is done because they are no longer classified as an infant but now a primary student.

Also students in Years 3-6, who live within walking distance, i.e. 1.6km, will need to complete a new bus application form for this year. On receipt, Priors will issue an interim or orange pass. This will entitle these students free travel.

SPORTS NEWS
This week we have some senior children travelling to league touch and girls soccer trials at Ulladulla and Moruya. As we are only able to send our four best students to these events, we must have pre selection trials at school.

I know this is disappointing for those who miss out, but I thank all those children who turn up for tryouts.

Our school cross country will be on Tuesday, 9 April from 9am to 11am at Corrigan’s Beach. All stage 2 and 3 students will be attending. Children may walk or run the track.

Mrs Cheney
**EASTER HAT PARADE**

Years K-2 will be participating in an Easter Hat Parade on Thursday, 28 March at 12:40pm. Hats are to be made at home. Parents and carers are very welcome to come along to watch the parade and stay to have a picnic lunch with their children in the courtyard. Lunches are available from the canteen if pre-ordered. Notes from the canteen will be sent home today. The Easter raffle will be drawn at the parade.

*K-2 Teachers*

**CANTEEN NEWS**

Many thanks to my wonderful volunteers, this year has seen a dramatic change and I am happy to say that we have a wonderful band of helpers, it certainly makes life easier with you all helping to keep our canteen running smoothly and the children fed & happy.

Our lucky lunch order winners for the last month were Bethany Zimmerman & Monique Jones class K/F. If you haven’t already done so could you please pickup your lunch vouchers.

Many thanks for supporting our St Patricks Day. It was a great day.

Could parents please make sure your child puts their class & surname on the lunch bag as we cannot track them down if they forget to pick up lunch without it.

Our next special event is morning tea for Harmony Day & our Easter Special.

Many thanks

*Maria*

**END OF TERM EASTER SPECIAL**

Thursday, 28 March pre-orders can be taken.

- Chicken Burger (mayo & lettuce)
- Fish Burger (tartare sauce & lettuce)
- Sausage Roll

With a choice of drink when you pick up your lunch (juice, milk, water, soft drink). $4.50

Please Order by Tuesday 26th March

If you are attending the hat parade and are having lunch with your child there will be extra food available for purchase at the counter.

**MERIT BADGES**

We now have our new merit badges. Students will start to receive these this week. They will be handed out in re-sealable plastic bags. Please return the bags to the office so that we can reuse them. There are three different colours i.e red, green and yellow smiley faces 😊 Parents will be pleased to know that these can be ironed on! Students need all three of these before they receive the cloth badge.

**P AND C NEWS**

Next Thursday we will be drawing our Easter Raffle at the Easter Hat Parade. Thank you to all those who have already returned their tickets. These need to be returned by Tuesday, 26 March, including any unsold tickets.

We are also requiring donations of Easter chocolates to assist with our raffle. Donations are greatly appreciated.

**UNIFORM SHOP**

Our Uniform Shop is open Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30am – 9:00am.

Keep an eye out for our upcoming clearance sale! We will also be stocking the school hats in the uniform shop. These are brand new items and will cost $10 each and available in various sizes, hopefully in stock next week.

Our next P and C meeting will be on Thursday, 4 April at 1:45pm in the meeting rooms. All welcome.