FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now mid-way with our Swimming Program as tomorrow sees Week 4 out of 8 weeks. While the weather hasn’t always been kind, we have endeavoured to keep the children safe by offering them options of getting out of the water when they become cold. Please ensure you send a jumper if the weather is a bit cooler on a Tuesday. We also have a number of children who are coming without sunscreen. While the school ensures sunscreen is applied, it is certainly preferable if parents apply the sunscreen just prior to them coming to school, or before they come directly to the pool. I continue to thank all the parents who so willingly assist with the transport.

Please keep the date of Tuesday 16th December free as we are planning to hold our end of year assembly and musical performance. This year we are going the ‘whole hog’ by performing a short musical play – The Journey of the Noble Gnarble. Ms Winfield is working on the backdrops and props, but we need some willing parents to assist with sewing the costumes, which we are now concept developing. If you have the skills and are able to help, please speak with Ms Winfield or myself this week. We may also be asking parents to contribute to the cost of these costumes, but more information will be forthcoming soon.

On Wednesday, a few of our Year 3-6 students have the opportunity of attending a small schools Chess and Draughts day at Rous PS. Children will have the choice of being involved in either of the activities for the day. It’s a great chance for our children to mix with others from other local small schools.

In order to help parents with transport we’ve investigated the possibility of a bus in the mornings for 2015. This would leave from Cumbalum at 8.50am. Please talk with me if you are interested as we need 5-6 students for this to be viable.

Next week, our retaken School Photos will occur at 9:30am on November 12th. Please ensure your children are in full school uniform and ready for the photo at 9:30am. We have waited this long for a ‘retake’, as some of our children have been on long term leave. Only the whole school photo will be retaken.

Have a great week.

Dawn Douglas
Principal
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Sponsorship forms for the Adidas School Fun Run have been sent home. Students will be participating in the fun run later this term. We will be creating our own course at school for students to run or walk as many laps as they can. Students can ask people to sponsor them and with the money they raise they will receive a prize.

60% of the total money our school raises we get to keep and spend on resources for our school. 30% of the money raised goes to student prizes and 10% goes to Adidas School Fun Run.

Lauren Winfield

Sport awards for: Max, Fox, Ryder, Liam, Saxon, Quinn, Elija and Milly. Congratulations
Thanks to Peter and Heidi Burton who provided fruit for after school sport.

The Newcastle Permanent Building Society Ballina is holding its annual “Cinema Under the Stars” at Missingham Park Ballina, Friday the 7th of November. This is a free fun family event and we would like to invite everyone to come along and enjoy the evening. The movie that will be screening is “Frozen” There will also be entertainment and activities for the kids. Gates open from 5:30. For further information please follow the link www.newcastlepermanent.com.au/cinema

On November 7th, TINCAN (Tintenbar Community Aid Network) has organised a bus trip to Lismore. The total cost is $5 and includes bus fare, entertainment by Morning Melodies with Dean Doyle and Sophistication at the Workers Club, and tea, coffee and sandwiches. In the afternoon people can visit the Art Gallery or do some town shopping.

The bus will depart the Tintenbar shop at 9am and return at 3.30pm. Please contact Marg on 6687 8033 if you are interested, or email tintenbarcommunity@gmail.com

John Marsden, Matt Ottley Book/DVD Launch Murwillumbah
Join us on Thursday, 13th November, 6pm at the Regent Cinema, Murwillumbah for an evening with awarding winning author/illustrator Matt Ottley, as he launches John Marsden’s book Home and Away, illustrated by Matt Ottley, with accompanying DVD including original music composed by Matt Ottley. It is a unique multi-sensory production. All proceeds from the evening, including book and DVD sales go to the Uki Refugee Project, set up to help refugees in community detention in Brisbane. Also screening will be New Land, New Life, inspiring accounts by African refugees. Admission charges are: Adults $15, school students $5 and families $30. Tickets available in advance from Regent Cinema or at the door. A light meal will be provided. For further information contact: John Tyman on 6672-8223 or Heather McClelland on 6679-5603. Jo Spiller Teacher Librarian Uki Public School on 0427296504.

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Road safety around your child’s school

Your child’s safety depends on you

Drop off and pick up by car

Make sure your children are in an appropriate child car seat that is fitted and used correctly.

Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone as children are about.

Look for buses pulling out – watch for flashing wig wag lights.

Always park and turn legally around schools. Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.

Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school’s designated drop off and pick up area. Calling out to them from across the road is dangerous – they may run to you without checking for traffic.

It’s safest for children to get out of the car on the kerb side of the road to be away from passing traffic.

Walking together to and from school

Plan your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.

Always hold your child’s hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.

Drop off and pick up your child near the school gate and avoid calling them from across the road.

Talk with your children about Stop, Look, Listen and Think every time they cross the road.

STOP! one step back from the kerb.

LOOK! for traffic to your right left and right again.

LISTEN! for the sounds of approaching traffic.

THINK! whether it is safe to cross.

Young children can learn these safe pedestrian habits from you and continue them later on when they are old enough to travel alone.