Greetings,

It has been really great to finally see the sun in the sky after such a wet start to the year. Let’s hope we see many more good days that will allow the ground to dry out more and give children the chance to run around and burn some of that incredible energy that they possess.

Welcome BBQ’s

Last Friday Stage 2 held their annual welcoming breakfast BBQ and this Friday it will be Stage 3’s turn. We would really like to see lots of parents and children attending the morning and meeting the staff and having a friendly chat.

Book Packs

Please ensure that you have paid for your child’s Book Pack. It is extremely good value at just $30 and covers all your child school book needs for the entire school year and also, inclusion in the Life Education program (which are coming to our school next week). I appreciate your support with this.

Picking up and dropping off children

For the health and safety of all, please observe parking signage and park correctly. It is very important for drivers to be aware of children being around at peak pick up and drop off times and to check carefully before driving off. Safety is our high priority.

As I have stated previously, the Teacher’s Car Park area is not ideal for children to be walking through as the traffic through this area is quite high. Please do not use this area unless you have obtained permission to do so.

Reading with your child at home

When your kids see you reading and writing in everyday life - whether reading for pleasure, sharing a story with them or making a shopping list - it teaches them that they are useful skills. Here are some things you can do at home to help your kids with reading.

Find out more:

Attendance is important

As always, my belief is that if a child is not at school then they cannot learn. I will continue to work with families and support them in ensuring that all children attend regularly and so take full advantage of all the opportunities that a good education offers. It is the best possible gift you can give your child. Remember - ‘MISSING SCHOOL = MISSING OUT.’

Have a great week,

Stewart Copeland
IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDER

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CANTEEN ROSTER WEEK BEGINNING
MONDAY 11TH MARCH 2013

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5-6SF POEM

SPY BIRD

Wrapped in a feather cloak
To keep away the chill
Perched up in the treetops
It stays there very still.

Until it spies a worm
Wriggling on a leaf
Swoops down in an instant
Like a stealthy thief.

Slurps it like spaghetti
Puffs out its chest in pride
Magpie is a killer
All grubs must go and hide.

ASSEMBLY WINNERS

Congratulations 5-6KL and 1-2AR for their safe respectful attitude and behaviour during the Week 5 Assembly.

EASTER RAFFLE 28TH MARCH

Our annual P&C Easter Raffle will take place on Thursday 28th March 2013, in conjunction with the Easter Hat Parade. Raffle tickets will be sent home soon. Your support by donating Easter eggs and also selling/purchasing raffle tickets will be very much appreciated. All children bringing donations of chocolates, eggs, sweets, toys, books etc. for the raffle, will have their name put in a draw and one special prize will be awarded to a lucky student. The Easter Raffle is always a great fundraiser for the P&C and the school so let's all get behind it this year and make it the best one yet!

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Notes are currently being sent home, giving parents/carers the option for suitable interview times. When you receive the note, please complete it and return it to the class teacher as quickly as possible as the times are allocated on a first in first served basis. This will ensure the interviews can go ahead quickly and smoothly.

3-4DK CLASS WORK

This term students in Stage 2 have been working on texts that persuade. 3/4DK have been learning about the tips and tricks of advertising. Please check out our ads on the Tyalla Website: www.tyalla-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/ We hope you like them!
BOARDIES DAY
Thank you to everyone who got into the spirit of boardies day and dressed up. You all looked great! Thank you also for the donations. Tyalla raised $237.20 to go towards Surf Life Saving who play an important role in our community.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BREAKFAST
After 8-12 hours of overnight fasting, children need breakfast to refuel for the day ahead. Eating breakfast improves children’s concentration and performance while at school. Children have more energy for physical activity if they consume breakfast in the morning.

QUICK & EASY BREAKFAST IDEAS
Bowl of cereal with reduced fat milk. Wholemeal toast with creamed cheese, vegemite or peanut butter.
A wholemeal bagel with peanut butter, honey and sliced banana.
Yoghurt, honey, toasted almonds & fresh or tinned fruit.
Fruit smoothie with 2 cups fruit, ½ cup orange juice ½ cup water, ½ cup yoghurt, and 1 teaspoon honey.

IMPORTANCE OF FAMILY MEALTIMES
Eating meals together provides children with structure and routine, which can improve behaviour. Children often copy parents behaviour, so by setting a positive example for your children at the dinner table, it may increase their intake of fruit and vegetables and decrease fussy eating.

COFFS HARBOUR SHOW
The Coffs Harbour Agricultural Show is an important annual local event.
After a successful 2012 Show, it’s now full steam ahead for 2013 with extra entertainment and more local and travelling exhibitors it promises to be bigger and better than ever starting with live Bands performing on Friday’s Carnival night. You’ll be able to cuddle baby animals and watch sheep shearing demonstrations all Saturday and Sunday. A Youth Stage will expose the diverse talent of our young people.

When: 26th, 27th, 28th April 2013
Where: Coffs Harbour Show Ground
Price: Adult $15
Child $10
Pensioners $10

NORTH COFFS AFL
North Coffs Kangaroos invite all Tyalla School boys and girls to their upcoming free come and try AFL session.

When: Friday 8th March
Where: Bray Street Oval
Time: 3.30-5.00pm
Included: Free drink and snack and loads of fun.
For more information please call Pat O’Connell 0435041566 or Mark Close 0421336082.

GIVE YOUR CHILD THE EDGE
Diana Vogel is offering a free talk in Coffs Harbour to help parents and educators with children with learning difficulties such as dyslexia, ADD, ADHD, auditory, visual and sensory processing disorders.

Discover:
• The importance of the 32 learning profiles and how they can play out in your child.
• The simplest and quickest technique to calm your child down which doesn’t cost anything.
• How stroke patient recovery is used to help children struggling at school.
• Which little trick you can do before school so your child is more focused once they get there.
• The next step for your child, if they’re falling behind their peers.
• How to ‘give your child the edge’.

When: Tuesday 19th March 11am
Where: Coffs Harbour Community Village, 22 Earl St (behind new Coles), 2450

Limited Seats. So please call 1800 194 206 (ext 3) and leave your details to reserve your place NOW