Greetings,

Term 1 of the school year is well and truly underway and I must admit that I have been extremely encouraged by the wonderful start that we have had to the 2015 school year. We are very fortunate to be able to maintain our current staffing level again this year as our numbers are healthy.

Unfortunately, we will be required to put in place a small number of changes to classes but we will consider these carefully and will try and keep disturbances to a minimum. There will be a need to move some children to different classes and I thank you for your ongoing support in this matter.

A REGULAR VISITOR
We are certainly very lucky to have such a beautiful natural environment in and around our school. From time to time we enjoy visits from some of the local fauna. We actively encourage this and there is great excitement when we have a new resident. One of our regular occupants is a lovely Tawny Frogmouth.

CARPARK SAFETY
I would like to take this opportunity to ask all parents to be extremely careful when moving around the school. This includes when you are walking around or driving a car. Please be watchful at all times, and when driving and parking, we ask that you do not come into the teachers car park area to pick up your children as visibility is not good and this is also a high traffic area. I appreciate your support on this.

SCHOOL UNIFORM
A reminder that we do expect students to wear our school uniform each day and this includes wearing black shoes – not multi-coloured sports shoes.

Have a great week.
Stewart Copeland
Principal
**IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, 16TH FEBRUARY**

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**P&C NEWS**

P&C Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at 7.00pm in the school staffroom. Our next meeting will be on Monday, 23rd February. Everyone is welcome; mums, dads, carers, grandparents, friends and community members. It is even okay to bring your kids along if you are unable to find alternative care.

The meetings are a relaxed gathering, where we discuss issues that affect the school. They are a fantastic way to find out what is happening around our great school.

If you have never been to a meeting, I strongly encourage you to consider coming along and checking it out. I’d also like to welcome back any returning members. Our next meeting will be a ‘changing of the guard’, with some older members, like myself, moving on. There will still be plenty of experience left but we are looking for some new members keen to take on some roles. I hope that you will consider coming along, we would love to have you.

Have a great week.
Emma Hazell (P&C President)

**Whole School Assembly**

**Friday, 13th February - 9.10am**

“All Welcome”

**SCHOOL BOOK PACKS**

Thank you to those families who have paid $35 for their child’s book pack. A reminder that students with outstanding book pack fees will be excluded from excursions, sports carnivals, gala days and extra-curricular activities while fees remain unpaid.
SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Excellent participation from all houses meant that this year’s swimming carnival house points were extremely close, with Mallee taking the lead by a matter of only a few points. Congratulations to all the children who swam for Mallee. **Age Champions are:**

Junior Girl  Imogen Richards
Junior Boy  Jack Byrne
11 Years Girl  Jayla Cross
11 Years Boy  Judd Watters-Campbell
Senior Girl  Bella Morley
Senior Boy  Jordan Walker

Notes for the District Carnival will go home later in the week for those students who can technically swim the required stroke in a competitive time. District Carnival is on Monday, 23rd February at the Coffs Harbour War Memorial Olympic Pool.

SCHOOL BANKING FOR 2015
Accompanying today’s newsletter is a School Banking Parent Pack. **REWARDING GOOD SAVINGS HABITS WITH EIGHT NEW ITEMS IN 2015!**
The School Banking Program encourages good savings habits by rewarding students with awesome reward items. For every 10 deposits made through the program, they can redeem a reward from our Outer Space Savers range, including ET DVDs, Planet Handballs, Invisible Ink Martian Pens, Intergalactic Rockets, Glow-in-the-Dark Solar Systems, Cosmic Light Beam Torches, Outer Space Savers Money Boxes and Lunar Light Bands. **YOU COULD WIN A FAMILY TRIP TO DISNEYLAND**
In a School Banking first, students who make 25 or more School Banking deposits in 2015 will automatically receive one entry into the competition draw to win a family trip to California’s Disneyland. The prize includes return airfares, five nights accommodation, transfers and three day park entry for up to two adults and two kids, plus $2,000 spending money.

For further information visit: commbank.com.au/schoolbanking. **WEDNESDAY IS BANKING DAY**

UNITING CARE BURNSIDE COURSES FOR PARENTS/CARERS
All courses are free of charge. To enrol in any of these courses, please ring Uniting Care Burnside on 6659 2800. Places are limited, so please book early. All courses are held at Burnside Family Centre, 7 McLean Street, Coffs Harbour.

1-2-3 MAGIC
Encouraging good behaviour, independence and self esteem - a simple discipline program that really works!

**One session per week for 3 weeks:**
_WHEN:_ Mondays (16, 23rd February, 2nd March)
_TIME:_ 10.00am - 1.00pm

DADS - BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS
The third and final session in the Brining up Great Kids program focuses on how children develop and change over time, how the way we communicate with them impacts on their developmental progress and how to respond to the ongoing challenges of parenting.

**One evening session for 3 hours:**
_WHEN:_ Thursday, 19th March
_TIME:_ 6.00PM - 9.00PM

BRAIN DEVELOPMENT
Practical ideas to help us learn how children’s brains grow and develop.

**One session for 3 hours:**
_WHEN:_ Friday, 6th March
_TIME:_ 10.00am - 1.00pm

EIGHT WAYS TO GET YOUR KIDS ORGANISED!
Are you ready for morning madness, late homework or assignments, yesterday’s half-eaten lunch sitting in the schoolbag? Just like adults, children cope much better if they can manage their time and their environment wisely. To find out more: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/eight-great-ways-to-get-your-kids-organised-for-school.

**ALSO:** Please check your child’s bag each Wednesday for the School Newsletter. This keeps you in touch with what’s happening at school and in the community!