Happy Easter

This coming weekend is a four day weekend, with the opportunity for families to celebrate Easter. This year Easter is not the commencement of the school holidays, with students having another two weeks of school before the term break commences.

I hope that this weekend proves to be a very happy and enjoyable weekend for all.

General Contribution Draw Winner

Congratulations to Hayley Rays of Year 1 on having her name drawn out as the winner of the Movie World tickets for having paid her general school contribution for 2013.

Solar Panels

Yesterday saw the commencement of the solar installation for our school. I believe there are 32 panels erected onto the roof of the school's hall which will help us to reduce electricity costs into the future. Whilst the panels are in place there is still some wiring and network connections that need to be completed before we start to benefit from this resource.

Graffiti

This term there have been several instances of graffiti being added to the walls of the girl's toilets. The nature of this graffiti is far from pleasant. I have spoken to all students about this and emphasised that consequences will be invoked if we can determine who engaged in this activity.

That said, I applaud the vast majority of students of our school as we seldom see behaviours like this. Most students do hold our school in high regard and demonstrate the high levels of respect toward others and the property of others at all times. It is very disappointing that for the majority of our school that the actions of so few cause such unnecessary levels of disruption.
**Behaviour Management at School**

From time to time students will come home from school with stories that parents may find of concern. Sometimes students only take part of a story home, and at times have not told this story to staff while at school. On other occasions students only tell one side of any story or only recall the aspects that are most significant and known to them. Each of these situations can cause confusion and misunderstandings.

Parents who experience these concerns are encouraged to contact the school to discuss these matters more fully. I do ask that parents negotiate a mutually agreed time to effectively discuss these situations more fully, allowing for the whole picture to be discussed most appropriately.

At Woodburn Public School we call upon strategies to manage student behaviours that reflect the individual needs of students and that meet with the expectations of “The Commonwealth Disability Standards for Education 2005”. Our role is to both manage behaviours and to also teach appropriate new behaviours where students find compliance challenging. Just as we do with reading, writing or mathematics, we tailor our strategies to meet the individual needs of students and do not use a ‘one size fits all’ approach. Parents with multiple children will appreciate that managing the differences within your own children can be challenging. I assure you that our staff working with 110 students in our school do a terrific job trying to accommodate the needs of all students in compliance with the legislation under which we operate.

Yes, I am sure at times we are not quite perfect, but the efforts of staff are certainly worthy of recognition and acclamation far more often than not.

**Until next week........**

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**Easter Hat Parade**

On Thursday March 28 at 12:10 pm we will have our annual Easter Hat Parade. After lunch all children in KJ, 1J and 2/3T will parade the hats at school and after the parade K/J, 1J and 2/3T will share their beautiful hats down the main street of Woodburn. On our walk downtown we will also visit IGA to check out the display of their entries to the Mater Little Miracles Easter Appeal Colouring-In Competition.

The children will then return to School at approximately 1:25 pm for a picnic with their families.

Students in Years 4-6 who wish to be part of our Easter Hat Parade will also have the opportunity to bring their hat along and parade them at school.

All Easter hats for the parade are to be made at home and brought to school on Thursday morning.

Parents and friends are most welcome to attend the parade and join us for the picnic (weather permitting).

Suzanne Johnston
COORDINATOR

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**Big Day Out**

Our Term 1 Big Day Out has been organised for Monday 8 April. All students who are on green level will be travelling by bus to Ballina and spending the day at Ballina Ten Pin Bowls. Following bowling we will travel to Shelley beach for lunch, beach games and activities.

Students will need to bring recess, lunch and drinks. The kiosk at Ballina Tenpin Bowls will also be available for the students to purchase snacks and drinks. Students are to be responsible for their own money and are not to bring any more than $5 on the day.

To make this the best possible day children are asked to wear white clothes (preferably sun-safe) and they must also remember to bring a pair of socks to wear while bowling. They must also bring sunscreen and a hat. The cost of the excursion is $14 per student and is due back at school NO LATER than Thursday 4 April - ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS UNLESS WITH PRIOR ARRANGEMENT.

Miss Johnston & Mrs Duncan
COORDINATORS
Buddies 2
Brainstorm Productions will be performing "Buddies 2" at our School on Friday 12 April 2013. The performance will include messages concerning bullying, friendships, social skills, positive behaviours and Cyber Safety. The cost is $3.50 per child. Please complete the orange permission note sent home on Tuesday 19 March and return same with money by Friday 5 April 2013.

Susan Johnston
Visiting Performance Coordinator

Cross Country Carnival
Our annual Cross Country Carnival will be held on Thursday 4 April 2013 starting at 1.00pm. Events are held for all age groups with 8-10 year olds running 2kms and 11 - 12year olds running 3kms. All parents and family members are invited to attend and cheer on the students.

Gymnastics @ School
We have been offered the opportunity to have a professional Gymnastics program run during Term 2 for 8 weeks. The cost would be $40 in total with students receiving a certificate of attainment at the end of the program. We need to have 100 students attend to get this program up and running. If you are interested for your child/children to attend please complete the Expression of Interest at the end of the newsletter and return by Thursday 28 March. PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY!

Susan Johnston
Sports Coordinator

Mater Little Miracles Easter Appeal
Last Friday was a very bright and successful fund raiser for the Mater Little Miracles Easter Appeal. We raised $125 on the day and added $150 of our profits from the Term One Entertainment Night. Many thanks to the team at Woodburn IGA, who came along in all their finery to collect the cheque.

SRC Election Results 2013
The following students have been elected on to the SRC for 2013.
Kinder
Sarah Cormack  Haydon Simpson
Res Miah-Bella Norman

Year One
Dana Spicer  Charlie Ticknor
Res Aida Miller

Year Two
Melanie McHugh  Leni Cain-Roberts
Res Isaac Trustum

Canteen Roster

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A reminder that there is NO HOT FOOD at recess!!!

NEW SNACKS - Fruit in Jelly Cups 70c  Frozen Yoghurt Drops 5c ea  Choc Mousse Cups 80c

REMINDER - BROWN PAPER BAGS ARE 10C EACH IF NOT BROUGHT FROM HOME! Please have your money securely placed in your lunch bag! Parent Helpers for the next week are in bold. Thanks for your ongoing help - we really appreciate you! If you cannot make it on your rostered day it is up to you to find a replacement. Any ideas for canteen PLEASE come along to the next P & C Meeting!
These students will represent the views of their classmates at meetings throughout the year and help make decisions about what students want in the school.

The first two students elected will be presented with their badges at our school Merit Assembly on Thursday 11 April 2013. The “Reserves” do not receive a badge as they only attend meetings if the other SRCs from their year group are absent or leave the school.

School Captains and Vice Captains and their parents are also most welcome to join in our cake celebrations.

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Stewart House
NSW Public Education’s Charity of Choice is celebrating its 81st year. We will be selling special Stewart House handballs in May in coordination with the annual Donation Drive Holiday Draw. This means students purchase a handball next term for $3 as well as bringing in their $2 donations in the envelope provided. A school cheque and all the envelopes will be sent off on Friday 20 May in time for the draw on Friday 27 May. Good luck, you may win a $4000 holiday to a destination of your choice.

Tracey Tebbutt
SRC Patron

Student Banking
Remember to bring in your banking each Friday. If you would like to open an account with the Commonwealth Bank please come to the office for an application form.

Lyn Blake
SCHOOL BANKING COORDINATOR

Easter Raffle
It’s almost Easter time again! Please send in a donation for our Easter Hamper. Every item received gives you a ticket in the draw.

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Community Stuff
Playgroup at Woodburn Public School
Every Thursday (during school terms) from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Come along for a fun morning. We have a great facility with plenty of toys and games. It’s very informal - a chat and morning tea while the kids play. It’s open to Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandpas and Carers.
Evans Head & Woodburn Pre Schools
Taking Enrolments. Enrol now!!
EH: 66825235 (Mon-Fri)
WB: 66822993 (M,T,W)

Pam Bellingham School of Dance
Woodburn Ages 3 to adult
Classical, contemporary, tap
Ladies Fun and Fitness class
Phone 0414 953 879

Woodburn SES - Recruiting Now - We Want You!!
Receive nationally recognised training.

JUST DANCE!
COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING ANYONE???
Who's interested in being part of a competitive cheer team of Richmond Rumours in 2013? Correct cheer shoes would be required and there may be extra costs associated with travel & comp registration etc. If there is enough interest, the team age category will be based on the majority of students that are keen...Contact me ASAP if u want in! It promises to be an exciting opportunity!!!

ATTENTION LADIES!!!
Please note that for 2013, I have decided to make our 'Yummy Mummies' dance & fitness classes FREE if you have a child enrolled with us! All you have to pay is your upfront 2013 Insurance fee ($15). Just in case any of you needed an extra incentive! You can attend either or both lessons each week... Woodburn Public School Hall - Mondays @ 10:15- 11:15am & Thursdays @ 8- 9pm
Cheers- Miss Tammy (0409822565)
VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR TAX HELP 2013

Free Training provided
The Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre is looking for volunteer assistance in delivering the annual ATO Tax Help program.

We can't run it without you!
For more information google taxhelp volunteer
To register to volunteer phone the Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre on 02 6682 4334
or email catherine.ohalloran@mrnc.com.au

Are YOU a young carer?
Do YOU look after someone who has... *long term illness? *disability? *mental illness?
Do YOU do things like... shopping, cooking, cleaning, paying bills, help with showering & dressing, give medication & offer support?
We may be able to help YOU!
The Commonwealth Respite & Carelink Centre will talk to you and your family about how we may be able to support YOU!.
Freecall™ 1800 052 222*
*(calls from mobiles charged at applicable rates)

MD MIXED MARTIAL ARTS TAKING STUDENTS NOW!
Gain confidence, fitness, coordination and concentration within a non-aggressive fun program. Learn kicks, punches, blocks and self-defence.
WEEKLY AWARDS AND TROPHIES FOR EACH STUDENT!
Family discounts. COME AND SEE FIRST CLASS FREE! Evans Head Tuesdays and Woodburn Fridays
CALL MARK NOW 66464511 0417456923 mdfreestyle@bigpond.com

Casino Lions Junior AFL
The Casino Lions Junior AFL Club will be fielding U8, U9, U10, U12 and the new U14 team in 2013. There are still vacancies in all teams so contact the Club on 66641333 or come to the training sessions at Queen Elizabeth Park on Friday afternoons at 5pm. Games are on Sunday mornings with the first of 16 rounds commencing 7 April. Children from different grades all play at the same ground making it easy for family transport. Discount registration fees of $95 apply to any signings for 2013. The League Website is www.aflnorthernrivers juniors.com.au.

Jnr Golf Development Day
Monday 22 April at Lismore Golf Club. $25 Fun & Fundamentals! Graded classes suitable for beginners through to local handicappers. Including PGA Coaches Peter Jaeger + others. Bring along a water bottle, sunscreen & hat
and golf clubs if you have them. Includes fruit, drinks and a sausage sizzle. For further information or to nominate contact Gerald Wilkinson on 0419 708 676. Numbers strictly limited.

School Holiday Activities

Sailing for Beginners (10-14 yrs) A fun introductory opportunity for children to learn sailing with qualified instructors. Children will learn rigging and sailing techniques, as well as safety and teamwork on a Hobie Bravo. Participants will have plenty of opportunity to practise their new skills on the day. Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre Monday 15 April 9am – 4pm Cost $55

Surf Clinic (Level 1) (8-15 yrs) If you want to learn to surf or simply brush up on your existing skills, this is the perfect program for you. Learn about safe surfing, skill development, rips, currents and surfing etiquette. Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre Thursday 18 and Friday 19 April 9am – 4pm Cost $130

Surf Clinic (Level 2) (8-15 yrs) If you have previously completed the Level 1 Surfing program and are looking to improve on your surfing skills, then come and join us as we take you through wave selection, turning and dismounting correctly, paddling and catching unbroken waves. Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 April 9am – 4pm Cost $130

Lake Ainsworth Activity Day (7-13 yrs) A fun filled day of activities which may include canoeing, swimming, archery, bike riding and much more at the beautiful Lake Ainsworth Centre. Lake Ainsworth Centre, Lennox Head Friday 26 April 9am – 4pm Cost $55

Come and Try Multi Sports (6-12 yrs) An opportunity to come and try various sports at the one location with qualified coaches from Rugby League, AFL, Softball and Hockey. Saunders Oval, Ballina 9.30am – 2.30pm Wednesday 24 April Cost $15 How to enrol By phone: Call 6618 0400 and have your credit card details ready (Visa, MasterCard). By fax: Complete the enrolment form, include your credit card details and fax to (02) 6687 4175. By mail: Complete the enrolment form and send to: Sport and Recreation PO Box 121, Lennox Head NSW 2478

Creative fun at Grafton Regional Gallery

Bird Origami Workshop with Hiroko Carlsson 10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm Thursday 18 April Learn how to make the classic crane right up to some advanced bird patterns with Japanese artist Hiroko Carlsson

$16.50 per participant. Includes all materials for kids 7-12 years. Pre-paid bookings essential 6642 3177

Origami Activity Station

If you can’t make it to Hiroko’s workshop visit the Origami Station anytime you visit.

Easy to advanced challenges. Free after gallery entry by donation

Courses available at Interrelate

The challenge of disciplining your child assists parents with constructive techniques in disciplining and encouraging their children. Teaches parents how to use conflict as a tool to improve relationships as well.

Ideas for parenting teens is really about how to set appropriate boundaries with your teenager. Helps to develop skills to communicate and negotiate and well as reduce the anxiety associated with raising teenagers.

Phone 6623 2750 for more information.

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Gymnastics

I would be interested in the Gymnastics program for my child/ren

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Signed _______________________

All I really need is love, but a little chocolate now and then doesn’t hurt!

- Lucy Van Pelt in Peanuts by Charles M. Schulz