Week 4 is now upon us and school is certainly back into full swing. Many thanks and congratulations to all the staff, students and parents who have participated in goal setting and planning meetings in recent weeks. The strength of our partnership between home and school is impacted by the level of support and contributions people are prepared to make. To those families still to participate we hope that the experience proves exciting and beneficial to all involved.

Before and After School Supervision

Mornings - Our school is experiencing a high number of students who are arriving at school before morning supervision commences. This situation is unsatisfactory as the school’s supervision roster does NOT start until 8:55AM. There is no adult staff available to ensure the safety of children in the playground prior to that time. The ONLY students who should be arriving are those who are dropped off by their SCHOOL BUS (Bus 45 which at present is scheduled to arrive at school at 8:50am - I am currently in communication with bus companies with the hope of having all students arrive after 8:55am). These students are then required to go directly to the covered area outside the school office and to be seated.

We well understand that many parents have commitments at work which require them to leave Woodburn before 8:55am. Supervision of your children at this time however is not the responsibility of the school. Families may be able to make arrangements with friends or neighbours for the supervision of your children so that they are not arriving at school before supervision commences. Some families in the school with working parents may wish to take turns to take...
each other’s children to school.

As well, some employers will be sympathetic to parents with responsibilities for caring for children and will allow some flexibility in parents’ working hours. By law, employers are restricted from treating an employee detrimentally on the grounds of their status as a carer.

Whatever arrangements you make, you need to understand that you remain legally responsible for your child prior to 8.55am when supervision begins. I would therefore ask that you ensure that your child is not left unsupervised at the school before 8:55am anymore.

**Afternoons** - Similarly, afternoon duties are of growing concern. Supervision concludes at 3:55pm with the departure of the last school bus. Students should all have been collected from school by this time.

Children who are proceeding to dance groups need to stay in the supervised area (bus shelter/playground) until collected by parents and then going to the hall for dance. Students are not to be roaming the school unsupervised. They should also remain in the vicinity of their parents/carers whilst awaiting dance and not be running free and unsupervised across the school site.

**Before Dance Supervision** - It is also important that students attending dance classes of an afternoon are fully supervised by parents before and after their dance classes. If parents are unable to provide this supervision students should NOT be waiting at school for lessons to commence. Those who are waiting need to be supervised in the area outside the school hall and not allowed to just run free across the school site. I thank parents in advance for cooperation with this matter.

**Book Packs & Voluntary Contributions**

These are now due. Book Packs are $40 per student and Voluntary Contributions are $20 per student or $40 per family. All those who have paid by Week 6 will go into a draw for 2 adults and 4 children at Wet n Wild on the Gold Coast!

**Sports News**

**Swimming**

On Friday 6 February a team of students represented our school at the Mid Richmond Swimming Carnival held at the Woodburn Pool. We competed against students from Coraki Public and Evans River K-12. Congratulations to Chloe Dunne – Senior Girl Champion, Sam Ticknor- 11yrs Boy Champion and Charlie Ticknor – Junior Boy Champion. Students who gained a 1st, 2nd or 3rd received their ribbons this week and also represented our school last Friday at the Ballina District Swimming Championships.

Congratulations to all our students who participated in the Ballina District Swimming carnival last Friday. Everyone represented our school with pride and enthusiasm. We have four students who have made it through to the Zone championships in Ballina this Friday 20 February.

Best of luck to Sam Ticknor, Chloe Dunne, Tyler Elliott and Charlie Ticknor.

A big THANKYOU to all the parents and community members who assisted at the carnival by time keeping, cheering and getting the kids there. Without you the carnival would not run smoothly.

**PSSA Knockout**

Team sports have started with our Senior Cricket team competing against Iluka Public School today. We wait anxiously for the result. The boys have been training very hard and are very excited about going to Iluka.

**House Captains**

On Monday the school came together to vote for Sports Captains. I am pleased to announce the Sports captains for 2015 are as follows:

Richmond
Captains - Damien Rojcevic and Alannah Skaines
Vice Captains - Brody Cross and Kate Cormack.

Bundjalung Captains - Marshall Brown and Chloe Dunne
Vice Captains - Jack Torrance and Ellie Fisher

Well done to these students and I am looking forward to working with them this year. Students will receive their badges this Friday at Assembly. All parents and family welcome.

Life Education
Healthy Harold and the Life Education Van will be visiting our school on Thursday 26 and Friday 27 of February 2015. Cost of the program is $5. Please complete the permission notes sent home yesterday and return ASAP.

Student Banking
School Banking is on each Friday morning. If you haven’t opened an account and would like to, please drop into the office.

Lyn Blake
COORDINATOR

Canteen News
This Friday we will be having our first Meal Deal. You can get a Sausage Roll or Cruizer Pie + Poppa + Ice Block for just $5. Orders must be placed tomorrow.

We will be having a Canteen Meeting at 9:30 on Friday - please come along!

Community Stuff
Just Dance & Cheer!
Home of the Richmond Rumours All Star Cheer Squad! Classes on offer for 2015 start @ just $6 & include...
*All ages JFH (Jazz/Funk/HipHop) in both Woodburn + Coraki
*Mini, Recreational & Competitive All Star Cheer

Woodburn Wolves 2015 Season
Sign-on days for this season are as follows-
Sun 22 Feb 1pm-3pm, all at Woodburn Bowling Club. Current registered players can register for 2015 season online. New players can also register online. Go to - www.myfootballclub.com.au
If you need assistance, help will be available at the Woodburn Bowling Club at the above dates and times.
Enquiries:
e-mail - woodburn.wolves@gmail.com
Phone: Christina 0412845988
Tegan 0413791349

Pam Bellingham School of Dance, Woodburn
Classical ballet, contemporary, tap
Ages 3 to adult
Classes resume week of 2 February
Phone 6682 2203 or 0414 953 879

Woodburn Skatepark Opening
Sunday, 1 March - 4.00 p.m.
Official opening by Member for Clarence Chris Gulaptis and Mayor of Richmond Valley Council Ernie Bennett
'Skate Jam' organised by Nan and Pop Skate Shop
Barbecue (sausages $2.50).
All welcome! Bring skateboards and bikes!
Pam Bellingham
Woodburn Chamber of Commerce

Asthma & Anaphylaxis Training
Thursday 12 March Coraki CWA Preschool Cost $80.00 each. Snacks provided.
This training will provide you with a nationally recognised qualification from Macquaire First Aid
The course is great for all those who live and work with children and adults effected by Asthma and Anaphylaxis, helping create an understanding for how you can help someone through an attack.
For more information and to book a place, please call Coraki CWA Preschool on 66832549.

Meal Deal
I would love to order a Meal Deal for Friday 20 February. I enclose $5 per meal deal.

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