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'Communicating with our Caring Community'

Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2015

### DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	EVENT
1 May	Yr 2 Rumbalara Excursion
4 May	CANTEEN CLOSED
6 May	Mothers' Day Stall – see article
6 May	CANTEEN CLOSED
7 May	Book Club Due
8 May	Stewart House Donations Due
8 May	Yr 1 Rumbalara Excursion
11 May	CANTEEN CLOSED
12 May	RAP Working Bee 9 am – 11 am
12 – 14 May	NAPLAN Tests - Yr 3 & Yr 5
13 May	CANTEEN CLOSED
19 May	Nitbusters Day – volunteers needed
20 May	P&C Disco
22 May	Zone Cross Country
24 May	RAP Working Bee 10 am – 1 pm
30 May	P&C Trivia Night

week during the super storm and its aftermath. The school had no power and no phone service, including mobiles. Power was eventually restored on Friday morning. Staff worked over time to clean up the school, fix damage and ensure the school was safe for students to return.

Some families have suffered major damage and our thoughts are with you.

A BIG thank you to the members of our community and beyond, who have worked tirelessly to get the Central Coast back into working order. We appreciate your services and the great job that you do.

### **ANZAC Day**

We hosted both the RSL Dawn Service and the service that took place after the 2.30 pm march. The school was congratulated on how amazing the grounds looked with floral tributes arranged to make the word 'ANZAC' and a mass of poppies decorating the walkway along A oval. A big thank you to the staff and parents who made the poppies, to the Woodhouse girls for putting over 800 poppies on display, to the families who brought in the flowers and to the boys and girls who represented our school in the march, you have all done us proud.



*'How beautiful a day can be when  
KINDNESS touches it.'*

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### **Welcome Back**

Welcome back to everyone after our delayed start to term two. We sincerely thank all of our wonderful school community for your understanding and support last

We are having a special ANZAC Day Assembly on Thursday at 11.30 am for the students who will each receive a red poppy, along with a special commemorative ribbon that has been provided by the P&C.

### Staff Development Day

A special thank you to all of our parents and carers who supported our Staff Development Day, on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April, by keeping the children home on that day. Staff participated in professional learning on the use of ipads to support teaching and learning, 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning and engagement, differentiation in mathematics, child protection and the new Performance Development Framework.

### NAPLAN

NAPLAN will be completed by Year 3 & 5 students on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May & Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May. The tests will cover different aspects of literacy and numeracy.

It is essential that students arrive on time as the testing will take place in the morning. All students are encouraged to get plenty of rest, a good nights sleep and to eat a healthy breakfast each morning to assist with their concentration.

These tests provide important information to schools and help to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive an individualised report describing your child's achievements later on in the year.

### Annual School Report

Our 2014 Annual School Report will be on our website next week.

### Staff News

Mrs Brooke Walkaden has been working every Friday in the library during term one. She will be replacing Mrs Mastello throughout term two.

Welcome to Mr Jesse Manners from the Newcastle University, Ourimbah Campus. Mr Manners will be completing his internship with Mr Wilson and 5/6D. Welcome also to Mr Bradley O'Hara from the University of New England who is completing a practicum with Mrs Wakelin and 5/6W.

### Rumbalara Excursions

Yr 2 are going to Rumbalara this Friday and Yr 1 will be going next Friday. Please make sure you have sent in your permission notes, money and medical information forms two days prior to each event.

### Mother's Day Stall

The P&C are hosting a Mother's Day Stall next Wednesday, please see inside for further details. Until next time,  
Mrs Linda Trigg

## OURIMBAH PUBLIC SCHOOL VALUES

### RESPONSIBILITY

*Being accountable for your actions towards others, the wider community and the environment.*

- If you are asked to do something, do it without being silly
- Look after younger students and set a good example
- Own up to something you may have done
- Doing the right thing – putting rubbish in the bin
- Stop and think before you act
- Be responsible for your own behaviour
- Always look after your belongings
- Be honest – never take things that aren't yours
- Be a reliable Peer Support Leader
- Never let people down when they have chosen you to do a particular job
- Don't blame others for your own mistakes

### OPERATION ART

Congratulations to Teagan M 5/6D and Annabelle D 5/6E for their beautiful artworks which are being sent to Westmead Hospital for the Operation Art display. Well done!

Mrs Rogers



### WINTER UNIFORM

The weather at this time of year can be quite changeable so we allow a few weeks grace where both summer and winter uniform can be worn. **Full winter uniform will be enforced from Week 4** and there will be a reminder in the next newsletter.

### SRC FUNDRAISER TERM 1

A big thank you to all those who participated in the Cure for Brain Cancer Foundation Mufti Day held last term. The day raised \$958.95. Also big thanks to the community members, parents and staff who contributed to the fundraising event. Finally, thank you to the Student Representative Council members themselves

for all their organisation and effort in supporting a worthwhile charity.

Gary Edwards SRC Staff Leader

### **PEER SUPPORT**

The student leaders from Year 6 are all set to get going with this years Peer Support Program based on resilience and strategies to 'stamp out' bullying. All students from Kindergarten through to Year 5 will come together in groups to work with their Year 6 leaders. The first lesson will commence this week and continue throughout the term.

Year 6 teachers

### **SPORTS NEWS**

#### **SWIMMING REPORT**

Huge congratulations to all of our competition swimmers throughout the first term. We had 21 competitors representing our school at the Brisbane Water Carnival and another 14 selected to represent our Zone at the Sydney North Carnival. What a great achievement!

The following students have the honour of being named as our age champions for 2015:

JNR Boy	Murray H
JNR Girls	Suzanna M & Annalise B
11Yr Boy	Timothy J
11Yr Girl	Lucy J
SNR Boy	Aiden M
SNR Girl	Kate M

The overall house points for our 2015 School Carnival are as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Kangaroos 853
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Platypuses 806
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Emus 663
4 <sup>th</sup>	Koalas 647

Congratulations Kangaroos!  
Mr Wilson



### **BWPSSA RUGBY TRIALS**

Good luck to both Cody W and Keegan R who will be attending the BWPSSA rugby union trials in the coming weeks.

Give it your best boys.

### **OURIMBAH PRIMARY CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Cross Country Carnival before the holiday break. It was a great morning with many exciting and close finishes across the age divisions. It was especially good to see those less skilled in distance running still giving their best as they raced over the last 100 m in front of the spectators who were all there giving their support. A big thanks must also go to the many parents who were able to assist with course supervision and packing up at the conclusion of the last event. The top 6 runners in each age division will now go on to compete at the BWPSSA Carnival to be held later this term at Wyoming Primary School. A note will go home in the coming weeks with regard to the event. Training though will commence next week at recess time. Please bring a pair of joggers to change into for this and listen in for exact times at school assemblies.

In a tight finish to the point score trophy, Koala House were the 2015 Carnival Champions.

Gary Edwards Carnival Organiser

### **CLASSROOM AWARDS K-2**

**Week 2** – Cody W, Lani V KB, Alacia B, Xander D KS, Jayden C, Caelli T KT, Callum S, Reef C K/1M, Harper B, Hunter E 1A, Clay T, Bronson M 1P, Fletcher M, Chloe B 1/2MA, Dominic G, Julie L 2AKG, Heidi W, Daetin C 2F, Billy G, Lucinda M 2M, Dylan P, Ruby D CAPA

### **STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE**

The Stewart House donation drive is on again and donation envelopes are coming home this week. If you wish to donate to this wonderful cause, then please place a \$2.00 coin in the envelope and fill in your details and return to school by next Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May for your chance to win a family holiday valued at \$4000.

Stewart House is the NSW Public Education's Charity of Choice and your donations support the 1,800 children who attend Stewart House each year from public schools across NSW and the ACT.

### **NITBUSTERS DAY – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Our Nitbusters Day for Term 2 will be held on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> May. Students will have their hair checked for head lice and eggs and parents will be informed by mail if your child needs treatment at home.

We are once again calling on volunteers to help with this worthwhile program. If any parents are able to spare a few hours on Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> May from 9.00 am it would be very much appreciated. Morning tea will be supplied and what a great way for new parents to meet other members of our school community, whilst providing a great service for our students. Experience is not

necessary as our coordinators will teach you. We look forward to seeing some new faces, as well as our regular helpers. Please contact the office if you would like to help.

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

Our photos have arrived at school and will be handed out to all students this week.

We have also received copies of the **School Officials, House Captains and SRC photos**, as well as a **Year 6 group photo**; which are on display in the school foyer for viewing and ordering and are priced at **\$16.00** per photo. Discounts are available if purchasing more than one photo. Envelopes are available from the office and orders need to be placed by Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> May.

For all enquiries regarding photos, please phone the School Photographer on 02 9674 9834.

### BOOK CLUB

Issue 3 of Book Club is due back at school by next Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> May. If using the LOOP system to order and pay by credit card, please make sure you have placed your order prior to this date.



### BOOK CLUB – VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are looking for one or two new volunteers to help support the Scholastic Book Club Coordinator at our school. This voluntary position would require you to be available approximately 4 days per term on a Monday or a Friday. It would involve assisting the coordinator with placing online orders and then distributing the orders once they are delivered to school.

For more information, please see Darrelyn in the office.

### KINDERGARTEN 2016

Enrolment forms for children expected to start school in 2016 are being sent home this week via older siblings. Please complete and return the forms to the office as soon as possible with copies of relevant paperwork. If you are NOT sending your child to school in 2016, please return the form and advise the office staff.

Your child is eligible for Kindergarten 2016 if he or she turns 5 before 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2016 (ie. born between 1/8/10 and 31/7/11).

Please advise the office of your child's name and date of birth and we will send enrolment forms home if you do not receive them this week.

If you have any friends or neighbours who may have a child ready to start school next year, please let them know it is time to contact the school for information.

### 2015/16 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

#### AVAILABLE SOON

Once again we will be selling the Hunter/Central Coast Entertainment Books and Digital Memberships this year at a cost of \$60 per book. The book is full of fantastic offers. This is a fundraising activity and \$14 from each book/membership sold goes to the school. Please see the advertisement for more information on this great deal.

### P&C NEWS

#### OURIMBAH PS P&C TRIVIA NIGHT

SAVE THE DATE!!!

When: Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> May 2015.

Time: Starting at 6:30 pm.

Cost: Tables of 10 - \$100 or \$10 per person.

Put your thinking caps on for a theme for your table.

Please start gathering your team.

More details to come soon.

### MOTHER'S DAY 2015



#### DONATIONS NOT REQUIRED

Our Mother's Day stall will be held next Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May in the school hall.

This year we are **NOT** asking for donations as the P&C are trialling a different approach to Mother's Day. The P&C have sourced gifts for the students to purchase at the Mother's Day stall.

**Gifts will range in price from \$3 to \$10 each.**

Please send your child to school with money next Wednesday if you would like them to purchase a gift from the Mother's Day stall.

If you would like to help on stall day, please contact Angela Nagle on 0402 021159, as volunteers will be needed.

### UNIFORM SHOP

#### Operating Hours – Mondays & Thursdays

The opening hours for the uniform shop are as follows:

**Mondays 8.30 am - 9.30 am**

**Thursdays 2.30 pm - 3.00 pm**

Online ordering and eftpos are available in the Uniform Shop. Order forms are also available from the office with an option to make arrangements for collecting/paying at the canteen or from the uniform shop.

### **SCHOOL BANKING REWARDS NOW AVAILABLE! TERM 2**

The School banking program encourages good savings habits by rewarding students with awesome reward items. New rewards have just been released for Term 2 and are available while stocks last:

- ET DVD (term 1 reward still available while stocks last)
- Planet Handball (term 1 reward still available while stocks last)
- Invisible Ink Martian Pens – released term 2
- Intergalactic Rockets – released term 2



### **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 days park entry for up to two adults and two kids, plus AUD\$2000 spending money.

For more information, visit  
[commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

### **BLUE GUM CANTEEN NEWS**

#### **WELCOME BACK TO TERM 2**

This terms menu will be continuing on from the same as last term. If you would like a new copy, please send me an email to [ourimbahcanteen@gmail.com](mailto:ourimbahcanteen@gmail.com) and I will arrange for one to be sent home. Thank you to everyone for their support of our canteen.

Have you registered for Flexischools yet? Why not visit [Flexischools.com.au](http://Flexischools.com.au) and make your life a lot easier with online ordering for both the canteen and the uniform shop.

Our canteen supports 'Crunch n Sip'. On the menu there is an area that is set aside for crunchy fresh produce. Alternatively bring your own apple and have it

slinkied by us.

Our Facebook page has regular updates of things that are happening in our canteen. If you are a Facebook user why not search for us and be a part of our journey. Ourimbah P.S Canteen.

Did you know?

Our pasta is one of the most popular items on our menu. We have tomato based penne pasta and a cheese based macaroni. Do your children like pasta? As the weather gets cooler why not encourage your children to give it a try.

### **Upcoming events**

Red day recess - Week 5

Canteen network meeting - Week 7

Elise Blomfield

Canteen Supervisor

### **COMMUNITY NEWS & ADVERTISEMENTS**

#### **OURIMBAH REGION RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION INC**

We are a group of volunteer local residents who meet once a month to discuss various issues relating to the community and the Shire. Membership is open to all residents as well as each business, educational facility, social and service club at a small fee of \$1.00. Everyone is welcome to attend and all are given the opportunity to raise concerns or issues and make suggestions. Meetings are held at 7.30 pm on the first Wednesday of each month (excluding January) at Sohler Park Community Hall, Ken Cook Way, off Shirley Street, Ourimbah.

**Next meeting: 6th May**

**Guest Speaker - Ms Karen McNamara, Federal Member for Dobell.**

We look forward to seeing you there.

Enquiries: Di Willard 4362 9174 or 0408 414 552 or Jeff Jones 0439 437 767



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## Little Learners Literacy Club



**Term 2**

**Wyoming Schools as Community Centres (SaCC)**

**Wyoming Public School**

**Starts Fortnightly on Fridays 10.30 – 11.30 am**

Due to the success of our program, we now have 2 groups and run every fortnight!

Little Learners is a preschool literacy program for children 3-5 years.

We focus on phonemic awareness, sounds and story-telling. We will have play stations and fun activities for pre-schoolers to learn correct pencil technique, sounds before letters and comprehension through stories.

We will guide the children's learning opportunities through play based activities and skills to assist them to discover their potential and achieve pre school learning goals.

### Benefits:

Children benefit from sound activities as they:

- Help establish connections between different parts of the brain that develop memory and language.
- Improve concentration
- Improve confidence and self esteem
- Provide opportunities to develop social skills and make friends

**Free to attend. Registrations essential as spaces are limited.**

Email [philippa.skipper@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:philippa.skipper@det.nsw.edu.au) or

call Philippa on 0477 317862



Schools as Community Centres Woy Woy & Wyoming  
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# Ourimbah Public School

## Trivia Night 2015

*When: Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> May 2015*

*Where: Ourimbah School Hall*

*Time: 6.30 pm start*

*Cost: \$10- per head or \$100 per table (max 10 per table)*

*BYO food and drink for your table*

*Sorry, no kids allowed, this one's for the grown ups only.*

This major fundraising event is a great night of fun and laughs. So grab your friends and bring lots of \$1- coins for spot games throughout the night.

Tables are limited so BOOK NOW !

Don't have a full table, no problem come along and we will place you on a table so that you can meet new people and have a great night.

Choose your own theme for your table!! You could all come as Super Heroes or Hippies or whatever you decide.

To secure a table please contact Adrienne Collins on 0404 093 787, Lesley Marshall on 0422 222 364 or send an email to: [ourimbahpandc@gmail.com](mailto:ourimbahpandc@gmail.com) with "trivia night" as the message subject.

Payment for table bookings can be made by:

1. Direct deposit to Account Name: Ourimbah P & C, BSB: 032 669, Acc: 214 218  
Please include your full name. Whole tables only for this option.

OR

2. Cash at the school office. Please provide money in an envelope with contact details & table name. Whole tables and individuals that would like to be allocated to a table can use this option.

Your support can help make this event a huge success!

Thanking You  
Ourimbah Public School P&C