

Frank Partridge VC Public School

Educating your child for a bright future

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Newsletter Issue 6

Term 1 Week 7

11th March,

Welcome to Week 7 of Term 1. I hope everyone had a great weekend.

Thank you to the parents who came to our school last week for help with their child's issues last week. I said when I started that we will only be able to do the very best for your child if you are willing to let us know of things that are worrying them, no matter how small they may seem. We are currently working through a variety of safety, academic and confidence building issues. Helping these kids has only been made possible by parents and carers who are willing to help us out with information and support.

Nerida and Vanessa attended our AECG meeting at NHHS on Monday last week. As well as gaining lots of information, they have also started the ball rolling with our NAIDOC Day celebrations. We have a school coordinator, and we are in the process of planning for the day. Please keep your eye on our newsletter to find out how you can get involved.

Expression of interest in regards to high school for 2015 will be sent home this week. Please complete these at your convenience and return them to school as soon as possible.

This week our Stage 3 teachers and students will be involved in Peer Support Training. This initiative is a wonderful way for our student leaders to develop their skills in a relevant and real life environment. Once trained, our leaders will take a small group of students ranging in age from K-4 through a range of fun social activities that will help develop not only their leadership skills but the social skills of the younger students involved. To find out more, feel free to contact your child's teacher or myself. I am really looking forward to seeing just what our Stage 3 leaders are capable of this week.

The majority of our Personal Learning Plans for Indigenous students will be complete this week. Please feel free to make contact with your child's classroom teacher should you have any questions at all about these documents. Teachers will be in contact with parents and carers prior to the end of Term 1.

Have a great week.

Todd.

Diary

Thurs 13th March

Peer Support Training
Stage 3

Thurs 13th March

District
Soccer Trials

Wed 19th March

P&C AGM Meeting
4.30pm in Staffroom

Thurs 20th March

Rugby League Trials
In Bellingen

Tues 25th March

Pink Stumps Day

Wed 2nd April

Stage 3
Netball Gala Day
Coffs Harbour

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools

The University of New South Wales is offering children the opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). Tests include: Maths, English, Spelling, Writing, Science and Computer Skills. The exams all cost approximately \$8.00-\$10.00 each and are conducted at the school on specific dates. If you would like your child (Years 3-6) to participate in one or all of these external exams, please contact Mrs Bekis at the school for more information. All entries need to be finalised by 31st march.

6/5S Daruma Dolls

As part of their unit on Countries, 6/5S are in the process of making Daruma Dolls. The most common time to see a Daruma Doll is in late December. When they are sold, the dolls don't have eyes. That's because one eye is drawn in on New Year's Day when a wish is made. The other eye isn't drawn until the wish comes true.

Keep watching this space for the finished product!



Pink Stumps Day

Our school is one of thousands participating in Pink Stumps Day this year. Staff and children will dress in pink on Tuesday 25th March for a gold coin donation. All money raised will go to the McGrath Foundation. If you would like to make a donation please contact the school.

Gumbaynggirr Language

Each week, Aunty Virginia will be teaching K-6 Gumbaynggirr language. The first things students will be learning are greetings (hello and good-bye). They will then be learning a combination of words such as animals, action words, numbers, family members and body parts. The older students are learning conversations, i.e. Are you good? How are you? Each week we will be putting a new word in the newsletter. This week's word is 'guul' meaning 'school'.



Caught Being Good

Patrick Bagnall 4/3W - Sitting and eating, Izzabelle Salway 4/3W - Waiting in line, Charlotte Kearney 4/3 W - Helping @ My Library

Weekly Awards - SU2 - Tabitha O'Sullivan, Miss Baker-Will Urquhart, **KC**-Durell Cohen, Ellana Summers, **KD**-Amelia Jones, Ciara Carey, **2/1C**-Rhiannon White, Auston Babula, **2/1E**-Jai Winchester, Taj Judd, Nicholas Stone, **2/1H**-Braiden Jarrett, Bertahlee Greenup-Gray, **4/3F**-Dominic Hoffman, Shayla Colb, **4/3M**-Lewina Donovan, Alex Parker, **4/3W**-Holly Behan, Declan Rigby, **6/5L**-Ethan Ballangarry, Martina Wellington, **6/5M**-Storm Whalen, Travis Hayden, **6/5S**-Suzannah Greenup-Gray, Jade Crawley.

Class of the Week - 2/1C

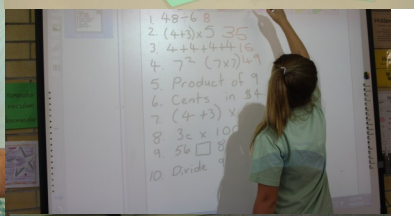
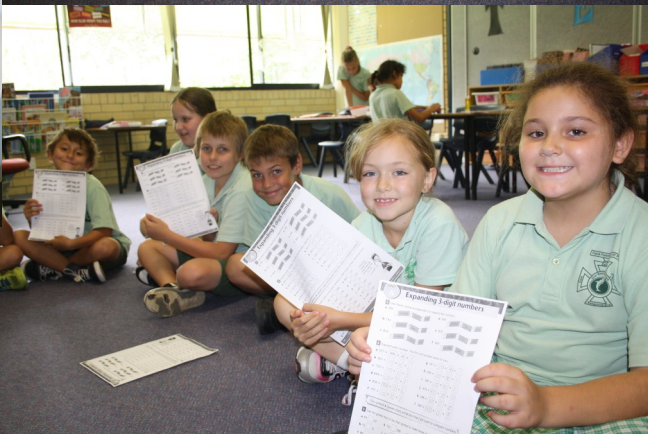
Congratulations

School Contribution Fees

School Contribution Fees are now due. The fees are \$10 per term or \$40 per student for the year.



Spotlight on..... Numeracy



COMMUNITY NEWS



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13yo children who are above
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the new year with your fam-
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NAMBUCCA VALLEY DISTRICT TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC.

C/O P.O. Box 257

MACKSVILLE 2447

*An invitation is extended to all ladies in the area who would like
to join us for a Social Tennis morning coupled with a delicious
morning tea.*

*If you have not played for a while or are new to the area it would
be great to see you come along and enjoy our hospitality and the
welcoming atmosphere at the Macksville Courts.*

Join us from 9am on Tuesday 25th March.

Enquiries can be made with Gayle 65687273

or just come along on the 25th.

*A reminder to all our current players - the winter comp for 2014
will not commence until after Easter on 29th April.*

CANTEEN MEAL OFFERS *Normal menu available every day*

Name: _____ Class: _____

WEDNESDAY 12TH MARCH

**BBQ CHICKEN WITH LETTUCE, ROAST PUMPKIN,
SUNDRIED TOMATO & FETA SALAD**

PRICE \$6.50

Name: _____ Class: _____

THURSDAY 13TH MARCH

**CHILLI CHICKEN BURGER WITH CHEESE, TOMATO, LETTUCE, MAYO &
SWEET CHILLI SAUCE**

PRICE \$4.00

Name: _____ Class: _____

FRIDAY 14TH MARCH

NACHOS

BEEF MINCE, KIDNEY BEANS, CORN CHIPS, CHEESE & LITE SOUR CREAM

PRICE \$5.50

Name: _____ Class: _____

MONDAY 10TH MARCH

**SAUSAGE ROLL + TOMATO OR BBQ SAUCE
+ NIPPY FLAVOURED MILK (CHOC/STRAWBERRY)**

PRICE \$4.50



NSW Early Days Autism Behaviour Workshops

9:30am – 2.30pm Wednesday 19th March

Nambucca Valley Early Intervention Service

Briner St, Macksville, NSW, 2447

Early Days Workshops are designed for parents and carers with
a child (aged 0-7 years) who has (or may have) an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).



Free Family Fun Days – Across the Mid North Coast

Promote your service to families by offering them a free activity at one
of our family fun days.

Tuncurry 14th April - John Wright Park

Taree 15th April - Fotheringham Park

Woolgoolga 16th April - Centennial Reserve

Nambucca 22nd April - Bellwood Park

Urunga 23rd April - Margo St Reserve

Kempsey 24th April - Riverside Park



BELLINGEN BULLDOGS/ NAMBUCCA VALLEY JUNIOR AFL

**Bellingen Bulldogs/Nambucca Valley AFL club are looking
for boys and girls aged 5-14 years to play AFL and NAB AFL
Auskick in 2014.**

**Registrations are being taken at training every Wednesday starting
on 12 March from 3.30pm at Bellingen Primary School or online.
Come along for some footy fun!**

Contact Adam 0417 423578 or Budge 0411 720593

