PRINCIPAL’S NEWS—Kirsty Squires

Harmony Day
Harmony Day is this Friday, 20\textsuperscript{th} March. Our Year 6 Leaders will be running activities in the afternoon session that encourage us to work together and to recognise the many other cultures that help make Australia the wonderful country it is.

Year 6
We are all looking forward to milkshake day tomorrow so don’t forget to pack $2 and a cup for your child to help Year 6 with their fundraising efforts.

Year 7 High School Application forms were sent out last week and need to be returned by this Friday, 20\textsuperscript{th} March.

Easter Egg Raffle
The P&C are running their annual Easter Egg raffle and are asking for donations of Easter related products to make up prizes for the raffle. If you have any donations they would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the school office.

Early Arrivals
At times students need to be dropped at school before supervision begins at 8:30am. We do ask however, that parents contact the school to make these arrangements. Students will need to be walked to the office so that supervision can be carried out by a teacher.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Kirsty Squires

Donations For Vanuatu
2GO radio station is collecting donations of items to help the people of Vanuatu following the devastating impact of Cyclone Pam. The school has a box in the office and if you would like to donate any of the following items we are sure they will be appreciated.

Items are;
- Batteries
- Torches
- Safety Gloves (to clean up)
- Baby Formula
- Baby Wipes
- Baby Bottles
- Clean Sheets
- Clean Towels
- Basic First Aid Items (band aids, antiseptic cream, bandages)
- Personal Hygiene Items (toothpaste/brush, sanitary pads, soap, hand sanitiser)

Items will be taken to 2GO on Friday morning.
We would like to thank Jodie Taylor for donating her time to deliver our donations to Gosford.

5/6K News

World's Greatest Shave
On Friday 13th March Belinda Katrakilis organised biscuit decorating for 5/6K to sell to raise money for the World’s Greatest Shave. Students all enjoyed getting creative, with
Kirra winning a prize for the most creative biscuit. Thank you Belinda for organising that morning, the students really enjoyed it. The school raised $158.70, through biscuit sales and donations.

Also on Friday afternoon, Peter, John and Mr Mitchell, all shaved their heads to help raise money for Peter’s fundraising efforts. Peter has raised $2500 for the Leukaemia Foundation. Well done, Peter.

Year 6 Gift
Although we would like to keep the nature of our gift to the school a secret for now, we are looking for any interested businesses that might be able to sponsor the gift. We would ideally need approx $1500-2000 in sponsorship from a max of 4 businesses. We would like to open this up to Somersby businesses before we look further afield. Your donation would get you nearly lifelong advertising. If you think you might be interested, please contact Mrs Knight.

Please come and support our Year 6 parents on Saturday at Masters, West Gosford, until approx 2pm. All money from this BBQ will be going to our gift to the school. It will be great to see you down there.

Debating
We still have 2 spots on available for the Debating Workshop on Weds 25th March. This is open to any Year 5 students who have previously expressed an interest in debating. To qualify you need to write me a persuasive text, stating why you would be an asset to the debating team. Remember, a persuasive text and a debate share very similar layouts, so I would like this to be your own work. I would love to get the final spots filled before Friday. These days are usually fantastic and the students really benefit from them.

Dance
A note will be sent home to all dancers next week asking your permission for them to be recorded for our audition video. Just to remind you that only the Central Coast Dance Festival Committee view this recording and it is returned to me at the end of the festival. All students will be required to return a note to be included in the recording. Not being recorded will not affect their chances of being in the show.

Office News
Our school has been lucky enough to win a free family pass to see Walking With The Dinosaurs after placing their ad in last week’s newsletter. It can only be redeemed at this Thursdays (19th) 7pm performance.

If you would like this free family pass could you please let us know ASAP via phone, email or a note with your child tomorrow (Wednesday) morning. The winner will be drawn at lunch time. Good luck.

School banking has been a huge success this term with K/1/2 having the most bankers most weeks. We thought it might be time to have a fun competition with our class bankers and we now have a Banker Of The Week trophy for which to compete. The class winners will be lucky enough to have this one-of-a-kind trophy in their classroom for their winning week. Come on 3/4 and 5/6, let’s see if you can take it from K/1/2.

Happy Banking.

P&C News
Easter Raffle
An Easter raffle will be drawn at the end of the term. If you would like to donate something for the prizes, you’ll find a donations basket in the school office. Raffle tickets will be sent home.

Election Day cake stall
Saturday, March 28
The children will bring boxes home in the next few days for the Election Day Cake Stall. If you’d like to bake something to be sold at the stall, please use these boxes and deliver your baked goodies to the school on Friday, March 27. Food laws require that a list of ingredients should be included. Extra boxes are available from the office. Volunteers will also be needed to staff the stall on the day. If you would like to donate an
hour or two of your time, please visit the school office and put your name on the schedule.

Canteen news
The position of canteen officer was not filled at the recent AGM. Under the guidance of 2014’s canteen officer Pia Cartwright, the canteen will operate until the end of Term 1. However, if we are unable to find someone to lead the canteen team, we won’t be able to run the canteen in the new term.
The canteen operates one day per week, and mentoring is available. If you would like to know more about what’s involved, please talk to Pia or Leanne Jones, or email somersbypandc@gmail.com.

Cookbook proposal
The P&C is considering publishing a community cookbook which would promote our area and also raise funds for a major project such as a multi-purpose sports court. This is an exciting proposal which will create a strong and positive community spirit, as well as provide a snapshot of the food and heritage of the Somersby district. Its production will also draw on a range of skills, so we’re looking for people who might be interested in helping out in everything from contributing and testing recipes to art direction and graphic design, or sales and marketing.
Watch for the survey which will be sent home separately, and let us know how you might be able to contribute.
If you would like more information, please call Jenny Tinworth on 0411 443 555 or email somersbypandc@gmail.com.

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TERM DATES
2015
Term 1
27 January - 2 April
Term 2
20 April - 26 June
Term 3
13 July - 18 September
Term 4
6 October - 18 December

Term 2 events

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FOR SALE:
FRESH EGGS
$3 per dozen.
See office.

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Year 6
Milkshake Day
Tomorrow
Wednesday March 18
At Lunchtime
$2 each
Chocolate
Strawberry
Caramel
Please bring your own reusable cup to help reduce waste.
No Glass or Ceramic Please

PBL Wall of Fame
Congratulations to last week’s Happy and Friendly Playground Award Winner
Week 8
Jake

Mufti Day
Last day of term
1, April 2nd.
Theme will be Hero’s and Princesses.
Come dressed as your favourite suer hero, fictional hero or someone who is a hero to you.
Please bring a gold coin donation for the Year 6 fundraising.

School Security Number
1300 880 021
OURIMBAH SURGERY IS OPEN TO NEW PATIENTS

Dr Heather Reid and Ourimbah Surgery would like to welcome Dr Mary Graham to our Practice!
We are now accepting bookings for new patients. 😊 We bulk bill all children 16 years and under.
For enquiries and appointments please call (02) 4362 3162.

Our friendly staff look forward to welcoming you and your families to our practice!

Student Banking
Class Winner
Week 8
K/1/2

Mountain District Football Club

WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING REGISTRATIONS IN ALL TEAMS BUT IN PARTICULAR WE NEED PLAYERS AGED 7, 10, 11 & 12

To register you can email Renee De Silva
registration@myfootballclub.com.au

Players aged 5-9. $125
Players aged 10-12. $145
Players aged 13-16. $160
Student 19 and above. $160
Seniors. $99

Family Discount
2 family members. $10 off
3 family members. $20 off
4 family members. $30 off

Bank Details
Mountain and District Football Club
BVB 082 564
ACC: 0095 $286
REF: Your Name

Any questions? Feel free to email our president, Rick Jack
richard.jack@bluepool.com

Happy Birthday!
Rachel

THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP

KIDS CAMPS

OCEAN & COASTAL CARE INITIATIVE

FREE Rock Pool Rambles!

Come and meet the residents of the rock pools with our expert leaders.

Dates for April 2015

Tuesday, 14th – Foresters Beach 9:30am
Wednesday, 15th – Norah Head 10:30am
Friday, 17th – TERRIGAL HAVEN 12 noon
Saturday, 18th – Toowoon Bay 12:50pm

Bookings essential
Ph: 0450 990 995

Meeting details will be given when booking. Shoes must be worn (no thongs). All children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Activity lasts about 2 hours.

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