Dear Parents,

Last week Year 3 and Year 5 completed their NAPLAN tests. The results don’t come out until the end of term 3 but please remember they are just a snap shot of your child’s learning and education is about offering them as many varied opportunities as we can. This was seen on Friday with the AFL gala day which Mr Clifford did a wonderful job of organising. It was fantastic to see students out there learning new skills and trying a sport some of them had never had the opportunity to try before. One Year 6 boy commented to Mr Clifford at bus lines that it was “…the best day ever.” We also appreciated Matt Crawley, a development officer with the AFL, helping with the coaching on the day and special thanks to Matt Headon, Sam Headon and Max Hoffman for umpiring.

We had health screening for K-2 last week and a number of students have received follow up letters. It is important to remember that children’s vision can change quickly and so it is worthwhile having it checked each year. The vision test is covered under Medicare and needing glasses can certainly have a significant effect on a child’s progress at school.

We are having a problem with overcrowding on bus 4. We are working with the bus company on this but please try to make sure that your child is catching the correct bus. Kinder and Year 1 were visited by Busways today and had a session on how to behave safely on and around buses. Parents need to reinforce this with their children and set a good example by being at the bus stop to meet the children and not calling them across the road. Bus travel is a privilege and unfortunately in the past two weeks some students have had letters home about unsafe behaviour. Students can have their bus travel revoked if their behaviour puts others’ safety at risk.

On Thursday the RMS will be installing flashing lights at the front of the school. We have waited a long time for this as we feel they are much needed. They should only take about 2 hours to install but it will involve some traffic disruptions during this time.

Tomorrow we have a performance “Yamba the Honey Ant”, in the hall for K-2 from 9.30. Parents are welcome to join us. This is a free performance. If you haven’t signed the media release form, it needs to be completed and sent in tomorrow morning.

CRANES are offering a course in “Understanding your Child’s Brain”. Details are further on in the newsletter. The course sounds very interesting and is always good to think about the different ways children’s brains work. Good luck to all of our students who are off to the Northern Rivers Cross Country this Friday at Corndale.

Enjoy your week

Debbie Woods
Relieving Principal

P&C NEWS

Our new school hats have been very popular. They’re available to purchase from the school office for a cost of $17.

We are always looking for volunteers for the canteen. This is a great way to help our school. If you are able to lend a hand please call into the canteen and see Julie.

DON’T FORGET TO LIKE US ON FACEBOOK TO KEEP UP WITH THE LATEST SCHOOL NEWS.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 20th - W. Burke
Thurs 21st - L. Mc Evoy
Friday 22nd - L. Redman
Mon 25th - Pat Craigie
Tues 26th - W. Burke

UPCOMING EVENTS

May

Wednesday 20th
Honey Eater Performance
9-11am (K-2)

Friday 22nd
NR Cross Country (Corndale P.S)

Monday 25th
Assembly
(item 1/2AG)

Wednesday 27th
NC Rugby Union Trials

Friday 29th
NR Touch Trials

WEDNESDAY

Soup Day

This Wednesday the canteen is selling PUMPKIN SOUP.

The cost is $5
(soup comes with a slice of bread).
SCHOOL BANKER’S

DON’T FORGET TO BRING YOUR BANK BOOKS ON WEDNESDAY. WE WILL RETURN THEM TO YOU ON THURSDAY.

Congratulatios to Tyeka and Carissa who were both selected in the North Coast Netball team. They will compete in the State competition at Tamworth later in the Term. Well done girls!
## CANBERRA EXCURSION PAYMENT INSTALMENT
22 - 27 NOVEMBER  
COST $515 PER STUDENT

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## CASCADE EXCURSION PAYMENT INSTALMENT
21 –23 OCTOBER  
COST $130 PER STUDENT

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## LAKE AINSWORTH EXCURSION PAYMENT INSTALMENT
19 - 23 OCTOBER  
COST $380 PER STUDENT

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## ONLINE PAYMENTS NOW AVAILABLE AT YAMBA PUBLIC SCHOOL
We have launched a new online payment portal linked to the school's website to make it easier for you to pay for school related expenses. This is a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

### What expenses can be paid online?
- Voluntary School Contributions
- Excursions
- Sport (excluding PSSA)
- Creative and Practical Arts
- Sales to Students

### How?
Log onto the school site at www.yamba-p.schools.nsw.edu.au. Click on “Make a Payment” and follow the prompts to make a payment via Visa or Mastercard.

## TOOLBOX
A Parenting Festival
Brochures are available from the school office.

## CVAS Open Day
Wednesday 20th May  
8am - 10am
Last Friday, children from years 4, 5 and 6 took part in an Aussie rules gala day. The aims of the day were to have fun playing in non-competitive games and improve their skills. As it was part of the stage 3 weekly sports program it was disappointing to see the number of students who obviously chose not to come to school and take part. Children and parents should value the importance of a healthy and active lifestyle.

For those who attended it was great to see the fun they had. It was great to see the sportsmanship they displayed and it was great to see how they all got in and had a go - improving their skills along the way! As one boy in year 6 said, “It was the BEST day!”

All students had coaching sessions with AFL development officer Matt Crawley and played 6 games.

Thanks to Matt for his coaching and for providing the treats handed out at the end of the day. A big thanks to our three umpires - what a great effort! Thanks also to Mr Menzies who had the fields looking like the MCC. Finally thanks to the year 4 children who filled in, at short notice on the day, filling gaps in teams created by stage 3 children not attending!

As the day was such a great success we hope to have a couple more this year in other sports. A squad of boys and girls was chosen on the day to go further by representing Yamba PS in State AFL competitions – Paul Kelly Cup & Tony Lockett Shield.

Fire and Rescue Open Day

Fire and Rescue NSW will be holding their open day on Saturday 30th May from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Yamba Fire Station, River Street, Yamba. There will be a free sausage sizzle, hose and branch demonstration and advice on fire safety. Come along and meet your local firefighters.
KV are Busy Blowing Bubbles while learning about the letter B.

Here are some more students who have completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Well Done!

Premier's Reading Challenge

FAMILY RELATIONSHIP SKILLS PROGRAM
Understanding Your Child’s Brain

Week One:
- Personality
- Social Development
- Motivation
- Memory
- Right Brain/Left Brain

Week Two:
- Behind the Behaviour
- Motivation
- Emotional Intelligence
- Tuning the Mind
- Raising the Mood
- Meditations

FREE COURSE for PARENTS
Date: 16th and 23rd of June (Tuesdays)
Venue: Treelands Community Centre, Yamba
Time: 6:30pm – 8:30pm
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