Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are already halfway through term 2. Congratulations to all the students who ran at the Northern Rivers Cross Country last Friday, especially those students who have made it through to the North Coast Cross Country which will be held on Friday 5th June at Kempsey. Today we have students at Rugby Union in Ballina with Mr Paul and on Friday a number of students will be going to try out for Northern Rivers Touch with Mr Clifford and Miss Kelly.

Mr White has formed a technology committee at our school to look at future directions in this area, and our school’s implementation of DEC policy in regards to the use of technology and social media. We have attached to this newsletter some advice for parents on cyber bullying, and Mrs Hogan has also found this site which is definitely worth looking at. www.truthlamp.com/parents-kik-messenger-danger-to-kids. Some of the main issues with KIK are the fact that you can’t block a stranger from contacting a child and it is full of adult content, which is why it is rated 17+. Please be mindful of what your child is doing on the internet and consider limiting the amount of time they spend on social media.

We would like to welcome our new Aboriginal Education Officer, Hughie Stanley who will be with us for the rest of the year. We know everyone will make him feel welcome. Uniforms will be out of action for a little while, following the fire in Maclean at Sea Eagle Fashion. Our thoughts go to Tina, who in conjunction with the uniform committee has done a wonderful job with the new uniform. We will let you know when they are up and running again.

Enjoy your week
Debbie Woods
Relieving Principal

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"Technology is just a tool. In terms of getting kids to work together and motivate them, the teacher is the most important.”
Bill Gates

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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 KEEP UP WITH THE LASTEST SCHOOL NEWS.

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CAFFEINE ROSTER

Wed 27th - J. Eimer
Thurs 28th - Jennie
Friday 29th - M. Phelps
June
Mon 1st - Phillipa
Tues 2nd - M. Ridgway

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UPCOMING EVENTS

May

Wednesday 27th
NC Rugby Union Trials

Friday 29th
NR Touch Trials

June

Friday 5th
NC Cross Country

Monday 8th
Public Holiday

Tuesday 9th
P&C Meeting 6pm
SCHOOL BANKER’S

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

MINECRAFTEDU

AFTER SCHOOL MINECRAFT GROUP

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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.

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**Free Art Workshop Out of the Box**

**at the Yamba Skate Park**

Saturday 30th May 2 - 4pm
for 7 - 18 year olds.

Working with artist Pamela Denise and emboss a great wave design onto an A4 aluminium sheet.
NSW Aussie Rules
Tyler Essex has just come back from the state carnival in AFL. His team (North Coast) had several wins and played very well against strong opposition. They defeated South Coast 20 -18, Western 85 – 0, Sydney East 18 – 7 and were narrowly defeated by Riverina the eventual 2nd place team 26 – 19. Overall, they finished a very creditable 7th.

North Coast Netball
Last week, great performances from Tyeka Ferguson-O’Shea and Carissa Miltiadou saw the girls selected in the North Coast Netball team. They will travel to Tamworth later this year to take part in the state carnival. We wish the girls all the best.

NSW Basketball
Nic Bowen has recently returned from Wollongong where he took part in the state carnival in basketball. Nic’s North Coast team narrowly defeated Western 38 – 37 in a very tight game as well as Riverina in the playoffs 32 -29 to finish 11th. Nic said he had a great game and that the opposition often were very tall!

Northern Rivers Cross Country
On Friday children travelled to Corndale near Lismore to take part in the Northern Rivers Cross Country. Children were met with a challenging course, especially the 11 & 12 years events, who had to run up and down a hill and approximately 75 competitors in each event. The day started great with Sasha Currie winning the first event and Harley Walters finishing 3rd in the next. Other great results continued throughout the day – Tyeka Ferguson-O’Shea 4th, Carissa Miltiadou 5th, Ben Morris 5th, Gus Gilbert 7th and Jay Adams 2nd. Well done to all the runners on the day and best of luck to those runners now travelling to Kempsey in a few weeks to take part in the North Coast Carnival.

This Week in Sport!
It’s beginning to get very busy!
Tuesday – Rugby Union Carnival
Wednesday – NR selection trials Rugby Union Lismore
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.

Our first after school MINECRAFT session was a big hit with the students. If your child is interested in participating please contact Rob Becker at Yamcom.
Email rob@yamcom.com.au

Are you looking to choose a High School for your child?

**Cvas**
Open Day - Saturday, September 12th - 8am -10am
Wednesday, October 14th - 8am - 10am
Orientation Day (students only) - Wednesday, November 18th - 9am-3pm
Information Evening (parents & students) - Wednesday, 18th from 4pm (sausage sizzle), 5pm (tour)

**Pacific Valley**
Orientation Day - Thursday, June 4th - 9am - 3pm
Thursday, September 3rd, -9am - 3pm
Thursday, November 19th - 9am - 3pm

**McAuley Catholic College**
Orientation Day - Tuesday, June 2nd
Tuesday, November 10th
Information Evening (parents & students)
Tuesday, November 10th from 6.30pm

McAuley packages are available to collect from YPS office.
BCU WINTER HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP 2015

The 2015 Maclean BCU Holiday Sports Camp is on this June/July. This years new activity will be Metafit classes with Vanessa from Yamba 24/7; they are super cool & a great new fun way to improve your fitness; there will be a free class for parents on Tuesday morning as well, so just let us know on the return form. Loads of fun activities & prizes to be won: including a brand new tennis racquet & great awards from our new sponsor partner BCU (Banana Coast Credit Union). Full canteen facilities available including hot chips, scallops, toasted sandwiches, drinks & slushies of course & more. As well as the famous sausage sizzle on the Wednesday.

In case of inclement weather, Maclean Indoor Sports Centre will be used.

When: Mon 29th, Tues 30th June & Wed 1st July
Where: LCTA Tennis Courts Cnr Union & McLachlan Sts Maclean
Time: 9:30am-1:30 pm
Cost: $100 (Day rate $40)

Organised pick-up from 8:30am @ Iluka School & Drop Off @ 2.15pm. Bus Cost $5/Day. Numbers Limited on Bus.
Any further inquiries please phone Alan on 041601677

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WINTER HOLIDAY CAMP 2015 RETURN SLIP

Please circle one of the following categories: Ages from 4 yrs & up.

- K – Grade 2
- 2. Grade 3 - 5
- 3. Grade 6 - 8

Photographs: YES or NO  Free Metafit Class [Parents] YES or NO

Complete and return permission slip with payment by Friday 27th June

Name: __________________________ DOB: __________________________
Email: __________________________
Mob: __________________________

All cheques and monies payable to Alan Jurd Coaching.
Bank details: NAB Bsb: 084730 A/C 834891700  Po Box 270 Yamba NSW 2464
Email form back to alan.jurd@bigpond.com / mb: 0416016775
Online Bullying
Information for parents and carers

What is online bullying?
Online bullying includes all communication that seeks to threaten, humiliate, intimidate, control or put other people down.

Online bullying is an intentional, repeated behaviour by an individual or group to cause distress using technology.

As with other forms of bullying, there is an imbalance of power between parties in online bullying. There is also intent to harm or upset by spreading rumours, or by making threats or derogatory remarks.

Online bullying differs from other forms of bullying.
- It is more likely to occur outside school.
- Material can be shared within a very short timeframe and long after the initial incident.
- It can occur "24/7" at day or night.
- It is more difficult to defend yourself or escape.

What does online bullying look like?
Online bullying behaviour may include the following.
- Abusive texts messages and emails.
- Posting hurtful or threatening material on social media websites (such as Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and Snap Chat; or via online gaming servers such as Minecraft, X-Box Live and Playstation Network).
- Imitating or excluding others online.
- Inappropriate image tagging.

Did you know? ...
Young people are less likely to tell an adult about online bullying if they think that, as a result, their access to technology will be limited.

Online activity is important for young people and forms part of their social identity.

What can I do if my child is bullied online?
- Talk openly with your child about online bullying. Work out strategies they can use if they come across online bullying, or are bullied online.
- Remind your child not to retaliate.
- Teach your child how to block an online bully. This process varies from site to site.
- Get your child to change their privacy settings.
- Keep an accurate record of any incidences of online bullying.
- Contact the service provider.
- If it is serious and a potential criminal offence, consider contacting the police.

How do I know if my child is being bullied online?
It is important to look for behaviour that is out of character for your child. This may include:
- unexpected changes in friendship groups
- lonely or depressed behaviour
- changes in personality
- refuses to talk about what is wrong
- changes in sleep patterns
- frequent tears or anger
- reduced school work
- avoiding school or extra-curricular activities
- a decline in health.
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Wednesday 3pm–5pm