Dear Parents

As this week is book week, our quote focuses on reading. I think all children love Dr Seuss and the use of rhyme is an excellent way to capture students. We are often asked by parents how they can help their child at school and one of the main ways is to read to them. By doing this you are opening up a whole new world and even in this age of technology, reading and viewing are vital skills for each child. So if you haven't read with your child recently, this week would be a great time to get back into the habit.

Don't forget, our Book Week dress up day is on Wednesday. The theme for this year is “Books Light up Your World”, and this year celebrates 70 years of Book Week. One of our focuses from the school plan is on developing our students writing skills. The program we are using to drive this is “Seven Steps to Writing Success”. Many classes have developed their sizzling starts and after reading some of them, I am being to think I should get the students to write the newsletter as the quality of their writing is amazing.

You will see some information attached to this newsletter about the “Chrome Class,” Maclean High is going to run for Year 7 students in 2016. This is an innovative program, run by dedicated teachers and if you have a child entering Year 7 next year, I would encourage you to look at this class and determine if your child is a candidate.

We are revising the school rules with the students and last week we looked at polite language and encouraged students to say positive things to each other. We are sure you will support us in this. Our rule for this week is about keeping the school clean and one way you can assist us with this one is by reducing the amount of packaged foods in lunch boxes and considering reusable containers in place of ziplock bags.

On Friday we have our walk to celebrate the anniversary of our school opening on the present site. Our committee of Mrs Eke, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Newberry and Mrs Gould have been working very hard on this event and we hope lots of parents will join us and walk with the students. There are still some tea towels and bags available from the front office if you missed out on ordering one.

Enjoy your week
Debbie Woods
Relieving Principal

P&C NEWS

Our Fathers Day Stall will be held next Thursday 3rd September. Gifts are available for sale at $5. Students will have the opportunity to purchase a gift and if we have surplus gifts they may purchase another.

We are looking for 4L ice cream containers with lids for our school fete. If you have any could you please send them into the school office. It would be greatly appreciated.

The excitement is starting to build as our school fete is not far away now. We have over 50 raffle prizes with our major prize being a fantastic stay at the Blue Dolphin for 2 adults and 2 children. This is a fantastic prize!

Raffle tickets will be going home this week to sell and more tickets are available at the front office if needed.

If you, or someone you know would like to donate a prize for our raffle please contact me on:-
0401182287
Lou Johnson
President

UPCOMING EVENTS

August

Wednesday 26th
Book Character Dress Up Day
(Theme—Books Light Up Our World)
Thursday 27
Bike Bus
Friday 28th
School Walk (25 year celebration)

September

Thursday 3rd
Father’s Day Stall
Buddy visit to Wily Wagtails 11.30-12.30
Thursday 10th
Buddy visit to Community Preschool 11.30-12.30
Friday 11th
School Fete

CANTEEN SPECIAL

Mini Sweet Chilli Wrap $4
(Sweet chilli tender with lettuce and mayo on a mini wrap)
Available for a limited time only!

CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 26th- J. Eimer
Thurs 27th - HELP NEEDED
Friday 28th - M. Phelps
Mon 31st - P. Craigie
Tues 1st - HELP NEEDED

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**Kids Club**

Every Wednesday in Term Time
Where: Yamba Presbyterian Church, S Freeman St.
Time: 3pm - 5pm (Meet leaders and walk from Primary School)
What is there: Games. Afternoon Tea, singing activities, craft, Bible talks and more. Grab your friends and come along.
Contact Adrian Armstrong 0498079776

**Opening Hours**

Wednesday 3.15 - 5.30pm
Thursday 3.30 - 6.00pm
Friday 3.30 - 5.00pm

2a/4 Mooli Place YAMBA
Ph: 0401 182 287
Email: thedancingtutu@outlook.com

**Keep the Date!!!!**

Year 6 Farewell

Our farewell will be held at the Yamba Golf Club on Thursday, 10th December.

**Casino Night Cocktail Party**

Fundraiser for Junior Sailing Club

Saturday 5th September @ 7.30pm
@ The Block Bar/Cafe

$35 pp includes cocktail food, and initial casino chips

Purchase tickets from The Block 0266463997

Roulette Tables, Black Jack, heaps of fun!!

**Kids’ Fishing Workshop**

Kids 5-14yrs old are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructions are experienced instructors and staff from Industry & Investment NSW.
The day runs from 9am - 1pm, and includes fishing techniques, hooking the catch, and handling safety.

**Booking are Essential**

LIMIT: 50 per day, 10 participants.

LOCATION: Faulks Reserve, Riverside Dr, West Ballina
DATE: 29th of September 2015
BOOKING CLOSE: 22nd of September 2015
CONTACT: Milton Duwenhoger-Lange
0488 274 876 (please leave a detailed message)
milton.duwenhoger@dpi.nsw.gov.au

**MinecraftEDU**

After School Minecraft Group

Students will discover areas themed to ancient civilisations, gain quests, meet famous historical characters, and collaborate to build themed projects.

Students earn experience points, gain levels, find secret areas, collect items, and gain coins as they keep quests and read about history.

$5 per session. All funds go to P&C.

Every Wednesday Afternoon
3pm - 4.30pm
Email: rob@yamcom.com.au
to book, places are limited.
PLEASE SEND IN WITH YOUR CHILD THEIR OWN SPOONS AND FORKS AS THE CANTEEN CAN NO LONGER PROVIDE THIS CUTLERY FOR HOME FOOD.
### 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.

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**Check the school Facebook page if the weather is doubtful.**

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**WESTPAC HELICOPTER FUNDRAISER AT YPS**

Yamba Public School fundraised $294 towards the Westpac Helicopter Service. Well done students!
Yamba Public School will be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the opening of the new school on Friday 28th August, 2015. The school was officially opened in April 1991 but the school commenced its first teaching day on the 28th August 1990.

On that day 25 years ago, the students, staff and parents walked from the old school (on the Yamba Bowling Club site) to our new site on Angourie Road. It was a memorable day with so much to celebrate and look forward to in the new surrounds.

To commemorate the occasion we would like to invite past students, teachers and parents to re-enact the walk, along with the present school population.

The program will be as follows:

9.30: Assemble in the undercover area.
9.35: Welcome to Country, Smoking Ceremony.
9.45: Commence the walk along the footpath, over the back bridge and along Coldstream footpath, past the skate park and down to the intersection of Coldstream Street and Yamba Street. Turn left and proceed along the Yamba Street footpath to the round-about into Wooli Street, walk along Wooli Street footpath to the Angourie turn off. Walk along the footpath to school.
10.45: Gather in the undercover area for speeches, tree planting and the cutting of a commemorative cake.
11.05: Recess (special guests and staff to the library for morning tea).

Your presence will be warmly appreciated by the school.

The walk will follow the town footpath and not the road.

Yamba Public School 25th Anniversary Committee.
Contact: Jill Newberry, Barb Roberts, Sue Gould and Lynne Eke
BCU SPRING HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP 2015

The 2015 Spring BCU Holiday Sports Camp is on this September. Loads of fun activities & prizes to be won: including a brand new tennis racquet & bank accounts from our 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. Tennis "Zumba" returns with Ms Sahnti & the tennis dance competition. Also the big indoor soccer match will be on this camp as well.

When: Mon 21st, Tues 22nd & Wed 23rd Sept.

Where: LCTA Tennis Courts Cnr Union & McLachlan Sts Maclean

Time: 9:30am-1:30 pm

Cost: $100 (Day rate $40) BUS PICK UP AVAILABLE FROM ILUKA SCHOOL @ 8.30AM DAILY. COST $5/DAY. ANY QUERIES PH ALAN 0416016775

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

K – Grade 2  2. Grade 3 - 5  3. Grade 6 & UP

Photographs YES or NO

Complete and return permission slip with payment by Friday 18th Sept

Name: ___________________________ DOB: _________________________

Email: ___________________________________________________________

Mob: ___________________________

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Bank details: NAB Bsb: 084730  A/C 834891700  Po Box 270 Yamba NSW 2464

Email form back to alan.jurd@bigpond.com

Earlier this term I was excited to find out I had been accepted into the NSW Arts Unit Dance Program for 2015. This meant that I would get to attend the Sydney Dance Company and study different dance styles and how best to perform them at a high level.

When it was finally time to go last week I was so excited. There were about 60 students accepted into the program and we were split into two classes of 30. Every day I went to the studio from 8:45am - 3:00pm. The Sydney Dance Company is where the ABC TV Show "Dance Academy" is filmed right on docks of Sydney Harbour.

While I was in the studio I studied musical theatre, jazz, Broadway jazz, hip hop and expressive composition. The teachers I had were all very successful and famous in the dance industry and have worked both in Australia and overseas on big productions. For every class throughout the day I had a different teacher. Overall I had 4 male teachers and 6 female teachers. In each class we would learn about correct dance technique, how to perform well and we would be taught some new choreography we had to learn, perfect overnight and then come back and perform the next day. It was a lot to remember and I loved every minute. Before I went to Sydney I didn't have a lot of experience in hip hop or musical theatre and when I was there I found out that I really enjoyed learning both of these styles of dance.

Each day we only had a 15-minute break for recess and a 30-minute break for lunch. This meant we were dancing over 6 hours a day. I was surprised that I didn't notice my muscles getting tired at all but I think this was because I was having so much fun. The whole experience was awesome and I had great fun and it confirmed to me that I would like to keep studying all the different styles of dance. I was lucky enough to perform well while I was in Sydney and have been invited to attend the dance program again next year. I am really hoping to be able to go as I made some great friends while I was there and would love to catch up with them all again.

Sophie 6H
Paul Kelly Cup AFL State Finals

What An Achievement - Equal 3rd In The State!!!

Last Sunday, the girls AFL side travelled to Sydney to take part in the State Finals of the Paul Kelly Cup. This is an AFL competition for primary boys and girls with hundreds of teams playing across NSW and the ACT. The final was held at the Sydney Cricket Ground. Imagine the girls’ excitement when they walked on the ground and saw their pictures on the HUGE scoreboard.

The girls had won their way through, after travelling to Coffs Harbour to play in the North Coast finals. There the side dominated winning all games with only a couple of points scored against them. The competition in Sydney would prove to be a lot tougher and it certainly live up to it. In the first game, Yamba were quick to race to a lead and maintained their advantage to run out winners against Flinders PS.

Yamba’s next game was against a side from Kanwal PS. It was an exciting game and the great defensive effort from Yamba saw us run out winners 11-4. The whole team showed a marked improvement in this game and endurance as this was their second game in a row and the opposition were getting bigger and stronger.

After a break, we played our final game against Clemton PS. The game was nail biting with both sides leading throughout the game and most of the time only a single point was separating each team. But even though the other side was bigger our tacklers didn’t stop and we ran out narrow winners to be the FIRST Yamba side to ever make it to a state semi-final in AFL.

The semi-final was against Holy Family Kelso and was immediately after the last pool game. Our opposition were huge and could kick and catch to boot. Tackles were ferocious with neither side giving an inch. By half time we had missed a few chances and were down in the score but not our spirits. The girls continued to make the opposition work for their goals but they were just too good on the day. Overall, I’d have to say the girls did us proud. They showed commitment, courage and determination.

They exhibited great teamwork and sportsmanship and throughout the competition improved their skills while above all having fun. I especially wanted to thank the girls who were subbed on and off during the Sydney finals. You were SUPER subs and REAL team players.

Finally, on behalf of the girls I would like to thank everyone who assisted us on this venture. Thanks to the children who supported us in our fundraising efforts such as the sausage sizzle, cake stall and lucky dip, the school and P & C for their donations and the mums & dads who assisted along the way. Thanks to Tracey McGill who provided extra training for the girls and helped out with the organisation. Also thanks to the businesses who donated either goods or services, especially Clarence Valley Community Transport who provided the transport.
Girls Touch and Netball State Carnivals

This week Tyeka Ferguson O’Shea returned from Parramatta after taking part in the girls State Touch Football Carnival. North Coast, although not winners, played well and Tyeka said she learnt a lot from the experience.

Tyeka must be feeling a little tired after she recently travelled to Tamworth to take part in the State Netball Carnival along with Carissa Miltiadou and also was a member of the girls AFL that played in Sydney.

Northern Rivers Athletics Carnival

Recently, Yamba students travelled to Lismore to take part in the NR Athletics carnival. Miss O’Shea said the children were well behaved throughout the busy day and put in some great performances both in the field and on the track.

On the track 3 of our 4 relay teams qualified and they certainly must thank Mrs Hoffman for her coaching.

Other track qualifiers were; Sasha Currie, Maya Sutherland, Zeah Fox, Grace McGill, Carissa Miltiadou, Grant Brown, Connor Bridges & Jay Adams. Field event qualifiers were; Tyler Ikin (high jump), Joshua Hippi (discus) & Zeah Fox (high jump).

Congratulations to all the students who qualified for the NC carnival. Make sure your notes and signed at school by either Mrs Woods or Mr Clifford ASAP and are taken on the day to be handed to the NR convenors.

Aboriginal Dance Workshop at Grafton Public School

Yesterday students from Yamba Public School travelled to Grafton to participate with other Northern New South Wales Students in a dance workshop. The programme is aimed at developing both teacher and students skills in Contemporary Aboriginal Dance. The workshop is hosted by the Department of Education—Arts Unit.
BOOK FAIR & CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY

What an excellent week it was!! The Book Fair was visited by many students, friends, parents, grandparents and teachers and as a result over $3,600 was taken in sales which results in the school library acquiring over $1000 worth of new books.

Many thanks to all those adults and children who bought something to help make this happen.

Very special thanks to:
Mrs Roberts
The Healey Family
The Ackerman Family
The Jeffrey Family and Tiffany Brien for their kind donations of books to our library.

We are now all looking forward to Book "Character Dress Up Day" on Wednesday 26th August.

SCHOOL CENTENNARY TEA TOWELL & BAGS

We are still taking orders for tea towels and bags at the front office. The tea towel costs $7 and features a self portrait of each child at Yamba Public School. Also available is a bag for $10 featuring students’ self portraits. These are fantastic gift ideas and keepsakes.

Science Production Unit with 4W

Year 4W are studying a unit on Production and have designed and produced their own t-shirt prints with the help of Mr. White. They have done a fabulous job and will be selling their designs at the upcoming school fete. Watch out Mr. Billabong!!
K/1G had the opportunity last Friday to experience a High Tea as part of our studies on England. The students etiquette skills were of high quality with pinky fingers on show.

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**High Tea**  
_**Writing by K/1G**_

When I got to school I could not believe my eyes! I ran into class and looked at the table. I was excited and the bell rang. We went into class and it was time to have High Tea. I got a pink cup and Mrs Woods poured my tea. We ate scones and pikelets. We had fun. Mrs Gould is the best teacher.

_By Star White ~ Year 1_

I couldn’t believe my eyes! I haven’t seen something so beautiful! Our class was having High Tea and I loved tea. We had pikelets with honey. The cups were fantastic. I had a good time and I’m sure everyone did too.

_By Sasha Berry ~ Year 1_

O.M.G.!! I could not believe my eyes! There was a table that was amazing with cups and plates. There were scones and pikelets and there was yummy jam as well. We had good manners. We shared the milk and the sugar and the cream.

I loved the tea the most because it was yummy, but it was hot.

_By Larissa Randall ~ Year 1_

Yay!!! Now I get to drink tea. I tasted it and I said “This is yum”. When I tasted it I wanted to stay all day, even until school was over, even for a sleep-over. I loved it. I liked it with milk and sugar. I love Mrs Gould. She is the best at cooking. She is my favourite teacher ever.

_By Mila Henwood ~ Year 1_

On Friday we had High Tea in our class. My favourite part was the scones because they were yummy.

_By Addison Roberts ~ Kinder_
What is Chrome Class?
Chrome classes are for students who have a passion for learning and an aptitude for using technology. The pace and methods of teaching in these classes expose students to a broader educational experience where they are challenged to meet and maintain above average expectations. As a member of a Chrome Class a student will be surrounded by other students who share the same educational priorities and values, further strengthening the Chrome Class experience.

Why consider Chrome Class:
- They are an innovative concept.
- Support excellence and innovation through quality teaching.
- Engage committed, enthusiastic and independent learners.
- Encourage working alongside like-minded peers.
- Support excellence and innovation through expectation and achievement.
- Promote self-regulation through commitment and partnership with teachers.
- Inspire students to use higher order thinking skills to achieve their personal best.
- Can be subject specific.
- May involve students who stay together for all subjects.

How does my child apply for the Chrome Class?
There will be an online expression of interest and digital task to be completed Weeks 2 and 3, Term 4. This is available on our school’s website.

Expectations:
Parents:
- Purchase a chrome book for their student.
Students:
- Ensure it is charged each day.
- Ensure that you are self-motivated and enthusiastic.
- Ensure that you have a passion for learning.
- Ensure that you exhibit positive behaviour at all times.

Lower Clarence Little Athletics
Come and give Little Athletics a go!
When: Monday 14th September
Time: 3:45pm – 5:00pm
Where: Maclean High School (park in TAFE carpark)

For more information please call / email or facebook:
Email: lowerclarencelittleathletics@gmail.com
FB: Lower Clarence Little Athletics
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