DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 14th August  - Careers Day
Friday 15th August   - FNC Athletics – Byron Bay – Reps Only
Thursday 21st August - Pie Drive Order Forms Due (to office)
Friday 22nd August   - Multicultural Day (Dungay Primary School)
Thursday 28th August - Kids in the Kitchen (K/1 and 1/2/3)
Thursday 28th August - CampOut with Kids (4pm to 10am Friday 29th August)
Friday 29th August   - Pie Drive Orders (to be picked up from school)
Friday 29th August   - Pizza and PJ Day (Gold Coin Donation)
Monday 1st September - P&C Meeting (3pm Library)
Thursday 4th September - Kids in the Kitchen (4/5/6)
Tuesday 9th September - School Photos
Thursday 11th September - FNC Public Speaking
Friday 12th September - Ball Games (Bruce Bartrim Oval – 9.30am Start

"If we could look into each other's hearts and understand the unique challenges each of us faces I think we would treat each other much more gently with more love patience tolerance and care." ~ Marvin J. Ashton

STAR OF THE WEEK

CONGRATULATIONS TO JOSEPH YEAR 5

Joseph is always kind and courteous to teachers and students alike and he always does his best work in class. Joseph is a very deserving recipient of our “Star of the Week” Award.

UNIFORM COMPETITION WINNER

Violet in Kindergarten received a voucher to use at the canteen.
A huge thank you to the School Canteen for sponsoring this competition.
SOCIAL MEDIA – AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE

A couple of weeks ago our teachers attended the “Mental Health and Wellbeing of Young People” Conference at Bond University. One of the sessions was about the dangers for children using social media. The main message was that all children need to be supervised when using these sites. There are many serious risks that parents may be unaware of. Below is a brief summary of some of the apps and things we need to consider:

- **Ask.fm (13+)** – Anonymous sharing information. Extremely nasty. Extensively used for cyber bullying and has been linked to several teen suicides overseas. Based in Latvia.
- **Instagram (13+)** – Photos do not actually disappear, they become the legal property of Instagram. Popular with predators.
- **KIK (17+)** – Popular with young kids because it is free. The most popular app for sex predators worldwide! Very dangerous!!
- **Snapchat (13+)** – Dangerous for kids with existing mental health issues as they can easily connect with other like-minded kids or predators and have their unhealthy habits or thoughts reinforced.
- **Popcorn Chat (13+)** – Has geo-location technology to track users. Popular with predators.
- **Secret (13+)** – Allows kids to anonymously post anything. Easy to be nasty without fear of getting caught. Cyberbullying.
- **Telegram (13+)** – Text dissolves like snapchat. Encourages insensitivity and hard to get evidence. Cyberbullying.
- **Whisper (13+)** – Anonymous chat that encourages users to share secrets. Geo-location technology. Very dangerous!
- **WUT (13+)** – Anonymous messages. Linked to Facebook. Easily abused and used for cyber bullying.
- **Yik Yak (17+)** – Has geo-location technology and has already appeared in the news with links to cyberbullying.
- **Omegle (17+)** – Online chat for talking to strangers without registering. Extensively used by predators for ‘sex-chat’ etc. Very dangerous!!
- **Spring (13+)** – Similar to Ask.fm. Very problematic and lots of links to suicide.

When your child asks if they can use a social media site or app they will probably say something like:

“Can I please download Kik? It’s free and just for chatting with my friends. Everyone else has it, even Charlie. It’s totally safe.”

What they should be saying is:

“Can I please download Kik? It is recognized as the most prolific app used by child sex predators worldwide. Police strongly urge children to avoid this app. Its age restriction is 17+ because it is so dangerous.”

There are many other apps available and more and more appearing all the time. They are not designed to keep children safe, that is your job as parents. These social media sites are often heavily abused by bullies, sex predators and can be linked to serious child mental health issues including suicide, eating disorders and self-harm. Make sure that if your child ever uses a social media site that they are in full view and that you are able to look over their shoulder at any time. They are after all children, and may not always consider the best ways to keep themselves safe. That is still our job.

For more information go to cybersafetysolutions.com
OUR GARDEN

Fresh produce is now available to purchase from our garden. Come in and freshly pick your own chosen vegetables.

Lettuce $2.50  Bok Choy $3.00  Bell Peppers 5 for $2.00  Yellow Cauliflower $3.00

FRESH EGGS

Come and purchase our fresh eggs only $4.00 a dozen
Egg cartons are still required if you have any laying around.

REMINDER P&C PIE DRIVE

Don’t forget to hand your Pie Drive orders in one more week to go!

All orders have to be returned to the school office by Thursday 21st August and will be available for collection from school on Friday 29th August.

Support our school and buy up big, don’t forget to ask your family, friends and neighbours.

Kind regards, P&C Committee

FATHERS DAY

Once again our P&C will be holding a Father’s Day Rocky Road making day.

This fun and delicious fundraiser is a great way for the students to make something to show dad (or other carer) how much they love them.

Permission Notes and money are due in by 27th August, to allow time for purchasing of ingredients.

Cost will be $4.50 and the students will be making their gift on Thursday 4th September. Rocky Road will come home on Friday 5th September.

Please return this permission note by Wednesday 27th August with money!

FATHERS DAY ROCKY ROAD MAKING DAY - 4th SEPTEMBER

My child…………………………………………………………………………………………………… Class ............... would like to participate in the Rocky Road making day.

……………….. (Number) of Rocky Roads to make at $4.50 each = $………………… enclosed.

Signed: …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………… Dated: ………………………………

(Parent / Guardian)
FLU SEASON IS HERE!
Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness. The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit’s vaccination page.

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

“The soul of conversation is sympathy.” - Thomas Campbell

MR DAVIS’S FUNNIES OF THE WEEK

Q. Does a dad ALWAYS snore?
A. No, only when he is asleep.

Q. What does a dad say when asked to put the kettle on?
A. Sorry, I don't think it will fit.

Q. What does a dad say when you ask to leave the table?
A. Where do you want to leave it?

Q. What did Dad do after offering a hand with your homework?
A. Started clapping.

Q. When asked to put the cat out at night, what was Dad’s response?
A. "I did not know it was on fire!"

Call out for focus group participants
Are you a parent of children 12 years and under
Are you the main person responsible for shopping, planning and cooking meals in your family?
If you answered YES to both questions – then join us for a focus group discussion being conducted as part of a joint Council education program at the following locations and dates:

DATES and LOCATIONS:

Thursday 21st August: Suffolk Park – 7pm           Tuesday 26th August: Lismore – 5.30pm
Thursday 28th August: Casino – 11.30am           Tuesday 2nd September: Grafton – 11.30am
Wednesday 3rd September: Kyogle – 11.30am        Tuesday 9th September: Lennox Head – 10.30am

Each participant will receive $50 for attending the focus group and light snacks, tea and coffee will be served.

* Bookings essential
You must register your interest to attend, as numbers are limited.
To register your interest, please contact Linda Tohver on 0427 770 198 or linda@newaste.org.au
CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3

15/8/14 – Bec
5/9/14 – ____________ & ____________
22/8/14 – NO CANTEEN DUE TO MULTICULTURAL DAY
12/9/14 – NO CANTEEN DUE TO BALLGAMES
29/8/14 – Sharelle & Monique
19/9/14 – Sally & Renae

Volunteers needed to help in the canteen if you can help please put your name on the roster and hand in to the office, OR RING Bec on 0457456707

CANTEEN LUNCH - FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST 2014

Lunch orders to be handed in to the office by the morning of Thursday 14th August please.

NAME: ___________________________  CLASS: ________________

RECESS:

_____ RASPBERRY MUFFINS @ $1.00 each

_____ HOT MILO @ $1.50

_____ WATER/JUICE POPPER/MILK POPPER @ 1.50

LUNCH:

_____ CHICKEN BURGERS WITH LETTUCE AND MAYO @ $4.00

_____ VEGE BURGER WITH LETTUCE AND MAYO @ $4.00

_____ WATER/JUICE POPPER/MILK POPPER @ $1.50

_____ LOL @ $2.00

_____ TOASTIE @ $3.00

Please circle

CHEESE   HAM or CHICKEN   TOMATO

TOTAL $_________

AMOUNT ENCLOSED $_________

CAKE and SLICE DONATIONS NEEDED FOR TOMORROW

Donations of cakes and slices are needed for the canteen to sell on our Careers Day, tomorrow, Thursday the 14th of August.

If anyone also has spare time available to help in the canteen on this day, it would be very much appreciated.

Please give Bec a call on 0457456707 if you are able to assist.
Do you have an interesting job or career? If so, please come along to our

**Careers Expo**

Crystal Creek Public School
Thursday 14th August, 2014
10:30 - 12:30

If you would like to participate in this exciting event, please contact
Miss Fallon Purkiss on 02 6679 1223 or via email fallon.purkiss1@det.nsw.edu.au

Name:__________________
Organisation/Company: ____________________________
Phone: __________________________
Email: ____________________________________________
Equipment you will bring:_________________________________________
Resources you need: ________________________________________

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**BALL GAMES CARNIVAL – FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2014.**

**Date:** Friday 12th September 2014

**Time:** 9.30am start. 2pm finish

**Venue:** Bruce Bartrim Oval, Tyalgum

**Participating School:** Burringbar, Carool, Chillingham, Condong, Crabbes Creek, Crystal Creek, Dungay, Duranbah, Fingal Head, Murwillumbah South, Stokers Siding, Tumbulgum, and Tyalgum.

**Transport:** If you are unable to attend and transport your children, then, your children can travel to school in the usual manner and a bus will be available to transport them into the fields at about 9am. (Cost of bus is $5.) In the afternoon, the bus will be waiting at the grounds to take them back to school to catch their buses home.

**Lunch:** The canteen will operate all day. There is no need to place lunch order. Please return permission note attached by Thursday 4th September.

**Parents:** If you intend to give your child/ren money to purchase lunch, please ensure you let their teacher know. In the past students have gone to the canteen to purchase their lunch only to be enticed by lollies.

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**Small School Ball Games Carnival – Friday 12th September 2014**

I give permission for my child / ren ........................................ to participate in the Small Schools Ball Games Carnival on Friday 12th September 2014.

My child /ren WILL / WILL NOT be travelling by bus.

I have enclosed $5 per child for the bus. YES / NO

Signed: .................................................. Dated: ......................

(Parent / guardian)