Calendar of Events
8/3 Subway Lunch Orders
21/3 Harmony Day
5/4 Small School’s Cross Country

We would like to remind parents and students that office is unattended all day on Tuesdays and Thursdays before 12pm. Could you please take this into consideration for all administration matters.

As many of you are aware the storm caused damage throughout the community and we were no exception. Our clean up at the school will be affected by condition and insurance assessment in the first case and then followed by the ability for vehicles to access the grounds. At the moment we have used all available resources at school to manage the situation. This has been compounded by our school ride-on mower being under repair and continued rain. If you are able to assist the school in the near future with this task, can you please let us know?

The staff at the school have noticed a disturbing trend of students not eating recess or lunch. Please ensure that your child has adequate food for the day. We insist that students have a time to sit and eat at recess and lunch so there should be no reason why students don’t have their food then. Students need to eat regularly throughout the day to maintain brain function and therefore maximise their learning experiences.

We appreciate the eagerness of some students who are coming to school early each day, but we must remind students and parents that the school is closed until 8:30am and therefore no supervision for students before that time.

School Supplies
Each year we ask parents to bring in some simple items to supplement what the school supplies. Parents could you please send in two boxes of tissues. I also know that the K/1/2 class is looking for library bags and B, so if you have an old t-shirt that would be suitable it would be appreciated.

Canteen
Due to water damage during the school holidays the canteen will not be operational until further notice. Work has commenced on the canteen, but the damage is more extensive than first thought. The P&C have organised an alternative until the canteen is once again operational.

ET4L Cutover
Our computer network and computers was upgraded to ET4L solution last week. At the moment we are trying to rectify a few glitches that have occurred. We hope to have the system fully functional in the near future.
Small School Cross Country
The Small School Cross Country will be held at Teven-Tintenbar on Friday the 5th of April. More details and permission notes will be sent out closer to the event.

SRC Members for 2013
Congratulations to the following students who have been successful in gaining an SRC 2013 position:

President: Kahmisha Irwin
Vice Captain: Dylan Haines
Vice Captain: Hayden Ackland
Stage 3: Shantelle Waters
Stage 2: Georgia Haines
ES1/Stage 1: Mikayla Fleming

We look forward to hearing your ideas for Wardell Public School in 2013.

Positive Behaviour for Learning
This year we are going to be involved in the positive behaviour for learning program. Students have been designing themes to support the program. We will be voting on the theme this week. We are also looking for a parent from each class to be on our PBL team to assist in developing resources and setting up of the program. If you are interested please contact myself. As part of getting a better understanding of the school context for PBL we are surveying students, teachers and parents. This week we will be sending out a parent survey which we would like you to complete and send back by Friday. This survey is essential in the determination of funds that may be allocated to this area in the school.

Canteen News
What a great response to last week’s Subway lunch pack. We raised a total of $27.00 from the orders placed. This week we will be offering the Subway alternative again to our students and would like to see all students participate if possible. The funds raised from this venture will go towards supplying our students with educational requirements. Please remember to place the correct money in the envelopes provided and return them to school no later than Wednesday 6th March. No late orders will be accepted. No refunds will be given if your child is absent on the day.

David Owen
Principal

From the Office
Have you remembered your?: 🌞
Family Contact Update
Subway lunch order for Friday 8th March
High School Expression of Interest Forms
Lake Ainsworth Expression of Interest Notes
K/1/2 News
Two weeks ago Mrs Allen helped the K/1/2 students understand that they CAN DO lots of different things. She used a ball of wool to help show the students how much they can do and how that can help the other students in the classroom. Not everyone CAN DO everything so we need to be proud of what we CAN DO now and look forward to learning how to do new things as we grow. At the back of the classroom, we constructed CAN DO caterpillars to show the different things we can do. This week we are learning about how to be a good listener.

Last week we looked at length with Miss Crealy during our Maths sessions. We used a variety of different equipment from the classroom to measure how long things were. We started by measuring how long Deegan was. You can see in the photo that we used scissors, pencils, paintbrushes, rulers and unifix cubes. All of these things were the same size except for the pencils. We then measured each other and could compare how long we were. It was a great maths lesson. The text book pages in our Maths book were easy then!! We will be measuring more things this week using different equipment and strategies.

Miss Crealy

Regular attendance at school is important for students to reach their potential. The Education Act 1990 requires that children attend school each day that instruction is provided unless prevented from doing so by sickness or other good reason. The Act requires that as parents and carers you explain your child’s absences within seven days of their occurrence. The school is required to record the reason for any absences as a way of ensuring that students are absent from school only when they are sick or have another good reason for missing school. The school is also required to prepare weekly whole school absentee reports, which are reviewed by the Home School Liaison Officer.

If your child is away you can let us know the reason why via a note, a phone call or a visit to the Office. We understand that family life can be very busy and sometimes these things are forgotten. The school is required to send a letter of reminder (our yellow notes) when this happens. If you receive a yellow reminder note just complete the note and return it to school as soon as possible.
Need a Hat

Students need to bring a proper school hat to school each day. Students need a hat to participate in educational programs and the playground. Students who don’t bring a hat may be missing out on important activities. Please ensure that your child brings a hat each day to school and insist that they wear it when outside. We all need to enforce the sun safe message. The required hat is to be a broad brim hat. No caps are permitted to be worn.

Family Contact Details

Many thanks to those families who have already returned their contact details updates. We would like to request that all our families return a slip with their current details, so we are able to contact you in case of an emergency. Please fill in the slip below and return to school if you have not already done so.

Student’s Name: ______________________
Address: _____________________________
Home Ph.: ____________________________
Parent/Carer 1 Mobile: _________________
Parent/Carer 2 Mobile: _________________
Emergency Contact 1 Name, Ph: ___________
Emergency Contact 2 Name, Ph: ___________

Evans River Junior Rugby

2013 Sign On and Training
When: 4:30pm, Wednesday 13th March
Where: Stan Payne Oval, Evans Head
Ages: 5 and up
Age groups for 2013;
U8, U10, U12, U13, U14 U16
Contact: Ben Fisher
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E: ben@kidsfirstaid.com.au