Calendar of Events
25/3 Northern Star Kinder Photo
26/3 SRC Pancake Day
28/3 Hat Parade
28/3 Cross Country Lunch Orders Due
5/4 Small School’s Cross Country
3/5 School Photos

David’s Discourse

Small Schools Cross Country
On the 5th of April the Small Schools Cross Country will be held at Teven-Tintenbar. It is a whole school activity. All students are expected to attend. Travel will be by bus to Teven-Tintenbar PS. Students are able to order their lunch for the day from the Teven-Tintenbar school canteen. Your child will bring home the permission note and a canteen order for the day. If you wish your child to order lunch on the day please return the order and correct money in an envelope by Thursday 28th March. No lunch orders will be accepted after this date. We have started training this week in lead up to the event

Positive Behaviour for Learning
This year we are going to be involved in the positive behaviour for learning program. 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.

Wardell Public School Expectations
As a member of Wardell Public School. It is expected that you abide by these statements.
1. We respect each other.
2. We work and play safely.
3. We do our best.
4. We co-operate.
5. We take pride in our school.

David Owen
Principal

K-2 Best Start
K-2 Best Start Feedback to Parents
Included with this fortnight's homework is your child's Best Start Report and a laminated Alphabet / Sound chart for you and your child to use and keep at home. The report is generated for all K-2 students across NSW. The report gives parents ideas about things to do with their child at home to support their current levels of achievement. Each report is different and unique to each child. If you would like to discuss this in greater detail, please contact the office and make an appointment. I will endeavour to speak with each parent over the next few weeks.

Miss Crealy

General Knowledge Day
On Thursday the 4th of April the Southern Cross Community of Small Schools will be holding the annual General Knowledge Day at Ballina High School. Four students from stage 2 and four students from stage 3 will be selected to compete. The day will start at 10:00am and conclude at approximately 2:00pm. Students will be able to order their lunch from the High School Canteen, but will be required to bring their recess. Students should bring a water bottle, pens, pencils and textas to use on the day. Transport will be by private vehicle, if you are willing to transport students could you please see the office so the appropriate paper work can be completed.
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**SRC Pancake Day**

**Bring your own hat and eat pancakes**

This Tuesday 26th March students will be participating in 3 activities after recess;
- Hat Decorating with Mrs Johnston
- Cooking, making and eating pancakes with Miss Crealy
- Basket Weaving with Mr Owen

Students are asked to bring in a hat to decorate for the Fancy Hat Parade on Thursday 28th March. Hats can be casual or costume: new or old, favourites or borrowed! Newspaper hats will be made for those who are unable to supply their own. Students are also encouraged to bring in any decorations or recycled items that can be used and shared to jazz up their creations!

Pancakes will cost $2 and can be paid for on the day.
Baskets will be created from templates and involve weaving, designing and constructing. Very mathematical – just the way Mr Owen likes it!
Parents who are able to volunteer some time to help assist the teachers with these activities would be greatly appreciated.

**Miss Crealy**

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**Wardell Community Open Activity Day**

*Friends, family and local community members are invited to attend the Wardell Public School Open Activity Day on Thursday 28th March at Wardell Public School from 12.45pm.*

**Come along and join the students in the fun activities planned.**

**12.45pm**
- P&C will be running a BBQ sausage sizzle starting at 12.45pm
- Pin the tail on the donkey
- Egg and spoon obstacle
- Rob the nest
- Chubby Bunnies
  - 2.00pm
- Decorated Hat Parade
- Performances from the students include Li’l B Bilby, 100 Years from Now, Raffle Draw, Guessing Competition
- Chocolate Hunt

**SRC Chocolate Egg Guessing Competition**

Tickets are on sale before school and every recess, 20c a guess, 5 for $1 or 10 guesses for $2.

**School Photos**

This year our school photos will be taken by a company named The School Photographer. We will have our photos taken on Friday 3 May 2013. For your convenience we are sending home pre-paid envelopes for those families wishing to place an order for the school photos. The envelopes will need to be returned to the school office and placed in the student mailbox with the correct money. Each student will need to return an envelope to school prior to the photos being taken. If you wish to have a family photograph taken please pick up a yellow family photo envelope from the front office.
Easter Raffle
It is that time of year once again when the Wardell School Community run their annual Easter raffle. We are requesting that families send in any donations of Easter Eggs, soft toys, chocolates etc that can be used to make up our raffle prizes. On Wednesday March 15th the students brought home raffle tickets to sell. If you are unable to sell all of your raffle tickets please return the unsold tickets to the school. Alternatively if you would like any extra tickets please see Miss Welstead in the front office. Prizes will be drawn at our Hat Parade on Thursday 28th March.

From the Office

Have you remembered to return your:
- Family Contact Update
- Lake Ainsworth Expression of Interest Notes
- Parent Surveys
- Raffle tickets

This year so our parents and caregivers can prepare for some of the expensive that will occur during the year please refer to the following schedule;

Swim Scheme  approximately  $48.00
Lake Ainsworth  approximately  $340.00.

Voluntary Contributions
It was decided at the last P&C meeting that the Voluntary Contribution for 2013 will be $30 per student or $50 per family.
We will be sending invoices home before the end of Term 1 for Voluntary Contributions. These funds will go towards subsidising textbooks our students use, purchasing new Home Readers and general school supplies for your children.

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.

SCHOOL SECURITY REMINDER
Parents/Caregivers/Students

PLEASE BE AWARE
The grounds of Wardell Public School are ‘OUT OF BOUNDS’ before and after school— that includes weekends and school holidays!

Please ring the following numbers if you have an incident to report.

DET School Security –
1300 880 021
Or
WARDELL POLICE
6683 4144
Water

Tap water makes the best drink!

Not only is it thirst quenching, but also contains fluoride which helps make teeth stronger. Here’s what water has to offer:

- it is cheap and readily available
- it doesn’t contain any kilojoules or sugar
- it encourages optimal function of the body

We should all aim to drink between five to eight cups of water a day. In the warmer months it is important to keep well hydrated. Always have water available when children are active. Encourage them to drink water regularly, even in cooler months.

Five reasons to pack a mandarin for Crunch & Sip

1. They are sweet & juicy. Kids love them.
2. They are nutritious – full of vitamins and Fibre.
3. They come in their own biodegradable packaging.
4. They don’t bruise easily.
5. They are a perfect size for kids to eat during Crunch & Sip.

Kadina Park

Children and Young People Community

SPORTS DAY

Tuesday 23rd April 2013 10am–2pm

Netball  Basketball  Touch Football  BBQ

PCYC  Lismore  Lismore City Council

A to E Tutoring

For students with learning needs in English and Maths- extension or remedial

Aged 5-13

Call Lisa on 0404043597

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