Welcome back!

Term 3 is going to be an exciting, action packed term! It started with a day of learning and planning for school staff yesterday. Topics for the day included...
Anaphylaxis, emergency care and Kidsmatter training. Everyone has returned refreshed and ready for a great term of learning with all students focused on doing their best in all academic pursuits.

**Term Assembly and Jump Rope for Heart Exhibition**
It was great to celebrate the students’ achievements with so many parents at our term assembly. We welcomed the Clarence Valley Council Mayor, Mr Richie Williamson, Jane and Ryan from Waterwatch and Matt from the Clarence Valley Council to present our school with our waterwise refresher. The day was also the culmination of lots of enthusiastic skipping by the students as part of the Jump Rope for Heart program. A fantastic skipping routine including every student amazed the audience. The total amount raised by students for the Heart Foundation was $110.00.
NAIDOC on The Plateau
On the final day of Term 2 we attended the NAIDOC on the Plateau celebrations at Dorrigo PS. All students took part in traditional Aboriginal activities including, fire making, clap stick painting, outdoor games, damper cooking, ochre painting and an Aboriginal art display from the Grafton Regional Art Gallery, just to name a few. Our students eagerly participated in this end of term highlight and enjoyed working with other students from our community of schools.

Preschoolers Morning
Our next preschoolers date is Monday 28th July. Join us for a morning of kids craft, stories and games at 10am.

Small School’s Athletics Carnival at Urunga This Wednesday 16th July (Week 1 – Term 3)
Our annual Small School’s Athletics Carnival is tomorrow, Wednesday 16th July at Urunga Recreational Grounds starting at 9.30am and finishing at approximately 2.30pm. We are taking Jim’s bus to Urunga. Cost will be $10 per student. This is a whole school excursion, teaching staff will be at the carnival on the day. Students who normally catch Jim’s bus will need to catch the High School bus run in the morning and will return home on the High School bus run in the afternoon. All other students will need to be at Tyringham Store at 7.50am and be collected at the Tyringham Store at 4pm. We will need some parent volunteers to do a shift in the canteen from 11.45am to 12.15pm on the day.

Education Week – Come and See our School
To celebrate Education Week we will be hosting a day of open classroom activities for parents, grandparents and friends to attend. Please pop in at any time on Tuesday 29th July to come in and see our classrooms in action for as long or as little as you wish.

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Parent / Teacher Interviews
We would like to organise parent / teacher interviews to discuss student’s progress and their reports. At the same time we would also like to revisit student’s Personalised Learning Plans if needed. To effectively plan these meetings, we ask parents to complete the attached form as to the most suitable time. The meetings will run throughout Monday 4th August to Wednesday 6th August (Week 4).
Premier’s Sporting Challenge.
Students and staff are having fun participating in the 2014 Premier’s Sporting Challenge. Staff have now accumulated a total of 450 kilometres walking distance.

Reminder - Weekly Contribution of $1 per student
The kitchen garden program has ongoing costs each week, such as cooking ingredients, seeds and seedlings. We are asking that parents help contribute towards these costs by sending in $1 each Friday per child. The cost for Term 3 is $10 per student. Thank you those families that have paid their contributions in advance.

P&C News & Community Notices
P&C Meeting – Friday 25th July – 9.30am
We will be holding a P&C Meeting on Friday 25th July (Week 2, Term 3) at 9:30am. All welcome. Items on the agenda will include Combined Schools day recess/lunch and new resources.

P&C Wood Raffle Tickets
First Prize: Trailer of split Firewood (Delivered locally)
Drawn: Tuesday 29th July at our Education Day.
Tickets: $1.00 each Please have all tickets sold/unsold and money returned to school by Monday 28th July.

Helpers Needed
The P&C are asking for helpers to come along to school and help split some firewood for our raffles. We would like to thank Fred Scott and Tony Zapirain for all the hard work that they have contributed towards splitting firewood over the past few years, but it would great to see some new helpers come and lighten the work load for Fred. We also need dry wood logs for splitting for our P&C wood pile. Please phone the school or just drop in on Thursday’s while Fred is here or any day that suits.

BookClub Issue 5 – Due back Monday 28th July
Bookclub Issue#5 is attached. If you wish to place an order from this issue, please have your order forms and money (cash/cheque made to Scholastic) back at school by Monday 28th July.

Save the Bilby “Face the Challenge 2014 Crossword Competition”
If your child would like to enter the “Face the Challenge 2014 Crossword Competition” this year, please send them in to the office to see Melissa for an entry form. When they have completed their crossword you may either send it yourself or return to the office and we will sent it. All entries must be back at school by Monday 18th August.