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. Everyone has returned refreshed and ready for a great term of learning with all students focused on doing their best in all academic pursuits.

End of Term Assembly
Thank you for joining us to celebrate the achievements of our students at last term’s assembly. We were all engrossed by the tremendous skipping talent and the performance of a traditional Liberian welcome song. Our school captains Jazmin and Emily did an excellent job conducting the assembly for the first time. Congratulations to all award recipients.

FORTNIGHTLY AWARDS
Week 10 - Term 2, 2015
Student of the Week  Lucas O'Brien
Sports / Value Person  Jazmin Horwood
Mathlete of the Week  Ronny Baff
Class Awards  Caleb Bergs
Fantastic reading
Milo Baff
Terrific class participation

Term 2 Attendance Awards
Caleb Bergs  Isabelle Cartmill
Elsie-Leigh Coombe  Cassandra Maddern
Robert Maddern  Lucy Not
Emily O’Brien  Lucas O’Brien
John Wykes  Joseph Wykes

Well Done!

WHAT’S ON FOR TERM 3

WEEK 1
Tuesday, July 14th  Students Return for Term 3
Friday, July 17th  Small Schools Athletics Carnival-Urunga

WEEK 2
Wednesday, July 22nd  Schools Tree Day
Friday, July 24th  Sport at Hernani PS

WEEK 3  EDUCATION WEEK
Monday, July 27th  Preschoolers Morning 10am-12noon
Tuesday, July 28th  Education on Show – Bellingen HS
Wednesday, July 29th  P&C Meeting – 3.30pm

WEEK 4
Friday, August 7th  Sport at Hernani PS

WEEK 7
Monday, August 24th  Preschoolers Morning 10am-12noon

Notes and Money due:
- Term 3 SAKG Contribution
- Workbook Fees
- Yr 5 & 6 Sydney Excursion part Payments
- Athletic Carnival Consent Note & Money
- Education On Show Consent Note
- Hernani Sport Consent & Money
- Interview Time Slip
NAIDOC on the Plateau
Teachers, students and community members joined together to celebrate Aboriginal culture at our annual NAIDOC on the Plateau event held on the last day of term 2. Grouped in cross school multi-age groups under the name of an Aboriginal totem, students rotated through a number of highly engaging cultural activities including, storytelling, painting with ochre, boomerang painting, traditional Aboriginal games, an art display for the Grafton Regional Art Gallery and damper cooking. The dedication and enthusiasm of all presenters is greatly appreciated as this day allows our students an insight into Aboriginal history, traditional and culture in a hands-on engaging manner. Photos next newsletter.

SAKG Gardening & Cooking - Week 10 (Term 2)
During gardening this week students worked on their birds for our Mutton Bird Island project. We harvested herbs, shallots, carrots, parsnips, pak choi, spinach, onions, celery, rhubarb and lemons. In the kitchen we cooked choko chutney, bok choi slaw, chicken curry, naan bread and toasted lemon and coconut slice. Thank you to Carol, Julie, Gail and Samantha who volunteered in the garden and kitchen.
Mid North Coast Health – Mobile Dental Service
A thumbs-up to Joe for allowing Monica and Katie from the Mobile Dental Service to show how much plaque (bugs) he had on his teeth. Monica and Katie also spoke to us about good dental hygiene practices and the importance of a healthy diet.

Small School’s Athletics Carnival at Urunga – This Friday 17th July
Our annual Small School’s Athletics Carnival is this Friday 17th July at Urunga Recreational Grounds starting at 9.30am and finishing at approximately 2.30pm. We are taking Jim’s bus to Urunga on the day. Cost will be $6.50 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. Please return the consent note if attached by TOMORROW. Also please send in canteen and travel money by TOMORROW. We will also need some parent volunteers to do a shift in the canteen from 11.15am to 11.45pm on the day.

Combined Schools Sport Afternoons
We will continue to travel to Hernani Public School this term for sport afternoons. When travelling to Hernani Public School for sport we will depart School at 12.30pm. We will have lunch (packed from home), a sport session and fruit at Hernani before returning to school in time for normal bus routine. Transport will be by Jim’s bus for the term at a cost of $16.00 per student ($8.00 each trip).

Term 3 dates to visit Hernani will be on Friday
- 24th July at Hernani PS
- 7th August at Hernani PS

Please fill out the consent note and return to school by this Friday.

Education on Show – Tuesday 28th July – Bellingen High School
Week 3 this term is Education Week. We will be performing at Bellingen High School on Tuesday 28th July, as part of a Community of Schools Performance, “Education on Show”. This is our major celebration for Education Week with the performances showcasing the talent in our schools. Our students will be performing a circus routine – “Under the Big Top”. Students will be travelling down to Bellingen by Jim’s bus leaving school at 10.15am to be at Bellingen High School for an 11.30am rehearsal. There will be no cost to students. Students will need to bring a packed lunch, water and extra snacks.

Students need to wear black long pants (track pants, jeans, tights etc.) and running shoes/joggers with their school sports shirt during the day as well as bring a black top to change into in the evening. They will also be part of a large choir performance made up of every student performing that evening. The performance will begin at 5pm and will conclude approximately 7pm.

Students will return home with their parent or organised lift. All students are expected to attend this performance. This is a whole school performance, and it’s great to see your children perform in front of a large audience. Please complete the attached consent note and return it school by this Friday with travel arrangements.

Preschoolers Morning – Monday 27th July
Join us for our next preschool morning on Monday 27th July from 10am to 12 noon. There will be educational activities that help develop gross and fine motor skills as well as art and craft. All preschool children aged 1-5 are welcome.
**Bookweek Parade – Theme “Books light up our world” – Tuesday 25th August**

We will be celebrating Book Week on Tuesday 25th August. Children can come dressed as any book character and will take part in a parade at school and parents are welcome to attend. More details closer to the date.

**Chess Competition – this Term**

This term we are excited to be running our very popular chess challenge during recess on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Week 2. Stay tuned for more information.

**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

Teachers are impressed with the commitment students are making to this year’s PRC with a number of students having already completed the challenge. All reading must be finished and recorded online by the 21st August. The 3-6 class are reminded to continue reading 1-2 books each week. Time will be given at school to register them online. The K-2 class will complete the challenge at school with Mrs Sangster. Happy Reading!

**Parent / Teacher Interviews**

We would like to organise parent / teacher interviews to discuss student progress and Semester One reports. At the same time we would also like to revisit student’s Personalised Learning Plans if needed. The meetings will run throughout Weeks 3 and 4 after school. To effectively plan these meetings, we ask parents to complete the attached form as to the most suitable time.

**SAKG - 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. Invoices for amounts owing by students is attached.

**2015 Workbook Fees Reminder**

Invoices are attached to those families that have not yet paid their workbook fees for 2015. Thank you those families that have paid already.

**Reminder - Trash Free Tuesdays**

On Tuesday every week, our school will have a low waste lunch box day where we will try to have no rubbish in our lunch boxes. Food packaging can be left at home or taken home for reuse or recycling. Class bins will remain available for non-food/packaging waste and we can feed our food scraps to the chooks.

**Woolworths Earn & Learn Program 2015**

We are taking part in the 2015 Woolworths Earn & Learn program. It runs from this Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015. For every $10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be dropped at the school. The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 7,000 educational resources. We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program.

**Reminder - Amart Sports Community Kickbacks program**

We recently signed up for the Amart Sports Community Kickbacks program. Being part of this program entitles us to receive 5% of sales made by our school community. It's simple, when purchasing from Amart Sports state our school name “Dundurrabin Public School” and they'll do the rest. Any funds received through the program will allow us to purchase sporting equipment or update our sporting facilities.

**BookClub Issue 5 – Due back Wednesday 29th July**

Attached is Issue 5 Bookclub brochures. 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 Wednesday 29th July.

**P&C News & Community Notices**

**P&C Meeting – Wednesday 29th July – 3.30pm**

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 29th July at 3.30pm. We would like to have as many people as possible attend. This is a wonderful opportunity to find out about and get involved with what is happening within the school. Items on the agenda include Semester One report feedback, 2015 school photos, September catering event, DEC name change and Sporting Schools. Please come along and enjoy a relaxed friendly gathering.

**June Firewood Raffle**

Congratulations to the Wykes family who was the winner of our June firewood raffles last term.