MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Dear Parents and Carers,

Art Week was very successful with the culmination of all the hard work being on display at our Art Show on Friday evening. The artworks completed by the students were impressive with much talent being on display for the community to see. There were a variety of items including Lego, an animated display as well as bowls, collages and pencil drawings and pastel pictures. Congratulations to all concerned and I’m sure all the parents and friends who came to the art show were also impressed with the finished products.

As the year is coming to an end, there are a number of activities which are keeping us busy. Finishing touches are being put on concert items, the prospective leaders for 2015 presented their speeches today and voting has occurred. Reports are being prepared and Presentation Day organisation is well underway. It would appear that there is never a quiet time during the school year!

Regards,
Liz Newman
Relieving Principal

Walking Safely to School
School opening and closing times are busy times for pedestrian and vehicular traffic outside the school. Drivers have a responsibility to ensure the safety of all children. Take care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on each gazetted school day. Park safely, even if it means walking further to the school gate.

ASSEMBLY Week 8 – Thursday November 27

Just a reminder that tomorrow is our final regular assembly for the year.

DIARY DATES

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WINGHAM BRUSH ANNUAL SCHOOL CONCERT
Our Annual Concert will be held at the Manning Entertainment Centre next Tuesday December 2. The concert will commence at 7.00pm. Tickets will cost $12.50 each and are selling fast! Tickets will be sold through Video Ezy Taree (6552 5699) and there will be a booking fee of $0.50 per ticket purchased through Video Ezy. Tickets will also be sold through The Greater Taree City Council website at www.gtcc.nsw.gov.au and there is no ticket booking fee for internet purchases through this site. If you do not have the internet at home the website can be accessed at the Town Library. A Credit Card or Visa Debit or Mastercard is required for payment using the website. Tickets will be available at the door if not sold out beforehand.

All children will be attending the rehearsal at the MEC on Tuesday December 2. Permission notes were sent home on Monday. Please return these notes to the class teacher as soon as possible.

ANNUAL CONCERT DVD ORDERS
The Annual Concert DVD will be done by JB Videos. Orders will be taken on the night in the foyer of the MEC. DVD’s will cost $30 each and are to be paid for when ordered. They will hopefully be back before the end of school or they will be posted out. Any enquiries phone 6584 3367.

P&C

MC DONALDS FAMILY FUN NIGHT
McDonalds Family Fun Night on Tuesday December 2 (Concert Night) from 5.30-6.30pm. Dine at McDonalds before the concert and 10% of sales are donated back to the P&C. Give yourself a night off from cooking dinner and raise money for the school at the same time. Drive-thru not included.
WINGHAM BRUSH ART SHOW AND EXHIBITION 2014

Congratulations to all those who had artworks in the Art Show. What a wonderful week it was, culminating in a successful Art Show. Every class was a pleasure to teach and it was exciting to see the level of engagement of all students. On behalf of the P&C I would like to commend all the students for taking part, and in some cases, taking on the challenge of the art exercise.

Thank you very much to the year six students who came to assist at the Art Show with face painting, portrait painting and generally helping out throughout, this was appreciated very much. Thank you to Mrs Newman, all the teachers and staff for being a great support at Art Week and assisting with the many requests for assistance or resources.

Our visiting artist in residence Ron Hindmarsh offered many valuable lessons to students who took part in the graphite portrait lessons and the painting poppies lessons. The P&C are very grateful to Ron for his contribution.

Last but not least, thank you to all the P&C members involved.

Jill Watkins

YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAY

Wingham High School Orientation Day will be held on Wednesday December 3. Year 6 students will spend most of the day at the High School participating in activities. A permission note will follow with more information.

YEAR 6 FUN DAY - DONATIONS PLEASE

We are calling for donations for the white elephant stall. If you have any spare items that you would like to donate to raise some funds please leave goods at the front office. No electrical, glass or sharp items, chemicals or aerosols etc can be accepted.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF TAREE AND WINGHAM

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION 2015

Parents or carers of school aged children turning 8 next year or older who are wishing to make their Sacraments of Confirmation, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation next year, be advised that the program will commence early in the First Term 2015. Parents or carers of children wishing to make these Sacraments but are not Baptised please contact the Catholic Parish Office on 6552 1084 during office hours by December 19, 2014.

KR DANCE STUDIO END OF YEAR CONCERT

Excitement is building for the students of Kerrie Renee Dance Studio, Wingham as they near their end of year concert. Here’s just a sneak peak at some of the characters. The concert is called ‘TOY STORE’ and will be performed at the Manning Entertainment Centre on Saturday November 29 at 4pm. Join the likes of Woody, Buzz, Barbie, Ted, Transformers and more as KR Dance students take you on a magical journey around their toy store. Tickets are on sale now from the MEC website or from Movies, Games & More, Taree.

WHIZZY VISIT

Whizzy came to visit all the Infants children in Week 6. He taught them how to save water.

Good for Kids good for life

The Lunchbox equation

Are you struggling for ideas for your childs lunchbox? Here are a few tips to ensure the balance is right.

- A main meal e.g. sandwich, wrap, salad, home-made dish etc. that includes vegetables and a protein food e.g. meat, fish, chicken, egg, cheese. Aim for wholegrain varieties such as wholemeal or multigrain breads, wraps, brown rice or wholemeal pasta etc.

- A piece of fruit – whole, cut into bite sized pieces, canned fruit in natural or unsweetened juice or dried fruit very occasionally.

- A healthy snack – vegetable sticks with salsa or hummus, cheese and crackers, wholegrain crackers with toppings etc.

- A drink – water is the best choice everyday

- An extra snack can be included for active children. As a treat pack a small ‘extra’ pre-packaged snack once a week to teach children about eating “occasional” foods sometimes and not every day.

Reference:

Adapted from “How to pack a Healthy Lunchbox” fact sheet accessed from www.healthy-kids.com.au