MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Dear Parents and Carers,
What a great day it was on Friday for the Cross Country! The weather was lovely and the effort shown by all students was again quite exceptional. Following on from the participation at the swimming carnival, the cross country was no different. It has been pleasing to see the number of students using their lunch times to train for this special event and all should be congratulated on their achievements! Well done to those students who gained selection to trial at the Manning Zone PSSA Cross Country in the first week of term 2. Thanks to Mrs Burden for her input for the K-2 ‘Cross Country’ and to Mr Newman for his organisation of the 8 years and up ‘Cross Country’. Next week we are celebrating Harmony Day on Friday March 21. The message of Harmony Day is ‘Everyone Belongs’. It’s a day to celebrate Australia’s diversity and a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home – from the traditional owners of this land to those who have come from many countries around the world. The canteen will be having a special day featuring food from different cultures and the students are invited to come dressed in clothing representing different cultures or wear something orange. The National Day of Action Against Bullying which coincides with this day ties in well – the key messages are acceptance of others’ differences and respect for all.
Notes for parent/teacher interviews will be distributed next week. It is a chance not only to discuss successes but also concerns. For teachers this is an opportunity to build upon their knowledge of the student in terms of interests, hobbies, work habits, likes and dislikes, whilst for parents it is a great opportunity to find out what additional help the child may need at home. I recommend that you take advantage of this opportunity to take part in your child’s learning.

Regards,
Liz Newman, Relieving Principal

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS ROSTER

MARCH
Thurs 13  S Deacon  P Waldron
Fri 14    B Hall     K King
Mon 17   S Green    K Flewitt
Tues 18  K King      I Buckley  R Whitbread
Wed 19   B Hall     T Oldham

NEWS FROM THE BRUSH CANTEEN
A note has been sent home for a ‘Harmony Day’ special day to be held next Friday March 21. Please return this note with money to the canteen by Wednesday March 19.

NOTIFICATION OF CHILD’S HEALTH
We welcome information from parents about your child’s health, even if you are not requesting specific support from the school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child’s health care needs change or if a new health condition develops. Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please see the staff in the office who will assist you with choosing the correct forms for your child. These forms need to be returned to the office on completion. This will greatly assist in our school planning to support your son or daughter’s health needs or as otherwise required by law.

ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL
It is important to note that school supervision begins at 8:45 when morning duty commences. Prior to this, students are expected to wait and sit...
quietly until this duty commences. There are students who arrive on buses shortly before this but there have been some students arriving much earlier. There is no one here to supervise your child in this instance.

SCHOOL DISCO
The first disco for this year will be held on Thursday March 20 in the school hall. The theme for this disco is ‘Rainbow Clothes’. Cost is $4.00
K-Yr 3 4.30pm - 5.45pm Yrs 4-6 6.00pm - 7.30pm

P&C
Glow Sticks
Glow sticks will be available to purchase before the school disco starts. The prices are as follows:-
Glow Bracelets $0.50
Glow Necklaces $1
Glow Glasses $2
Glow Bunny Headband $2

WINGHAM BRUSH CROSS COUNTRY
On Friday March 7 we held our Cross Country with all children performing very well. The day started with our Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 runners. It was great to see so many fit and fast children in our Stage 1 section and many ‘Cross Country Champions of the future’ were unearthed!
Next were our 8/9’s, 10’s, 11’s and 12/13’s. The weather was hot and the course very testing but the children demonstrated determination and fitness and should be well proud of their efforts. The philosophy of ‘finishing what you start’ was very evident.
Our Cross Country Champions for 2014 were:- Josephine Stewart and Arron Clifton (8/9’s), Ashlee Rigg and Clayton Pereira (10’s), Zali Baker and Sam McIntosh (11’s) Zoe Clarkson and Jesse Googh (12/13’s).
The winning house was Kingfishers.
Thank you to all the teachers and parents for the support given on the day.
Congratulations to all the boys and girls who qualified for the Manning Zone Cross Country which will be held on Friday May 2 (Term 2, Week 1) at the Wingham Sporting Complex. Those children who qualify from the Zone Cross Country will then be eligible to attend the Hunter Cross Country at Broadmeadow Race Track on Friday May 9 (Term 2, Week 2).

ZONE WINTER TRIALS
On Wednesday March 19 our talented soccer and netball sports children will be attending the Manning Zone Winter Trials to attempt to be selected in Manning Zone Teams to compete at the Hunter Winter Trials for selection in Hunter Sporting Teams on Friday April 4.
Our school representatives are:-
Soccer – Emily Madden, Allie Clarkson, Zoe Clarkson, Jesse Googh, Sam Diehm and Cody Chambers
Netball – Jayde Turner and Chloe Thomas
We wish these children all the best!

RUGBY UNION 7s GALA DAY
On Thursday March 27 Wingham Brush will be sending in a Boys and Girls team to participate in the Rugby Union 7s Gala Day to be held at St. Josephs Primary School, Taree.
Mr Graham Sonter, Rugby Union Development Officer, has been coaching the children and has been very impressed with their enthusiasm and discipline. We are looking forward to a very enjoyable day.

ATHLETICS FIELD EVENTS DAY
On Monday April 7 children turning 8 to 13 years old will be taking part in the Field Events Day where the Long Jump, Shot Put, High Jump and Ball Games will be conducted. Children are encouraged to wear House Colours.
The organisation is as follows:

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WINGHAM BRUSH ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
On Thursday April 10 Wingham Brush will be conducting their annual Athletics Carnival. We are hoping for lovely Autumn weather to enable the children to have a wonderful day competing in running races, ball games and novelty events. The Autumn sun is still very strong so hats, sunscreen and appropriate clothing would be a great idea. Remember, be proud of your House and wear House colours.

COMMUNITY NEWS
TEN THEATRES PRESENTS
‘Creative Evolvement’, Childrens Holiday Workshops on April 15,16 and 17. Book now as we are only taking limited numbers! Weekly Term Program also available for 4-6 year olds and 7-11 year olds. You are also invited to our official ‘Opening Evening’ from 5pm on March 29. Free entry! All ages welcome. Come and see what we are all about! 25 Queen Street, Wingham.
Bookings and info phone 0434 261 889 or 6550 5021 (after 6pm)

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Inspection/Orientation is welcome by appointment or come to our open afternoon held from 5pm – 7pm March 21.
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