



DATES TO REMEMBER

- SWIMMING SCHOOL MON 17TH NOV TO FRI 28TH NOV
- SCHOOL PLAN FOCUS GROUPS THURS 27TH NOV 9.15AM & 5.30PM
- BIG RIVER FILM FESTIVAL WED 3RD DEC
- YR6 FAREWELL - TUES 9TH DEC
- PRESENTATION NIGHT THURS 11TH DEC
- LAST DAY FOR 2014 WED 17TH DEC
- FIRST DAY FOR 2015 WED 28TH JAN 2015
- SWIMMING CAR-NIVAL THURS 29TH JAN 2015
- KINDY CHILDREN START SCHOOL ON FRI 30TH JAN 2015

Harwood Island P&C meeting

February 2015

Everyone welcome!

We are now on Facebook so please go on Facebook and like us.



Our website gets updated weekly. School newsletters can be viewed online in colour.

This is a very busy time of year for school evaluation and planning. This year sees a new approach to planning as part of the Local Schools Local Decisions reforms. As a school, we will be working towards a common vision with consultation with the whole school community, including staff, students and parents. As part of the process, I have attached a questionnaire to the back of the newsletter. Responses to the School Plan 2015 Questionnaire will form the basis of focus groups, which will further refine our direction. Focus groups will be held next Thursday in the library at 9.15am and 5.30pm. It is exciting planning for your students' futures and we very much welcome your input into the process. Please fill in the School Plan Questionnaire and return to the school by next Wednesday so that your voice can be heard. We would also love to hear your opinions in person. The focus groups will hopefully only take 30 minutes or so of your time.

Also attached to today's newsletter is a questionnaire for the Annual School Report. We survey the school community on different areas of school life each year. This year staff and students will also respond to the short survey which evaluates how we are catering for learning at the school.

If you have any questions about the questionnaires, school evaluation or planning, I would be happy to talk with you.

Thank you for taking the time to make your thoughts and desires known.

Jenni McKeon

SWIMMING SCHOOL

The swimming school is underway with children being put in their groups for the following two weeks.

Students are to wear their swimmers under their uniforms as we are leaving school at 9.10am. Don't forget to pack your undies, along with your towel and make sure that all long hair is tied back. Sunscreen should be applied before school. All students are enjoy-

ing their swimming classes especially with the great swimming weather we are having.

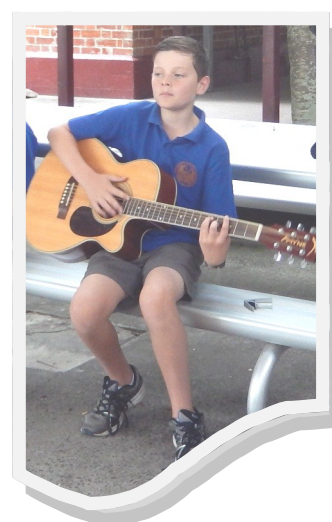
1/2/3 NEWS

Due to swimming we will not be having homework this week or next week. Mrs McLeod

CONGRATULATIONS

Ryan Kemp has won a music scholarship with the Clarence Valley Conservatorium. Ryan really impressed the committee with his musicality on the

guitar.
Well done Ryan!



Some of our New Kindy children with their buddies and hard at work



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to the following students who received certificates for 'Student of the Week' at our assembly today. April Shannon - being a mature and responsible worker; Taylah Develder - always doing her best; Celaeste Treasure - a great narrative; Evie Brown - lovely reading; Phoebe Gibson - lovely neat handwriting; Alex Forsythe, Cindi Coram and Aaron Sharrock - great work with writing. Well done everyone!

STUDENT BANKING

It's great to see so many of our children participating in the 'Student Banking' program. Don't forget to get your tokens in so you can redeem them for lots of great rewards. Banking day is **FRIDAY**.

CANTEEN NEWS

On the menu this week we have Chicken Schnitzel Salad Wrap for \$3.00 and Milo 50c. Don't forget we have some delicious treats for the recess break.

P&C NEWS KAYAK RAFFLE

We hope you have sold or are selling your tickets and returned the money to school.

ALL TICKETS AND MONEY ARE TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER, THANK YOU.

To maximise profits from this fundraiser we are going to sell tickets at the Markets during November. We will be at the Yamba Markets this Sunday the 23rd of November. If you can spare some time to help at any of these times please call Danielle on 0409053657.

P&C RAFFLES AT THE HARWOOD HOTEL

The P&C have come on board with **The Harwood Hotels Friday Night Raffles and Joker Draw**.

All money raised from the hotel raffles will go to the canteen upgrade. Put the following Friday nights on your calendar

- 5th December,
- 2nd January 2015,
- 30th January,
- 28th February,
- 27th March.

If you could help out selling tickets on the night could you phone call Danielle on 0409053657.

SWIMSAFE

This program is run by the Department of Sport and Recreation and is held at pools in our area. Attached to today's newsletter is information provided to us by the Yamba Community Heated Pool.

COMMUNITY



NEWS

CANTEEN ORDER FORM - Thursday 27/11/14

Hamburger - \$3.00 number of serves

Milo - .50c number of serves

Amount enclosed: _____ Name: _____