**Term 1**

**Week 4**
- Thurs 19: 4.30 Family Get Together
- Frid 20: School Assembly in K/1/2 Room
- Hot Dogs

**Week 5**
- Tues 24 Feb: Student Banking
- Wed 25: Canteen
- Frid 27: BBQ

**Week 6**
- Tues 3 March: Student Banking
- Wed 4: Canteen
- Frid 6: Hot Dogs

**Week 7**
- Tues 10 March: Student Banking
- Wed 11: Life Education Van Visit Canteen
- Frid 12: School Assembly BBQ

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**Far North Coast Swimming**

Congratulations to Ashlee Patterson and Zanthi Gaiter who will both represent at the FNC level of competition in the PSSA Swimming. Ashlee has earned a start in the Senior Girls 50m Backstroke after coming third at last week’s District Trials. Both Ashlee and Zanthi are also a part of the Small Schools Senior Girls relay team which placed third. Well done girls on this great achievement and good luck for the next carnival.

**CARNIVAL HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL WEDNESDAY 25 FEB DUE TO WEATHER WARNING!**

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**Family Get Together @ Evans Pool**

Our response for the Family BBQ at Evans Head Pool has been great. The afternoon will commence about 4:30pm. If you can’t get there until after this time it is still fine to come along as the barbeque doesn’t usually fire up until after 5pm. This is a great way to welcome our new families to our school and also enable our parents to catch up early in the year.

**If you haven’t received a separate note today it is still on!**

A reduced pool entry cost of $3 per person is payable by all non-pool members. Let the pool staff know you are from Broadie School for the discount.

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School Uniform Order
LAST chance to submit an order for your child’s Winter uniform as the closing date is tomorrow. There will only be one order submitted to the supplier due to cost restrictions relating to ordering smaller quantities. A quick reminder to all families, that there are some fleecy jumpers in certain sizes available for sale at a reduced cost of $10. Although these jumpers will no longer be in stock once sold, they are still a part of the school uniform.
Order forms are due back at school by tomorrow. Unfortunately late orders will not be filled

P&C News
On Tuesday we matched the largest number of mums and dads in attendance at our P&C meeting for the past 5 years. Thanks to everyone who came along to share their ideas and help make plans for upcoming events.
I would like to congratulate and thank the following people who were nominated and agreed to take on an executive position this year. Often the hardest part of an Annual General Meeting in most schools is to ensure we have the numbers to fill the positions. It does show some wonderful commitment on the part of our parents.
President: Michelle Walker
Vice President: Casey McLennan
Secretary: Kane Walker
Treasurer: Helen Patterson
Canteen Manager: Hannah Cremin
Fundraising Coordinator: Sheree Hyslop
Uniform Coordinator: Helen Patterson

Life Education Van Visit
The Life Education Van will be visiting our school on Wednesday 11 March. Jessica and Healthy Harold have once again planned some great sessions for both classes. Each year the programs offered by Life Education address many of the components and objectives within the NSW PDHPE syllabus.
Our P&C have agreed to help subsidise the cost of the program this year which has risen to $10. The cost for each child will therefore be $5 per child. Hopefully this has made it very affordable for all students to attend.
This is an enjoyable and very worthwhile program and we look forward to all students participating.

Easter Hat Parade
Staff and the P&C have decided that we will be staging an Easter Hat Parade on the last day of school this term. This is a fun way to finish off the term and warm up for Easter. Students are asked to organise their own Easter hat (with mum and dad’s help if needed) and bring it to school on the day of the Hat Parade. We will have a special small assembly involving the parade followed by a morning tea for our school community and students.
Please see the small poster in this newsletter about the next P&C fundraiser which will hopefully involve a lot of Easter Eggs.

Book Packs
The majority of families have now paid for their book packs and students have commenced using them in class. Thank you to those parents who have organised their payment. Parents who have not paid are asked to do so as soon as possible. I would also like to thank those families who have also paid the voluntary School Contribution fee, it is very much appreciated!
The draw for family tickets to Sea World (2 adult and 2 children) will be made at our Easter Hat Parade. Payment must be made by tomorrow (20 February) to be in the draw for these tickets.

School Voluntary Contributions
Each year, in addition to book pack monies, we ask our school community for a voluntary school contribution. The amount for these contributions is not set by the school but instead by the DEC. For 2015 the contribution remains at $20 per child or $40 per family.
Monies raised through these contributions are used to purchase additional resources (pencils, glue sticks, cardboard, scissors, art supplies) for our students to use in their classrooms and also support programs operating within the school. This voluntary contribution can be sent to the office in an envelope marked “School Voluntary Contribution”.

Please complete the attached permission note and return with $5 payment by 6 March.
**Dental Visits**

Forms for the “Grow up Smiling Dental” are to be returned by tomorrow. Most families have already been contacted by the Dental group to organise their initial visit. Parents are reminded that they are urged to accompany their child to the dental van as teachers will be on class.

**Noise Abatement Program**

After much time and planning we will now see the modifications to our school buildings under this program. Both the junior and senior classes, the Library and the Computer Room will have all their windows replaced with a higher gauge glass to reduce traffic noise from the highway. Although materials have started arriving, the majority of the building work will be carried out over the next two weekends. This program has been financed by the Roads and Maritime Service and no costs will be carried by the school.

**K/1/2 News**

I would just like to congratulate all of our students for their great start to 2015 and extend a warm welcome to our new students and their families.

It is always so exciting to start a new school year with that buzz of enthusiasm. This year we have eight new students and all have settled in well. A Huge Thankyou to our older students for making our younger students feel so welcome.

Our Home Reading has started and it is great to see the children so keen to change their readers each day. Thankyou Mrs Patterson for changing our readers over the last 2 weeks. A reading roster will go home today for those parents/carers who have volunteered their time. If I have missed someone and you are still keen to help please let me know.

Looking forward to seeing lots of parents/carers at the assembly tomorrow in the K/1/2 room!  S Williams

Paediatricians recommend children and adolescents’ limit screen based media use (SBMU) to less than two hours per day for their health. A recent study (January, 2015) of 2,620 8 to 16 year olds from 25 Australian government and non-government primary and secondary schools found that 45% of 8 year olds to 80% of 16 year olds exceeded the recommended < 2 hours per day for SBMU (TV viewing, Gaming, Social Networking, and Web Use)

**Suggestions to help children limit their screen time include**:

- No screens before school
- No screens in the bedroom
- Negotiate their use with your child
- Ask if all help around the house and homework is done first
- Use the great outdoors and the local library.
Woodburn Skatepark Opening

Sunday 1st March - 4.00 pm

Official opening by member for Clarence
Chris Gulaptis
and
Mayor of Richmond Valley Council
Ernie Bennett

‘Skate Jam’
organised by Nan and Pop Skate Shop

Barbeque (Sausages $2.50)

All Welcome!

Bring skateboards and bikes!

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PERMISSION NOTE

LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

Wednesday 11 March 2015

I give permission for my child/children..........................................................
to attend / not attend the Life Education Van on Wednesday 11 March 2015 at
Broadwater Public School.

I enclosed $5 per child - Amount Enclosed $ ............

Signed: ................................. Date: ...........................

Please return by Friday 6 March

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2015 CENTRE OF DEVELOPMENT FOR UNDER 9s AND U11s

ATTENTION ALL HOCKEY PLAYERS OR POTENTIAL FUTURE PLAYERS

Hockey NSW has released a new program for U9s and U11s for 2015 (for players born 2004-2007).

The 4 week program will be run by current NSW HockeyEd accredited Coaches and is a fantastic
opportunity for players of all levels. Whether you’re getting started or a future superstar, we’ll make sure
you have fun, learn new skills, advance your basic skills and take your game to the next level.

Go to www.hockeynsw.com.au to register.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

WHERE:  Hepburn Park Hockey Turf, Goomelarah
WHEN:  First 4 Tuesdays in March
TIMES:  U9s: 4.00-5.00pm  U11s: 5.00-6.30pm
COSTS:  U9s: $68.00  U11s: $92.00  (inc GST and DMG fee)
REGISTRATIONS CLOSE: 20th February, no late registrations will be accepted

REGISTER AT
www.hockeynsw.com.au

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