PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Buon giorno everyone. There was lots of excitement in K-2 classes last week when Mrs Steyne started a short course in Italian. This is a great opportunity to develop, not only language but concepts about the wider world.

Maths Master was a nail-biting affair today with students seeking to be the quickest in their grade at mentally solving maths questions. Finalists were chosen from each class. Having automaticity (basic number recall) allows more ‘working space’ in the brain when students are solving more difficult problems. This year kindergarten was involved, giving us a glimpse of the engineers and astronauts of the future. Winners will be in next week’s newsletter.

Please do not drop students off in Coronation Avenue or Eleventh Ave in the No Stopping areas. This is dangerous and illegal. We have a drop off zone in 13th Ave near the playground gate.

The canteen is in need of helpers. Just an hour or two can make a big difference to the workload for our canteen staff. It is a great place from which to see our students in action.

With the UV rapidly increasing, could parents please ensure all students have a school hat. They are $15 at the office. Students without school hats must play under the basketball court cover.

This week is SAS Staff Recognition Week where we celebrate and acknowledge the essential work that our support staff members do for students, parents and teachers, whether in the office, in classrooms or on the mower. This will be a good time to say a personal thank you. I will be by swapping jobs with Mrs Hurry, our office manager, for Thursday 3 September. I hope to allay Mrs Hurry’s fears that the school will not fall into chaos with me in the front office.

Year 4 will be celebrating Child protection Week as they represent our school at the Fun Day at Coffs Harbour Showground next Wednesday 9 September. Mrs Arthur and Mr Moore will be accompanying the students as they fly kites, have circus practice and generally celebrate being kids.

Don’t miss the P&C Trivia Night on Saturday 12 September. It is always a blast and is a major fundraiser for the P&C. This year the theme is ‘Fairytales’. Tickets are at the office for $10 each.

The school is buzzing with excitement about the Minifete this Friday 4 September. Students and teachers have organised a range of fun activities and stalls. Students need to bring small change for the day and can wear mufti (no uniform). I will not be going to the Year 6 Haunted House as I find Year 6 scary every day just as they are.

MINI FETE

The Minifete is this Friday 4 September from 12:30 to 2:15pm. White elephant stall, Mystery boxes, Ghost house, Photo booth, Cake stall, Quoits & Mystery spot and much more. It would be a good idea if you could bring a shopping bag/plastic bag to help carry all your goodies home.

FUN FOOD FOR FETE DAY

Canteen will operate all day, normal recess. NO lunch orders. Plenty of fun food during the fete eg: hot dogs, trifles, milkshakes and two toned ice cups, plus heaps more, which can be purchased from the canteen. Parents also welcome to purchase on the day. Also tea coffee and scones will be available.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH – July

KB Rihanna Kelly, KM Ruby Werner, K/1S Billy Conlan, 1GC Chloe LeBrocq, 1H Tully Jarvis, 2AF Archie La Macchia, 2W Tallulah Bell, 2/3W Cadence Fry, 3/4A Zamara Parkhill, 3/4M Jahzie Kemp, 4/5P Haylie Edwards, 5/6B Tori Blenman, 5/6K Kaydene Cannon.

Citizenship Award: Tyler Schlink.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH – August

KB Lachlan Cook, KM Skye Quinn, K/1S Maddison Kirby, 1GC Lillian Cruwys, 1H Joshua Rollans, 2AF Misty Turner, 2W Shanae Hyde-Perrett, 2/3W Christina LeBrocq, 3/4A Savannah Gregory, 3/4M Ben Chisholm, 4/5P Vanessa Biddle, 5/6B Adam Rollans, 5/6K Triston King.

Citizenship Award: Amy Newcombe.

SPORTS REPORT

On Friday 25 August the North coast Athletics participants went to Lismore to compete in the North Coast Athletics carnival. We had five students compete and everyone went really well. Tom Neal made it through in the 800m with a second place. Kayne Wells made it through in the 800m with second place. Will Lloyd also made it through in the long jump with a comfortable second place. Will Lloyd also made it through in the long jump with a comfortable second place. These three boys will be competing at the State athletics carnival. Well done everyone!

The boys’ touch team will be playing Wauchope PS in the PSSA knockout round. Good luck boys! By: Zach and Tom.
BAND NEWS
There will be no band this week due to the Mini Fete. Mr K will be making music books for the students and later some students will be busking with him at the Minifete.

P&C NEWS
Get your Trivia tables together! September 12 Tickets $10 per person. Theme Fairytales! Tickets available at the front office. The Trivia Night includes a number of games with prizes. If anyone or any business wishes to donate a suitable prize, it would be greatly appreciated - please drop it in at the office or contact M. Cheers. The canteen needs tea towels - new or used. Please drop any into the canteen. We are also still seeking volunteers to help at the canteen. You can do a ‘breakfast’ or ‘lunch’ shift. Any assistance would be appreciated - please contact Tanya on 0437 522 070. The P&C will be purchasing a new freezer & esky for the canteen and fundraising events.

MANDATORY WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK
A reminder that all volunteers who work with children at school, on excursions or for sports travel need to have a working with children check. Volunteers also need to sign on each day at the office please. This is free for volunteers online at:

UPCOMING EVENTS
Fri 4 Sept   Mini Fete
Sun 6 Sept   Fathers’ Day
Tues 8 Sept  Regional Spelling Bee
Wed 9 Sept   Child Protection Day - Year 4
Wed 9 Sept   Live Life Well Evening for Parents
Fri 11 Sept  Pirate Day
Sat 12 Sept  P&C Trivia Night ‘Fairytales’
Mon 14 Sept  Garden Competition Judging
Mon 14 Sept  Fruit & Veggie Day
Tues 15 Sept  Jetty Theatre - ‘I Am Jack’
Wed 16 Sept  Grandparents’ Day
Thurs 17 Sept Public Speaking Final
Fri 18 Sept  Level ‘O’ Day - Last Day of Term
Tues 6 Oct   Day 1 of Term 4 for students

ASSEMBLY
This week’s Assembly 8:55am Friday:  2/3W

COMMUNITY NEWS
There will be a Live Life Well @ School forum at our school from 6:30-8:00pm on Wednesday 9 September. There will be guest speakers, discussion and information on how we can all help students to have active healthy lifestyles. I encourage parents to attend.

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