STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Achievement Awards for Term 2, Week 6:

Achievement Award K-2: Abbey for doing her best work on her reading comprehension worksheets.

Achievement Award 3-6: Zeek for excellent contributions to classroom discussions.

Lexia Awards to Mitchel for successfully completing Level 5, Eshua for Level 8, Boe level 12 and a Certificate of Mastery Level D to Eleanor in reading Plus.

K-2 Fish Bit Winners for week 6 were Rumi and Abbey.

3-6 Team of the Week is ... the mighty Blue.

Magic 100 awards to Abbey for completing the Blue level, Eden and Heather for completing the Pink and Purple levels, Kaii and Mitchel for completing the Purple and Aqua levels, Toby for completing the Purple level and Rumi and Eshua for completing the Lemon level.

Well done everyone!

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Mid North Coast PSSA Cross Country
Well done to Josh and Ellie (second reserve) who represented Bellingen/Nambucca in the PSSA Mid North Coast Cross Country at Sawtell last Friday. Unfortunately Ellie was not needed on the day but Josh ran a sterling race and came 12th out of 40 students participating. Well done Josh and thank you Ellie for supporting him.

Thank you to everyone who came along to our Biggest Morning Tea last Thursday. We had a wonderful morning tea set up beautifully in the Orama Café (library) with flower arrangements thanks to the K-2 class and marvellous plain and pumpkins scones thanks to Robyn and the 3-6 class. A great big Orama thank you to our barista, Bruno, who made delicious coffees for everyone. We made a grand total of $156.45 which will be forwarded to the Cancer Council. What a tremendous effort from everyone. Thank you!

PS. If you weren’t able to attend but would still like to support our school’s fundraising efforts for this worthy cause you can do so by visiting www.biggestmorningtea.com.au, click on “donate”, select “search for a morning tea”, type “orama” (under organisation name), then follow on from there to donate.
National Simultaneous Storytime 2015
National Simultaneous Storytime is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. This year’s story by Aaron Blabey was ‘The Brothers Quibble’. Thanks to Mr K for coming in on Wednesday to read us this wonderful book and allowing us to participate in such a great event.

School Photographer Visit
The School Photographer will be visiting our school on Tuesday, 9th June to take photos of our students and staff. If you would like to purchase school photos please complete your order envelope, include payment and return these either before the visit or on the day of the visit. There are a number of payment methods available which are listed on the envelope. Any late orders will have to be negotiated with the photographer directly. For the photos please ensure that your child is wearing full school uniform i.e. school shirt with logo and navy pants or skirt.

START News
Our next START day will be this Friday 5th June. The START dates for Term 3 will be Monday 3rd August and Monday 31st August. Please note change of day in Term 3. Thank you.

Thank you for supporting us everyone

Jorja whipping the cream for morning tea

Making the table decorations

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Sydney Excursion
Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be travelling to Sydney for a combined excursion with Raleigh Public School. As was stated in the note sent home on Tuesday 21st April the approximate cost of the excursion was $450. The P&C along with funds from the Bunning’s BBQ in Term 4 are going to provide $200 per student to bring the cost down for individual families. The calculated cost is now $470 but families will still only need to pay $250 as the school will provide $20 per student out of school funds. The deposit of $50 which should be paid already is non-refundable. If you have not paid your deposit please ensure this is done by the end of this term. The remaining costs need to be paid in full to the school by the end of Week 9, Term 3 (18th September) so that Mrs Meenahan and myself can organise payments for accommodation, travel, food and activities. A minimum of 20 students is needed to keep the costs down so it is imperative that all students attend. Thank you.

K-2 News
Last week in K-2 we learned about sharing and the connection between addition and subtraction. Year 1 and 2 were learning all about nouns (naming words), verbs (action words) and adjectives (describing words) and Kindergarten were learning their first diagraph ‘ai’ as in pain. This week’s letter for news is ‘j’ as in jelly so don’t forget to bring something starting with that sound.

FUNDRAISING
The school is going to hold a raffle to help fund some of our projects. We are after a couple of GREAT prizes to be donated for first and second prize. If you know someone who owns a restaurant and could donate a dinner for two, a B&B for a romantic weekend for 2, or a grand craftsperson/artist who would donate an item our tickets will be much more desirable. We hope to start selling the tickets during the holidays so any major donation would need to be in to the school within the next two weeks.

3-6 News
We are exploring the intricacies of rotting! Students have set up a class experiment to compare different materials and the rate at which they rot, or not. So if you wander by and an unpleasant aroma wafts out of our door, it is NOT the students. It is the sweet smell of soil and decomposition.

Next they will be designing their own experiments to test some of the different properties of materials.

What’s Cooking
For the canteen on Tuesday, we still have on the menu some school made pumpkin soup and a warm bread roll for $2.50 and some delicious basil pesto scrolls at 2 for 50 cents.
Orama Made
The last batch of pesto for the season is now in the fridge waiting for your cash!
My latest favourite is a pesto pasta bake with bacon and sundried tomatoes. Yummy!
Large jars are available for $7 each. (Pesto ingredients: basil, olive oil, almonds (or Brazil nuts x 1), lemon juice, garlic, parmesan cheese.) Also available are lemon grass stems 2 for $1, an essential in your curry pantry!

Absences
A short note of explanation is required when your child is absent from school. This is for legal purposes. Phone calls may be made to explain absences but a follow up note is also required. Please see the bottom of the newsletter for a proforma which can be used. These are in the newsletter weekly.

Till next week,
Liz Arnold

“The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you’ll go.”
Dr. Suess