STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Achievement Awards for Term 2, Week 8:

Achievement Award K-2: Heather for showing great progress in reading.

Achievement Award 3-6: Jayme for working hard in maths and making progress with reading and writing time.

Lexia Awards to Eden for successfully completing Level 5, Mitchel for completing Level 6, Eshua for completing level 9, Zeek for completing level 14 and Zoey for completions level 17.

K-2 Fish Bit Winners for week 8 were Joey and Mitchel.

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

Magic 100 awards to Abbey for completing the Green level, Joey for completing the Purple level, Kaii for completing the Lime level and Heather and Eden for completing the Lemon level.

Well done everyone!

NAIDOC Day Activities
This Thursday all students will be attending an excursion to Raleigh Public School to participate in NAIDOC Day activities. NAIDOC stands for National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee. During NAIDOC week we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history, culture and achievement. Uncle Mark Flanders, Discovery Ranger from National Parks will be leading the students through Aboriginal storytelling and many other activities. It promises to be a great day of celebration and networking with other small schools in our Community of Schools. We will be traveling to the event by the Valley bus. The cost of the excursion will be $4 per student. Please ensure your permission note is returned with the $4 per student.

Valley bus students will catch the bus as normal. Zeek and Heather will need to be at school by 9.15am. Tom, Abbey, Rumi, Eshua, Jahlu, Eden, Campbell and Marshall will need to be on Darkwood Rd by 9.20am where the bus will collect them on the way. Josh, Ellie, Angelo, Will and Jayme will need to be at Thora bus stop by 9.30am. Kaii and Hannah will be picked up at the map in Church Street, Bellingen at 9.40am. Students will catch their normal bus home as usual. Any questions regarding these arrangements please call Liz at school or on her mobile.

YEC (Youth Environment Council)
On Friday Hannah, Ellie and Will went to Repton School, along with representatives from other schools. They went to talk about their school and how they help the environment and also to share ideas. Orama School is unique as we are one of the only schools that use our garden produce to make products. All the speeches and powerpoint presentations were
really good and most of the schools had the idea of shredding paper for chicken nests. That is a good idea that Orama could use but I think Orama is perfect the way it is. We did not just go there to talk, we also did a few activities such as learning about toxic waste and what we should do when we find some, sorting garbage into red, yellow and green bins and watching a performance from Repton School. From Ellie.

K-2 News
Last week the Kindergarten students began learning diagraphs. A diagraph is two letters that represent one sound: Vowel diagraphs have two vowels (for example, ‘oo’, ‘ea’) consonant diagraphs have two consonants (for example, ‘sh’, ‘th’) and vowel/consonant diagraphs have one vowel and one consonant (for example, ‘er’, ‘ow’). So far we have learned two vowel diagraphs: ‘ai’ as in pain and ‘oa’ as in boat. This week we will be learning ‘ie’ as in tie. Students can try and bring something in for news with these sounds in them.

We also made j, j, j, jelly and got to eat it and it was really yummy.

Lime jelly

We have also been practicing for the athletics carnival next term. We are all really trying hard to make sure that we run in a straight line.

Ms Arnold loved it last Tuesday when the photographer came as we all had our school uniforms on. She was so excited she took this lovely photo of us.

Small School Athletics Carnival
The Small Schools’ Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 17th July (Term 3 Week 1). Notes will need to be returned by Friday 19th June please. The whole school, K-6 participates on the day. Five, 6 and 7 year olds will participate in 50m age race, long jump, a 400m event (if they want to) and novelties. Students 8-13 years will participate in their age race, 200m and 800m (again if they want to). The top 3 students in each age will also participate in long jump, high jump and shot put. It is always a really good day and everyone has a lot of fun. There will be a canteen on the day and Orama has been rostered on to serve from 10.15 – 10.45. It is only ½ an hour so please indicate whether you would be willing to help on the day. We will need a minimum of 3 parents please. Attached is a canteen price list for the carnival. If you wish to order lunch on the day please return your order with money to school by Thursday 25th June.
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 have been 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.

SPECIAL CANTENE DAY
On the last canteen day for the term (Tuesday 23rd June) Heang will be preparing some delicious treats. For Recess there will be crispy banana spring rolls for $2 each and for Lunch, crispy chicken and vegetable spring rolls for $2.50 each. If you would like to enjoy some spring rolls next week please complete the order form attached and return to school by Friday 19th June.

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 great 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 by Friday 19th June.

3-6 News
From Zac:
The plane,
Twirling,
Dodging the trees,
Missing the pond,
Rushing down to the river,
Almost hitting the rocks,
Birds nearly crashing into the Plane,
Plummeting down to the ground,
Crash.

From Josh:
On a windy Monday I decided to launch my stunning polka dot paper aeroplane. I climbed dad’s rusty ladder up to our flat top roof. When I got up my plane ripped out of my hand and started to pick up speed. It was twirling like a ballerina but then, sadly, it plummeted down to the ground.

From Abbey:
I am standing on the roof of my mummy's house feeling nervous and worried mum doesn't see me. I am making my airplane. Now I have made my airplane without mum seeing and I let it fly. It flies all around the trees and goes to Zara’s place. Her kittens chase it. Then it flies to Jayme’s place and her bird sees it. Then it goes to Port and back. It flies in town, it follows cars, and goes into shops, and all the way home back to me. I hop off the roof and play with the animals.

What’s Cooking
For the canteen on Tuesday, we still have on the menu some school made basil pesto scrolls at 2 for 50 cents.

Orama Made
Hurry, hurry, hurry! There are only a few jars of pesto left (until the next crop of basil grows) for the season. They are large jars and 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 or for fresh lemongrass tea.
Whooping Cough
There have been a number of cases of Whooping Cough (Pertussis) reported in the area. Please find a factsheet issued by the Department of Education and Communities for your information. If you have any concerns please contact your doctor.

Mid-Year Reporting
Half yearly reports will be going home in the last week of term. Any parents wishing for an interview with the class teacher please call the office for an allocated time after school hours. Thank you.

Till next week,
Liz Arnold

“Talent is cheaper than table salt. What separates the talented individual from the successful one is a lot of hard work.”
Stephen King

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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.

Record of Absence
Student’s Name.................................................................

Date of Absence/s..............................................................

Reason for Absence.............................................................

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Signed.................................................................................

Date.....................................................................................

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