STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Achievement Awards:

Achievement Award K-2: Rumi for always doing his best work and being a positive role model to his peers.

Lexia Awards to Abbey E for successfully completing Level 3, Kaii Level 4, Rumi Level 10.

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

Magic 100 awards to Abbey E for completing the Indigo level and Toby for completing the Lemon level.

Well done everyone!

Education Week Concert “Celebrating Local Heroes”
As you would be aware from the note you received on Friday, tomorrow, 28th July, students from around the Bellingen Dorrigo Learning Community will come together at Bellingen High School to celebrate Education Week. This year’s theme is “Celebrating Local Heroes”. Last week Beth Richards, music teacher from Dorrigo High School, came out to our school to run the students through the combined choir piece that will be performed at the culmination of the concert. This year the song is very upbeat and should get everyone’s toes tapping. The students have also been very busy with the teachers learning the pieces that they will perform. The 3-6 class will be performing a piece on the recorder which they have been practicing over the last couple of months. After this, the whole school will be performing a combined song with instruments. The students have put a lot of hard work into this performance and it is very important that we get 100% attendance. Please see Friday’s note for clarification and if in doubt ring the office or my mobile. Thank you.

Ms Beth Richards practicing the combined choir song last week with the students
PSSA District Athletics Carnival
Congratulations to Jayme (junior 800m), Zoey (11 year old shot put), Eleanor (senior 800m), Josh (junior 900m), Zac (11 year old shot put) and Harry (9 year old age race) who will be completing in the PSSA District Carnival at Urunga Recreational Ground on Wednesday 29th July. Jorja and Zac will also have the opportunity to represent the Bellingen District at the North Coast PSSA in discus on Friday 28th August in Lismore. Well done everyone and good luck. GO ORAMA GO!!!

Life Education Van Visit
On Wednesday 29th July the Life Education Van and Healthy Harold will be visiting our school. If you would like your child to attend please complete the permission note and optional Harold Merchandise note if you would like to purchase any Harold products. The cost of the visit is $10 per child. All notes with money should be returned to school by Tuesday 28th July please.

Sydney Excursion
The cost to parents of the Sydney Excursion for Years 4, 5 and 6 is $250. For those parents who have paid the non-refundable deposit of $50 the remaining cost needs to be paid in full to the school by the end of Week 10, Term 3 (Friday, 18th September). Parents can pay the $200 in instalments if they wish, during Term 3.

Rewards Programs
The Woolworths Earn and Learn program is on again. Starting on Wednesday 15th July when you shop at Woolworths you will receive 1 sticker for every $10 you spend. The stickers can be sent to school where we will place them on sticker cards and the points earned can be redeemed on resources and equipment for our school. Ask your friends, neighbours and family members to collect their stickers for us. In the past, our school was able to redeem our stickers on a variety of art, craft and sporting resources. The program will close on Tuesday 8th September.

Bellingen IGA supports our school with its Community Benefits program. When you make a purchase at Bellingen IGA and quote our identifier code of 6029, rewards are allocated to our school. Alternatively, when you are next at Bellingen IGA you can pick up a specially barcoded card at the cigarette counter which can be shown at any checkout when making purchases. Bellingen IGA supports our school with a monetary donation from this program which is spent on programs for our students.

K-2 News
This term we welcome back to our class Elijah and welcome new student Sierra. This week is going to be very busy with students participating in Education on Show on Tuesday and Healthy Harold in Life Education on Wednesday so we may not have time to do our weekly news activities. This term we are going to change the format of news on Tuesdays and Wednesday and linking news with our topic “Transport”. Students may bring in anything to do with transport that they would like to talk about. It might be a toy, a picture, a storybook about a form of transport, a talk about a television program about transport e.g. Thomas the Tank Engine or even a time when they travelled on a form of transport. Anything at all that they can talk to the class about for a couple of minutes. We will begin this new format next week. “Spot the Difference” is our topic for Science this term. Changes are happening all around us. Chocolate melts in the sun, water evaporates from puddles and cement hardens in the open air. Predicting the changes that can happen to everyday materials is important in understanding the best way to manage things such as, food handling and cooking, construction and packaging. This promises to be a very interesting and “hands on” unit of work.

Important Note:
Parents please remind all students to bring in their homework bags every Friday. Although homework in K-2 is optional and quite easy, I would like to stress the importance of home reading on a daily basis. Reading is one of the most important skills we can give our children and reinforcing the reading that is happening in class is paramount to the ongoing success for our students.
Canteen News
There will be NO canteen this Tuesday (tomorrow) due to the Education on Show Excursion.

For Sale
The school has a LCD screen wall mount with tilt function for sale. Brand new, never used, still in the box, $40.

Till next week,
Liz Arnold

“Sometimes the most ordinary things can be made extraordinary, simply by doing them with the right people.”
Nicholas Sparks

TERM 3 - WEEKLY CALENDAR

Week 3, Term 3
Tues, 28th July  Education on Show – Bellingen High School
Wed, 29th July  Life Education Van visit
               District Athletics Carnival – Urunga Rec. Grounds – (qualifiers only)

Week 4, Term 3
Mon, 3rd Aug   START Day

Week 6, Term 3
Tues, 18th Aug Fishing Workshop, Boambee Creek (3-6 only)

Week 8, Term 3
Mon, 31st Aug  START Day

Week 10, Term 3
Fri, 18th Sept Balance of payment due for Sydney Excursion (Yrs 4 – 6)

TERM 4 - WEEKLY CALENDAR

Week 2, Term 4
Mon, 12th Oct  Grandparents’ Day, 1:00 pm lunch and games afternoon

Week 3, Term 4
Mon, 19th Oct – Fri, 23rd Oct  Sydney Excursion Yrs 4 - 6

Week 4, Term 4
Date TBA  Bunnings BBQ, P&C Fundraiser

Week 10, Term 4
Tues, 15th Dec  Presentation Night

Term 4 Holidays
Thurs 17th Dec

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................................................................................