STUDENT EXCELLENCE
Achievement Awards:

Achievement Award K-2: Sierra for a wonderful start at Orama Public School. Welcome Sierra.

Lexia Awards to Eden for successfully completing Level 6, Mitchel for Level 7 and Rumi level 11.

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

3 – 6 Awards:
Boe for all round “Star” and Will for greater participation “In Class”.

Lexia awards to Will for successfully completing Level 10, Campbell for Level 17 and Tom for Level 13.

3 – 6 Team of the Week.....Purple.

No Magic 100 awards this week.

Well done everyone!

Education Week Concert “Celebrating Local Heroes”

Thank you to all the staff and students who made the Education on Show Concert such a success last Tuesday night. The students had an outstanding performance and positively showcased Orama Public School to the wider community. They worked very hard in the weeks prior to the performance so they are to be commended on their efforts. The entire concert was produced by the great team at Bellingen High School who also did an outstanding job leading up to and on the night. Thank you to all the parents and families that came along to support our students. I’m sure you would agree that it was a wonderful display of public education at its best.
PSSA District Athletics Carnival
Well done to Jayme, Harry, Josh, Zoey and Eleanor who represented Bellingen/Nambucca at the recent PSSA District Athletics Carnival at Urunga. They all participated enthusiastically and gave it their best. Congratulations to Eleanor who has made it to the next level in the 800m event on the 14th August in Coffs Harbour. Well done everyone and good luck Ellie.

START
The School Transition and Readiness Training program will be running today from 11.15 until home time. All pre-school students are welcome. A summary of activities and photos will be in next week’s newsletter.

Life Education
Last week the Life Education van came to Orama Public School for a visit. Life Education Australia is the nation’s largest not-for-profit provider of preventative drug and health education in schools. The unique program and resources motivate, encourage and empower young people to make informed healthy lifestyle choices.

K-2 class in the van with Jodie

The K-2 students participated in the Harold’s Heroes program. The following learning outcomes were addressed:
Students recognise that their safety depends on their own and others’ behaviour as well as the environment. Students identify a range of people, services and products that promote health and safety. Students describe characteristics people share yet recognises humans are unique. Students identify foods that enhance health and wellbeing and recognise harmful situations and identify possible solutions.

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
What a very busy time we had in the K-2 class last week. We had a huge day on Tuesday with the Education Week Concert which was an amazing success. So proud of our K-2 students who played their bells, sang and danced beautifully in front of that enormous crowd. Then Healthy Harold on Wednesday where we learned all about Super Heroes. We also welcomed a new student, Sierra, into our class. A couple of reminders:- don’t forget to bring in your homework every Friday and news this term is all about transport. Year 1 and 2 have news on Tuesdays and Kindergarten have news on Wednesdays.

3-6 News
Do your kids ever complain that they don’t like the food you prepare for them? We are working on a mini project which makes the children think about designing menus and becoming more aware of what this entails. The task they have been set is to design a canteen menu for both recess and lunch for one day. Once they have some suggestions they have to find suitable recipes, increase the quantities to feed the whole school, decide what ingredients we have in the garden or the canteen and subsequently write up a shopping list for the remaining ingredients. The next challenge will be to set about preparing the food and cleaning up afterwards. Here’s hoping they will learn to appreciate all that is done for them in the hallowed kitchens of their homes! Ms Anforth.
PS. Any family favourite recipes that will lend themselves to whole school cooking would be greatly appreciated.

Canteen News
Canteen will be back to normal this week.

Till next week,
Liz Arnold

“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart.”
Helen Keller