Dear Parents and Students,

Last Wednesday our small schools soccer team made the long trip to Nowra to play Otford Public School in the State Knockout. It was a very even match with Tilba eventually running out winners by two goals to one. The team played a great game and can be very proud of their achievement. From forty-seven schools that started in this competition, Tilba are now down to the last eight in the state, and will play the winner of a round robin that is being played today in Raymond Terrace, near Newcastle. This will mean that our next match will probably involve an overnight trip, possibly to Sydney. I will let you know as soon as I have any details. Thank you to Dave Rugendyke who drove the bus to and from Nowra last week.

The District Athletics Carnival, postponed from last week due to the weather, will be held this Friday at the Moruya Showground. All children competing need to return their permission notes by tomorrow.

This morning we have three students from Year Six – Jai, Nicholas and Meg – visiting Narooma High School to take part in the Mathematics Linkages program, which looks at enriching talented students as they move towards Year Seven. The program operates fortnightly and has been very successful in previous years.

Year Six students will also receive a visit today from Ms Jen Sultana, who is the Year Seven Co-ordinator for next year at the high school.

On Friday, September 2\textsuperscript{nd}, Mrs McHarg will be reviewing the School Discipline Policy. Parents were asked for comment on this policy last term, and the response indicated that parents were happy with most or all of the policy. If any parent would like to join Mrs McHarg on the day to assist with the review, please contact Linda in the office.

Regards,
John Carter, Principal

WOULD ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS PLEASE CHECK THE NAMES ON SCHOOL JUMPERS AND HATS.

Too many students appear to be taking home someone else’s jumpers and/or hats. Jarrah’s new jumper is clearly marked with his name and has ‘disappeared’. If your child has inadvertently taken home someone else’s clothes/hat, please return it to the correct owner.

REMINDERS
- Milk shake money for next week.
- District Athletics Note and payment.
- Check names on jumpers and hats.
- Canberra excursion payments.
- Bookclub.
- Return lunch order survey.
- Return knitting, needles and wool.

DISTRICT ATHLETICS
The District Athletics Carnival is still scheduled for this Friday, August 19th, at the Moruya Showgrounds. A NEW permission note to Primary Children who have qualified to enter was sent home last week. This NEW note needs to be returned TOMORROW.

Thank you to the parents who have already offered to help with transport, but we do need ONE more parent to ensure we can get everyone there. Please help if you possibly can.
**Bush Dance Committee Meeting**

PLUS any parents interested in helping.
Sunday, August 21st, at Fran’s place, 2.00 pm.
Bring along ideas and any helpful information you have gathered.
We need to think about sound-proofing the hall, ie.,
making better acoustics in there.
Suggestions welcome but one idea is to drape black material from rafters (Christina’s idea).
May need suggestions as to how to get material to do this. Also decoration ideas - hay bales? How much, where? etc.
Lots to do guys!!!
Contact me if you can make it - 4473 7125.
Looking forward to seeing you there!!

**INFANTS CLASS**
The Eurobodalla Animal Welfare League is running a student competition and library display to promote the Tailwagger’s Walk in Narooma on September 18th. Some Infants children have taken their drawing home to complete. Please return it to school when completed.

**HATS**
As we are now starting to get some warm and sunny days, we remind ALL parents and students that every child should have a SCHOOL HAT to wear when outside at all times during the school day. Hats are available for purchase from the office. Please ensure your child has their own hat and is NOT using someone else’s.

**BOOKCLUB**
A bookclub brochure is attached to this newsletter. If you wish to make a purchase, please return order form with payment by next Friday, August 26th.

**CANBERRA**
It is now ONLY 13 WEEKS until the Primary Class excursion to Canberra. The cost is $150 per student and we remind parents that all or part payment can be made at any time. Please contact the school immediately if payment is a problem.

**MILKSHAKES**
Don’t forget to send your milkshake order in by Wednesday every week. Thursday is too late - you will miss out!!
OPEN DAY and
SMALLS SCHOOLS SOCCER KNOCK OUT
PLAY ON SHAKESPEARE (FOR KIDS) - Prepare to return to the magical world of Shakespeare when actors from the highly acclaimed Australian Shakespeare Company perform a selection of scenes from Shakespeare’s most celebrated plays. This is a special event for the whole community! The performance is aimed at primary school aged children and the whole family is welcome. ROMEO & JULIET, HAMLET, A MIDSUMMER NIGHT’S DREAM, MACBETH.

Friday 16th September 2011, St Mary’s Performing Arts Centre Moruya. 6pm arrival for seats and Candy Bar Treats 6.30pm Curtains Open (1hr duration). Supper available after the show. TICKETS: $35 FAMILY TICKET (2 adults & 3 kids). $12 SINGLE TICKET. Purchase from St Mary’s School Office.

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID - Stephen Perry & Graham Barry Accredited YMHFA instructors. This award winning, nationally accredited program teaches adults about adolescent development and how to assist adolescents who are developing a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis. Course covers assisting in crisis situations such as: suicidal behaviours, self harm, acute stress reaction, panic attacks, psychotic behaviour, effects of alcohol and drug misuse and aggressive behaviours. Participants will learn the signs and symptoms of mental health problems such as depression, anxiety disorders, eating disorders, psychosis and substance misuse. Any interested adult can attend.

Date: Mon & Tues, 29 & 30 Aug, 9am-4pm, Moruya, $210
Enrol at Adult Ed: 44729202

NAROOMA PRE SCHOOL SPRING FLING - Narooma Golf Club, Saturday, September 3rd, 6.30pm for 7pm start. Tickets $75 includes a 3 course meal and drink on arrival. Featuring ‘The Pocket’, an 8 piece funk soul band. Dress in your ‘Spring Carnival’ best. Tickets on sale at the Golf Cub. All money raised goes into our very own not for profit community run pre school.

COBARGO PRESCHOOL IS HAVING A SPRING FETE AND JUMBLE SALE on Saturday 3rd September 10am til 1pm. There will be raffles, cakes and goodies, a sausage sizzle, a jumping castle, pony rides, a mini petting zoo plus lots of bargains, so come along and help us raise money for our new outdoor area. Stalls are available at $10, for further info and bookings please contact Sarah: iain.sarah.h@gmail.com 0412 945 212.

BEGINNER BOOTSCOOTIN - Do you have a love of music and dance. Then why not come along and try line-dancing. The truth about line-dancing: 1. You don’t need a partner although we don’t mind if you bring one along. 2. It’s an excellent form of exercise, from muscle, balance, memory, bones and heart. 3. Great way to lose weight for summer. 4. Caters for people of all ages from the young to the very mature. 5. We dance to great music from country to rock, to salsa, 50’s to this week’s pop and everything in-between. 6. And yes, it’s lots of fun. I have a 4 week beginner’s course, starting September 1st at the Narooma PS School Hall from 7-8.30pm. Cost will be $8 per class. For more info contact Regina Turnbull on 0427 742 184 or Beth on 4476 4700.
NOTES TO BE RETURNED

P&C LUNCH ORDER DAY SURVEY

Hey Guys,

As talked about in the last P&C meeting, we are looking into having a "special lunch day" at school since we don’t have a canteen. It will be run by parents and the kids will be able to put in lunch orders. What we need to know is what everyone thinks about this.

Can you please fill out this little survey and send back into school THIS WEEK. I would like to put together a report for the next P&C Meeting where we will make some decisions as to whether to do it or not.

Please circle your answer where appropriate : (Use back of page or new page if not enough room).

Would your family support a "special lunch day" by ordering and buying lunches on that day?  Y  N

How often do you think we should have it?   Weekly  F/nightly  Monthly

If it was weekly (same day each week) would you use it every week?  Y  N

If not, how often would you use it?  F/nightly  Monthly  Never

Would you be interested in helping prepare lunches sometimes?  Y  N

If Yes, what days would suit you/are you available? .............................................................................

What sort of food would you like to be made for your children
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We are thinking of $3-$5 per order, do you think that is appropriate and would you spend that?” Do you have other thoughts on costing?
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Any other thoughts ..............................................................................................................................................

Thanks Heaps, Bronwen.  (If you would like to call me to discuss this, that would be fine too 4476 8917)

MILKSHAKE ORDER - TO BE RECEIVED AT SCHOOL -

NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY MORNING EACH WEEK

THURSDAY IS TOO LATE AND YOU WILL MISS OUT

MORE THAN 1 CHILD??

PLEASE WRITE CHILD’S NAME ON TOP OF THEIR CHOICE OF FLAVOUR

MILKSHAKE ORDER FORM - $2 each - THURSDAY, AUGUST 25TH

NAME(S): ..........................................................................................................................................................

FLAVOURS/QTY:  CHOCOLATE ....  VANILLA ....  BANANA ....  STRAWBERRY ....  CARAMEL ....