Welcome Back

Welcome back to all our staff, students and families. I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter. Judging from the noise of excited students in the playground I would say that most of our students were keen to discuss their great holidays with friends. The school community would also like to welcome a number of new enrolments and their families. We hope that you settle in and we look forward to a long and productive partnership.

I attended the Wingham Anzac Day march last Friday and I would like to thank all the students who marched with me. Considering the weather and the fact that it was school holidays it was great to see approximately 35 students representing our school on this special day. Everyone was extremely well behaved and I was very proud of our school. I look forward to having other students and staff join our ranks next year for the 100th anniversary of Gallipoli.

As always we have an extremely busy term ahead but I know that our school community will strive to achieve their best in all endeavours. Have a great term everyone.

Rita Pittman, Principal

When we do the best that we can, we never know what miracle is wrought in our life, or in the life of another.

Helen Keller

DIARY DATES - TERM 2, 2014

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VOLUNTARY SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

School contributions for 2014 have been set at $40 per family. Contributions paid before 25th June will go into a draw for a gift voucher to the value of $100 at a local business.

STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE 2014

Donation envelopes are accompanying the bulletin today to support Stewart House. Donations of $2.00 go into a draw for a $4000 holiday to a destination of your choice. Please complete the entry details on the envelope, enclose $2.00 and return to school by Friday 9th May.

SESQUICENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

We are attempting to contact previous school leaders Nathan Bevan (1990) and Lucinda Barker (1991) regarding our Sesquicentenary celebrations. If you know of contact details for Nathan or Lucinda please contact the school.
**FLU SEASON**

With the onset of cooler weather, it’s only a matter of time before we are impacted by the seasonal coughs, colds or flu. In general, influenza viruses are spread in two ways:
1. Respiratory droplets from an infected person's cough or sneezes.
2. Touching contaminated surfaces (including hands) and then touching your mouth, nose or eyes.

**Minimise the spread of flu/colds**
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing.
- Dispose of tissues immediately after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water when coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Students who are sick with flu symptoms should be kept at home until their symptoms are gone.

**SCHOOL PHOTOS**

School Photos will be taken next Thursday, 8th May (Week 2). Order forms were sent home yesterday for individual and class photos. These envelopes need to be returned to the office before Thursday 8th May, either with on-line payment details or the correct cash enclosed. Family order forms are also available from the office. Family photos, school leaders and choir photos will also be taken. All sporting photos will be taken at a later time. All students are required to wear their full summer school uniform.

**Girls Summer Uniform**
- Navy and white short-sleeve dress with red tag or sky blue polo shirt with emblem and navy blue shorts.
- Black shoes and white socks.

**Boys Summer Uniform**
- Sky blue shirt with emblem, grey shorts
- Black shoes and grey socks.

**ZONE CROSS COUNTRY**

Good luck to our students who will be running at the Manning Zone PSSA Cross Country Championships at Wingham Sport Complex this Friday. Students representing our school will need to report to our team manager Mr Stuttard on arrival and need to have their name marked off by Mr Stuttard before departing the venue after their race.

**CRICKET REPORT**

On Tuesday 8th April our school cricket team travelled to Tinonee and won a great game of cricket. Hayden was captain with Clancy and Danny vice captains. Tinonee won the toss and chose to field. Wingham started off with a great batting attack by openers Hayden and Nathan (43 retired). The rest of the team was outstanding showing support on the sideline. The game was played fairly and Tinonee was unlucky losing a close game.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Hayden Essery attended a State cricket training camp in Sydney over the holidays. 24 talented boys were at the camp with the NSW PSSA team selected following the camp. Although not selected in the State team, Hayden can feel very proud of his achievement to make it through to the final selection camp and be in the top 24 primary school cricketers in NSW. Our school is very proud of Hayden’s outstanding efforts and achievements in cricket this year.

**P&C NEWS**

Our P&C Mother’s Day stall will be held next Friday 9th May. All gifts are $5 each and must be pre-ordered, using the notes that will go home this afternoon. Please have all notes and money returned to the school by next Wednesday 7th May, so that your child doesn’t miss out. Children will come to the stall in their classes on the morning of Friday 9th May to choose their gift/s.

We apologise for the inconvenience that our stall will run within days of the school photos, but as this is a great fundraiser where the kids enjoy choosing gifts for their mothers/step-mums/grandmothers we did not want to cancel one of our favourite annual events.

_Bree Seddon-Wickenden, Vice-President_

**YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT 2015**

Information regarding Year 5 2015 Opportunity Class Placements for higher performing students is available from the front office. Applications close Friday 16th May 2014.