**Review - Public Speaking**

We were all very well informed & entertained by our public speakers last Friday during our Public Speaking Judging! Our guest judge was extremely impressed by the quality of speeches delivered by our students on the day, well done everyone!

*A big thank you to our NSW Teachers Federation guest judge, Mr Marty Wheatley, who gave us his time & expertise with determining our stage winners!*

Winners will be announced at the next whole school assembly scheduled for Monday 23rd June. There will be winners for each stage as well as an overall stage champion.

Our judge has also assisted in selecting the following students to represent our school at the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition at Alstonville Public School on Monday 16th June. Congratulations to Owen G, Sally C, Gypsy S (Res), Jade T, Jasmine C, Riley G (Res)

Due to time constraints, Multicultural Public Speaking permission notes need to be returned to the school by no later than THIS FRIDAY 13th June, thank you.

**Southern Cross Community of Small Schools’ (SXCSS) - Spelling Bee**

When: Thursday 12th June  
Where: Wardell Hall  
Time: 9.30am start (finish approx. 1.30pm)

Good Luck to those students who will be representing the school at the Small Schools’ Spelling Bee to be held TOMORROW, Thursday 12th June at Wardell Hall.

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**Program**

9:30-11:00 Stage 2 (approx. timing)  
11:00-11:30 Recess  
11:30-1:00 Stage 3

There will be a practice round initially to settle everyone’s nerves! Students may stay for their timeslot only or stay on to watch the other stages compete.

Transport will be the responsibility of the parent.

*Students will need to bring along their recess, lunch & a drink bottle.* Hot food may be purchased from the shop across the road at the conclusion of the competition (however this will not be under the supervision of staff).

**Assembly - Guitar Performance**

The next whole school assembly will be held on Monday 23rd June at 11.30am. Students who have been learning guitar will be showcasing their talents by performing at this assembly.
**Multicultural Public Speaking**

**When:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June  
**Where:** Alstonville Public School  
**Times:** Stage 2 - 9.30am to 12.00pm  
Stage 3 - 12.00pm to 3.00pm

Congratulations to the following students from Stage 2 & 3 who will be representing our school at the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition at Alstonville P.S. on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

Stage 2  
Owen G  
Sally C  
Gypsy S (Res)

Stage 3  
Jade T  
Jasmine C  
Riley G (Res)

Students will be re-presenting their speeches at this event and should be encouraged to continue to practice their speeches over the coming week.

**Transport:** Parents are to arrange their own transport to & from the venue, 15 minutes prior to scheduled start time.

**What to bring:** Students are to bring a packed morning tea, lunch & drink bottle. Please wear full school uniform.

Permission & information notes are attached. Please return permission notes by no later than Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June, thank you.

**SS PSSA Soccer Knockout**

Our Empire Vale P.S soccer team will be playing Broadwater P.S as part of the Small Schools PSSA Soccer Knockout Comp on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June at Woodburn Oval. Permission notes to be returned by no later than Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, thank you.

**NAIDOC Celebrations**

NAIDOC celebrations will be over two days beginning on Tuesday June 24<sup>th</sup> at Cabbage Tree Island PS where the students will be participating in traditional dance with dancers from the Aboriginal Centre for Performing Arts in Brisbane. On Wednesday students from years 3-6 will be participating in the SXCSS dance/games day held at BHS playing traditional games as well as putting on the dances they learned from Tuesday.

Permission notes need to be returned no later than Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, thank you.

**Small Schools Athletics Carnival**

**NOTES & PAYMENTS OVERDUE - URGENTLY REQUIRED!!!**

There are still a number of permission notes & payments OUTSTANDING for next week's carnival.

**When:** Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June  
**Where:** Ballina High School  
**Times:** 9:30am to 2:30pm  
**Cost:** $5.00 per student  
**Transport:** Bus

**Wet-weather Plan:** Possible postponements will be broadcast over radio station 2LM from 7.30am on the morning of the carnival. (Alternative carnival date 26<sup>th</sup> June)

**Canteen:** Snacks & drinks are available on the day.

**Day One**  
When: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June (all students)  
Where: Cabbage tree Island PS  
Cost: $5.00 per student  
Transport: bus

**Day Two**  
When: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June (years 3-6)  
Where: BHS  
Cost: nil  
Transport: bus

Please note: A big thank you to our P&C who have covered the cost of this excursion!
AFL Skills Workshops / Interschool Comps

As part of the AFL Inter-School Football Program, Years 4, 5 & 6 students will be participating, in 3 friendly AFL matches against various local schools throughout next term. Game 1 will be with Rous P.S students on Friday 8th August. Game 2 will be with Cabbage Tree Island P.S. students on Friday 29th August at CTI & Game 3, the final match will be with Wardell P.S at Wardell on Friday 19th September.

We will be kicking off the Interschool Competition with two ‘skills clinics’ which will be held at Empire Vale PS on Friday 18th & 25th July.

We will require assistance from parents with transport.

PARENT RESPONSES DUE

SS PSSA Athletics Carnival permission & payment URGENT!!!
Multicultural Speaking Comp permission notes (selected students)

Due – Friday 13th June

SS PSSA Soccer Knockout (selected students)

Due – Tues 17th June

NAIDOC permission & payment to CTIPS (whole school)

Due – Tues 17th June

NAIDOC permission to BHS (Years 3-6)

Due – Tues 17th June

Senior Excursion Round 1 chocolate monies (senior students) Due – Fri 8th August

FINAL CHOCOLATE ORDER NOT GOING AHEAD

The deadline for the second & final round of chocolates has now passed. Unfortunately we did not reach the minimum order of 15 boxes, so we will not be placing a second & final order. All chocolate monies from the 1st round need to be returned by no later than Friday 8th August (Week 4, Term 3), thank you.

P&C News

Parent helpers are required for the snack & drink stall for next week’s athletics carnival at Ballina H.S. Donations of cakes/slices etc. would be appreciated, (please drop off at the school next Wed if you are not attending Thursdays carnival). Thank you!

Top Tips from the DET

Mental maths strategies
We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here: www.bit.ly/JkiUsY

Attachments

- PERMISSION NOTES:
  - Multicultural Public Speaking permission & information sheets (selected students)
**Up & Coming Events**

**June**

**Wednesday 18th**
Little Athletics

**Thursday 12th**
SXCSS Spelling Bee  
Venue: Wardell Hall

**Monday 16th**
Multicultural Public Speaking  
Venue: Alstonville PS

**Thursday 19th** (Alternative date 26th)  
Small Schools’ PSSA Athletics Carnival  
Venue: Ballina High School

**Monday 23rd**  
Assembly 11:30

**Tuesday 24th**  
NAIDOC Celebrations (whole school)  
Venue: CTIPS

**Wednesday 25th** (Yrs 3-6 only)  
SXCSS NAIDOC Combined Day (dance/games)  
Venue: Ballina High School

**Thursday 26th** (selected students)  
SS PSSA Soccer Knockout  
Venue: Woodburn Oval

**Friday 27th**  
Last Day of Term 2 (Casual for a Cause Day)

**July**

**Tuesday 15th**  
First day of Term 3 for students

**Friday 20th & 27th**  
Interschool AFL Competition - Skills Days  
Venue: EVPS

**Thursday 24th** (selected Students)  
Debating Gala Day No. 1  
Venue: EVPS
PERMISSION NOTE

Multicultural Public Speaking
(Monday 16th June)

I give permission for my child/ren…………………………………………………………………………………………to compete in the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition at Alstonville P.S on Monday 16th June 2014. I understand that transport is the responsibility of the parent. Students listed as ‘reserve’ are also asked to attend as it will be a valuable learning experience for them all.

☐ I will be transporting my own child
☐ I have arranged for _________________ to transport my child
   (Please note that if permission is not received or transport arranged by the due date the reserve will participate in your child’s place)

Signed ........................................ Date ..................................................
Parent/Guardian

Please return permission by no later than THIS FRIDAY 13th June, thank you.