Paradise FM Interview.

At approximately 2:30pm on Thursday the 17th of September, Paradise FM listeners will be kept both entertained and informed when some of our Year 6 students ‘go live to air’ to discuss all the great qualities of our school. A Paradise FM radio will provide our students with a tour of the radio booth & control panel & hopefully share their wisdom about doing great radio interviews. Tune in for some quality local radio!

Taronga Mobile Zoo School Visit

When: Tuesday Sept 8th
Where: EVPS (ALL students)
Time: 9.00am start
Cost: $6 per student

To help recognise Threatened Species week, Taronga Zoo will be visiting the Northern Rivers in partnership with Dorroughby EEC. The Zoo will discuss threats to animals and habitats and will highlight the adaptations that each animal has to its environment. They will also discuss the need to preserve habitats. Empire Vale PS has secured this excursion on Tuesday 8th September from 9:00 – 10:00 am approx.

Dorroughby EEC will then follow in term 4 with activities that focus on biodiversity in the school grounds. Students will conduct a habitat survey and make a plan for improvements to the playground for animal habitats.

Permission notes & payment to be returned to school by no later than Tuesday 1st September, thank you.

AFL REVIEW – EVPS vs CTIPS

Last Friday the senior class went to Cabbage Tree Island to vs them in a game of AFL. We had it in the first half then they had a great comeback in the second half. We had a great first quarter as cabbage tree had 8 points and we had 27. We went back on for another quarter, Cabbage Tree Island scoring 24 points and EVPS scoring 17. The final score was 102 to 83 - a close game!

We would like to thank the parents who helped out during the day with transport!

Liam O & Riley G
‘Sweet As’ Art Exhibition

Opening Night of the ‘Sweet As’ Art Exhibition

When: Thursday 3rd September, Starting 5.30pm until 7.30pm
Where: The Northern Rivers Community Gallery, 44 Cherry Street Ballina

We hope you have all kept the evening of Thursday the 3rd of September free as our ‘Sweet As’ art exhibition will be officially opened by our Mayor, David Wright at The Northern Rivers Community Gallery.

This will be a fantastic night for us all, as we celebrate our student’s creativity and promote the beauty of our local sugar cane fields.

Light refreshments will be served as well as an opportunity to enjoy a freshly squeezed sugar cane juice, courtesy of the Monti Family!

Our talented students have been very busy creating a rich variety of masterpieces that are guaranteed to make an outstanding exhibition.

It would be wonderful to see all families supporting this great creative arts initiative.

As the gallery has limited space, & this is likely to be a popular event, we would like to get an indication of numbers attending the launch. Please return the EOI to attend the exhibition launch by no later than Tuesday 1st Sep, thank you.

FAQ

➢ What is the program of the evening?
  The exact program is not published by the Gallery however, the below program is an indication of how we expect the evening to go:

  5:30 - Viewing the Gallery artworks with your children. Please ensure an adult is with your children at all times within the Gallery space.
  - Sugar cane juicer ‘up and running’ 😊 (courtesy of the Monti family)
  5:45 - Official launch
    Welcome to Country (by Cabbage Tree Island students)
    Launch Speeches - by Mayor David Wright
  6:00 - View the exhibition with your children. Please take the opportunity to teach your children the value of the artworks and the behaviour requirements when moving about in a gallery space.

➢ Are all students / families expected to attend the launch?
  It would be lovely for families to make an appearance throughout the evening to allow your students to experience the feel of a Gallery ‘Launch’ with their artwork on display. Attendance is, of course, not compulsory.
  We would also encourage the Primary students to attend the official part of the evening as this is an invaluable experience in being involved in an exhibition of their artwork.

➢ How long do we need to attend for?
  For as long or as little as you’d like.

➢ Is there a cost?
  A gold coin donation is the usual entry to the Gallery.

➢ Will I need money for other purposes? i.e. raffle, refreshments
  Not that we are aware of. Light refreshments are supplied.
**Southern Cross Community of Small Schools (SXCSS) - Public Speaking**

**When:** Tuesday Sept 1st  
**Where:** Tregeagle PS  
**Time:** 9.30am start (1:30 finish?)  
**Transport:** Private Cars

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**Premier's Spelling Bee**

**When:** Tuesday Sept 15th  
**Where:** Wyrallah Road PS  
**Time:** 9.30am start  
**Transport:** Private Cars

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**EARN & LEARN STICKERS**

Thank you to everyone who is sending in their Earn & Learn stickers! Simply shop at Woolworths & you will receive one Woolworths Earn & Learn sticker for every $10 spent. **Sheets are to be returned to the school by Tuesday 15th September, thank you, or dropped into River Street Woolworths.**

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**1/2 day Race Holiday**

In the Ballina area the Council has declared that **Thursday 10 September 2015 will be a half day public holiday within the Ballina Council area.**

This means that **schools will close for half a day on this day.**

**PLEASE NOTE…** the bus will be running as usual in the morning but **WILL NOT BE collecting the children in the middle of the day.**

Please make your own arrangements to collect your children between 11:30-12noon. The school will be closed from 12noon sharp - if you are not able to collect your children please keep them home on this day.

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**Mobile Library**

**Wed 2nd Sept**

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**Up & Coming Events**

**August**

**Friday 28th** (EVPS PPS relay team)  
North Coast PSSA Athletics  
Venue: Lismore

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**September**

**Tuesday 1st** (selected students)  
SXCSS Public Speaking  
Venue: Tregeagle P.S.

**Thursday 3rd 5:30pm**  
**Sweet As** Gallery Exhibition Launch  
Venue: Northern Rivers Community Gallery

**Monday 7th**  
Spring Concert Matinee

**Tuesday 8th** - 6pm (alt Mon 14th)  
**Spring Concert - The Lion King**  
Venue: EVPS

**Thursday 10th**  
½ day Race Holiday

**Monday 14th 11:30am**  
Assembly

**Tuesday 15th** (selected students)  
Premiers Spelling Bee  
Venue: Wyrrallah Road PS

**Thursday 17th** (selected students)  
Paradise FM  
Venue: Paradise FM radio station Ballina

**Friday 18th** (years 4, 5 & 6)  
Interschool AFL game, EVPS v Wardell  
Venue: Wardell PS

**Friday 18th**  
Casual for a Cause (Gold Coin Donation please)  
/ Last day of Term 3

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**Empire Vale Public School Newsletter**

Principal: Ms Bonita Avery  
Ph: 6683 4298

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**Southern Cross Community of Small Schools (SXCSS)**
Senior Excursion – 21-23rd Oct 2015
MT TAMBORINE!

The cost for this excursion has now been confirmed at $360 per student. Thanks to those families who have already been making part-payments and to those who have been busy selling chocolates.

Action required:

- Wed 9th Sep – $150 (minimum) deposit due. Permission & Medical forms due. Students will not be included in our booking if payment of the deposit is not finalised by this date. No exceptions can be made.
  - $150 deposit due
  - Permission 'Excursion Consent Form Section A'
  - Permission 'Excursion Note Sect A'
  - Permission 'Excursion Note Sect B'
  - Permission for Skirmish
  - Permission for Tree Tops course
  - Medical Information note
- Wed 7th Oct – Final payment due for your child to attend the excursion. Deed of Indemnity due and any medication for your child. Students will be withdrawn if the payment and notes are not finalised by this date. No exceptions can be made.

NOTE: We require all students attending the excursion to use the small back-pack supplied (at the time of excursion payment). Those Yr 5/6 students who attended the senior school excursion last year would already have a back-pack. If you would like to use the one you received last year you can receive a $10 discount off the price of the excursion. Please let us know if you intend to take advantage of this discount (NOTE - students MUST use this back-pack – therefore if they have worn-out or lost last year’s bag they will require a new one).

P&C News

BUNNINGS BBQ THIS SUNDAY!
Helpers URGENTLY needed!

The P&C are holding a Bunnings BBQ THIS Sunday & urgently require helpers between the hours of 11am & 1.45pm. If you are able to help out, please phone Shantelle on 0407 488 982, THANK YOU!

FATHERS DAY RAFFLE

The P&C are holding a Fathers Day Raffle (please see attached book of tickets).

It would be greatly appreciated if each family could sell a book of tickets. A big thank you to Supercheap & Sports Power for their kind donations for this raffle!

FATHERS DAY STALL

Friday 4th Sept (in the morning). $3 a gift and multiple gifts can be bought once everyone has had their first selection.

Attachments

- Taronga Zoo School Visit – Permission and Payment (all students)
- Sweet As – Indication of Intention to Attend (all students)
- Wardell Fete - pre order ride forms & colouring competition (optional)
EMPIRE VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
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Community News

Wardell Public School
FETE IS COMING

Saturday 12th SEPT 15
Donations for our Second Hand Stall are needed!

Looking for...
- Clothes - Ornaments - Vases - Toys
- Old jewellery - Kitchen/Glassware
- DVDs - Puzzles - Picture frames

Anything you have just lying around the house or sitting in a box collecting dust that IS NOT broken. We want it! Collection starts NOW until Fri 4th Sept!

Wardell fete ride order forms & colouring competition to be returned to Empire P.S by Friday 4th September for pickup that day. (see attached)

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Alstonville Scouts welcome new Members in 2015!
Come and try FREE for up to 4 weeks before joining!

For Girls and Boys of all ages who love adventure and fun.
For Mums and Dads who want their Kids to learn important life skills in a safe environment.

Joeys Scouts: ages 6 to 8 years, Wednesdays: 5.30 to 6.30pm
Cub Scouts: ages 8 to 11 years, Wednesdays: 6.30 to 8.00pm
Scouts: ages 11 to 15 years, Thursdays: 6.30 to 8.30pm
The Alstonville Scout Hall is located at Gap Road, Alstonville.

To find out more, contact either:
Cindy Robinson (Joeys Leader), Mobile: 0413 454 177
**Indication of Intention to Attend**

**Sweet As Gallery Launch** (all families welcome) - Thursday 3\(^{rd}\) Sept, 5:30pm

I .......................................................................................................................... understand that the Sweet As Gallery Exhibition at Northern Rivers Gallery on 3\(^{rd}\) Sept 2015 is an after school event and that my child/ren must be under the supervision of adults from our family at all times.

- There will be _____________ adults attending from our family (including extended family)
- There will be _____________ Empire Vale students attending from our family
- There will be _____________ other children attending from our family (older or younger siblings etc)

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

**PERMISSION NOTE**

**Taronga Zoo School Visit**  
(Tuesday 8\(^{th}\) September 2015)

I give permission for my child/ren........................................................................................................... to participate in the Taronga Zoo School Visit on Tuesday 8\(^{th}\) September 2015. I understand that the cost is $6 per child.

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

Please return EOI by no later than Tuesday 1\(^{st}\) Sept, thank you.

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