Wow! We couldn’t be prouder of our students, staff and P&C who put on such an outstanding performance! Everyone was kept both entertained and well fed at both the matinee and evening performances, thanks to a great community effort.

It was wonderful to have so many friends, family and students from Cabbage Tree Island Public School and the Southern Cross School who came along to support our young performers.

**Theatre Thoughts….**

**We asked:** What did you like the best about this year’s school performance of The Lion King?

"I like doing all the acting. There are so many interesting characters in this show." Hien, Year 3.

"I love the beginning of the play because everyone is so happy." Violet, Year 1.

"I like everyone coming together as animals in the first scene." Kirsty, Year 6

"I like acting and practising The Lion King because everybody’s so good at it." Liam, Year 6

A huge thank you to everyone who has been helping out with the concert in regards to costumes, props, backdrops etc, & a big thank you to the P&C for organising the tea, coffee & light lunch after the matinee & for the fabulous BBQ prior the evening show!

Please see the attached photo page 😊

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**Taronga Mobile Zoo School Visit**

On Tuesday the Taronga Zoomobile visited EVPS with a number of Australian animals for the students to have an ‘up and close’ experience with. They were able to see such animals like the Goliath Stick Insect, a White Lip Tree Frog, a Ring-Tailed Possum, a Spotted Python, an Echidna and a Shingle Back Lizard. Kate the zoo presenter spoke to the students about each animal and its particular behaviour and lifestyle while also allowing them to feel each animal. She also suggested ways in which the students could help protect these animals in our environment.
2015 Premier’s Spelling Bee

Best of luck to Ethan B, Jasmine C, Rohan B & Tayla U who have been selected to represent our school in the Premier's Spelling Bee Regional Finals at Wyrallah P.S. next week! Best of luck to our competitors!

Reminder - ½ day Race Holiday

When: TOMORROW! Thursday 10th Sept

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.

AFL EVPS vs Wardell PS (final game!)

When: Friday 18th Sept
Where: Wardell PS
Transport: Private transport

Our final inter school AFL game will be held on Friday 18th September at Wardell. Seating arrangements have been sent home previously but are attached again this week for your reference.

Cars will need to leave the school at 12.40 for a 1pm start, leaving Wardell at 2.40 to return to school.

Thank you to our transporters - if you have not already done so, please have your licenses & registration sighted/copied at the front office PRIOR the day, thankyou.

Macadamia Castle K-3 Excursion

When: Thursday 22nd October 2015
Where: Macadamia Castle
Travel: Bus
Cost: TBA
Departure: 9.15am leaving the school
Return: 2.45pm arriving back at school

Students from the K-3 class will be having a day excursion out to the beautiful Macadamia Castle. Students will be joined by the Wardell PS K-2 class. This is an opportunity to our schools to work together and share in the wonders of our local environment and the wildlife that we have in it. This fits into the work that we have been studying in our science and HSIE subjects.

The day is set for Thursday 22nd October 2015 and is a whole day event. Students will be travelling to and from the event by bus.

Information & permission note to be sent home next week.

Sandology Workshop!

A huge thank you once again to Steve Machell, (Odynn’s dad & professional sand sculptor), who conducted another exciting sand sculpting workshop with the whole school today!

It’s great to see how far students have come with their new found skills & how proud of their achievements they are - thanks to Steve!

Please see the attached photo page 😊

MOBILE LIBRARY

Wednesday 16th Sept
We are now in a position to include our Year 3 students in the up & coming Robotics workshop! The senior class (+ YEAR 3) will be taking part in an innovative robotics workshop conducted by Fizzics Education on Friday 9th October. Students will have the opportunity to learn how to program & teach their Lego Mindstorms robots various movement sequences, (including dance moves!), using motors, sensors & real computer programming techniques.

This workshop is sure to entertain & challenge the class as well as extend their knowledge of programming.

No permission is required for this activity, as it is here at the school. Please send in your payment in an envelope marked with "Robotics" & your child’s name by no later than Tuesday 15th September, thank you.

Attachments

- Concert photo page
- Sandology photo page
- Seating Arrangements-final AFL game (yrs 4-6)
The school keeps a number of spare hats that students may borrow for the day, in the event of a child forgetting their hat. As our EVPS spare hats are currently missing, we would appreciate parents checking their child’s hats & returning any that may be marked “EVPS”. Thank you for your assistance.

Kindergarten Orientation 2015

Kindergarten Orientation has been scheduled for 2 half days – Monday 26th October & Monday 2nd November, (9am-1pm).

If you know of anyone considering enrolling their child in Kindergarten in 2016 or any other year, please let the school know or encourage them to contact us as soon as possible, thank you.

(Call 0266 834 298)

Alstonville Swimming Club sign on

Come swim with the friendliest club on the North Coast!

The Alstonville Swimming Club’s new season commenced on Monday, 31st August and the club will be holding a sign on for new swimmers from 9.30am-10.30am at the Alstonville swimming pool on Saturday 12th September. Swimming with the Alstonville Club is for all swimmers of all standards, catering from the very young through to the serious, competitive swimmer. We have a highly experienced team of coaches so come along and join a fast growing, fun sport.

For further details, contact Michael Thompson, President, on 0428 659 237 or michael2477@gmail.com

P&C News

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Father's Day Stall & raffle last week. Your support is much appreciated!

Congratulations to our raffle winners:

1st Prize Kyle P
2nd Prize Erin G
3rd Prize Emma Crethar