# Bonalbo Central School



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# **School News**

Term 3 Week 3, 2013









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# **Dates to Remember**

August 2, 2013-UCPSSA Athletics, Tabulam

August 7, 2013-CHS Basketball, Lismore

August 9, 2013 - Multicultural Day

August 12-16, 2013-Year 12 Trial Exams

August 13, 2013-Year 7 Gala Day, Evans River

August 16, 2013-Kindy Transition Day

August 16, 2013 – Primary Assembly – 10.00am

August 16, 2013 - NR Athletics, Lismore

August 19-23, 2013-Book Week

August 23, 2013-Primary Book Parade

# Principal's Report

The term is already into its third week however it only seems like days since the start of term. Third term is always a busy time with a great deal going on: transition days for Year 6 students and Kindy, senior exams, community events and school camps all crowd the term and require a big effort from staff and students.

# **Multicultural Day**

Multicultural day is coming up fast on August 9, with staff and student groups really starting to put some big effort into getting their participation organised. Most students will be involved in some way in the day's events and we want all students to contribute positively and have a good time. Staff will be on hand to supervise students while they are down on the oval. We encourage parents to come along and have a good time and enjoy the day but I'd ask parents to let a member of staff know if they plan to take their children away from the area. The day might have a slightly different structure however it is still a school day and we need to know where the students are at all times.

## **Book Week**

Book Week is coming up in Week 6 (week starting the 19<sup>th</sup> of Aug). Mrs Tucker and Mrs Gillespie are organising a range of displays and activities for the week. There will be a book parade on the afternoon of Friday 23, to which parents are invited. I would encourage all students and parents to become involved in these activities.

Mr Hodges Rel. Principal

# **Primary Report**

Term 3 is well under way with our school calendar filling up quickly. Students in primary will be extremely busy working hard in their classroom and preparing for the up coming events.

# **School Uniform**

Just a reminder for Parents, our school uniform is **Royal Blue**. Pink and red jumpers are not acceptable as a uniform. There are second hand school jumpers in the primary staff room which people can purchase for a gold coin donation.

#### **School Photos**

This Thursday (1/8/2013) is school photos. Can all Primary students be in full school uniform with their hair neatly presented off their face.

## **UCPSSA Athletics Carnival**

Friday August 2, is the next Athletics Carnival at Tabulam. All notes and money for the bus need to be back to school ASAP.

# **Book Week Parade**

Friday of Week 6, August 23, Primary will be holding a 'Book Week Parade'. Students need to think about a book character that they would like to dress as and start preparing their costume. More information about the running of the day will come home closer to the event.

# **CWA Day**

In Week 1 the CWA ladies came to visit the Primary to help celebrate the annual country of study. This Year the focus was on Morocco. Students from Kindergarten to Year 6 prepared individual projects that were judged, with the winning projects being sent to Sydney for state judging.

Winners were;

- Kindy- 1<sup>st</sup> Rhianna, Highly Commended- Divya
- Year 1/2- 1<sup>st</sup> Shayla, Highly Commended -Caroline
- Year 3/4- 1<sup>st</sup> Zach, Highly Commended Charlie
- Year 5/6- 1<sup>st</sup> Samantha, Highly Commended -Renee

# **Primary Dates to Remember:**

1/8 School Photos

2/8 UCPSSA Athletics Tabulam

9/8 Multicultural Day

16/8 Kindy Transition starts, Primary Assembly (4/5/6 to host) 10am start.

23/8 Kindy Transition, Book Week Parade

30/8 Kindy Transition

4,5,6/9 Stage 3 & 4 Excursion – Coffs Harbour

4 & 5/9 Years 2,3,4 Excursion – Gumnut Farm



# P & C Report

I would like to thank Michelle Meadley for all of her wonderful cooking for the CWA day last week, also thanks to Raelene Smith, Adam Woods, Jude Wright and Brendon for helping on the day.

The day was a great success and was enjoyed by all.

The next meeting of the P&C will be Wednesday August 21, 2013 at 3.45pm in the Primary.

Hellan Whitney
President

#### WHAT ARE HEAD LICE?

Head lice are very small parasitic insects, about the size of a sesame seed. They are usually light brown in colour. Close inspection of the scalp may reveal whitish eggs (nits) firmly attached to the hair, especially at the nape of the neck and above the ears. Hatched lice and itchy red marks may also be seen.

# **HOW ARE THEY TRANSMITTED?**

Many people associate head lice with un-cleanliness. However, this is **not true**. Frequent bathing and shampooing will not prevent head lice or eliminate them once they are established. Lice cannot jump or fly and are usually transmitted by contact with an infested person.

# SYMPTOMS

Head lice can be suspected when there is intense itching and scratching of the scalp and the back of the neck or when a lice infestation is known in the community.

#### WHAT TO DO?

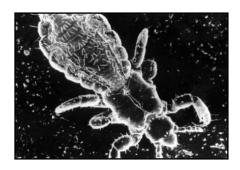
If you do find signs of head lice on your child, do not panic as it is not a sign of un-cleanliness or neglect. There are a number of simple and effective treatments available from your local chemist.

### PREVENTION OF REINFESTATION

After treating your child's hair, the lice and nits are removed with a fine tooth comb, which is also available from your chemist. These are specially

designed to help rid the hair of both lice and nits. If one member in your family has head lice, all members should be treated to avoid cross contamination. All combs and brushes should be washed in hot water. All towels and bedding including sheets, pillows, pillowcases, blankets, doonas, bed spreads and any teddies or soft toys that are taken to bed need to be washed and dried in the sun Anything un-washable, i.e. mattresses, need to be aired in the sun for the day to help break the cycle.

If you require any further information, you should contact your local Pharmacy or the school.



# DID YOU KNOW?

Chaplain Pete is a member of the school welfare team and available to:

- Provide support for students
- Refer students/parents to specialist services
- Assist staff
- Provide crisis support
- Liaise with school community

Contact at the school or at home 66625170 pjboughey@optusnet.com.au

This service is provided through the Australian Government National School Chaplaincy/ Pastoral Care Program