From the Principal’s Desk

Year 5/6 Fun Day and Book Fair
On Thursday 6th November we will be holding a Year 5/6 Fun Day and Book Fair. Year 5/6 will run a variety of activities and stalls. One of these stalls will be a mini scholastic book fair where you can purchase one book and get one free. This event will run between recess and lunch – 11.30am – 12.40pm. The book fair will open at 11.00am and it is a gold coin donation to the 5/6 fun day.

Melbourne Cup Day
Tomorrow is Melbourne Cup Day and students are able to wear “a day at the race course outfit” to school instead of their school uniform. We will have a fashion’s in the field parade at 9.00am so the children can display their outfits. Parents and guardians are very welcome to attend the parade. A special Melbourne Cup meal will be available from the canteen:- Hot Dog, drink (juice or choc milk) and a Freeze Pop $4.00. No other lunch orders will be available on this day. Butterfly cupcakes ($1.00) will be available at morning tea. Please place your orders on a brown paper bag.

Year 6 Farewell
We will be holding a meeting with the Year 5 parents to organise the Year 6 Farewell on Monday 10th November at 3.00 pm in the staffroom.
All year 5 parents are asked to attend. This year’s theme is a masquerade ball.

School Captains Speeches
It is that time of the year again where we have to choose our leaders for 2015. Notes will be handed out to those students who are interested in running for school captain for next year. There are some very strict guidelines outlined in these letters that students and parents will have to consider before they are signed and sent back to me.
Candidates will present their speeches to the school at the assembly on Friday 14th November.

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Wood Chips
We have wood chips for anyone who would like some. Please contact the school office.

Active After School
If your children would like to participate in the Active After School program, you are required to complete a Parent Consent Form, these forms are available at the office.

Kindergarten Orientation Day
We will be having our Kindergarten Information Afternoon for parents and carers of children wishing to start Kindergarten in 2015 on Thursday 13th November starting at 2.00pm in the school hall. Children will be able to join in with our Smartie students while parents and carers enjoy afternoon tea and receive information about Kindergarten for next year.

Great Aussie Bush Camp Information Afternoon
We will be holding an information afternoon for parents of students attending the Great Aussie Bush Camp. It will be held at 3.00pm on Monday 17th of November.
The Great Aussie Bush Camp is fast approaching. Payments can be made at the school office anytime during school hours. Thank you to those parents who have finalised their child/rens payments.

Mobile Phones/ipods/Tablets
Only students travelling on school buses from out of town are allowed to bring their phones, ipods or tablets to school. These are to be left at the school office when arriving at school and collected at the end of the day. Any other students bringing any of these items to school must be aware that the school will not be taking any responsibility for these items.

Uniforms
Just a reminder that we are now in summer uniform and the following should be worn on these days.

Monday – Thursday
Girls
- School Dress with black shoes and white or navy socks, navy bike pants underneath (optional)
- School polo shirt with navy skorts (no bike pants visible), black shoes with white or navy socks

Boys
- School polo shirt with navy cargo shorts, black shoes with navy socks

Friday
Girls and Boys
- School polo shirt and navy mesh sport shorts with joggers and white or navy socks.

All uniforms, except the shoes and socks can be purchased from the school office.
We do run a very limited clothing pool where items are available for a small donation.
If you require a copy of the school uniform policy please see the front office.

Jump Rope for Heart
We are once again participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program. All families will receive a sponsorship form, if you require extra forms please contact the school office. The jump off date will be Friday the 21st in sport time 10.00am – 11.00am. Please support this worthy cause, raising money for the Heart Foundation.

Have a great week.
Charna Wood
Principal
Selective High Schools
Year 5 students thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in 2016 must apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. Applications for entry in 2016 can be made online between 14th October 2014 and 17th November 2014. All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 12th March 2015.

Student Banking
Commonwealth Bank is running an amazing promotion to reward regular saving. The Dollarmites have found the ancient Clam of Fortune, a mythical shell packed with precious prizes. The precious prizes
- 40 x GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 x Slip ’N Slide Double Wave Riders
To be in the running, students simply need to make a School Banking deposit between 20 October- 30 November 2014, regardless of the value. They will then be automatically entered into the competition. For more information, visit commbank.com.au/deepseasavers.

Chalk and Parent Direct Toy Catalogues
These catalogues have been available from the school office. If you wish to order from them, please return your order to the school by Friday 7th November. This will ensure that goods are received at school before the end of term. If you would like a catalogue or have misplaced your copy, there are spares at the school front office.

Stewart House Hand Balls
Stewart House Hand balls are available for purchase for $3.00 from the front office. This is a wonderful opportunity that students from our school access every year. By purchasing these balls you are assisting the continuation of this very worthwhile program.

Community News

Busy Little Hands at Play
Busy Little Hands at Play will be held on Tuesday 4th and 18th November at 9.45am – 11.45am in the Smart Start room. For further enquiries please phone 67923299.

Swim and Survive Classes
Sport and Recreation’s Swim and Survive program caters for children from 18 months through to 12 years of age. The lessons provide intensive water familiarisation and learn to swim classes, generally held over eight or nine consecutive weekdays. All enrolments for Sport and Recreation’s Swim and Survive program should be directed to www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/swimandsurvive or their client service centre on 13 13 02.

Centacare
Centacare New England North West is a Rural Resilience program which is part of the Australian Government’s drought assistance package to promote support services, and deliver free counselling support to areas drought declared in February 2014.
The Rural Resilience program offers free counselling and support to those who need it. No GP referral is required, and it is open to self-referral, or referrals from friends, family, or business contacts.
The support is available at a venue to suit the individual/family – on farm, in their offices, at a café, via telephone, or even online. Ph:67 629200.

Best of Broadway
Presented by Narrabri’s Award-Winning Choir HARMONY INC. Saturday 8th November 2014 at 7.30pm at Betty Berriman Hall, Narrabri High School. Raising money for One of a Kind Community Support. Tickets at Door. 12 and under free - Concession $15 - Adults $20 Supper included.