**PRINCIPAL MESSAGE**

Welcome to Leena and her family to our growing Coorabell school community. Leena will be in class 3/4 with Mrs Cottrill.

Congratulations to Poppy and Frankie who have qualified for the Far North Coast Zone Athletics Championships to be held this Friday at Byron Sporting & Cultural Complex, Ewingsdale. Poppy will be participating in Long Jump and High Jump and Frankie in the 100m and 200m races. Good luck girls.

Thank you once again to our Fairy Grandmother and ‘The Boys’ for supplying us with a new set of soccer nets on the lower oval as well as sleepers for our outdoor learning amphitheatre.

Class 2/3 and 3/4 are currently studying the Gold Rush. 2/3 had a great lesson constructing miner’s huts last week. Big thank you to Ant for supplying the hessian. This week 3/4 will be making damper.

Unfortunately, the Life Education van broke down last week and has been rescheduled for the 15th and 16th of September.

Big thank you to Victoria, Eden, Ella, Delvene, Lisa, Nick (Lisa’s husband), Nada (Lisa’s daughter), David, Aarna, Banjo, Jasper, Jethro, Col, Junie, Karen, Shanti, Natasha and Teo for helping out at our school retro stall at the Bangalow Bluegrass & BBQ Festival on Saturday. Mrs van Kempen tells me that it was a thoroughly enjoyable day for all who attended.

Huge thank you to everyone who helped out at the Federal Film night which was also both successful and enjoyable for all. Thank you also to everyone who made delicious curries, cakes or donated items for the evening.

For many years I have held grave concerns for Australia’s treatment of refugees and asylum seekers wishing to relocate in Australia.

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**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

‘Gratitude is the path to wisdom, the escape to self-peace and the nourishment of happiness’

Marinela Reka
PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

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This Saturday night gives our community the opportunity to support asylum seekers by attending the ‘Federal Loves Refugees’ function at Federal Hall, please see attached flyer for further information on how to support this very worthy cause.

Last week our Kindergarten class visited Federal Pre-School to check out their bush tucker garden. The kids had a great time. Check out the photos attached.

Last Wednesday Years 4/5/6 visited the Byron Writers Festival to see Andy Griffith and Terry Denton who gave our students a humorous insight into writing and illustrating. The kids had lots of laughs and we purchased many new books for our library.

Last Tuesday Christine Freeman from Dorroughby Environmental Education Centre spent the day with classes 2/3 and 3/4 creating animations on the life cycle of an invertebrate using IPAD apps istop motion and imovie. The kids demonstrated exceptional creativity throughout these sessions. In fact some of these animations were so impressive they will be entered in a regional competition.

Thank you to our staff and guests who attended our Open Day last Friday. It was a wonderful showcase of what our fantastic small school has to offer.

Tomorrow’s assembly promises to be something special as Fiefie will be handing over the Principals Award to our new deserving recipient. WHO WILL IT BE???? Class 3/4 will be presenting an item and Xavier B, Hope, Mathew, Soara, Sam, Belle, Lily, Kai H and Bronte will be receiving their certificates for the Digital Technology and Science component of the ICAS Competition 2015. Class 3/4 will be also presenting an item.

Good luck to Banjo, Xavier B, Hope, Matthew, Charlie, Luis, Soara, Sam, Eden L, Belle, Absie, Lily and Bronte who will be sitting for the Maths component of ICAS this week.

Last Friday’s Coorabell games was extra special as the Humpbacks welcomed Elija, Noah and Teo to their house team. Sharks welcomed Zoe, Annabel and Badhi, Mantarays Harry, Jack, Charlie, Leena, Soreya, Rafael and Emma to the Swordfish. The Department of Education is starting to frown on schools participating in Tug-of-Wars so we decided to implement a few safety rules and have rebirthed this activity as Coorabell’s Tug-of-Peace & Happiness. Check out the pictures of our kids looking mean.

Thank you to Louise and Bruno Pouget who made an amazing Veggie Lasagne and Almond & Apple Flan. Yum!

Many thanks

Geoff Coghlan

PS. On behalf of the entire school community I would like to congratulate the Wallabies on their stunning victory over the All Blacks. Next week the Wallabies travel to Eden Park in Auckland where we have not tasted victory since 1986. Surely if successful next weekend, Monday should be declared a National holiday!

PPS. DARWIN - GET WELL SOON!

Tuesday Assembly 1.45pm in the Library

This week the 5/6 students will lead the assembly. Class 3/4 will be presenting an item.

Frankie asking a question at the Byron Writers Festival
LUNCH ORDERS THIS WEEK
DUE WEDNESDAY

UPCOMING EVENTS!

TERM 3

August
11 or 13 ICAS - Mathematics
19 Whole School Photos
20 Kindy Orientation - 9-11
27 Kindy Orientation - 9-11

Sept
3 Kindy Orientation - 9-11
14 Whole School Concert
15 Life Education Van
16 Life Education Van
18 LAST DAY of TERM 3

Oct
7 FIRST DAY of TERM 4

P & C NEWS

Refer to flyer attached regarding all things P&C.

COMMUNITY NEWS

REMINDERS

Life Education permission note & $10 now due.

Ukulele Term 1/2 /3 Tuition fee $25 per term due (or $100 for year)

Please make sure notes and money are forwarded in a sealed envelope with correct money and marked with child’s name & activity.

LUNCH ORDER  Friday August 14

P & C Lunches this week will be hosted by Shelly Sellers & Anna Edgely. Cost of Lunch is $4.00 which includes a healthy treat. Please have money & order handed into the classroom notes/money box by Wednesday morning.

Vegie Curry............................................. Butter Chicken...........................................

Name...................................................................... Class ........................ Enclosed $ ...........

Please note: OHS- Students are not allowed to help with food preparation in the canteen.
P & C LUNCHES - ROSTER

P & C LUNCHES - Cost $4.00 per lunch
Thanks to all the volunteers for Term 2 with lots of yummy lunches for the kids! Volunteers still needed for Term 3 roster. Please put your name down by returning the details to the school office. Thank you!
For all new parents please feel free to contact Jenny or Karen in the office to find out about our Friday lunches.
All expenses are reimbursed by the P&C. Just remember to keep all your receipts. Lunch suggestions: burritos/veg and meat, pizzas, soups, nori rolls, pasta dishes, lasagna, sausage rolls/cheese and spinach rolls, sausage sizzles......or try something new!
Please provide a vegetarian alternative.

Lunches need to be ready at 1.10pm.

Kindergarten will be served first at this time with the rest to follow from 1.15pm.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TERM 3 ROSTER

TERM 3 ROSTER

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What a great weekend of fun and P&C activities!!!!
Thank you so much to our teams at both events – a great success and wonderful fundraising weekend for our school!!!!!

Yep... the President took one in the eye for the occasion!!!!

Our happy winner!
The Paper Plane Grand Master Champion

Huge Family Fun Day!!! Coorabell’s RETRO GAMES stall at the Bangalow BBQ and Bluegrass Festival went nuts!!
Super popular POP THE PLANE.... Hookey, Quoits, and Guess?? (lollies and guppies in the jar)
Lots of happy winners!!!

YUM!!! Coorabell Curries at the Federal Film Society Film Night was a great success!!!! Thankyou to Zest Byron Bay for your generous donation of your delicious curry blends and to all who cooked curries & cakes, donated ingredients – and to those who came along to help on the night.
Over $1000 raised for our school!!! Amazing!!!!

OOohhhhh a nice surprise is coming this week to our canteen .... a very generous donation from the McGregor Family – Taryn, Rob, Belle and Sebastian .... It is silver.... and hot........can you guess what it might be????!!!!!!! So exciting!!!!!
FEDERAL LOVES REFUGEES
Federal Hall,
Saturday August 15th 2015

MANY people struggle to find a practical way to help refugees seeking asylum or settling in Australia, but Federal is about to host an event that can be an outlet for those frustrations.

Federal Loves Refugees will see a screening of the award-winning documentary Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea made by Jessie Taylor with the help of Ali Reza Sadiqi.

The pair travelled throughout Indonesia and met with 250 asylum seekers in jails, detention centres and hostels. Much of the footage was captured using hidden cameras at great personal risk to the filmmakers.

Through the words of the refugees themselves, the story of their flight from persecution in their own country and hazardous journey through Indonesia to Australia is told. It answers questions why do refugees leave home? What do they leave behind? And why they choose to go down the dangerous path of hopping onboard leaky people smuggling boats to get to our shores.

The film will be followed by one refugee’s tale of his harrowing journey to Australia.

Abdul Ibrahimi escaped Afghanistan when he was seven years old fleeing to Pakistan, Iran, and Indonesia from the Taliban. His journey to Australia will be recounted in conversation with author and journalist Susanna Freymark.

It costs $20 to get in the door and it includes a delicious Afghani inspired feast and fresh bread from the bakers at The Farm.

All proceeds from the night go to Community a Brisbane-based organization supporting asylum seekers with basic living expenses.

Entry gets you dinner, the doco and great guest speakers. In addition there will be a raffle at the door, tea, coffee and cake at interval.

Federal Loves Refugee is on Saturday, August 15 at Federal Hall. Dinner served from 6.30pm, film and guest speakers from 8pm.

For further information phone Julie Lipsett on 0421 250 240 or email julie@jlarchitecture.com.au
Kindergartens visit to Federal Community Children’s Centre
Tug-of-War Peace & Happiness