Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

Congratulations to all students who have excelled at our recent Athletics Carnival and will now be representing our school at the District Athletics Carnival next Wednesday.

Congratulations to Sasha McNab who competed in the State Cross Country Carnival in Sydney last week and achieved a highly impressive 16th place!

Congratulations to our P&C fundraisers on a very successful Fashion Parade Extravaganza last Saturday evening. A fun night by all accounts with plans for more like it I hear!?

Congratulations to our newest teacher, Mrs Stacy Hearn, who organised our NAIDOC Week activities today.

Congratulations to our littlest didgeridoo player, Raymond Hand of Kindergarten who showed his talent and indigenous pride at our assembly this morning. Everybody was super impressed!

Many thanks to our NAIDOC Week visitors who taught the children lessons about Aboriginal culture today: “Uncle” Mark Flanders, Elder and Aboriginal Education and Guided Tour Ranger with the Office of Environment and Heritage, and Mr John McQueen, Principal of the Cascade Environmental Education Centre and Dorrigo. The lessons were engaging, localised and high quality learning experiences for the children from K-6. Cheers! I enjoyed catching up with the parents and grandparents of our 34 indigenous students at a celebratory luncheon today. Thanks for your support!

Lately I have been seeking feedback on our school’s performance over the last few years, ahead of our planning for the next few years. Our next three year plan (2015-2017) must be published by the end of this year and it must include evidence of real school community input. We need YOUR views, ideas, encouragement and support to ensure that our school continues to be the first choice for quality education for families in the Emerald Beach-Sandy Beach area.

We are proudly YOUR SCHOOL so please help us to be the best that we can be!

I plan to provide a number of information sessions at each of our P&C meetings over the next few months. Please come along to help us create our future. Our next meeting is this coming Monday night – see you there!

Regards

Ray Rincheval, Proud Principal

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Mon 21/7  Life Education Van visits all week – all students Kinder to Year 6 to attend
Fri 25/7  Touch Football knockout
Wed 30/7  District Athletics Carnival selected students BCU Stadium
Fri 1/8  Official Opening of our new Classroom & Friendship Garden!
Thurs 7/8  Coffs Cup gazetted HALF day public holiday. School closes at 12 noon. No school buses will be running on this afternoon.

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STUDENTS OF THE WEEK
KE  Paige Holder
KG  Samuel Kinsela
1B  Ochre Forge
1C  Shaniah Froesch
2E  Eloise Briley
2M  Hayley Sloggett
Star Solver  Harley Hayes

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SPECIAL AWARDS
EMERALD  Bella Pike,
Khairyn Briggs
Teleah Morley

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A big thanks to our volunteers Mel and Cheryl but I would also like to thank the army of people who helped out at the Athletics Carnival. First of all Cheryl (ty David’s Grandmother) who worked tirelessly, Tracy Bellette (Lily and Angel’s mum) who answered the call for help, Pete & Celia (Sasha’s parents and Pete was on crutches), Jimmy (Ray Hand’s dad) who jumped in to cook the barbecue after lining up for a sausage sandwich well done mate, I hope you got that snag in the end. Mr. Rincheval & Ms. Kluss who saw the need to jump in and help also... I would also like to mention June (Farrah Moore’s grandma) who is always a hard worker along with Wendy (Farrah’s mum) who stayed still stumps and Jenny Levingstone (Kade & Wil’s mum) who also assisted when needed. A big thanks to all for your hard work, it couldn’t have been done without your support.

Jody Phillip—Canteen Supervisor

**Did You Know?**
More and more children are riding their bikes to school on the new local service road and along Graham Drive. We reckon that all riders should get flashing rear lights for daytime use. Scott Bocking at our local Woodsey’s Wheels, Woolgoolga, has special pricing on appropriate lights for children of our school negotiating a healthy but safe way to school on their bikes.

**Did You Know?**
Visitors to the school are required to sign in and out. This requirement includes volunteers and canteen workers.

**KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2015** are currently being organised. If you have a child due to start school here next year please call into the office to collect an enrolment form.

Please make sure you have the following information available: child’s birth certificate or passport, proof of residency and Immunisation certificate.

For further information please contact the office.