Dear parents, carers and friends of our school,

As you know, over the last few weeks I have been asking for your thoughts around the future directions of our school.

A draft School Plan 2015-2017 is on our website.

I would value any feedback about this draft document that sets our Vision and Directions for the next few years. That’s work to do.

Now for the work being done…

What a buzz it was to see 200 students perform last night in the primary Musical, “Pirates of the Curry Bean”. There were so many fine individual performances from our featured Year 6 students but they were supported by outstanding contributions from students in Years 3-5. The costumes, the singing, the discipline and the smiles were delightful.

Equally as delightful were the good bits of our NAPLAN results received recently.

- Highlights of NAPLAN 2013 at Sandy Beach PS are:
  - Best ever Reading Growth Years 3-5
  - Improved Spelling performance in both Years 3 and 5
  - More students in the highest bands in Year 3 across all aspects of the tests
  - High participation rates that prove we do not ‘sanitise’ our results by encouraging students with learning difficulties to not sit the tests

As always there are aspects of our NAPLAN performance that will inform our planning because we are always looking at better ways to deliver great outcomes for our students across academically, in sport, socially and culturally.

Congratulations to Riley, Kane and Aaron who competed in the State PSSA Boccia competition in Sydney last week. I think that they were overawed with the experience and having to compete against high schoolers! The boys won the only tie against another primary school but were beaten by the high school teams. I guess that makes our boys the best primary school Boccia team in NSW! Yay!

Today I am out of the school to be with our students who are competing in the Premier’s Spelling Bee at Sawtell. I trust that they will cope with those tricky words!

Good luck to our soccer teams at the Mullaway Shield Gala day on Friday.

Regards

Ray Rincheval, Proud Principal
School Holidays Storytime Thursday 2 Oct 2014 - 11:00am Toormina Library

Come and meet “Fatty the Ratrod”
Authors Mitch & Anne will be at Toormina Library with “Fatty” to read the story and let you see what a marvellous old Dodge Fargo truck she is!

No need to book – just come along on the day. Everyone welcome – bring a friend.

Enquiries – Phone Judy at the library on 66484900.
Email: coffs.library@chcc.nsw.gov.au Web: libraries.coffsharbour.nsw.gov.au

HELP NEEDED PLEASE our canteen needs additional helpers for next Term if you can spare a day a week, fortnight or month please ring Di Della on 0418 230 454.

The P&C are also desperately in need of a volunteer to sell our school uniforms. Usually you would only be required to be here 1 or 2 mornings a week from 8.40—9.00am. Again if you can assist please give her a call.

Many thanks.

Di Della
P&C President

Woolgoolga Swimming Club
will commence on Monday 13th October for more information please contact Ian Gould on 0402 029 784.

Northern Districts Rebels Junior Cricket Club
2014/15 Registration for Boys and Girls Under 10—16 will be held on Sunday 14th September and Saturdays 20th and 27th from 9.00—12.00 noon at Centennial Reserve Woolgoolga. Please contact Peter Holmes on 66 54 7081 for further information.

Photos by Lisa Anderson will now be taken on FRIDAY 12th SEPTEMBER weather permitting.