Dear Parents,

**Dog Alert**

Students who walk to school need to be wary of dogs on the loose in the community. There have been some incidents of dogs menacing people, so parents should be on the alert.

**SRC Breakfast**

The next SRC breakfast will be held this Thursday, 15th May at 8:30 am. Bacon and Eggs will be the menu and this will be held on the Middle Terrace Playground, weather permitting. An order form is attached for your convenience and for catering purposes. Thank you to those people who supported the Mother’s Day Pancake breakfast last Thursday. We raised $204.00.

**NAPLAN**

Students in Year 3 and Year 5 have commenced their NAPLAN Tests today. They began with Language Conventions and Writing. Tomorrow will be Reading and Thursday will be Numeracy.

**Shenhua Donation**

On Monday, 19th May, Shenhua Watermark will be donating $34,570 to Werris Creek Public School. This presentation to the school will be at Gunnedah. This comes from Shenhua’s Community Fund and will allow us to purchase and install tanks to harvest rain water from our roof space. This should provide us with water to run amenities and water our grassed play area, community vegetable garden, lawn area and our extensive flower gardens.

**Cross Country**

Last Friday children from Year 2 (who are turning 8 this year) through to Year 6 participated in the Werris Creek Public School Cross Country. It was a lovely day and I would like to thank Mrs Harris for organizing it.

Notes have already gone out to those children who will know go through and participate at the Zone Cross Country at Willow Tree on Friday the 23rd of May. Please remember that the notes need to be returned to Mrs Roser-Whitney by Wednesday 14th of May.

**Touch Trials in Armidale (boys) and Tamworth (girls)**

This Friday, 16.05.14, Malik Hunt will be travelling to Armidale to compete in a spot for the North-West Touch team. If successful he will then go to Ulladulla on the 22nd of July. Good luck Malik.

The girls are going to Tamworth this Friday, which should be a little warmer then Armidale. We would like to wish Georgia, Lillie and Chloe good luck in trying to gain selection on the North-West Girls Touch team. If selected they will travel to Wagga Wagga on the 19th of August.

**Quirindi Zone Netball Trials**

“What a wonderful couple of weeks Werris Creek Public School has had with children getting into the Quirindi Zone Teams. This time we sent Chloe, Jayden, Lillie, Mia, Montanna and Shona to the Netball trials at Quirindi Public School last Friday. All the girls were successful in gaining a spot on the squad.

The Quirindi Zone Team will now travel to the Tamworth Sportsdome on Tuesday 27th of May. If successful in gaining selection here into the Southern Team, they will then compete against the Northern Zone at Armidale for a spot in the North-West PSSA Netball Team on Monday the 2nd of June. Good luck girls!”

**Southern Zone Rugby Union Trials**

Next Tuesday, 20th of May Domanic, Thomas, Cameron, Georgia and Harmony will be travelling to Gunnedah to try and cement a spot in the Southern Zone Rugby Union Team. The day will be made up of skills and drills as well as games. If successful at this level, the boys/girls will then venture onto Tamworth on the 30th of May to compete against the Northern Zone. This can then lead to a spot on the North-West Rugby Union team if selected on the day. Good luck to all the players!

Timothy Munday
Acting Principal
Gross Motor starts this week. At this stage full winter uniform will be required. The speeches have been incredible! Children are really thinking about how to speak, be interesting and look at the audience.

Parent helpers started this week! Only on TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY. Your help is much appreciated.

Hope you all liked your mother’s day bowls. They took the children a long time to make and (Mr Munday tweaking them).

Emily Tomlinson

YEAR 1

This week we are looking at area for Mathematics. It would be great if you could allow your child to play some games on the computer relating to this subject.

The website is: http://interactivemaths.wikispaces.com/Area or http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/measures/measure.html#Area

The games are ‘Tile the Floor’ and ‘Airline Builder’ on the first website followed by ‘Area Explorer’ on the 2nd website.

This is homework for this week in Mathematics.

We have continued to look at the ‘Identifying Us’ unit in HSIE. This week we have started to really look at the Fire Brigade.

I am also in the process of planning an excursion to Tamworth to visit Calala Cottage which was a part of HSIE last term. I am just waiting on a bus quote to see if its not too expensive an excursion to go on. I will let you know as soon as I do. There will also be some seats on the bus for parents to attend.

Christine Roser-Whitney

YEAR 2/3

NAPLAN testing started today and continues through to Thursday. I would like to take this opportunity to wish the students in my class the best of luck.

Courtney Lyon
YEAR 4/5

This week Year 4/5, along with the other classes have begun preparation for the Primary Musical, ‘Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat’. Year 5 students from 4/5 and 5/6 have commenced their NAPLAN test, with today’s tests being Language Conventions and Writing. Tomorrow will be Reading and Thursday will be Numeracy. Students will be working with equivalent Fractions.

Tim Munday

YEAR 5/6

This week 5/6 students have been working hard on a number of assessments. Students have worked on an informative flyer about the Daintree Rainforest and they have composed a persuasive letter to stop development in the Daintree Wilderness. Students have also investigated the issue of Shark Culling in Western Australia. In Mathematics, students are continuing work on multiplication, division and they have also been making and interpreting sector graphs.

A friendly reminder to send in orders for Year 6 shirts - due this week. Homework has also been handed out this week. A focus task included in the homework is a formal presentation on an endangered species. Limited time will be given to this task in class. Students are encouraged to work on this at home.

Roxanne Harris

LIBRARY

Library is proceeding with research skills for all classes and how books work in different genres.

Good luck for all our students doing NAPLAN. Remember just to do your best. The chess competition is nearly upon us and participating students will receive more details shortly.

Chris Lyon
CANTEEN NEWS
CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 2, 2014

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P. & C. News

Next Meeting —The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday, 14.05.14, commencing at 1:00 in the school hall.

Term 2 Canteen Roster—We are still looking for helpers to fill Mondays and Tuesdays. Please contact the office to have your name placed on the roster if you are available.

Mother's Day Raffle—Congratulations to our winners—1st—C. Dennis (Willowtree); 2nd) T. Clark (Caroona), 3rd C. Cameron (Werris Creek). Thank you to the helpers on Saturday who sold tickets and cooked the BBQ at IGA Quirindi.

Raffle - The P&C are hosting the raffle at the football at David Taylor Oval on Sunday 18th May as part of their fundraising efforts this term. If you are able to assist please contact Trish Landrigan.

Pie Drive—Order forms were sent out on Monday. Orders and money to be returned to school by Friday, 23rd May, 2014.

New Ideas—Canteen are trialling some new ideas for our winter menu during the month of May: Fish Fingers (30c each) and Potato skins with cheese (80c). The most popular item will be added to the winter menu.

Upcoming Events—Movie Day—details to come

SOCCER DEVELOPMENT CLINIC

When: 4 July 2014
1-30pm to 4-30pm

Where: Belland Fields, East St. Quirindi
Boys and Girls born 2002 to 2008

Cost: $35 per person
—includes a quality soccer ball to take home

Further information and enrolment available online at: www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/sites/whitenon.asp?region=northwest
or by ringing 67661200

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