Dear Parents/Carers

Anzac Day

Yesterday a separate note was issued to students regarding the Wyong RSL Anzac Service on Monday 25th April which is towards the end of the school holiday period. School captains will lay a wreath during this service and the children attending will also have the opportunity to participate in the March. If your child will be attending this event please fill in the bottom section of the note and return by Thursday so participant numbers can be passed onto the RSL.

The Jilliby PS Anzac Service will be on Wednesday 27th April on the first day of Term 2. There will be a short service at 2:30 pm. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend this event.

Tell Them From Me Survey

This week students in Years 4, 5 and 6 will be completing an electronic survey about school. The data collected will be reported back to us and will inform future planning at the school.

Scripture

Next term Scripture will begin in Week 3. Mrs Angela Bailey will be operating Non- Denominational Scripture again this year. The information that you have provided on enrolment forms indicates your child’s attendance in Scripture classes. Students who were attending Scripture last year will attend Scripture classes this year as well. If you do not wish your child to attend this year please send a written note to the office indicating this change. Students not attending Scripture will attend a Non Scripture class.

Stage 2 students who do not attend Scripture have an option this year to attend Ethics which has Ms Cathy Cole as the presenter. A separate note will be given to these students. Current Year 3 students who attended Ethics whilst in Year 2 last year will continue in this class unless a parent indicates in writing that they do not wish their child to participate this year. Students not attending Scripture or Ethics will be attending the Non-Scripture group. All groups have a teacher who attends lessons.

Assembly

On Friday there will be a short assembly beginning at 2:45 pm.Merit and discipline awards will be presented during this time.

Holidays

Students will be on holidays from Saturday 9th April. On Tuesday 26th April will be the School Development Day. During this time teachers will be involved in professional development on the Wellbeing Framework, Work Health and Safety and LMBR. Students return on Wednesday 27th April. May all families have a safe and enjoyable break.

Regards

Sondra
Next term we will be recommencing our fantastic kitchen garden project. The purpose of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Project is to introduce pleasurable food education to children during their learning years, in order to form positive food habits for life. Pleasurable food education teaches students to grow, harvest, prepare and share fresh, seasonal, delicious food. The children are actively involved in planning, planting, tending and harvesting the plants which are then prepared, cooked and shared with their classes, volunteers and school staff.

We also rely on the generosity of our great community to supplement the equipment and pantry items that we cannot grow ourselves. Over the holiday period we are planning to restock our pantry with staples in readiness for our first class on Thursday of Week 2. Fresh food items will be requested closer to the date but if you are able to donate any of the following items, it would be greatly appreciated:
* jars of minced garlic and ginger
* rice
* tinned tomatoes
* tinned coconut milk
* tinned coconut cream
* sesame oil
* rice papers
* fish sauce
* castor sugar
* brown sugar
* white sugar
* tinned chick peas
* olive oil
* canola oil
* soy sauce
* turmeric
* chilli flakes
* coriander seeds
* dry red lentils

Please be mindful when donating that items are gluten free, nut free, and low fat where possible. We thank you for your ongoing support and look forward to another year of great healthy activities both in the kitchen and the garden.

Canteen Report

A BIG thank you for all the great canteen volunteers for Term 1. I am now calling for volunteers for Term 2. If you would like to be a new volunteer or to volunteer again, please call Heather on 0403 638 554. Thank you in anticipation.

Also congratulations for Joel for winning the “Name the Canteen Contest.” The canteen is now called Bunya Bunya Bites! An honourable mention goes to Liam and Jesse for their great effort in the naming contest. They each win an iceblock from the Bunya Bunya Bites.

School Holiday events @ your local library

Your local library is holding a number of affordable and educational events over the up and coming holidays, details can be found on Wyong Shire Councils’ Library website.

Some of the events include Bob Turner Wildlife Show, Card Making Workshop, Game Training Roadshow – video game creation, just to name a few.

Spaces are limited at these sought after events! Reserve a place by calling 4350 1570 or at any Wyong Shire Council Library branch.

Sport and Recreation

A list of activities and contact details are in the front office for your information about 2016 April School Holidays. Alternatively please go to Sport and Recreations website www.sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au or phone 02 4262 3184.