Assessment, Reports and Communication

All reports have now been finalised after a semester of teaching and learning cycles. Reports will be distributed on Friday with follow up interviews in the last week to discuss your child’s progress and set goals. When you receive your child’s report tomorrow, it is important to understand what the achievement and effort grades mean.

Achievement

C - your child is working within the expected Stage level and is progressing well.
B - your child is consistently working at a higher level of thinking and skill.
A - your child is consistently working at a stage higher than their current stage.
D - your child is still developing some of the skills and understandings within the stage they are working. Each stage outcomes are covered over a two year period.
E - your child is working at a lower level and would be receiving additional individual programs to assist their learning.

Parents are encouraged to look carefully at the ‘Effort’ grading as this is an excellent indication of whether your child is working to their full potential and should be encouraged and praised for their consistent and conscientious application. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to discuss this with your child’s teacher, support teacher and myself.

Netball Win

Congratulations to our netball team who won their first game against Teven Tintenbar on Monday. A full report by our year 6 sport reporters follows in this newsletter.

Athletics

Today is our athletics carnival and results will be in next week’s newsletter. Although all staff members have contributed to making today a success, we must acknowledge the huge amount of planning and organisation Mr Priestley has put into the day. Mr Priestley works tirelessly not only as our Sport Coordinator but as the PSSA President of First North Schools.

We would also like to thank Kadina High School staff and students who are assisting us on the day. Our secondary feeder school links are very important to us and it is great to see previous students returning to our school and

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providing leadership. We must also thank our many parents who are helping with the day, in the canteen, first aid team and around the field. Your help is invaluable!

**Budding Future Musician**
Year 5 student, Toby Bridges took up a DEC opportunity to attend a North Coast music camp. Toby has shared his experience in this week’s newsletter. We look forward to seeing Toby’s talents develop.

**NAIDOC Week Activities next Friday.**
Information has been sent home regarding NAIDOC Week activities on Friday 28th June. Students will participate in a variety of traditional, Aboriginal cultural activities including art, craft, language, an authentic smoking ceremony and earth oven cooked lunch. The day will finish on a high note with a special ceremony with guest student performers from Kadina High School. Family are most welcome to join us on the day.

Thank you to Pat and Pauline at Clunes Meat Market for giving us a special price on our meat

Expectation of the week:
“Take care of our school grounds”

*Mitchelle Slee* (Relieving Principal)

**Assembly**
Our next assembly is tomorrow at 2.15 pm. Class 2/3 will be entertaining us with an item. We welcome all parents and friends along to the assembly.

**Choir practice**
Students involved in the Combined Small Schools Choir will have a practice session next Monday at lunch time with Mrs McKay.

**Book Club**
All orders need to be in by tomorrow – Friday 21 June.

**SRC Charity for Term 2**
The SRC and students have decided to raise funds to save the orang-utans of Borneo by having a casual dress day next Wednesday 26 June.

**Casual Dress Day** – wear something with animal prints or pictures

**Cost** – gold coin

**Woolworths Earn and Learn**
The promotional period for Woolworths Earn and Learn is now finished and we need all those stickers that you have collected to be brought into school so that we can count them and then order lovely resources for the school.

So check in the drawers, bottoms of handbags and anywhere else that you may have stashed them and drop them into the green box outside Mrs Coopers office.

**Outstanding accounts**
Families with amounts outstanding for textbooks and or music tuition will receive accounts this week.

Payment before the end of term would be appreciated. Remember you can pay by credit card over the phone if this suits.

**Excursion to Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast**
We have 38 students who have indicated they will be participating in the major excursion in Term 4. Costing is currently being finalised but should be around $350. An accurate cost will be available early next term.

If parents wish to pay by instalments, I would recommend a payment of $50 prior to the end of this term as there are only 13 weeks to go until full payment is required.

**Clunes stars outshine Teven Tintenbar**
The Clunes netball team took on Teven Tintenbar in an exciting match up on Monday.

There was a strong start by Clunes with Rhiannon bagging one in the first 30 seconds of the game. This was closely followed by a great goal from Teven Tintenbar.

There was a brilliant display of teamwork from the Clunes girls leading them to an astonishing 7-3 lead at halftime, a good lead but still anyone’s game. By now the whole of the Clunes School had crowded around the netball court in support of their team.

The goals kept coming from both teams but Clunes were increasing their lead by a good margin, with a stunning goal from Lili as she tried extremely hard to ignore the sun shining in her eyes and against the odds she scored a great goal.

Overall it was a great display of netball with Clunes coming out the victors. The end result was 18-10, a great game for the Clunes girls but an especially classy overall.
performance from the captain Shady Wagner who scored 14 out of the 18 goals.

The next game will be played at Clunes on Monday at 10 o’clock against Tregeagle. Please come and show your support.

Matilda Narvo and Eli Gambley

Coffs Harbour Music Program

On the 13th and 14th June, I went with my dad to Coffs Harbour for an advanced music reading program.

Dad woke me at about 5.30am and after I got ready we left for the 3 hour drive. In the car dad told some funny jokes and distracted me from my reading. We arrived in Coffs at about 8.45 but dad did not know exactly where the Conservatorium was so I was about 30 minutes late.

We were given a piece of music to look through and then had to play it. All of the songs were unknown to me so I was having a hard time playing because I’m not used to working with a conductor. We played two songs, Battle Hymn of the Republic and Aztalan the Lost City then stopped for a snack.

We were given more music, had lunch (which I spent alone listening to my iPod) and then practiced with our conductor Stephen for the rest of the day. At the end of the day, Dad took me to our apartment and we relaxed for a few hours and went out for dinner which was nice.

In the morning I was up early, had a shower and went to the Conservatorium for Day 2. We got a new song and it sounded awesome. I played on the crash cymbals.

The second day was much better than the first because I knew how the program ran. In the afternoon we had a concert scheduled so we got two more songs. On stage we played Viva La Vida by Coldplay. That was the best sounding song ever that I was part of. We had lunch and I was finally invited to talk to people.

At the concert we ordered our music, waited for the parents to arrive and then we played. The order was Battle Hymn of the Republic, Aztalan, Model Song and Dance, Rythyms & Riffs then Coldplay. All the parents cheered and applauded.

On the way home I was reading and playing my iPod until it was dark and we arrived home at about 6.15pm.

Toby

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Vacation Care & COOSH News

Our Vacation Care program is now finalised and we are open for bookings! We have a great selection of themed days to choose from, something for everyone. Copies of the program were sent home with students on Tuesday, but if you didn’t get one visit our website: www.coosh.org.au to download a copy. Call us on 66291750 to make a booking! (Please note: the phone number on the copy distributed to students was incorrect).

Does anyone have any of the following DVD’s to lend COOSH for Vacation Care – The Polar Express, Hotel Transylvania, Monsters Inc, Cool Runnings, Ratatouille or Surfs Up?

At COOSH this week we made our very own erupting volcanoes. The children enjoyed watching their volcanoes ooze bubbling lava. How did we do it? You’ll have to ask a COOSH student!