Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We were indeed blessed to have perfect weather last Friday and Saturday for our 100th ANZAC Commemorative Celebrations. Our own school ANZAC Service on Friday was held in the assembly area.

Our special guests and speakers were Commander Nyree Cornelius from HMAS Albatross and Mr Fred Dawson of the Nowra-Greenwell Point RSL. Year 6 did an excellent job of leading the service, while K-6 students brought some beautiful flowers for the floral tribute.

Congratulations and thank you to the thirty seven students who proudly participated in the ANZAC march along Junction Street, Nowra on Saturday morning.

This was an excellent representation from our school. Cooper Atkinson and Nayana Patmore, our school vice-captains, laid the wreath at the ANZAC memorial. Thank you to the parents and carers who allowed their children to participate in the march.

SOCIAL MEDIA
Senior students, in particular, are reminded that the use of social media (kick, Instagram, facebook, skype etc) should only be used under parental supervision. The use of social media to tease, torment and harass others is a form of cyber bullying and cannot be allowed.

Under extreme circumstances, such use can lead to school suspension and or intervention by the police.

Parents are asked to carefully consider whether or not their children have mobile phone or computer technology at primary school. If a child does have a mobile phone at school, it is to be handed in at the office and collected at the end of the school day.

K-2 AFL DAY
Just a reminder that the K, 1, 2 AFL Skills Day is on tomorrow, Wednesday at West Street Oval.

Students are to wear their sports uniform, runners and bring their recess and lunch plus water bottles. Don’t forget your school hat! The bus will be leaving at 9.00am. Students may bring a raincoat to sit on in case the ground is wet.
YEAR 4-6 CANBERRA EXCURSION
Yesterday, all Year 4-6 students brought home a final information note about the Canberra excursion. It has a copy of our itinerary and outlines what children need to pack.

Please take note of requirements for children’s medication and the maximum of $20 spending money. Please have your child at school by 6.15am at the latest so we can have the bus loaded and leaving by 6.30am. We should be arriving back at school by 4.30pm on Wednesday.

FISST X-COUNTRY CARNIVAL
The Small Schools Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday, 1st May at Willandra Cross Country Course in West Cambewarra. All children aged 8-13 years of age will be participating. Transport will be by bus and the cost is $6.50. A permission note was handed out to all students last week. Please have your money and note into the front office as soon as possible.

Mr Gibb from Willandra X-Country course has indicated that the course is suitable to be used, if the weather holds.

Please ensure that notes and money ($6.50) are in by Thursday. If you find it necessary to transport your child to Willandra, we still require payment of the full amount.

MOTHERS DAY STALL
On Friday, 8th May the P&C will hold a Mother’s Day stall. The price will be $5.00 a gift. If your child wishes to purchase a gift please send the money with them on Friday. Students will go to the hall with their class after assembly. There is a lovely assortment of gifts.

NAPLAN TESTING YEARS 3 and 5
In Week 4, students from years 3 and 5 will sit the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy. These tests will be undertaken from Tuesday, 12th May - Thursday 14th May. A separate note with more information is attached to this newsletter.

MERIT AWARDS

Kindergarten
John Lamb - Providing extra information about ANZAC day during class discussion.
Cala Stubbs - Singing the chorus of “Lest We Forget” beautifully.

Class 1/2
Madison Fish - Following directions and working hard to complete all activities.
Jack Woods - Doing the job of a student.
Aimee Lamb - Excellent bookwork.
Emily-Rose Goley - A terrific addition to our class.

Class 2/3
Keonie Adams - Trying hard with her home-reading
Riley Ball - Trying so hard with his “Recount” story.
Khallen C - Great effort with his ANZAC Day booklet.

YEAR 3/4
Kristina Esposito - Being a very keen and attentive student.
Holly Barrett - Always being an attentive listener.

Year 5/6
Charley Shipton - Excellent bookwork for her reading activity.
Isabel Goodwin - Completing written tasks neatly and carefully.
$1000 WORTH OF FREE DENTAL - CHILD DENTAL BENEFITS SCHEDULE
The Child Dental Benefits Schedule currently provides eligible children with $1000 worth of free dental benefits over a 2 calendar year period and covers such services including: examinations, x-rays, cleaning, fissure sealing, fillings, root canals and extractions. Dental health is very important for your children. For further information see the Commonwealth Governments Child Dental Benefits Schedules website.

STEWART HOUSE
Attached to this newsletter is a Stewart House donation envelope. If you can, please place a $2.00 coin donation in the envelope and return it to school by Friday, 8th May. All money raised helps Stewart House support students in need. You could win a $4000.00 family holiday.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Happy Birthday to Alina Henry and Aimee Lamb who celebrate their birthday this week.

HEALTHY HAROLD
Healthy Harold will be conducting Life Education Programs at our school from Wednesday, 6th May to Friday, 8th May (Week 3). The cost is $10.00 per student. Please fill out the slip on the back of the newsletter and return it to the front office together with your money.

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I give permission for my child/ren _________________________________ in Class ______________________ to attend the Life Education Program on Wednesday, 6th May to Friday, 8th May 2015.

Please find enclosed $__________

Signed: ____________________________