Welcome to Week 2 of Term 2. After such a hectic start to the term I am sure that things will begin to settle down this week!

Thank you to Dorothy Leahy for her newsletter report on Tuesday. As most of you would know I was in Finley at a funeral

LITERACY: Jerrai Dahlstrom and Thomas Robertson placed our school on a literary pedestal with winning entries in the Coffs Harbour City Council Haiku Poetry Competition. Mrs Leahy attended the ceremony on the weekend and reported that our 2 students scooped the pool, winning both sections! This is a great effort by the boys as Haiku poetry has strict rules and limitations that can make poem creation quite tricky. Well done to Jerrai and Thomas, just a small sample of the hidden talent in our wonderful school. Thanks also to Mrs Leahy for all of her work behind the scenes in giving our kids the opportunity to participate in this creative, literacy based activity.

The selection of our debating team is nearing completion. Mrs Leahy has been working overtime and must now choose 1 team of 4 from many wonderful candidates. Their first debate will be via video conference against Aldavilla. I am sure that our debaters will do a wonderful job with this very tricky discipline.

SPORT: Mr Freebairn and I had a great day with the Nambucca and District Rugby League under 11’s side in Coffs on Thursday. All of our boys made their school proud with their work ethic on the field and behaviour off the field. Samuel Donovan and Jake Jones were chosen to go on to the next level, but Jonah Edwards, Rangi Buchanan, Terryn Hopper and Mikey all performed very well on the day. Jake and Samuel will be travelling to Grafton this Friday and we wish them all the best.

Miss Wesley and her Cross Country team did an incredible job on Friday. All of our students were involved in the cross country which ran perfectly, despite the light showers. Well done to all of the runners, whether they have the opportunity to go on to District this Friday or not. Just to finish the course is a feat in itself! Miss Wesley, Mrs Smith and myself will be travelling to Bowraville on Friday with our District Team. If your child was successful, please be sure to return permission notes as soon as possible.

Luwarna Cohen has made it to the Mid North Coast Girls’ Soccer Team. This is a wonderful effort by Luwarna, who is certainly having a very busy last year of Primary School! Luwarna will be playing in the State Soccer Carnival in June. Well done Luwarna! We are very proud of you!

LEADERSHIP: This Thursday I will be attending the Grip Leadership Conference with our School Captains and Prefects. The conference goes all day and is designed to support and develop our school leaders. It should be a great day and I am looking forward to working in this environment with Rohan, Travis, Terryn, Luwarna, Chloe and Sophia.

Wishing all of our mums a Happy Mothers’ Day for Sunday!
SCHOOL: We welcome Mr Jake Hoban to 6S5 this week as he completes a 10 day observation prac. I am sure that Mrs Smith and 65S will show Jake just what is needed to operate as an engaged and hardworking Stage 3 unit! Thank you so much to our parents and carers who have taken the time to let us know of little issues as they arise this term. We can only keep our school moving forward with your full support and teamwork. Your assistance is very much appreciated!

Kristy Williams will join our Frank Partridge VC team this Tuesday. Kristy will be working closely with our infants team to support our teachers in whatever area they desire. It is an exciting opportunity for our school and I look forward to working closely with Kristy and our infants team.

Welcome back Miss Sandi! Our DGO is back on deck after a short break and we look forward to having her expertise and wisdom back on our school team.

Have a great week.
Todd.

Opportunity Class Placements

Opportunity Class applications are now available online for students who will in Year 5 in 2015. These classes are for gifted and talented students who perform to a very high standard in class. Parents have until Friday 16th May to submit their applications. If you need internet access to apply, please call in to the school, and we can help you apply online.

Library News

Book Club forms have been issued and orders are due to the Office by Wednesday 14th May. Please enclose orders and correct payment in an envelope, clearly marked with student’s name and class.

Thank you
Robin Coulter - Teacher Librarian

Royal Far West

We are proud to announce we are now in partnership with Royal Far West. Royal Far West specialise in enhancing the health and wellbeing of NSW’s rural and remote children through access to specialist health services. Our Friendship Agreement with RFW will carry on until June 2016.

Netball News

Luwarna, Abbey and Suzannah travelled to Woolgoolga with Mrs Haase last Wednesday. The girls enjoyed playing 4 games.
Luwarna has now made it into Zone Netball on 26th May. Well done girls!

Caught Being Good
Holly Blanch 4/3W-Picking up rubbish, Mikaela Howle 2/1C-Always doing the right thing, Christa Parker 4/3m, Makayla Lamb 2/1C-Sitting sensibly, Rodrick Darcy SU2, Noah Babula 2/1C-Looking after office staff, Yazzystar Hoffman 4/3W-Using good manners.
Shaela Little SU2-Picking up equipment.

Class Of the Week - 2/1E
Congratulations
Well done to all of our students who participated in Cross Country on Friday. Congratulations to the following students who are now off to Bowraville on Friday!

**8/9 Girls**
- Makayla Donovan
- Izabelle Salway
- Shardonnae White
- Jaynarleeya Munro
- Keira Donovan
- Lacey Wilson

**8/9 Boys**
- Mitchell Summers Whalley
- Zane Jones
- Jaiye Langford
- Declan Rigby
- Matthew Daley
- Ethan Dungay

**10 Year Girls**
- Crystal Wylie
- Sonja Stone
- Joana Wellington
- Martina Wellington
- Lewina Donovan
- Carly Donovan

**10 Year Boys**
- James Hurley
- Jerrai Dahlstrom
- Joshua Munro
- Dominic Hoffman
- Damon Simon-Wilson
- Ryan Winchester

**11 Year Girls**
- Luwarna Cohen
- Sophia Fidirikkos
- Paris Stadhams
- Casey Humphreys
- Kailee Salway
- Jamison Rigby

**11 Year Boys**
- Jake Jones
- Samual Donovan
- William Jury
- Tirell Dungay
- Tyrone Dixon
- Tyson Dixon

**12/13 Year Girls**
- Chloe Martin
- Candy Kelly
- Tisharne Provost-Watmough
- Dannika Perkins
- Abbey Smith

**12/13 Year Boys**
- Terryn Hopper
- Rohan Duguid
- Tom Robertson
- Frank Richards
- Nicholas Schram
- Travis Hayden
SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION FEES

Term 2 contribution fees of $10 per student are now due.

CANTEEN MEAL OFFERS  Normal menu available every day

Name: ______________________  Class: ________

**WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY**

LAMB BURGER
LAMB PATTIE, LETTUCE, TOMATO, BEETROOT, COOKED ONION & SAUCE
ON A BUN
PRICE $5.50

Name: ______________________  Class: ________

**THURSDAY 8TH MAY**

CHICKEN & VEGE PIE WITH SAUCE
PRICE $2.50

Name: ______________________  Class: ________

**FRIDAY 9TH MAY**

NACHOS
BEEF MINCE, KIDNEY BEANS, CORN CHIPS, CHEESE & SOUR CREAM
PRICE $5.50

Name: ______________________  Class: ________

**MONDAY 12TH MAY**

3 PARTY PIES + TOMATO OR BBQ SAUCE
+ NIPPY FLAVOURED MILK (CHOC/STRAWBERRY)
PRICE $5.50

Name: ______________________  Class: ________

School Banking

This term we are giving students, schools and our School Banking Co-ordinators the opportunity to win a share of sunken treasure found in the Lost City of Savings. Students simply need to make three or more School Banking deposits during Term 2, regardless of the value, and they will automatically be entered into the competition to win some fantastic prizes including:

- Major student prize
  - Five nights' accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast;
  - VIP Passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World and Wet'n'Wild Gold Coast;
  - Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
  - A $3,000 travel gift card to get them there.

- Runner up student prizes.
  - 130 Toys"R"Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each to spend on their favourite toys.

In Term 2 there are two new exciting rewards available for students who save 10 tokens. The rewards available this term are:

- Whale Shark Pencil Case NEW
- Shark or Penguin Key ring NEW
- Handball
- Scented Pencils

WE BELIEVE ALL YOUNG AUSTRALIANS SHOULD LEARN THE IMPORTANCE OF SAVING AND SMART MONEY MANAGEMENT.

Community News

**NRMA Science & Road Safety Day-Thursday 29th May at 2:45pm in the School Hall**

Our school will be hosting an NRMA & Road Safety Day, a new road safety program delivered by NRMA Motoring & Services as part of its commitment to road safety. Our school was chosen to take part in this free program that will visit 100 schools across NSW and ACT and educate 40,000 students.

Parents play a vital role in keeping their children safe, so we would like to invite you to a workshop where we will review the key road safety messages that were covered on the day, and also learn more about what you can do to keep your children safe on the road.