Live the Fish Philosophy and see what’s possible!

Dear Parents and Community Members,
What a wonderful term we have journeyed through. Both staff and students have enjoyed a number of activities from those celebrated in Book Week through to Electricity Week. These activities have included the Dalgety Fun Day, the Book Week parade, Book Fair, Read for Australia, National Literacy and Numeracy week activities, the Science Festival, video conferences with Fizzics Education and Bournda Environmental Educations Centre, Active After School Sports, the Regional Athletics (relay team), SAKG and Live Life Well.

Science Festival / Electricity Week
On Wednesday we travelled to Bredbo PS to participate in Fizzics Education - hands on science program focusing on the forces of gravity and magnetism, sound, movement and a liquid nitrogen show. Alongside these activities the students also made plastic milk, an exploding lunchbox, a hoop glider, lava in a glass and floating paperclips. Following the activities each child was presented with a certificate and a torch (donated by Essential Energy).

INVITATION
Next Tuesday 16th September, members of the Jindabyne Garden Club are visiting NPS for lunch and a visit to the SAKG. One of their members, Margaret Chalk, will be presenting a talk on ‘Community Gardens’. We would like to invite parents, friends and community members to listen to Margaret’s talk at 1.00pm in the kitchen.

Staff Development Day (SDD)
All staff, both teaching and SASS will be participating a SDD on Saturday 20th September. This is a variation from the Friday 19th December SDD. On this day staff from other small schools will join us to develop a new report format incorporating the new
syllabus documents, as well as developing a new scope and sequence for Science, History and HSIE. History will be formally implemented in 2015.

SAKG KITCHEN /GARDEN DAY
Thank you to our parent helpers who assisted Madeleine in the kitchen and Mrs P in the garden last week. Mrs P and her band of helpers, big and small, have prepared the garden for sowing and have developed a sowing plan for the remainder of the year. Meanwhile Madeleine and her helpers created a scrumptious morning tea of muffins, pinwheels, a seasonal fruit platter and fruit scones; and a delicious lunch of chicken saag, asparagus and ricotta pie, cauliflower and broccoli mornay and couscous. What a great day! Thank you Madeleine and Rosemary for your leadership!

P&C Funding & support
During the remainder of the year there are many activities scheduled. At the meeting on Tuesday evening the P&C kindly decided to subsidise and support these activities. The donations/subsidies are as follows:

- $130.00 per child attending the school excursion;
- $50.00 per child representing the school at the State Athletics;
- $50.00 for each Year 6 student attending Cooba Transition camp; and
- $50.00 per child for the annual swimming program.

Thank you to the P&C for your kind donations/subsidies; and your continued support of school programs and initiatives.

Bush to the Beach
Last week I registered our school to participate in the ‘Bush to Beach’ Program coordinated by the Royal Life Saving Society of Australia. Next term some of their representatives will visit the school and speak with students about water safety, not only at the beach but in the bush near creeks, rivers and dams. We believe this is a wonderful initiative as summer approaches.

School House
During the next couple of months the old school house will be demolished and the site will be reclaimed. The old house and garage contain asbestos and as such tenders have been sought from building contractors accredited for asbestos removal. Several people
have indicated they would like materials from the site. This will be possible when the house is demolished and after the asbestos is safely removed. There will be a small fee for the goods. As part of our heritage footprint numerous photos have been taken and these along with other important data have been placed in a special archives file in the school library display cabinet. During the demolition the site will be fenced off to ensure the safety of students, staff and community members. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

GARDENING in TERM 4
As the days are getting warmer, we will be working in the garden on Friday mornings. We would love parents, friends or community members to come and help us if you have some free time. Garden sessions will commence at 9.30, and go for approximately an hour.

Until next term,
Regards
Jo

UPCOMING EVENTS
September:
16 Jindabyne Garden Club Visit /Talk 1.00pm.
19 Last Day Term 3
October
7 Students / Staff return to school

Thought for the Fortnight
“As parents, our mission is not to pave the way for our children but to provide the compass”

MONDAY MUNCHIES ROSTER
15th September Miners

NOTES HOME
School Vision
SAKG Financial breakdown
Library Overdue Notices
Oztag Competition
Science Festival Recount
On Wednesday 10th September we went to Bredbo PS for a Science Festival. We travelled to Bredbo by car.
First we went to Fizzics Education with Nina. We made slime from cornflour and water. Then we made sherbet from baking soda, icing sugar and citric acid. It tasted like Whizz Fizz. Then we made big bubbles from detergent, water and salt. It was fun! After these activities we went into the classroom. We had a turn of some metal rings that vibrated and then we made a toy diver go up and down in a bottle of water. We also had a turn of the sea table and looked at x-rays and kaleidoscopes. We played with some magnets and other magnetic toys. After this we sat on a board of nails and it didn't hurt because the surface of our bottom spread across the nails. These were fun!

After recess we went with Mrs P and Mrs T. We made plastic milk that looked like cheese and tasted like vinegar. Then we made an exploding lunch bag. We put baking soda, vinegar and water in a sealed lunch bag and watched it get bigger and bigger until it popped! These activities were exciting. Then we made a hoop glider, floated a paper clip and made lava in a cup. We had lots of fun!
Before we went out to lunch Nina from Fizzics Education did a show with liquid nitrogen. She made ice from liquid nitrogen and we learned that liquid nitrogen freezes at -196 degrees Celsius. Nina blew up a balloon and poured liquid nitrogen over it. It shrunk the balloon and we had to blow hot air on it so it could expand. She also poured liquid nitrogen over an apple. It froze and when she hit it with a hammer it shattered everywhere. We learned that if you use liquid nitrogen you must wear safety glasses and special gloves. We were given a torch and a certificate at the end of the sessions. We had lots of fun and enjoyed all of the activities. We also learned many new things.
By Ellanor, Keira and Olivia
LIBRARY NEWS

KOALA Awards
Thank you to everyone who voted in the KOALA Awards. I have input all the votes online but we will have to wait until next term to see if any of our favourites won. Thank you also to everyone for returning the books that I borrowed from other Libraries for us to read.

Overdue Books
Some of you have borrowed a lot of books and are a bit slow returning them. I have included overdue notices this week. Could you please have a really good look for these books and bring them back any day next week. I know some of the books are being read in the classroom, but not all are, and some have been out for months or even years! If you are sure you have already returned any please tell me so I can check for them on the shelves.

Thank you,
Fiona W

COMMUNITY NEWS

WHAT’S ON IN THE REGION?

Swimming Lessons
Bookings are now being taken for term 4 Swimming Lessons and Squads at both the Cooma Swim Centre and The Cooma Hospital Hydrotherapy pool. All ages and levels catered for. For bookings and enquiries please phone Michelle on 6452 4289.

There are too many fliers about School Holiday activities to include in the newsletter so they can be viewed either in the glass-fronted noticeboard or in the Office. They are for:

Cooma Athletics Come & Try Day
Saturday 13th September

Cooma-Monaro Cricket Clinic
Sunday 21st and Monday 22nd September
Cooma Holiday Football Clinic
Monday 22nd to Tuesday 23rd September

Cooma Champs Tennis
2 Camps, Wednesday and Thursday, both weeks of holidays.

Netball School Holiday Clinic
Friday 3rd October

Kid’s Fishing Workshop
Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th October

Tuesday 7 October, 2pm – 4pm
Federal Member for Eden-Monaro Dr Peter Hendy cordially invites interested parties to attend a Tourism Forum to be held in Cooma with Minister for Trade and Investment Andrew Robb as honoured guest.

The event will be a valuable opportunity for tourism operators and other stakeholders to put their concerns directly to a Cabinet Minister.

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