Dear Parents,

Congratulations to all our swimmers who came along to our combined swimming carnival with Gillwinga last Friday. Blaxland was the winning house, only a few points ahead of Orara with Goolang running third.

Ribbons and trophies from our school carnival will be presented at our assembly next Friday (20th Feb). Our age champions from our carnival are Lachlan (Jnr Boy), Emily S (Jnr Girl), James C (11yrs Boy) and Ryan (Snr Boy).

Our swimming team progressing to the Small Schools Swimming Carnival tomorrow are Dylan, Emily S, Max, Haylee, Chloe, Lachlan, Robbie, Andrew, Jess, Brenden, James and Ryan.
Small Schools Swimming Carnival
Tomorrow (Friday 13th Feb) our winners & placegetters from last week’s carnival will represent Coutts Crossing Public School at the combined Small Schools Carnival at Grafton Olympic Pool. The carnival is to start at **9.00 am** but competitors need to be there at 8.45 for marshalling.

Head Lice
There have been a few reported cases of head lice recently. To help stop the spread, we would ask parents to please check their children’s scalp and if lice or nits are found to treat them, before sending your child back to school. This will help stop any transfer of head lice amongst students. Some other strategies to assist keeping free of these little visitors are keeping longer hair tied back. Thanks everyone.

Veggie Garden
As part of our healthy body focus, a dedicated group of parents and community members have begun erecting the first garden bed. This will lead toward student gardening opportunities and healthy eating programs at school. Thank you to Campbell’s Sawmill for the donation of timber for this project and thanks to Steve, Dave, Kellie, Kylee Tanya and Flynn for helping to put together our first garden frame.

K/1 Request
If any families have some at home, Mrs Conyard would like to request some little plastic jars/containers e.g. peanut butter with lids to store paint. Thank you!
Win a Classroom Makeover
The Daily Examiner is running a competition to win your school a $5000 classroom makeover. **If you** purchase the Daily Examiner and are happy to collect the daily tokens printed in the Examiner between Sat 14/2/15 and Mon 16/3/15, please bring them into school. At the end of the competition the school with the most number of tokens per student will win.

P&C Annual General Meeting
Our School Parents and Citizens’ (P&C) Association will hold its Annual General Meeting next Thursday (19th February) in the school staffroom at 9:30am.

With thanks,
*Matt Hankinson*

Student Banking
Application forms have been distributed today for Student Banking with the Commonwealth Bank. Incentives for this program are on display in the school foyer.

Cake Raffle
We thank Monique Franklin’s family who are supplying the cake tomorrow. Next Friday (20th February) the family of Macklin Jones will supply the cake. We thank the parents for their support with this fundraiser.

Clarence Valley BMX
On Saturday 14th Feb the Clarence Valley BMX Club will be holding a free come and try BMX session with registration and bike checks available. There will be exhibitions, free show bags and sausage sizzle as well as a chance to meet Clarence the BMX Cougar who is their mascot. If you wish to collect an information sheet, just ask at the school office or look at [http://clarencevalley.bmxnsw.com.au](http://clarencevalley.bmxnsw.com.au).
Coffs Harbour & District Baseball Association
Sign-on days to be held at the Bray Street Sports Grounds in Coffs Harbour on March 14th, 21st & 28th between 9 am & noon. Players of all ages & abilities welcome to come and try baseball at the sign-on days.

Further enquiries from Bill Langler 0421 553093.

Canteen
Our canteen is up and running with lots of yummy, healthy food for 2015.

**Grafton Netball Association**
Registration days will be on Saturday 14th of February & Saturday the 21st of February from 12pm-2pm at the netball courts in Bacon Street.
Delegates from all clubs will be presents on the day so come along as part of a team or as an individual to register.

**NetSetGo**- Australia's introductory program to netball. A fun skills based program for children aged 5-7yrs. Costs $70 for the season with no additional charges & includes the ANZ 2015 NetSetGo pack. It will commence on Saturday 2nd of May from 11.30-12.30pm. Registration days as above.

All information and dates can be found on the Grafton Netball Association Website and Facebook page. Contact Brooke Burton- 0437426070

Thanks to the Swimming Cheer Squad!