Dear Parents,

Congratulations to all our cross country runners on Friday. We were glad we ran earlier in the day to avoid the heat too! It also gave us an opportunity to hand out our ribbons at assembly on the same day. Many of our cross country runners have been invited to compete in the Clarence Small Schools Cross Country on Monday 30th March at Westward Park in Grafton. These students received a separate note today. Thank you to Mr Attwater for his wonderful organisation of this event.

Photographs
Our school photos were taken today and everyone looked very smart. Ordered photographs will be delivered to school next term. If anyone forgot to send in their photo envelope with payment, they are still able to send the form directly to the photographer. Details are printed on the envelope.
UNSW Exams
Once again we are offering to hold the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) at our school for interested students. The entry fees for each competition are $8.80 each for Digital Technologies, Science, English and Mathematics. Writing will cost $18.70 and Spelling will cost $12.10. These tests will run through terms 2 and 3 but we will need to register students this term. If you are interested please send in a note with payment to Mrs Simpson in the front office.

Last Day of Term
Next Thursday (2\textsuperscript{nd} April) will be the last day of the school term as Friday 3\textsuperscript{rd} April is the Good Friday public holiday. Students will return to school on Tuesday 21\textsuperscript{st} April.

Assembly
In addition to our cross country ribbons on Friday’s assembly we had many class award winners. Congratulations to Skye and Jessica who read their stories as the Writers of the Fortnight from K/1. Congratulations to our merit card winners Amalia, Neva, Christian, Amber, Riley N, Savannah, Max, Joshua, Sophie and Kieran. Well done everyone! Our next assembly will be held next term on Friday 1\textsuperscript{st} May.

Easter Hat Parade
On Thursday 2\textsuperscript{nd} April students at our school will be holding our Easter Hat Parade and Disco. The parade will commence at 11:30am under our large Covered Outdoor Learning Area (COLA). We will draw the Easter raffle at this parade. Following the parade of wonderful Easter hats, bonnets, rabbit and bilby ears etc, students will enjoy a disco in our hall. Unfortunately Coutts Crossing Preschool is unable to join us this year. Hope those hat designs and construction is going well at home!

With thanks,
Matt Hankinson
There will be a free Skateboarding session at the Coutts Crossing Skatepark on Tuesday 14th April between 9am and 12pm. There are other venues as well on different days. Ask Mr Hankinson if you want the full list of venues. [http://www.revolutionise.com.au/sbanorthern](http://www.revolutionise.com.au/sbanorthern) for more information.
Cake Raffle
We thank the Yager family who will supply the cake tomorrow. Due to the school holidays there will be no cake raffle next week. We will continue with this fundraiser in Week 2 next term.

School Fees
School fees are now due for payment. The cost is $50 for the whole year or can be paid by the term $12.50 each term. These fees are to be paid at the office.

EASTER HAT MAKING & PARADE
It would be a good idea to get started on your Easter Hat at home and see what creations you can come up with. The Hat Parade will begin at 11.30 am followed by an in-school Disco finishing at lunch time.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER - for next week
Wednesday: Kellie Perkins & Kylee White

Jnr Rugby Union
The Grafton Redmen Juniors (ages 6 and up) are having sign on days soon. These days are Friday 13th March (4pm to 7pm at Grafton Shopping World) as well as Friday 20th and 27th March (5:30 to 6pm at Rugby Park, Hay Street, South Grafton). For further information please contact Jason Connors 0419 636 788 or Gervase Bertus 0409 227 823.

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.