Dear Parents,

I was delighted by the great level of attendance by our students at the ANZAC commemoration ceremony in South Grafton on Saturday. Jaylah and Emily represented the school, laying the wreath at the cenotaph with dignity and respect. Thank you to all students and parents who were able to support this important event.
Cross Country
Next Friday (8th May), our cross country runners Bailey, Lachlan, Jaylah and Cheyenne will represent our school at the Clarence Cross Country. We wish them the best of luck and hope they enjoy their day.

Newspapers in Education
Students in 4/5/6 have been busy preparing and writing newspaper articles and sections for our school newspaper page to be published in the Daily Examiner on 26th May. We are looking forward to seeing our student work in the Examiner. Thanks to Mr Attwater for coordinating this important program.

Cascade Excursion
We wish to remind families with students attending the Cascade Environmental Education Centre that the payment for this excursion must be finalised by the end of May. A full permission note for contact details and medical information will be sent home in the next couple of weeks.

Electronic Equipment
Students are not to bring electronic equipment such as phones, iPads and other electronic equipment to school. If parents require their child to have such items for afternoon activities or long bus trips, students should hand them in at the school office in the morning and pick them up at home time.

Assembly
Tomorrow we will hold our first assembly for this term at 12:30pm in our hall. As well as regular merit cards, 4/5/6 will present some student videos filmed, organised, edited and presented with class iPads. In addition, two students from 2/3 will read their stories and receive the Writer of the Fortnight awards at this assembly. Parents are always welcome and encouraged to attend our assemblies.

Names in Clothing
As we get into cooler weather, please make sure your child’s name is written clearly on the label or inside jackets and jumpers. This way we can return any clothing to students if misplaced and found by others.
**NAPLAN**

In a couple of weeks our students in years 3 and 5 will sit the National Assessment Program – Literay And Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests. Students are not required to bring anything special as all materials will be provided for the tests. Students will sit the Language test (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Writing test on Tuesday 12\textsuperscript{th} May. They will sit the Reading test on Wednesday 13\textsuperscript{th} May and conclude with the Numeracy test on Thursday 14\textsuperscript{th} May. These tests are held nationally and are sent away to be marked and student data analysed. Student results will be returned to school and sent home to parents towards the end of term three.

**P&C Meeting**

Our next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 14\textsuperscript{th} May at 9:30am in our school staffroom.

With thanks,

*Matt Hankinson*

**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.

**TUCKSHOP ROSTER** - for week 3, term 2

- **Wed:** Kellie Perkins & Kylee White
- **Fri:** Miriam Tasker & Tracy Hunt

**Cake Raffle**

We thank the Simpson family who are supplying the cake tomorrow. Next week on Friday 8\textsuperscript{th} May the cake will be supplied by the family of Christian Bailey. We thank the parents for their support with this P&C fundraiser. **Please note, any family who does not wish to be included on this roster please phone the office.**

**Stewart House**

Last week Stewart House Donation Drive envelopes were distributed to the eldest child in each family. If you wish to make a donation to this very worthy cause please ensure that your envelope is returned to the school office by Friday, 8\textsuperscript{th} May.
Sesquicentenary of Public Education in Maclean
This year Maclean Public School celebrates 150 years of Public Education in the Lower Clarence. The decision to establish the first school in Maclean, then known as “Rocky Mouth” was made on 17th May 1865.

On Sunday 7th June 2015, celebrations will be held to mark this important occasion. There will be a showcase of Public Education both present and past with dance, song, instrumental ensembles, displays both static and interactive and open classrooms to which past and present staff, students, parents and the general public are warmly invited.

The day will commence with a formal assembly at 10.00am, Sunday 7th June in the Maclean Public School Hall, corner of Woodford and Clarence Streets Maclean. For more information visit the Maclean Public School Website at http://www.maclean-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/sesquicentenary or call Sesquicentenary Coordinator, Marilyn Donelan on 0407 452 967 or Principal, Sandra Armstrong on 66452544.

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Book Club
Please return any orders to the school by Wednesday, 6th May.

‘Lest we forget’