NAPLAN results Years 3 & 5
On Thursday 5 September ACARA identified an error in the placement of the national average markers on the Years 5 and 7 NAPLAN Student Reports for Language Conventions. It is important to note that the NAPLAN student data is correct. ACARA made the immediate decision to halt any further packaging and distribution of NAPLAN reports while options regarding the distribution of correct NAPLAN Student Reports were considered. ACARA is working closely with Test Administration Authorities (TAAs) in every state and territory to ensure correct reports are distributed. This matter may result in the delay of the distribution of reports, possibly to the week of 13 October, however ACARA and TAAs will seek to minimise the delay.

Swimming Programs
There are two swimming programs running next term. The INTENSIVE SWIMMING program is for children who are not yet confident swimmers. This will be run at Alstonville Pool. Today, notes have been provided for the STROKE CORRECTION class, to be run at Ballina Pool. This program is for children who already know how to swim. If your child turns 8 or older in 2014, they have been given a note. Places for both programs are limited so it is important to return notes and money ASAP. Contact Mrs Latta if you have any questions. Extra notes are available on the school website or front office.

What’s on …

19th September
Taco lunch orders due morning
Assembly 3pm - 3/4M item

20th September
Canteen Open
Last Day of Term - Footy Colours Day

7th October
Labour Day public holiday

8th October
First day of Term 4 for students
Country Fair Meeting

2nd November
Country Fair

24th & 31st October
Kinder Orientations

Congratulations to Year 3/4M’s competent spellers.
Bianca 1st, Dakota 2nd and Bailey 3rd. Well done!
Ballina Cup Day
Thank you to all the parents for organising pickups for the Ballina Cup half day. We understand that this is a difficult thing to arrange when buses are not running.

FRIDAY CANTEEN
Canteen will be having a special pre order of TACOS. Hard and soft shells will be available. Other limited food will be available to order on Friday. We look forward to seeing everyone over the counter with football jerseys on also.

As term 3 comes to an end, I would like to thank everyone who has helped in anyway. Your help keeps us open! Look forward to Term 4 with a new summer menu and lots of volunteers.

Interest Groups
Each child was provided with their nomination form for Term 4 interest groups. All groups are available for K-6. Each group is strictly limited to 25 students and will be filled on a first back basis. Children have until Thursday 19th September to return their notes.

Canteen Roster
20th September- Arwyn Atkinson, Berry Learmonth-Norton & Ling Patch

Footing Colours Day
The SRC will again be coordinating our participation in Footy Colours Day. Footy Colours Day aims to raise awareness of and funds for the Fight Cancer Foundation who raise money to support children battling cancer. For a gold coin donation, we will be wearing our favourite team jerseys on the last day of term, Friday 20th September. Visit the website for more information http://www.footycoloursday.com.au/

Holiday security
We hope you have a safe and happy holiday. If you live nearby and notice anything out of the ordinary at our school, please contact school security on 1300 880 021

Public holiday first day of term
The October Labour Day holiday is Monday 7th October. School will resume for staff and students on Tuesday 8th October 2013.

L.S.T.T. News
Don’t forget:
- All Fees are now due.
- Lessons will commence as normal; Week 1, Term 4.
- Monday afternoon band practice will not commence until October 21 (Week 3, Term 4).
Thank you to all students and their parents for their hard work and commitment this term, Fiona Clarke and Mark Whitney.

Fundraising News
Cake cake cake!!!
We enjoyed a very successful cake stall on the morning of the election, and were able to raise just under $400 for our school. This was only possible through the generosity of our school community, who really got behind the initiative and totally overwhelmed us with donation after donation of simply delicious cakes, cupcakes and biscuits. The cooking talent of our school parents must be the envy of the district! Big thanks also to all the people who helped on the stall and behind the scenes, and to our fundraising committee for coming together as we always do to make everything happen.
Public Notices

Ballina Touch
Online registration 12th August - 30th September 2013. Information available on the juniors website or contact Ruth 0422 596 911 ballinatouch1@gmail.com

Ballina Lighthouse & Lismore Surf Life Saving Club
Nippers: Sundays 8th & 29th Sept 10am – 1pm (OLD) Shelly Beach Clubhouse (due to major road works at the new Lighthouse Beach Clubhouse). More details www.ballinasurfclub.com.au

Byron Bay Surf Life Saving Club

Girls Quick Kids
Tuesday 8th October – Tuesday 10th December, 4:30pm - 5:45pm Geoff Watt Oval, Deegan Drive, Alstonville www.quickkicks.com.au

Autism Specific Positive Behaviour Support Workshop
Autism Spectrum Australia (Aspect) is pleased to announce we will be running our Recipe for Success Workshop in Lismore 19 and 20 September 2013. It is a practical two day workshop for professionals and families. If you have any professionals or families you think would like to attend, please pass on the attached flyer. Register on our website www.autismspectrum.org.au

Interrelate Parenting Program for dads
A free 6 week parenting program for Dads, starting October 9th. This event is sponsored by Interrelate Family Centre and the YWCA. This program was offered last year and well received by the dads who attended. Dates: Wednesday evenings, October 9th to November 13th Time: 6pm - 9pm Venue: 5 Market Street, Interrelate Cost: Free

Ballina Little Athletics
Season commences early October - Register On Line now at www.lansw.com.au - Club nights are every Wednesday from 5:15PM Age Groups from 4/5 years old (tots) up to 16 Years (U/17)
Athletics Fields, Quay’s Drive, West Ballina www.ballinalittleathletics.com.au

Byron Bay ALLSOX Softball Club Inc. SIGN-ON
When: Saturday 14/09/13 2pm - 5pm Wednesday 18/09/13 3:30pm - 5pm Where: Byron Bay Rec Ground Cnr Carlyle and Tennyson Contact: Tracey 0413 682 469 or find us on facebook "Byron Bay Allsox Softball Club" ALL NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!!

The Lennox Head Junior Triathlon 2013 – SWIM/ BIKE / RUN
WHEN – SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER TIME – 8.30am Venue – Lake Ainsworth Sport & Rec Centre, Lennox Head Age Groups – U6’s to U’12’s Forms from; Sunrise Cycles and Lennox Head Library More Details Call 0403203234/0438352016 COST - $20

Tintenbar ART SHOW

Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 October

CALLING ALL ARTISTS to submit their entries into the TINtenbar ART SHOW, which will be held October 18th, 19th and 20th this year at the Tintenbar Hall. Prizes include ‘Best in Show’ (cash prize), ‘Local Landscape’ (cash prize), ‘People’s Choice Award and a special prize for the Best First Time Exhibitor. There is a $10 entry fee per painting, a restriction of 2 entries per artist and the art works must be for sale. This fantastic event is being supported very generously by Teven Quarry Boral and organized by TinCAN – Tintenbar Community Aid Network. Please ring Marg on 66878033 or send us an email at tintenbarart@gmail.com for entries or any further information. Don’t’ miss out – entries close September 27th.