Monday 5th August 2013

Week 4 already!
Firstly, I am sure you will join me in congratulating all of our kids for their efforts at CHAFFS. I cannot believe that Pam composed the whole number and that there’s more. Some people oooooze talent... And then there’s me. We will have lots of photos in the next newsletter.

I wanted to pay special mention to the effort and time that Jenny Stevenson gave in ensuring costumes and props were finalised. Over the last few weeks she has worked tirelessly towards the result you witnessed last Wednesday. We wanted to recognise this, so on Friday the students presented a big bunch of flowers to her as well as some chocolates. Thank you Mrs Stevenson!

School Assembly this Tuesday
One Tuesday afternoon we will be having an Assembly. We have a number of students receiving awards. We welcome ANY parents or carers who wish to join us from 2:30-3pm.

Quick Safety Reminder
Just a reminder that as the Relieving Principal, I am responsible for the safety of all people on site from the beginning to the end of the school day – 8:30am to 3:15pm – this includes young children and visitors. As we are otherwise occupied with teaching, learning and the organisation of the school, it would help us enormously if you could assist by dropping off the students in the morning and leaving premises after notes and money have been handed in to the office. It would also be a great help if a similar routine could be established at the end of the day. We do value your contributions and all staff here are willing to discuss concerns, achievements and celebrations but this is best left to a mutual time at the end of the school day.

Robotics
This Friday, our Years 4/5/6’s will be visited by their high school mentors to work on their robot. This is a follow up session from the previous day during week 1 at the high school. The students will be working with their mentor to hopefully secure a spot in the upcoming robot competition. The mentoring session will run from 9:30-11am.

Have a great week!
Erin Minogue
Relieving Principal

STAR OF THE WEEK!
Congratulations to our student of the week: Ben White who has won this award for consistent effort and active participation in class.

Also, congratulations to all students who received R.A.D awards for displaying various attributes throughout the week. Our prize winner was Kenneth Northey with a number of students gaining four or more RADs entitling them to a social award at our Assembly in Week 4.

ZONE Athletics PP6 Relay
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RELAY TEAM !!!

On Friday, Ben, Connor, Elen and I went to Tuncurry Oval for the Zone Athletics PP6 Relay. We had to wait 2 hours until our race. When we got on the field, the official told us to line up the way we were running. Ben was first. Elen was second, I was third and then Connor. We came in first place and our time was 1 minute, 12 seconds!

We were rewarded with sew-on badges and in a couple of weeks we are off to the Hunter Regional Athletics Carnival in Newcastle. We had a great time!

Premier’s Reading Challenge!
...hope everyone is still
READ! READ! READING!

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COLLECTION REMINDERS

1. 3 x Aussie Bush Camp Forms Yrs 3-6
2. Camp Payment Instalment Yrs 3-6

Library Bags for Sale

Don’t forget to keep our Library Books safe.
Here is Jorja displaying the $7.00 Library Bags available from the school office.

STAR OF THE WEEK !!!
Ben White
Year 5

So, Ben, how do you feel about being chosen star of the week?
Great!

Why were you chosen for this award?
For consistent effort and active participation in class.

Who are your best friends?
Sam, Connor and Kieran

What is your favourite subject?
Maths

What is your favourite home activity?
Soccer

What do you want to be when you grow up?
A Soccer player!

OK Ben, thank you for being interviewed by HV Press.

By Reporter – Connor McInnes

Chaffs DVDs

If you would like to order a DVD of last week’s CHAFFS performance, order forms can be picked up from the school office. They are ordered from JB Surf Videos at a cost of $20.00 each and will be delivered back to the school for you to collect.
P & C NEWS

Lucky P&C Pick: The Lucky P&C Pick proceeds went to the School this week as there was no winner drawn from last week’s participants!

CHAFFS

Congratulations to the children on their great performance at the Camden Haven Arts Festival for Schools (CHAFFS). Those of us sitting near the front could see them ‘singing their hearts out’!! A big thank you also to the staff for their hard work preparing our children. We look forward to seeing the full performance at the end of the year!

Election Day

It’s on! The election day has finally been set as the 7th September. Voting will take place at the school and the P&C committee have big plans to hold a mini-fête here on the day. We will be running a sausage sizzle, cake stall, car boot sale and a small raffle. Please think about how you can help out. We will need cake donations and volunteers to run the sausage sizzle. If you or someone you know would like to take part in the car boot sale, the charge will be $10 per car.

HVPS Cookbook Fundraiser:

A big thank you to those of you who have sent in recipes for our Hannam Vale Public School Cookbook. Remember to add your name so that we can acknowledge your family for providing us with the opportunity to enjoy a ‘taste sensation’! Our first preference is for you to send it in email form to Cristy Miller at cristymiller787@gmail.com. If unable, please hand it in typed, or just send in a handwritten one and we will sort it out (no ‘doctor’s’ handwriting please!). Those of us who have cookbooks from other fundraisers use them all the time – they are very useful cookbooks full of tried and true recipes! Please have them in by Friday 9th August.

Michelle Dennis, P&C President

COMMUNITY NEWS

Wriggling and Giggling @ the Library

Wriggle, Giggle, Read is a fun-filled session of books, songs and rhymes for parents and their babies and toddlers which is now being held at three local libraries.

Greater Taree City Libraries Community Outreach Librarian Debbie Horgan is excited to announce this great program will be held monthly at Wingham Library, starting on Wednesday 21 August. The session will run from 10:30 to 11:30am, with 30 minutes of books, rhymes and songs for the little ones, and 30 minutes for parents to relax and have a chat with each other.

Wriggle Giggle Read focuses on the development of vital early literacy skills through sharing books and rhymes. “Talking and singing and reading to your children from an early age is the best way to help them develop the skills they will need to become good readers,” said Debbie. “Wriggle, Giggle, Read is a really fun program – babies and toddlers just love it.”

Wriggle Giggle Read sessions are held from 10:30 to 11:30am at Taree Library on the first Monday of the month, and at Wingham Library on the third Wednesday of the month. The program is held weekly on Wednesdays at Hallidays Point Library. No bookings are required – parents and carers are welcome to just come along.

For more information please ask Library staff or contact Debbie Horgan at Taree Library on 6592 5298 or email debbie.horgan@qtcc.nsw.gov.au
Manning Zone Athletics Carnival PP6 Relay Race
by Elen Miller