Hello Everyone!

Thanks to all parents, family and community members who attended our 100 years Centenary of ANZAC Service on Monday last. The students presented the service with the respect and dignity that the occasion deserved, and it was wonderful to have our guests of honour, James Smith and Dennis Marriot to address the ceremony on behalf of the Taree RSL. Other community members attending included Murray (Vietnam) and Anne Bignall, Irene and Bill (Vietnam) Storrock, Brenda Thompson, Graeme Bird, Leon Davis, Judy and Neville Hawthorn and Anne Campbell-Cross.

We also planted pinus halepensis. Mr. Arnold Bird has researched, acquired and then donated this tree to the school. He adds “This is a genuine tree propagated from the Canberra Lone Pine that was grown from a seed from the cone collected at Lone Pine Ridge in August 1915 and sent back to Australia by Lance Corporal Benjamin Charles Smith.” There are many specimens of this tree about, but it is wonderful to have our very own!! Thank you Arnold.

New Classification of Principal’s Briefing Sessions
Today I attend the new Classification of Principals Briefing session at CHHS, 3.30-5.00p.m. My Principals Report will include what’s happening on Friday at the P&C Meeting.

Maintenance
As part of planned maintenance our water filters were replaced this week.

Regional Cross Country  Friday 8th May
Good luck Jasmine!
Jasmine will be travelling to Newcastle to represent HVPS in the Lansdowne District PSSA (Regional) Cross Country event, held at Broadmeadow Racecourse. We are very proud of your achievement Jasmine!

GRIP Leadership Conference, Monday 11th May
Year 5 will be heading off to this conference which will be held at Forster again this year. This is a great day for the students! Mrs. Everingham will be accompanying the students. Permission Notes and Information about this event will go home today with your child.

BRIDGE SPACE CLEARED!
Tuesday 28th April, saw continued action in the Recreation Reserve. The “old bridge” has been cleared, ready for the new steel bridge to arrive! Exciting times!

Coming Events
Fri 8 May
P&C meeting 8.30 am
Celebration Assembly 2.30 pm
EVERYONE WELCOME!
Come along and see Piper receive her next MAJOR AWARD!

Mon 11 May
GRIP Leadership Conference at Forster for Year 5 students

12-14 May
NAPLAN Year 3 & Year 5

Mon 18 May
Cake Drive with proceeds to Nepal Earthquake support

Thurs 28 May
Robotics Competition at Camden Haven High School

NAPLAN-2015
It’s that time of the year again! Year 3 and Year 5 will be completing the National Assessment Program Literacy And Numeracy (NAPLAN) assessments from 12-14 May.

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Semester One Reports
As I am on Long Service Leave for the last 4 weeks of this Term (Week 7 onwards), Semester One Reports will be issued early Term 3, instead of the final week of Term 2.
Mrs. Diane Horrobin will visit HVPS on Tuesday. I will introduce Diane to the students, and be giving her information re
programs, students, discipline policy, timetables and general school admin. Diane has spent considerable time in the small schools’ Principal position, we are very lucky to have Diane come to HVPS in a relieving capacity, with her high level of experience.

Opportunity Class Placement
Applications for placement in an opportunity class for Year 5 students in 2016 are now open. Year 4 students will take home information today.

School Website
I do apologise too, to the many parents and grandparents who read our Newsletter on-line. The last two Newsletters, plus this weeks, will be up on the website today! We have had technical issues with the website over the past few weeks.

Thanks for your continued help, support and friendship everyone,

Pamela Everingham
Teaching Principal

P&C News

Masters BBQ
A big, big thank you to those of you who helped out yesterday in Taree. We were a bit dubious about the weather and the customers to Masters were few and far between but we still managed to raise $224 (and pack up early). Thanks to the White family, Kompara family, Trafford family, Lana Read (a gem), Cristy and Kirsten for giving up a few hours of your time on Sunday to help raise funds for our students. You are all marvellous!

Mother’s Day
The Mother’s Day gifts have been carefully chosen and are ready for purchase. Please send $5.00 per gift with your child during the week and they will receive their gift to take home and hide until Mother’s Day on Sunday.

Quote of the week
“It takes someone really brave to be a mother, someone strong to raise a child and someone special to love someone more than herself.”

Next Meeting
Friday 8 May 8:30am

As always,
Thanks for your support.

Michelle Dennis
P&C President

WEEK 3
Star of the Week this week is Piper Darcy. Piper has a great attitude to her classwork, and is eager to help get the classroom session flowing smoothly, often helping with classroom organisation. She is really aware as to where things are placed in the classroom, and when teachers are busy with teaching and organising classroom activities, Piper’s skills at locating resources are MUCH appreciated!

So Piper, how do you feel about being chosen star of the week?
Great
Why were you chosen for this award?
I always help out in the classroom making for a smooth learning session.
What is your favourite subject?
Maths
What is your favourite home activity?
Riding my bike.
What do you want to be when you grow up?
I would like to be a Police Officer or a hairdresser.
Ok, Piper, thank you for being interviewed by HV Press.

By Reporter - Elen Miller
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program News

What with Timetabling changes and Friday Sporting Activities our Kitchen/Garden Timetable has been affected this Term. Allocated time though, is still appropriate to SAKG Foundation guidelines. This Friday we will begin preparing to expand our No-Dig garden area, and students in the Kitchen will be cooking something to do with CUCUMBERS!! The rain has been awesome for our vegies!

ANZAC Day Ceremony

More ANZAC Photos ....

The floral tributes were beautiful. Thanks to those that popped the bouquets together!

Planting of the Lone Pine

Melissa Gillies of the Salvation Army blessed the tree.

Mr. Graeme Bird was on hand to help plant the tree.

A BIG THANKS TO GRAEME!

School Captains Elen and Connor complete the planting!

A BIG THANKS TO NEVILLE HAWTHORN! Neville and Julie were attending the service, and saw the immediate need for the tree to be protected – in minutes we had a secure fence around the plant!!!
**Bmx Racing by Bailey**

Today I am going to convince you that Bmx Racing is very fun! We have to wear jeans and long sleeved shirt because if you come off you don’t get scratched! You don’t get put in a group for your age if it is actually your speed. I am in the bandicoots. I think Bmx Racing is good for you to get fit and healthy. I have come third in some of my races.