Dear Parents,

Hi everyone and welcome to Term 2! I hope you all had an enjoyable break and trust that all members of the school community feel energized and ready for the busy term ahead.

Coffs Harbour RSL President Visits Crossmaglen PS

On Tuesday we were fortunate enough to have been visited by RSL Coffs Harbour Sub-Branch President, Bob Payne. Bob spoke to students, staff and parents about the significance of ANZAC Day and of his own experiences as a soldier in the Vietnam War. It was a privilege to hear Bob’s stories and we thank him for taking the time to visit.

ANZAC Day

I was completely impressed on Saturday to see so many of our school community attend the ANZAC Day march and commemoration ceremony at Sawtell. Students were great ambassadors for our school and I was proud of the way they conducted themselves in the public spotlight.

Camp

Only a week to go until we depart for our whole-school camp to Cascade Environmental Education Centre. Thanks to those parents who have returned permission notes so promptly. We aim to leave school by 9.30am so please arrive at school soon after 8.30am to allow time for cars to be packed and final arrangements to be made. A driving roster will be sent home in the next day or so. Please check the “what to bring” list carefully and ensure your child has enough warm clothes as night times and mornings are becoming increasingly chilly. If you are unable to pay the full amount at this time, it would be appreciated if a part payment could be made before we depart.

District Cross Country

The District Cross Country carnival will take place at Bowraville next Friday 8th May for students in years 3 to 6. A permission note was sent home last week. Please return the note ASAP if your child intends on participating.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing will take place in Week 4 this term for students in Year 3 and Year 5. Please see the information note sent home last week for details and the test schedule and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the process.

Life Education—Healthy Harold

The Life Education van will be visiting Bonville Public School on Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th March. The cost will be $7 per child. We may require assistance with some transportation, please let us know if and when you are able to assist with transport. A permission note will be given to students today. The schedule is as follows:

**Monday 25th May**
- 9:30 to 11:00  Years 3/4
- 11.30 to 1.00  Years K/1
- 2.00 to 3.00  Years 5/6

Archery

Colin Phillips from Coffs Harbour Sword Club has run archery sessions after school the last two Tuesdays. Students seemed to particularly enjoy the second session yesterday, however it is still uncertain at this stage whether or not archery will become a regular event.

Reports and Parent/Teacher Meetings

Towards the end of this term families will receive an academic progress report on each student at the school. This combined with parent teacher meetings should ensure that parents are well aware of how their child is travelling at school. The meetings also provide the opportunity to collaboratively review and update each student’s personal learning plan. More information will be presented in the coming weeks.

Book Club

Book Club catalogues are going home today and are due back no later than Monday 11th May. Payment can be made by cash or cheque, or online (procedure is outlined on the back page of each catalogue). Cheques should be made payable to Scholastic Book Club.

Mrs Peart

We wish Mrs Peart all the best for her second round of shoulder surgery. We hope you recover quickly and look forward to seeing you back at school. Get well soon!

Again, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns about anything related to school, and have a great week!

Peter Rundle, Principal