Dear Parents and Caregivers

**Mrs Burgess on Leave**
I will be relieving as Principal while Mrs Burgess is on Long Service Leave for the remainder of the term.
If you have any concerns please feel free to make an appointment to discuss these as I am still on class teaching Kinder/Year1.

**Parking**
Dungay school can be a busy place with visiting schools/parents/courses attended here and special events. This can lead to many visitors and cars in and around the school.
Please be aware of PARKING restrictions, such as Bus Zones, crossing double lines, parking in the right direction and showing courtesy to our neighbours by not blocking any entrances to their properties.
The police and Council both regularly patrol Tomewin Road and are not hesitant to hand out fines for any reason!

**Fathers’ Day Stall**
Fathers’ Day is this Sunday and the children will be able to buy from the stall on Friday 5 September. Gifts range in price from $1 to $5.
It is not too late to send in donations of gifts for the stall and to return Raffle tickets.

**Public Speaking**

4/5/6 Camp
Final payment due by last day of term—Friday 19 September.

Our Stage Public Speaking Finals were held last Tuesday 26 August with Kai and Paige (Stage 1), Matthew, Broden and Mahli (Stage 2) and Jaxen and Shiloh (Stage 3) competing for the opportunity to speak at Banora Point Primary School on Thursday 11 September.
The children spoke with passion on a variety of topics, with great detail and eye contact.
Congratulations to Shiloh, Matthew and Paige who are in the Far North Coast Public Speaking Final at Banora Point Primary on 11 September 2014.
**Kindergarten Orientation**

Our Kinder Orientation begins in the 2nd week of Term 4.
Each THURSDAY the new enrolments will attend the K/1 class and become familiar with the class and school routines.
The program runs for 8 weeks building up from 2 hour sessions to half day sessions.
It is a great opportunity for the children to become familiar with their classmates and teacher and for us to know each child’s needs in preparation for 2015.

**School Visit 1**  
Thursday 16 October 9.30 am - 11.30am

**School Visit 2**  
Thursday 23 October 9.30 am - 11.30am

**School Visit 3**  
Thursday 30 October 9.30am - 11.30am

**School Visit 4**  
Thursday 6 November 9.30am - 11.30am

**School Visit 5**  
Thursday 13 November 9.30am – 2.00pm  
Book Week Parade 10am – 11am  
Rosella Preschool visit

**School Visit 6**  
Thursday 20 November 9.30am – 2.00pm

**School Visit 7**  
Thursday 27 November 9.30am – 2.00pm

**School Visit 8**  
Thursday 4 December 9.30am – 2.00pm

**School Visit 9**  
Thursday 11 December  
Preschoolers and their families are invited to join the Dungay School community to celebrate our annual ‘Presentation Evening’ from 5.30pm to 8.30pm. This night is when we acknowledge the hard work and achievements of the students at our school. Following the presentation you are invited to join with us for a special Christmas dinner organised by the P&C.

**Library Stocktake**

Mrs Moulder is busy collating all library resources so the library will be closed this week.  
Could all children please return all library books to the OFFICE so they can be returned in the system.

**Responsible Pet Visit**

Kinder and Year 1 will be visited by Cathy and her dog to learn about how to approach pets, feeding and well-being of them on Friday 5 September.

**Soccer**

We wish our soccer team all the best this Thursday when they play at Woodburn in the Knockout to see which school will be representing the Far North Coast at Sydney. We will be awaiting the results with bated breath!!

**Far North Coast Athletics**

Thomas Wulff, Kaelin See, Brody Campbell, Kaitlyn Brims, Luke Bennett, Shiloh Jacobsen will be representing the district at the Far North Coast Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 2 September. We wish them well.

Have a great week.

**Judi Ryan**

Reliving Principal

**Les Peterkin Portrait Prize**

Many Dungay students recently entered artworks into the 18th Annual Les Peterkin Portrait Prize, themed “Faces from the Future”.

Congratulations to **Ebony B** on being selected as one of the major prize winners in the competition for her artwork **The Enormous Elegant Ebony**.  
Ebony will receive a prize for her artwork and it will be displayed on the Gallery walls along with other major winners.

Students whose artworks will be displayed in folders and who receive certificates are:

- Tabitha **The Future Universe**
- Mahli **The Plastic ‘Pop and Rap’ Teen**
- Tayla **Diamond**
- Nimai **Nimai in the Future**

**Ball Games**

The Small Schools Ball Games competition is being held this Friday 12 September.  
This is a great opportunity for the children to mingle with other schools and their peers whilst having fun. Please return the attached permission note by Wednesday 10 September. Cost is $6.00.
## Student Awards

**Term 3 ~ Week 7**

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CANTEEN - Volunteers Needed
Volunteers needed for Term 4. Please fill in the attached note with your available days for volunteering in the canteen in Term 4. If you could please return notes to school or to Sam Campbell by Friday 12 September.

Remember if I cannot get enough help the canteen will not be able to operate. Thanks 😊

FATHERS’ DAY RAFFLE & STALL—Friday 5 September
Still asking for your kind donations for the Fathers’ Day Stall...

eg Fishing Tackle, Stubby Holders, Tools, Key rings, Mugs etc.
Raffle tickets have already gone home. We ask that all sold/unsold books are returned no later than 5 September to the school office please.
If anyone can volunteer an hour or 2 on the day of the stall to help wrap/sell gifts that would be greatly appreciated. We will start at approximately 9am. Raffle will be drawn at end of stall.

MAJOR FUNDRAISING EVENT – upcoming event
Once again we have been offered the Canteen at the Murwillumbah Show. This is a fantastic opportunity for the P & C and we ask if everyone could volunteer over the 2 days. Volunteer notes will go out first week back Term 4; we just ask if you could please ‘save the dates’ 31 October & 1 November 2014.

P & C Calendar of Events 2014

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Thank you ~ Dungay P&C

From our Community

TWEED HEADS & COOLANGATTA SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB - GREENMOUNT BEACH
NIPPERS SIGN-ON DAY FOR NEW & RENEWING MEMBERS
SUNDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 9AM - 11AM OASIS POOLS, BANORA POINT
* Must be 5 years of age as at 30 September 2014 *
* Please remember to bring togs and goggles *
* Entry of $3.50 applies for swimmers only at the pool *
I’m looking for helpers from 11.30am to approximately 1.30pm on a Monday, Wednesday or a Friday.

This note is for TERM 4

If you have a particular date you are available or unavailable please write it below.

Please tick which day suits you

- MONDAY  - WEDNESDAY  - FRIDAY  - EMERGENCY

- Weekly  - Monthly  - Once a Term

Parent Name: .................................................................................................................................

Phone: ........................................................................................................................................

Email: ...........................................................................................................................................

Any queries or if you are unable to do your day please feel free to contact
Sam Campbell on

0429 324 977  02 6672 6162  samig78@live.com.au

Please return this note
before Friday 12 September 2014
so I can plan Term 4’s Roster.

I really appreciate your help

Thank you 😊

Sam Campbell
Being a great dad

Many dads tell me that they want a better relationship with their children, particularly their sons, than they had with their own fathers.

There’s no doubt that fathering has changed in recent years. Gone is the distant dad of the 1960’s and 70’s who saw his main job as keeping a roof over his family’s head and bread on the table. An occasional game in the backyard and dishing out the heavy discipline that mums couldn’t deal with was the extent of his involvement with his kids.

Many dads tell me that they want a better relationship with their children, particularly their sons, than they had with their own fathers. Sadly, many men still don’t enjoy a close relationship with their fathers, but they are determined to change things with their own kids.

Here are seven ideas to help you form close relationships with your kids, and maximise your effectiveness as a parent and a partner:

1. **Find something in common with your kids**
   Dads need something in common with their children. They relate better when they have a shared interest or shared passion with their kids. Many men relate to their kids while being active, and teach many important lessons through games and play. But if sport is not your bag, find something else that you and your kids have in common. A common interest is a great help for fathers who live apart from their kids who are looking to maximise the time they have with them.

2. **Spend time with your sons**
   A dad can do little wrong in the eyes of a young boy. From around the age of five years a boy thinks his dad is like superman. Ironically, he may give his mum a hard time at this stage. Dads need to spend as much time with their sons in these impressionable years as possible. They just need to be careful not to push their sons too hard or turn every game into a lesson. That’s when boys start to turn off their dads.

3. **Don’t whine out on discipline**
   Dads are traditionally the kings of play, but they can go missing when it comes to discipline. They get their kids excited in a game before going to bed, and expect their partner to settle them down. It helps if both parents can take their share of managing children’s behaviour.

4. **Treat your daughters well**
   There are strong links between close fathering and the healthy development of girls. Dads teach their daughters strong lessons about how they should be treated by males. So dads need to treat their daughters respectfully so they learn to expect this treatment in their future relationships with men.

5. **Say good bye Superman, hello Clarke Kent**
   Adolescent boys are programmed to challenge their fathers. It’s part of the growing up process. Australian author John Marsden refers to this phenomenon as the ‘old ram, young ram syndrome’. He’s right. It’s a type of rite of passage that plays out in many Australian homes. Verbal jousting matches are a popular father-son game where boys take great delight in proving their fathers are fallible. A dad at this stage needs a sense of humour as well as a willingness to stand back and allow other mentors into his son’s life.

6. **Support your partner**
   Fathers may play an integral part in the lives of their children but they also have a profound effect on the quality of mothering that children receive. There is little doubt that a woman who can share the emotional and financial burdens of child-rearing with a supportive partner is more likely to be a loving, affirming mother. Supportive fathering is one of the keys to better mothering.

7. **Change as your child changes**
   Kids grow up at the speed of light and change before you know it. They’re kids one day and teenagers the next. They can catch many fathers unaware. The most effective dads are those who change their parenting to suit the needs of their kids at each stage of development, rather than stubbornly hold to outmoded ideas of how they think their kids should be.

Those fathers who are a little apprehensive or lack sufficient confidence should become involved in as many aspects of parenting as they can. The best way to learn about parenting is by doing it. Children are a terrific resource for fathers - men can learn about children from children themselves. By being alert, watchful and learning to listen to their children, fathers can learn all they need to know about parenting.

1 September 2014

Small Schools Ball Games – 2014

The 2014 Small Schools Ball Games will be held Friday 12th September, 2014 at Bruce Bartrim Oval, Tyalgum and will be hosted by Tyalgum Public School. **This is a whole school activity.** The children have already been practising their ball skills so it should be a fun day.

The students will be travelling by bus which will be leaving school as soon as the last bus has arrived - approximately 9.05am. The games will the begin at 9.30am and conclude by 1.30pm which will give us enough time to be back for regular afternoon school buses.

**The cost of the day will be $6.00 per child.**

A canteen will be operating throughout the day. (No pre ordering required) please see the attached menu. Children should wear their sports uniform, wear sunscreen and a hat and bring plenty to drink.

Parents and friends are most welcome to attend and support your child.

Thank you,

Judi Ryan
Relieving Principal

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**Could you please complete the permission note below and return it to school with the money by Wednesday 10th September** Thank you

[Signature]
Signed Parent / Guardian .......................... .......................... Date..........................  

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Permission Note – Small Schools Ball Games 2014

I give permission for my child/ren ........................................... .... to attend the Small Schools Ball Games event to be held on Friday 12th September at Bruce Bartrim Oval, Tyalgum.

- I understand that travel will be by bus leaving school at 9.05am SHARP (*There will be no supervision of students at school arriving after this time*)
- I am enclosing $6.00 per child  □

Signed Parent / Guardian ......................................................... Date..........................

*Please return this note and money to the school office by Wednesday 10th September*