Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday morning I farewelled 42 very excited Stage 3 students on their way to Brisbane and Mount Tamborine. Mums and dads were just as nervous and excited! This morning it was Stage 2’s turn to board the bus for “The Great Aussie Bush Camp”. I’m sure they will all return with memories that will last a lifetime.

Mrs Buehler will be on leave for the remainder of the term and will return to school in Week 2 of next term. I will be replacing Mrs Buehler during this time.

There are many activities happening in the school throughout the term. Our school website, facebook page and newsletters are a great way to keep informed of weekly events.

Kinder Enrolments for 2016
We are currently taking names for our 2016 Kindergarten classes. If you have a child starting school next year please come to the office to pick up an application form and leave your child’s details. We will need to sight his/her birth certificate, immunisation history statement and your proof of residence. Our Kindergarten Expo is to be held on Wednesday 7th October. An invitation will be sent to your child for this event. Please call the school office on 6652 3355 for further information.

Have a fantastic week
Kellie Melittas

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**Stage 3 Enjoying their Excursion**

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**Important Dates To Remember**

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P&C Meeting
Our next P&C meeting is on Wednesday 9th September at 6pm in the staff room. Becoming a P&C member is a great way to be involved in your child’s schooling. Come along to a meeting and see what we are all about. If you would like any further information please contact: Vicki Baldwin on 0481056812 or email mbaldy@netspace.net.au.
We look forward to seeing you.

P&C Facebook Page
Please like our Facebook page Coffs Harbour Public School P&C for up-to-date information about the school and activities. https://www.facebook.com/chpspandc

Every Monday is HOT DOG DAY
$3.50 each or $4.00 with cheese no pre orders needed.

Sustainability Club
Some exciting news for our school this week is we now have a sustainability club. The aim of the club is for student volunteers to work on projects within the school to make our environment more sustainable. Nine students began our first project today by working hard to weed, dig and prepare existing garden beds ready for planting. Students were very keen to get their hands dirty and they can’t wait to meet again next Monday at lunchtime.

Mid North Coast Athletics Carnival
Last Friday 10 students from our school represented the Coffs Harbour District at the Mid North Coast Athletics Carnival. All of the students were excellently behaved and performed to the best of their abilities. Several of these students were placed in their respective events and will now compete in the North Coast Athletics carnival on Friday 28th August in Lismore. We wish these boys luck.

Franklin S - 100m, 200m and Senior Relay
Ama M - 100m, 200m and Senior Relay
Luke P - 800m
Daniel P - Senior Relay
Lionel Y - Senior Relay
Scott Murphy Sports Organiser

News from 3/6
3/6C has been studying life in the Australian Colonies during term 3. We have discovered that life was very different in those days. We found out that there were no cars, sealed roads or modern household items such as TV or microwave ovens. People used candles to see by and wood fires were used to keep themselves warm and to cook food. Women needed to sew and repair clothes as there were only a couple shops available.

Our class read the poem “Mulga Bill’s Bicycle” by Banjo Paterson and the well known song “Waltzing Matilda” also by Banjo Paterson. We have also seen paintings of life in early Australia where people were doing everyday things. “Down on his Luck” by Fredrick McCubbin was a painting that we looked at and drew our own interpretation of it.
Some facts learned are:
• the first fleet had 11 ships
• the second fleet got stuck in a storm and nearly didn’t make it to Australia
• the convicts built the roads and towns
• the first fleet landed at Port Jackson because farming was too difficult at Botany Bay.

Library-Book Fair News
A huge day was had in the library Wednesday Week 3 on OPEN DAY. Many parents, grandparents and carers came in and purchased a book. The school has earned approx. $600.00 in books for our Library from the success of the book fair.

Thanks all from Ms Leeson.

School Leaders Thank You
Friday of week 3 we had CRAZY HAIR DAY in support of Stewart House. Many teachers and students went Crazy and looked amazing. Thank you to our 10 school leaders for their fantastic creations on so many heads. They raised $277.00 for this great cause. Thanks to all.