

Rollands Plains Upper Primary School

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Diary Dates

Friday 26th August – Book Week Fancy Dress Parade
2nd & 3rd September – Art Exhibition

Tuesday 6th September - P&C Meeting

Thursday 15th September – Money for chocolates due

Happy birthday to James Wilson who turned 6 last week.



The Small Schools Athletics Carnival:

Good sportsmanship and sporting prowess were the order of the day at the Small Schools Athletics Carnival and many of our children were rewarded with ribbons for their efforts.

Congratulation to Jesse Casey who won the 11 Year Boys Champion. Ribbons are being organised by another school. Hopefully, we will be able to present these next week.



Student of the Week Awards: Billey Blackwell and Bailey Mason were awarded Student of the Week this week and last week in the primary class and Elise Tubman and Isabell Lober in the infants class.



Girls Day Out.... Last Friday, the Glasshouse was filled to the brim with little girls enjoying the ballet. We were lucky enough to be given front row seats to watch the ballerinas go through their practise class. After this the girls were treated with a couple of short performances from the show running at the Glasshouse. The girls enjoyed a yummy lunch at the coffee club in Port Central and were excited to meet and speak with some of the ballerinas outside McDonalds as we ate our ice-creams. We would like to thank Busways and in particular Mr. Tom Burton for sponsoring our bus trip to and from Port Macquarie.



Boys' Day In...

Last Friday while the girls headed off to the Ballet, the boys stayed behind for some fun of their own. The younger boys worked in groups and played chess, built with Lego, worked on art activities on the computers and decorated tiles to be made into a mosaic. They learnt how to make paper planes – and flew them on the oval. After recess the boys were given some tennis coaching tips, learnt some tennis skills and practiced with our automatic tennis ball machine.

Many thanks to Stan for sharing his paper plane and tennis skills with us. Thanks also to Bill Lober who involved the older boys in a 'Metal Art' project, which will continue this week. They created some amazing bugs from recycled metal pieces. These will be on display at our Art Show. Mr Thurston was very popular and his barbecuing skills were much appreciated. After a delicious BBQ lunch the boys watched a DVD and had chocolate ice cream during the interval.



Book Week Fancy Dress Parade: Next week is Book Week and on Friday, 26th August, we will be having our annual parade. All students are invited to dress up as their favourite book week character. Pre-schoolers are also invited to join in the fun and come along dressed up. Students have been reading some of the books nominated for a Book Week prize. To celebrate Book Week, we will be completing an array of literacy activities commencing from 9.30am. Parents are most welcome to join us in our classrooms. Our parade will begin at 10.30am followed by morning tea. Please bring a plate to share. Students are permitted to come to school dressed up and remain dressed up for the day but please pack appropriate footwear for after the parade.

Rollands Plains School and Community Art Show will be held on 2nd & 3rd September. We are asking anyone in our family group and extended community who wishes to display items at our exhibition to please contact me at school. The students have been busily preparing a variety of pieces to display.

We will be setting up the hall on Thursday and Friday from 9.00am each day. If anyone is available to assist, please join us.

The students will be performing 2 short items on the Friday night. If anyone is unable to attend, please let me know as soon as possible.

On Saturday, any student who would like to come along and assist at the exhibition would be most welcome. A timetable will be sent home next week.

Bus Driver Changes: Amos is currently on leave and therefore Busways has advised us that we could have various bus drivers until Amos is able to return.

Swimming: Our Intensive Swimming Program is fast approaching; there is only five weeks left this term. At this stage, the cost per student will be \$100.00. This amount includes a subsidy from P&C and the school. Families are invited to start sending their money to school to pay for our program and if you wish to pay in instalments it is \$20.00 per week. All money needs to be paid in full by the end of this term. A permission note will be sent home later in the term.

Fundraising: Two brochures will be sent home today with this newsletter. If you are interested in purchasing you may do so through the school. Please see the attached flyers for information. All orders must be placed by the end of term. A set of Scholastic brochures are also attached to the newsletter.

P&C News: Thank you very much to all of the families who have sent in their chocolate money and have taken a second box or more, to sell. We have a BBQ at Bunnings coming up on Saturday, 5th November and I am encouraging all families to get involved because it is money raised from events such as these that go directly to assisting all of the children at our school to access programs such as swimming.

School Uniform: There are three jackets available at school for viewing. You can register your opinion with Janice at the office until 31st August and then a decision will be made at the next P&C Meeting.

Woolworths & Coles Vouchers: Thank you to everyone who has been collecting vouchers for the school. Please keep on collecting.

Pirates of the Jelly Beans is a Wauchope Youth Theatre production and wonderful family entertainment. It will be performed at Wauchope Show Ground on 1st & 2nd October at 2pm and 4th & 6th October at 10am. The cost is \$3.00 per person and bookings are essential phone 6584 0184.

Port Central Shopping Centre and Port Macquarie Library are running free craft in the shopping centre food court with the theme of 'One World' on Thursday, 25th August from 10am-12pm. All pre kindies and preschoolers are welcome.

Kind regards

Mrs. Leanne Parker