DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

| Wed 10 Sept | Regional Spelling Bee |
| Fri 12 Sept | P & C Meeting 9:15 in the staffroom |
| Tues 16 Sept | Around the World – Concert Matinee and Night Performance |
| Wed 17 Sept | Around the World – Concert Night Performance |

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Message from the Principal.

Friday

Congratulations and a huge thank you to Miss King and Mr Pareaux and all the staff as well as all the dads who came along to celebrate Fathers’ Day with our special breakfast on Friday. The vegetable garden certainly benefitted and, although we had some annoying visitors on the weekend who tried to spoil it, our vegetables are on their way!

Mrs Silvia also did a fantastic job of coordinating the first Leapfrog session for parents of our 2015 Kinders on Friday. If you have friends, neighbours or relatives whose child turns 5 by the end of July, 2015, they are eligible to enrol in “big school” for next year. Please let them know that our 8 week Leapfrog Kinder transition program will be held on Fridays and starts in Week 1 on 10 October with two sessions held each day. Enrolment forms and packages are available from the front office.

NAPLAN results

All Year 3 and Year 5 students brought home their NAPLAN results last Friday so please ensure you have received your child’s report. As a school, we analyse whole school data to determine areas of strength and need and ensure school literacy and numeracy programs are addressing these. On first read through, the growth rates achieved from Year 3 to our current Year 5 can only be described as exceptional, far outstripping both expected growth rates and those achieved by other schools.

Maths4Parents

Today sees the final session of our parent maths sessions run by Mr Young over the last few weeks. These sessions have enabled parents to understand the changes in the ways maths is now taught in primary schools and given them the strategies to assist their children. Thank you to the parents who have attended and we are planning to run these maths sessions again next year for interested parents. Next term, Computer sessions will be held and also, on the afternoon of the disco (23 October), Year 2 parents will be invited to come into the staffroom, have a cuppa and some afternoon tea while their children are dancing. Mr Barr and Mr Young will be explaining the transition plans for students entering Year 3 in 2015 and answering parent questions about the changes their child will be experiencing.

P&C meeting

Our next P&C meeting is on Friday 12 September in the staffroom. Please come along and listen to what is happening and what is planned for the future. As part of this meeting, we will be discussing the planned maintenance for the school for the coming 12 months and prioritising the proposed works.

Concert

Rehearsals, costume fittings and full preparations for our Week 10 concert are well underway with ticket sales going well, rehearsals in full swing and great excitement all round. If you have not purchased your tickets, please do so as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. On Monday and Tuesday next week recess and lunch times will be altered to fit in a full dress rehearsal on Monday and our matinee performance on Tuesday. On these 2 days, we will have our first break from 10.45 to 11.30. In this period, the children will need to have their lunch and get ready for the performance. A shorter “recess” break will take place later in the day, organised by each teacher for their own class depending on the order of their item in the show. No canteen will be available during this second break on both days. We hope you enjoy the performances and all members of the audience are asked to not leave the hall until the last item has been presented and to ensure all mobiles are turned to silent. Children cannot come to the hall after their items to watch others perform and must remain in their holding rooms until collected by a parent. By DEC regulations, parents are not permitted to video the concert and are not permitted to stand or sit at the sides of the hall for both safety and courtesy to other patrons. Thank you for your assistance.

Mrs K. Whealey
Principal
**Fathers’ Day Raffle – The winners!**

1st prize - 4 burner BBQ with gas bottle & BBQ utensils generously donated by Campbell’s Home and Hardware at Woy Woy was won by Mr Ferguson.

2nd prize - $75 voucher for Campbell’s Home and Hardware won by Simon.

3rd prize - $50 voucher for BCF won by Beau

Bonus prize of a Mariners football signed by the team won by Mr Orchard

Congratulations to the winners and thank you very much to Campbell’s Home and Hardware and the Central Coast Mariners.

This raffle raised just under $700 for your school.

**School Banking**

School Banking is this Friday 12 September. Hand your banking to the class teacher first thing Friday morning.

If you would like your child to participate in school banking, please visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank branch or its website [www.commbank.com.au](http://www.commbank.com.au) for guidance.

**Term 3 Disco**

The disco has moved to Term 4 and will take place on Thursday 23 October. Permission slip with ticket order form will come home in the first week of Term 4.

**Meetings**

The next P&C meeting is this Friday 12 September. All welcome. A couple of items on the agenda:-

- Prioritising planned school maintenance
- Wipeout – our major fundraiser for the year
- If you can’t make it to the meetings but would like to raise an issue/ask a question? Just send it to us in writing – address to The Secretary WWS Public School P&C and drop it into the red P&C box located in the canteen. Remember to include your details so we may get in touch with you if need be.
- PS: If you have children at home, bring them along and see how they go.

**Uniform Shop**

The uniform shop will open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:30 – 9:30am. Please note; we do not have EFTPOS facilities. Payment options are cash or cheque. Layby is available.

A small supply of caps will be available for purchase from the Canteen outside of Uniform Shop hours. Caps are $10 each.

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**PACIFIC ISLAND GROUP BBQ**

The Pacific Island Group will be holding a BBQ on Wednesday 10 September at 3:30pm in the hall. The group is looking to expand into the local community in the future and is keen to meet anyone who is interested. Students do not have to be of Pacific Islander background to attend.

Mr Barr.

**SPECIAL AWARDS FOR SPECIAL STUDENTS.**

**TERM 3 – WEEK 8**

Year 6 – Damon
Year 5 – Marcus
Year 4 – Liam, Riley, Heather
Year 3 – Jay, Liam

**Congratulations to our Silver Medal Winners:**


**Superstar Awards**

Bailey, Jeff, Jack, Jade, Piper, Marlee, Madison

**WORKER OF THE WEEK FOR K – 2.**

**TERM 3 – WEEK 8**

Don’t forget to come and have a look at the wonderful work our Kindy, Yr1 and Yr2 students have done this week. We are so lucky to have so many talented little ones in our school.

The lucky students to have their work on display this week are:

- KH - Piper
- KS - Alexandra
- 1A - Joshua
- 1H - Peyton
- 1M - Jacob
- 2B - Joshua

**PBL – POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING.**

*This Week’s Focus Is On Bullying*

**HIGH - 5**

Do you know the five steps of the High – 5?

1. Stop! I don’t like that
2. We don’t do that at our school
3. Ignore
4. Walk away
5. Tell the teacher

Have a good and healthy week 😊

Amanda and Jacqui – Canteen – Ph: 4341 7798
Southern Spirit Cricket Club 2014/15
Junior Training Days.
9am – 11:30am at Rogers Park – Woy Woy
Saturday - 13th, 20th, 27th September.
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/southernspiritcc

September Tennis Camp
Where: Peninsula Tennis, Umina
When: Monday 22nd September – Friday 26th September
Time: 9am-3pm (gates open @ 8am) ½ day 9am-1230pm
Cost: Wk $75, ½ Day Wk $40, Full Day $25, ½ Day $15
Included: Racquets, BBQ Lunch, Drink & Ice Blocks on the Thursday and Prizes on the Friday. The camp will be predominately tennis with other activities such as soccer, cricket, Athletics etc to keep the children occupied. The camps are held wet or fine with indoor activities provided. Bookings are recommended and all enquiries can be made by phoning 0410828278.

BRISBANE WATER SECONDARY COLLEGE.
2015 YEAR 7 BOOK PACKS
The Umina Campus Year 7 Book Packs can be ordered on-line through Kookaburra Educational Resources. This process is convenient, saves parents time and the need to shop around. Kookaburra school pack pricing is very competitive and the products are great quality. The Campus also receives a rebate back from kookaburra for every book pack sold, so it is a great fundraising opportunity. The contents of each book pack ensures that every student has exactly what they need for their first day of High School. They also include specialist equipment such as maths instruments, visual art materials, ukulele for music and aprons required for TM subjects.
The on-line ordering process is very simple and will be available until Friday 19 September 2014. Orders placed within this period will then be delivered to the school ready for collection by parents prior to the end of Term 4.
There is also an option for off-line ordering, should parents be unable to access a computer. Guidelines setting out the order process will be sent home with your child shortly.

Fathers' Day BBQ Breakfast and Vege Planting.
Leapfrog Parent Information session was well attended by families who have children starting Kindergarten in 2015. Mrs Silvia delivered an outline of Leapfrog which will be held on Fridays next term at 9:30am and 11:30am.

Bunnings Umina donated native, bushtucker and vegie plants to beautify the school grounds. KH were busy planting last week.