PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:

Dear Parents,

It is with much sadness that I must tell you of the death of a past Principal – Mr. Jim Wallis. Mr Wallis commenced as principal of this school in 1973 and is fondly remembered for his environmental programs, long bike rides, camps and Aboriginal education. Our condolences are extended to his wife Marion and family.

Thank you for a very full and exciting term. Our students have made great leaps in their learning and have continued to remember school expectations and to strive for excellent attendance. Congratulations to Keira, Riley, Jordan, Jackson, and Aidan, Cooper who had 100% attendance this term.

Teachers and support staff have worked very hard to make sure your child is supported in the very best way possible. We are especially proud of the progress made in such a short time, by the Kindergarten children. They have learnt new routines, started reading and are writing words. A few children are writing sentences which is just amazing so early in the year.

Thank you to the parents, Mrs Spelta and students who helped at Saturday’s election BBQ. Your help made the task easier for everyone and a successful outcome. We raised $520. We are looking to extending our wireless connections in the classroom and library plus possibly air conditioning the single classroom because it becomes very hot in summer and misses the sea breezes because it is sheltered by buildings. The success of the Ipad as a learning tool has already meant we are discussing purchasing more units. Every cent raised goes into helping your child in some way, so thank you again for the scratchies and if you purchased on the day.

Over the holiday period could you please keep an eye on the school. There should be no children in the grounds. Please contact the police if you see anyone abusing the school in any way.

Next term and for the remainder of the year, I am taking long service leave. During this time I’m planning to travel and complete a few home renovations with my husband. Mr Gordon Parrish will be replacing me. He comes highly recommended and will have his own style and ideas. The old saying, ‘a change is as good as a holiday,’ I hope applies for those left behind. I’m not intending to be very far away for the first few weeks to make sure Mr Parrish feels well supported.

Happy Easter and happy holidays with your lovely children. I’ll see you all at the beginning of Term 1, 16.

Kind regards
Kate Murphy

UNSW COMPETITIONS—At this stage no one has entered.

Subjects offered and costs are: Digital Technologies Years 3-10 Cost $8.80 each, Science Years 2-12 $8.80, Writing Years 3-12 $18.70, Spelling Years 3-7 $12.10, English Years 2-12 $8.80 and Maths Years 2-12 $8.80. If you would like your child to participate then please bring in a note with the money required to the office by the end of term. NO LATE ENTRIES.
COMMONWEALTH BANK
Last week we had a visit from the Commonwealth Bank and they bought a very special visitor. Many students have opened a new account and when you receive your paperwork, school banking is on Mondays.

CANTEEN
The meal deal for this week will be fish and chips (or nuggets for students who do not like seafood), Popper and Popcorn. Muffins will be available for 50¢.

FRIDAY NIGHT RAFFLES
Here is a change to help raise money by handing out raffle tickets for a short time at the local hotel of a Friday night 6-7.30pm. We are very lucky to have this opportunity to raise funds for the extra things we provide for your children but we need help.
Name______________________________________________
Contact Phone number____________________________________
Email address so you can see the roster____________________________________

COMMUNITY NOTICES
NOWRA ATHLETICS CLUB
Our family friendly cross country season now starts. If you would like more information please visit our website www.nowraathletics.org.au

KIDS FISHING WORKSHOP 8th April, 2014
Kids aged 8-14 are invited to come and learn to fish safely and responsibly. Instructors are experience volunteers and staff from the Dept of Primary Industries. The days runs from 10am to 2pm and involves fishing techniques, bag & size limits, fish handling for catch and release. Cost is $40 per child and includes a rod & reel combination, shirt, hat, tackle box and show bag to take home. Booking essential, call Stephen on 4220 8484 or 0438 245 190

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Congratulations and Happy Birthday to:
Hunter Arce turns 11 on Thursday
Casey Radwell turns 6 on the 7th April
Ayden Rowley turns 10 on the 8th April and
Charlie Butler turns 10 on the 11th April

BOAT AWARDS
K/1 Emily Usher
1/2 Jacob Joyce
3/4/5/6 Travis McKay

GREENWELL POINT PUBLIC SCHOOL—CANTEEN
MEAL DEAL-Wednesday 1st April, 2015
I give permission for ___________________________________________ to receive a meal deal consisting of fish and chips (nuggets if your child does not like seafood), bag of popcorn and popper for $5. All students need to provide recess. Muffins can be purchased for 50 cents.

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Parent Signature                                                                              Date

Wishing you a HAPPY EASTER and a GREAT HOLIDAY