DATES TO REMEMBER

- **WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY**: AFL Skills Day for K-2 at Nowra Showground
- **THURSDAY 8TH/FRIDAY 9TH MAY**: Mother’s Day stall at 11:10am
- **FRIDAY 9TH MAY**: Whole school assembly commencing at 12:15pm – Item by K/1S
- **TUESDAY 13TH MAY**: NAPLAN Testing – Language Conventions and Writing
- **WEDNESDAY 14TH MAY**: NAPLAN Testing – Reading
- **THURSDAY 15TH MAY**: NAPLAN Testing – Numeracy
- **TUESDAY 20TH MAY**: Book club closes Tuesday May 20 at 9.00am
- **TUESDAY 20TH MAY**: P&C Meeting 7pm

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

NAPLAN:
Years 3 and 5 will participate in the National Assessment Program (NAPLAN) on Tuesday 13th (Language Conventions and Writing), Wednesday 14th (Reading) and Thursday 15th (Numeracy) of May.

OC CLASS 2015:
Parents of children in Year 4 this year and considering making application for their child to attend the OC Class at Illaroo Road Public School. in 2015 can now make online applications at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacemnt. This website opened on 28th April 2014. Paper applications can be picked up from our office. The OC class for 2015 is for students presently in Year 4 (2014) and is for gifted and talented students.

An information evening outlining the OC Class will be held this evening at Illaroo Rd Public School this evening at 6.30p.m.

This term we will be trialling holding our morning assemblies on Tuesdays only. This is to allow more time for children to participate in writing groups on Monday and Wednesday. Our weekly assembly on Friday at 12.15 pm will not be affected.

Our next P&C meeting will be held in our Library next Tuesday, 20th May starting at 7:00pm and ending at 9.00pm. Please note that this is week 4 of this term.

Please remember that smoking is not allowed on the school premises or at any school related activity.

At times teachers refer to student stages, grades and foundation statements. A grade is the chronological year your child is in e.g. Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 2 etc. A stage is the developmental stage in relation to academic programs that your child is in. e.g. Early Stage 1, Stage 1 etc. It has been established that children normally take two years to achieve the outcomes set out in each stage. This is with the exception of Early Stage 1 (Kindergarten) that only takes one year for students to achieve set outcomes. Grades can be equated to Stages; Kindergarten = Early Stage 1, Years 1 & 2 = Stage 1, Years 3 & 4 = Stage 2 and Years 5 & 6 = Stage 3. This progression is carried on into high school.

R Letters - Principal

MOTHER’S DAY STALL
This year we will hold our Mother’s Day stall between 11:10am and 11:35am (recess) on Thursday 8th May and Friday 9th May. Children can purchase a great gift ranging from 20c to $5.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!
Celebrating a birthday this week:
- **Tyronne Kirra-Lee Corey W**
  
  Hope you have a great day!!
LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK CLUB
Catalogues for Book Club went home last week and as usual there are some great bargains and lots of fantastic reads for students to buy. The Library will also be buying some of the new books listed using the Book Fair Bonus money you earned for the school! Watch out on the Library shelves for these! Orders close at the front office Week 4 – Tuesday 20th May.

LIBRARY
I have enjoyed being back working in your school Library this term, if only for a short time. It has been rewarding to see all of the familiar faces at the desk keen to borrow and read! I have also enjoyed meeting the new Kindergarteners who of course have joined the school since I left.

Overdues – There are still some books outstanding from last term so parents can help by reminding those students who have forgotten.

Premier’s Reading Challenge - Many students are well under way with completing their 20 book contract to finish the Challenge. At this stage we are about half way into the time allocated, so students should try to be halfway through their reading list by now. Entries will close around mid – August. Thanks to the students who are doing their own entries online this year, the log-in is the same Username and password as their student portal. See me on Mondays or Tuesdays if I can help in any way!

Mrs Nethery Teacher Librarian

THE CANTEEN IS NOW SELLING BANANA MILK $1.30

SPORTING NEWS
Good luck to the following students who will be competing at higher levels over the next couple of weeks in sport:

Noah Martin & Tali Farrell-Wellington – NSW PSSA Basketball
Sam Wright-Smith – South Coast Hockey.

A reminder that District Cross Country will be held on Monday 19th May at “Wilandra” and the School Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 23rd May at school.

Shannon Evans

LOLLIE AND OLLIE
Lester and Clyde were happily dozing on a lovely soft pea green lily pad, when suddenly Lester woke up to a banging noise! “Clyde, wake up!” He shook Clyde to wake him up. “Did you hear that?” Clyde woke up and looked at the star-filled sky, then back to Lester. “No,” he said sleepily. Then he turned round and went back to sleep.

Cautiously Lester crept over to the side of the bank to where he heard the noise. As he came closer, he heard cries for help. Then he saw two twin butterflies. “Hi! I’m Lollie” “and I’m Ollie” “We’re twins!” they both chorused. “Owww! My wing!” Lollie looked back at her wing. Lester strapped it up with some grass. Then Lester heard the noise again. He led Lollie and Ollie to the lily pad, then followed after the noise. It was a bulldozer!! He ran back home and warned all the animals. “Come on everyone! It’s time to move!”

Days and nights they walked. “Look!” We found a new home!” Lollie and Ollie exclaimed. And they were happy there.

By: Lily Green - 3/4W

CULBURRA BEACH PRESCHOOL
4447 3838
Ages 2 to 6 years Sunshine Street
Culburra Beach 8am–4.30pm
Families can receive CCB (Child Care Benefit) PLUS the 50% Child Care Cash Rebate

- Families that have a Health Care Card or receive “Family Tax Benefit Part A” will pay as little as $9.90 per day after receipt of 100% CCB plus the 50% cash rebate
- Awarded “High Quality” rating on six out of six occasions by the National Child care Council
- Qualified staff working in a happy environment
- Individualised early childhood learning program preparing your child for Kindergarten
- Morning & afternoon tea are provided FREE
- Open 48 weeks of the year
- No charge for Public Holidays and No fundraising
- Enquiries & visits welcome
- Please call in to see “Maureen”

Culburra & Districts Preschool
20 Otway St Orient Point
Ph: 4447 2505
Community Managed Not-for-Profit Preschool Catering for 2-6 year old children Early Childhood + School Readiness Program run daily Occasional Care Available Open Mon–Fri 8am to 4pm 8 hours care for all children Come and visit our preschool and meet our qualified, caring staff.

ENROL NOW!!

Culburra Caterpillars Playgroup
(A church facilitated playgroup) has started up again this term at Culburra Anglican Church, Fridays 9:30 - 11:15 am. For children 0-5 years. For further information please call Kate 0409771073 or just come along.