ANZAC Day

ANZAC Day commemorative services have again been a highlight thanks to the contributions of students, staff, parents and community members.

Well done to students for their great efforts at both the school commemoration and the community dawn service on ANZAC Day. Each year, it is rewarding to see the enthusiasm and interest from students regarding ANZAC Day commemorations, and to see the growing support provided by our local community.

We were very proud of our students’ efforts in the Corps of Drums, Strings Ensemble, recorder group, as well as the Year 6/7 students’ involvement in the services. Well done to Darren Dunn and the Year 6/7 class for their excellent rendition of ‘Not a Hero’.

Special thanks also to Janelle Duffy, Julie Hamel and other mums who prepared a lovely afternoon tea on Wednesday for guests.

District Cross Country Champions

It was a convincing team performance by our students at Gin Gin District cross country on Friday. Unfortunately, the computer system used to calculate points made an error, with the trophies being awarded to the wrong schools.

After it was investigated and recalculated, Kolan South had recaptured the ‘A Schools’ trophy as well as the Average Points Trophy. Lydiah Martin, Aylish Dunn and Billy Arnott were age champions for their events. A brilliant effort!

Our school has 10 students selected to represent Gin Gin District at the Bundaberg Zone cross country to be held this Thursday, 2 May. This is a fantastic result for our cross country team! Well done to all of our representatives.

Best performances were:

10 Years Girls
Lydiah M (1st), Desiree C (6th), Lucy S (7th), Therese C (9th), Sheryce R (10th)

10 Years Boys
Dane M (4th)

11 Years Girls
Britani J (2nd), Jane A (6th), Bailee T (11th)

11 Years Boys
Conner W (3rd), Todd M (8th), Riley H (11th)

12 Years Girls
Aylish D (1st), Renee M (2nd), Shannon S (3rd), Kimberley D (4th)

12 Years Boys
Billy A (1st) Damon W (5th), Rick W (6th), Tyler W (12)

13 Years
Reece D (2nd)

District Representatives

Congratulations to Lydiah, Dane, Britani, Connor, Aylish, Renee, Shannon, Kimberley, Billy and Damon who will represent Gin Gin District at the Bundaberg Zone cross country this Thursday, 2 May.

Wide Bay AFL Representatives

Congratulations to Rick W and Damon W, who have been selected in the Wide Bay Primary Schools AFL team to compete in the State carnival at Maroochydore in June.

The Bundaberg team was very strong, winning all games at the Wide Bay trials in Hervey Bay, last week.

Well done also to Joel Wyatt who represented Bundaberg at the trials. A great effort by all of the boys!

Athletics Training

This term, our sports and Physed program moves to athletics. We are commencing some training activities this week, and students will be working hard over the coming weeks to develop fitness levels and skills for the interhouse sports day on Friday, 14 June. Students participate in running and field events, as well as ball games and relays. Parents, as many of you know, interhouse sports day is a terrific day for the students, made better by the support of parents. Please highlight that date on your calendar. It would be great if you can make it along for part of the day.

After School Programs

After School programs commence this week with Dance (Monday) and Athletics (Wednesday). Permission forms may be collected from the office.

Jeff Searle

School Calendar

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Assembly is on Thursday mornings 9.00-9.30am
All parents are welcome to attend assembly
TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2013 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Spain will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

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