Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to everyone who supported our Bookweek concert, Book Fair and Book Character Parade last week, it was one of the very best days ever!

Congratulations to Amanda Fowler winner of the grand prize for the P&C raffle. The children were so pleased with their reward for selling books of tickets and Oscar Gill won the iPod Shuffle for having sold the most number of books (many thanks to his entrepreneurial mother Helen, who sold many books of tickets at the markets).

The realisation of the fundraising to raise over $2600 was sensational! The children will enjoy access to the iPads to build on engagement and commitment to learning in the classrooms. It takes a whole school effort to achieve these large goals and last Friday certainly demonstrated what is possible. Thank you to members of the P&C for your hard work to achieve this.

Thank you to all families who donated cakes and home-made treats for the Red Cross morning tea and the Families from Years 3 – 6 who contributed to a delicious smorgasbord lunch – my particular favourites were the Vietnamese rolls!

Legacy Week Badge Day is Friday 5 September, it is Australia’s iconic fundraising event which began in 1942 for families of incapacitated or deceased war veterans. It assists about 100 000 widows and 1 800 children and people with disabilities worldwide. Items for sale are in the office and range in price from $2.00 to $6.00.

The SCLC DVD orders will come home this week, many thanks to the hard work and clever work of Ross Mannell. Have you visited Facebook to see the Dance group’s performance at the SCLC Performing Arts Festival? We thought you might like to share it with friends and family (there have been 750 views to date).

Kindergarten Enrolments and new enrolments for 2015 are asked to contact the office for enrolment forms and the information booklet about the school. Ms Johansen has planned two preschool visits on Thursday 4 September and Wednesday 17 September as part of our transition program. Do you know a young family who needs this information?
STUDENT WELFARE

- The Student Learning Support Teachers continue to work with small groups and individual students to develop and monitor literacy skills. The Reading Recovery Program is enabling our Year 1 students to really grow their literacy skills, they are working very hard and enjoying the regular practice both at home and school.

- At the week 10 assembly we would like to invite parents to nominate their child to showcase a performance piece. We are aware that some children have private music or dance lessons and may have a special piece at performance standard, for our very appreciative audience. Could you please contact the office and Mrs Bourke to discuss the nomination.

- Mr Weller on behalf of the P&C will present the new iPads at the Week 10 assembly.

- Have you visited the DEC news articles available at our website – they are up to date and address many concerns that parents have (see more at [www.candelo-p.schools.det.nsw.edu.au](http://www.candelo-p.schools.det.nsw.edu.au)).

- Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) Jindabyne excursion (Wednesday to Friday 5-7 November) Expression of Interest and deposit for the excursion is due by August 30.

AASC

There are still spaces available for cricket with Dave Allen and Sophie Martin for the next two Monday afternoons after school. The next session of Lawn Bowls will be held on Wednesday afternoons. A healthy afternoon tea is served each week so come along and have fun and learn some new skills.

SPORT

- The final AFL skill session for each class, will continue next Monday during fitness time.

- Stage 2 Tag Footy Gala Day is planned for Wednesday 10 September at Bega Fields (note to come home today, and will request parent drivers.)

- Premiers Sporting Challenge continues for the next 2 weeks of term 3. The children will complete their cards each week for each 20 minute period of activity to try to reach their Diamond award.

PERFORMING ARTS

- Hallway Gallery – A brand new display to show work from the children in preparation for Book Week. Come along and visit the Hallway gallery in the admin building.

- An in-school Public Speaking Competition for Stage 2 and Stage 3 students is being planned for Wednesday 3 September. We will need to select two stage 2 students and two stage 3 students to attend the Small Schools Public Speaking Challenge on Thursday 11th September at Tathra PS.

  *Stage 2 topic* - 'The Power of Fingers' a 3 minute monologue and a 1 minute improvised talk on a random topic.

  *Stage 3 topic* - 'The Value of Neighbours' a 4 minute monologue and a 1 minute improvised talk on a random topic. **Children will need support to research and prepare for their speech** for the in school challenge on Wednesday 3 September during the morning session. Two children will represent the school at the Small Schools Challenge Thursday 11 September, parent support will be required.

- Children in dance who are yet to pay the $10 fee for materials please follow up this week.

- SCIP program each Wednesday - the children will need to bring their instrument each week, check the timetable for their lesson and make sure they practice each day.

- **Premiers Spelling Bee** finals will be held at Sunshine Bay PS Batemans Bay Wednesday 10 September.

ENVIRONMENT NEWS

Thank you Lisa for spending some time weeding the native garden this week, it is looking much neater. Ms Martin’s garden group has sorted the seeds and are preparing for the spring planting; their aim is to be ready to exhibit some produce from the garden in the Candelo Show.

School Canteen:

- Canteen this Friday. Thank you for your support.
Stage 1 News:
This week K/1 have been learning about volcanoes and geysers and the big concept of geothermal energy. We have been reading lots of scientific words, conducting experiments, labelling diagrams, and exploring how geothermal energy works. Our favourite experiment has been the erupting sand volcano using bicarb soda and red coloured vinegar. Our volcano has been very active over the past days and the “wow factor” hasn’t waned as yet!
Subsequent to my recent trip to New Zealand we have been looking at the thermal areas around Rotorua and enjoying the story “Kapai’s Thermal Adventure”.

The children have loved making the character puppets and retelling their own adventure stories from behind the puppet theatre.

Next Tuesday 2nd September we have another exciting event planned. As a follow up to our tree planting last year with the Candelo Landcare Group we have decided to have a “Fun at the Creek Day”. After recess next Tuesday K/1 will be walking down to the creek (near the footbridge) to celebrate how our trees have grown, play some games and just have fun connecting with the environment. The children will be having a picnic lunch in the park (near the play equipment) and possibly a creek walk to the rock pool. All parents and friends are most welcome to join us. A more detailed note will be handed out to K/1 tomorrow (Friday).

A big thank you to Wendy, who is always such a fantastic help in the classroom, and finally thank you to all the wonderful children in K/1 for being so engaged and making my time on Ms Johansens’ class so enjoyable.

Till next week, Jenny Garden

Stage 2 News:
Stage Two students had a wonderful time on Friday at Book Week events. We enjoyed performing for the audience and dressing as our favourite book characters.

In the classroom, we have progressed with our automata models, which we will present for Father’s Day. Students are learning about cogs and cams and how they work to create movement in different directions. I am continually amazed at the progress Stage Two students have made in reading comprehension. Students read a text and then complete a series of comprehension questions correctly before moving on to the next book. There are ten books in each level and some students have completed 4 levels! Congratulations to Zeke Weller who completed this week, at school and home, an incredible 15 books in Reading Eggs!

Awards this Week:
Art: Lulu and Rebecca
School Rule: Alannah and Patrick
Thank you, Noeleen Lumby

Stage 3 News:
Well done Stage 3 for ‘Showing the Way’ at the Book Fair on Friday. You really did get into the spirit of the day and made it such a success. The leadership at the assembly, the support for the concert and the pride taken in our class display was wonderful. Thank you to the many families who joined in the celebrations.

We will now work to develop a power point presentation due by week 8 to showcase cultural artefacts and music/musical instruments (or pictures); cooking food to share with a small group of students is due in week 10 in an Asian expose for all of the children to visit. The children will need to create the traditional clothing to wear for the display (where possible) for week 10’s exhibition and work with the younger classes to teach them about Asia.

Congratulations to Archer and Lachlan who also recorded 20 PRC books by last Friday!

Other challenges: Premiers Sporting Challenge on track for Diamond Award; Premiers Spelling Challenge (Regional Wednesday 10 September), the inschool
Spelling Bee Challenge will take place on Tuesday 2 September.
Public Speaking Challenge - Year 4 - 'The Power of Fingers and Year 5/6 - 'The Value of Neighbours'.
Our inschool Public Speaking challenge will be held on Wednesday 3 September during the morning session.
Small Schools Public Speaking Challenge Thursday 11 September, we will select two representatives from each stage.
Congratulations Silver Award: Aidan and Archer

Awards this week:
Demonstrating respectful relationships with others: Archer and Angus
Maths: Oscar, Bianca and Bailey
Regards, Suezanne Bourke

P&C News:
Once again thank you to all who helped out with the Sydney holiday raffle, and as we all know congratulations goes to the winner Amanda Fowler.
The September markets are on Sunday 7th, rostered on the BBQ stall; Bevan Airey, Joe Weller, Michelle Mark, Sherryn Heffernan, Louissa McPherson; Lettuce Kacey Weller; Onion Emma Irvin; Tomatoes Jemal Airey.
Cheers Joe 0419 013 740

SCIP News:
Congratulations to Patrick Farrell who has achieved his bronze medal. He will be presented with his bronze medal at the Term 3 concert.
Thank you to everyone who performed at Book Week.
Term 3 concert: I am planning to hold the SCIP Term 3 concert on the last Wednesday of term (Wed Sept 17) at 5.00pm. Please note this date in your diaries. Keep working on the pieces that you are playing at the concert.
If you would like to join SCIP or want further information, please contact me.
Helen Gill 6493 2448

Community News:
Fundraising event for Irene Trezise of Wolumla for MS Treatment.