Thank you Greta Workers Sports & Recreation Club Ltd
Thank you to the Greta Workers Sports and Recreation Club who kindly donated $3000 to our school as part of their community support program. The school will put this money to very good use.

Asthma Action Plans
After the cross country several children were suffering from asthma. Most of these children did not have an asthma action plan. If your child has asthma would you please give the school a copy of their asthma action plan.

Children’s Safety
We have had three recent experiences either at bus stops or with cyclists who are not acting safely. Yesterday, at the bus stop on Dalwood Road/View St, a young boy was nearly hit by a car. Today we received a call saying that children at the Durham Rd/Hillview Rd bus stop were running out into the middle of the road playing “chicken” with the cars.

Yesterday, a member of my staff nearly hit a cyclist on his way to school. The staff member was clearly shaken. While in both near miss cases we were able to contact the parent to let them know, it appears that the children themselves need some supervision.

1. Children at bus stops should just stay on the correct side of the road and quietly wait for their bus.
2. They are entitled to free bus travel going directly from school to home and home to school. They should not be getting on or off at other bus stops.
3. Cyclists should ride down the left side of the road and obey the signs. They should NOT ride unsupervised if they are younger than 8 years.

None of us want to lose a child because of carelessness and dangerous behaviour. Please talk to your child/ren!

Calendar of Events

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P&C Meeting
What a great meeting we had last night. It was pleasing to see new members participating and joining in the discussions. We had the current executive elected to the same positions. For some it will be their last year, so it was important to have new members.

Mrs Ballenden attended to present our Action Plan for the Positive Behaviour for Learning processes (PBL), and to show the questions that students from Y4-6 will answer online as part of the “Tell Them From Me” survey. This will give us information regarding how students see our school.
Year 6 T-Shirts
Final payments for T-shirts are due 20th March an order will be compiled and sent away on Monday, 23rd March, no late orders will be accepted.

SRC Fundraiser
The SRC will be holding a “Rainbow Day”, next Thursday, 26th March. Students are invited to wear colourful clothes, and to participate, a gold coin donation would be appreciated. The fundraiser is to assist Year 6 in funding their gift to the school at the end of the year.
Please remember: Sensible clothing and shoes, shoulders covered as it is K-2’s sports day.

Gardening
Stage 3 would like to jazz up the garden near their rooms. If anyone has any spare agapanthus plants they have dug up or any other hardy plant, we’d love to adopt them!

Aussie Bush Camp
Stage 2 excursion to Aussie Bush Camp EOI are due at the office by Friday 27th March as booking arrangements have to be made. This excursion is an excellent opportunity for our students to participate, within their comfort zone, in a variety of outside the classroom educational activities, with highly trained instructors. The cost of the excursion is approximately $245 per student.

Miss Towns leave
At the end of this week Miss Towns will be taking leave to have her knee operated on. This was after the false start a fortnight ago. Mrs Kerryl Russell will still teach the class during Miss Town's absence. All going well, Miss Towns should return in Week 4 next term.

Parent Teacher interviews
Week 9—23rd March to 27th March.

Zone Cross Country
The Zone Cross Country will be held on Friday 27th March at Tocal Collage. Students who have qualified have been given notes, which need to be returned ASAP. Parents need to provide transport to and from the event. Students need to be there by 9.30am and will walk the course at 9.45am. Events will begin at 10.30am. Good Luck to all students!

Please note: Miss Miles will be attending though she will be given a job and will be unable to supervise students. Mr Johanson will also be in attendance as he is one of the event organisers.

Ambulance Cover
We would like parents to understand that from 2012, the Ambulance Service of NSW has been responsible for the statewide insurance coverage for the provision of emergency ambulance service to all enrolled NSW Government school students. Schools do not have to arrange individual payments to the Ambulance Service of NSW.

In the event that a student enrolled in a NSW government school has an accident or falls ill whilst at school or an organised, fully supervised school excursion and requires an emergency ambulance service, the Ambulance Service of NSW Group Cover Scheme-Schools (AGSC scheme) ensures that neither the school nor the parents will be responsible for the payment of the ambulance account under the terms and conditions of the Policy.

We have a duty of care to call an ambulance if we feel it is necessary. Therefore you need to know that there will not be any cost for parents.
The next general meeting will be held on 28th April at 9:30 am in the staffroom. Thank you to all that attended the AGM last night.
The following positions are as follows:
President—Sally Lamb
Vice President—Naomi Morgan
Treasurer—Leigh Lovell
Secretary—Allison Moore and Penny Faustini.

Easter Hat Parade and Raffle—2nd April
Kindergarten Easter hats will be made in class. Years 1 to 6 please start making your Easter Hat at home.

Please join your child for a picnic lunch at 1:00pm and the parade will commence at 1:50pm.
Thank you to the wonderful families who have donated so far. Please continue to bring Easter items in for the hampers. Raffle tickets were sent home on Monday with one raffle book per student, tickets 50c each. If you require more raffle tickets they are available from the school office.

Wrapping of Easter donations will be Friday, 27th March 9:30am at the Branxton Golf Club. Please see Sally Lamb for any further information.

Canteen Roster

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P & C

Pavers
Would you like to be part of history and purchase a paver to add to our existing paved area. Please find an order form attached.

Lost Property
With the cooler weather approaching lots of jumpers have made their way to lost property. Unfortunately the jumpers have no names so we are unable to return them. Please parents write your child’s name in their jumpers and all belongings.

Drum Set and Instructor Required.
Do you have a drum set hanging around at home that you are willing to donate to the school, our school band would be very appreciative.

We also need a volunteer drum instructor to teach on a Thursday for 1/2 hour per week for first half of lunch commencing 1:05pm. A working with children check is required.

Canteen News
Canteen rosters were sent home on Monday for Term 2, please contact Denise if you did not receive one.

Updated canteen price list has gone out today with this newsletter. Breakfast menu on the reverse side of canteen price list.

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