Welcome
Welcome to school for 2015! There have been many smiling faces at school this week. The majority of students have returned and commenced their studies for the new school year. We have had good planning opportunities in the latter part of 2014 and on Tuesday of this week.

I have spoken with many students this week about making the most of the opportunities available at school, to be familiar with the requirements of the Student Welfare & Discipline Policy, taking care of their relationships with students and staff, and ensuring they have a school diary and other required equipment.

There are some staffing matters of which to be aware. The school was selected to participate in a program titled Early Action for Success. The program focuses on assisting students in the development of their literacy and numeracy skills. Through this program the school advertised an Instructional Leader position. Following a merit selection process, Ms Tracy Durheim has been appointed to this position which is across both Evans River and Coraki schools. Mrs Kristin Piccoli will relief as Assistant Principal at this time. While Mrs Fields continues on leave, Mrs Kylie Elliott will work with one of our Year 5/6 classes. We welcome Mr Isaac Fields, Mr Jason Stock and Ms Lauri Barron back to the school staff and Mrs Rebecca Tibbey. Mrs D’Anna has taken on, in an acting capacity, the newly established position of Head Teacher, Special Education.

This position is currently being advertised. Mrs Price is continuing to act in the role of Head Teacher, PDHPE.

We all look forward to working with you for a great year for each of the students of our school.

Acceptable Uniform 2015
Jade shirt with embroidered logo (white with embroidered logo for seniors), plain navy on bottom half (not denim & no coloured inserts, stripes, pockets or logos), footwear is to be completely black (no coloured logos, trim, sides of soles or laces), footwear must be leather, suede or vinyl (not canvas), completely cover the foot (ie sealed, no mesh) and of sturdy construction (ie a shoe or boot; ugh boots are not acceptable); navy, black, grey or white short socks (not multi-coloured). Shorts and skirts must reach the length of the finger tips when arms and hands are extended down the side of the body. Boys: One of the three school tops for cold weather (all have the school’s logo). Girls are same except they also can wear plain navy button down knit cardigan. Navy is preferred for headwear. Senior students are also permitted to wear a plain white button down shirt with firm collar (ie not a polo) with a school tie, pleated
**Diary**

This Week - Week 2 Term 1 - Week B

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Next Week - Week 3 Term 1 - Week A

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**Coming Events**

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**Equipment Students Need to Bring to School**

All parent/carers are asked to ensure students from Year 3-12 attend school with the equipment required to complete their school work. Any families experiencing genuine financial hardship meeting this need are asked to make contact with Mrs D’Anna or Mr Walker at the school. Parents and carers are encouraged to maintain good contact with class teachers to ensure students are presenting at school with the required equipment.

**Equipment List (minimum)**

- Pencil Case
- Red Pen
- Pencil
- Blue or Black pen
- Pencil Sharpener
- Eraser
- Ruler
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Liquid Paper is NOT to be brought to school
- Diary use is compulsory (the specific school diary)

**Dropping Off and Picking up Students to/from School**

Parents are reminded ‘No Parking Zone’ has been established in Cypress Street for parents who wish to pull up in their car and drop off or pick up their children. Should you wish to accompany your child into the grounds you are most welcome to do so by coming into the southern car park, parking the car and walking in with your child. **PLEASE DO NOT drop off children in the southern car park unless parking in a designated parking space. Unloading children near the ‘intersection’ in the car park or the canteen delivery bay is a safety risk. There have been numerous ‘near misses’. In particular you are asked NOT to use the canteen delivery bay as a pick up/drop off location — please use the Cypress St ‘No Parking Zone’ for quick pick up/drop offs.** Parents and students are reminded there are two access gates in Cypress street for pedestrian and push bike access to the school. **PLEASE DO NOT use the car park gates for pedestrian access to the school.** If you are on foot or bike please use the Cypress St entrances. All students are reminded that on entering the school they are to dismount their bikes and walk them to the bike racks.

**Evans River K-12 Suspension Procedures**

From time to time students will engage in behaviour which is unacceptable in our school setting. Where the behaviour is extreme or ongoing the situation may arise where it will be in the best interest of the school community and the student/s involved that the student be suspended from school for a period of time or even permanently excluded.

The school has copies of the Department’s Guidelines for suspension and exclusion and these are available from the office.

Parents and students are advised that suspension is immediate where a student:

- Is in possession of a suspected illegal drug
- Is violent or threatens serious physical violence
- Is in possession of a prohibited weapon.

In other circumstances suspension will usually occur after there has been school based intervention of some kind.

Parents are also advised that there are many staff who are available to assist students in management of their behaviour. Such assistance will hopefully prevent behaviour problems from progressing and resulting in suspensions or exclusion. Please feel encouraged to contact the following personnel for assistance if you have a concern about your child’s behaviour: Deputy Principals, Year Advisers, Executive Staff and School Counsellor.

**Rob Walker – Principal**

**Free Microsoft Office 2013**

The New South Wales Department of Education & Communities has offered its students the ability to download some key software to support the NSW DEC BYOD policy. This software has been made available to all school students. This software includes Microsoft Office 2013, Adobe Creative Suite 6, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 8.1 upgrades and also Microsoft Office for Mac 2011.

This is FREE software worth hundreds of dollars that you as a public school student can access. Students will need their @education.nsw.gov.au student email address to register on their first visit. See Mr Delman or Mr Chipz for more details and an instruction sheet on how to get this fantastic offer.

**Mr Delman and Mr Burston**

**Immunisation Schedule 2015**

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**All Years 11 &12**

| Term 2     | Monday | 11/05/15 |

**ScienceTrivia!**

**This Week’s Question:** Monotremes are egg-laying mammals, the order comprising echidnas and which other animals?
Canteen Help Please

The school canteen is in desperate need of volunteers. Anyone who has any spare time, your help would be greatly appreciated. Our canteen is an essential service for students and staff. Please contact Fay Granger, Canteen Supervisor.

Welcome to our new students and families joining us for 2015, and welcome back to all our existing students and families. For those of you who do not know me I am the school’s Community Liaison Officer. My role covers many areas such as working with parents encouraging them to participate in school life. Working with the community and various organisations to bring opportunities to the school such as the Dental Van service as well as funding opportunities. I am in attendance at the school Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. If any student or parent has any queries about any aspect of the school or groups within the school I am happy to help find the answers. I also help coordinate the student environment group called The Ecowarriors which has been very active in the school since 2007. Another of my groups is the morning P&C, which is held on the third Monday of each month at 9am; meeting in front of the Kinder room and then moving to a meeting room. This group was very active last year, helping to raise substantial funds for the school. This group not only raises funds but is active in finding answers to many questions regarding parent queries. It is an opportunity to meet other parents in a very casual setting, join us for a cuppa. Younger children are always welcome.

This year all students from Yrs7—12 require a school diary. The Evans River diary is available from the school office for $5.00. As this diary has been made with specific Evans River school information, no other diary will be acceptable. These diaries will be in use from week

We operate school banking in the primary school. If you are interested let me know or see Gael in the uniform store. Then just call into the Summerland Credit Union to register your child and they will let the school know when you join.

Peer support started today as a lead up to a favourite Yr. 7 excursion the NYMBOIDA peer support camp.

Canteen Roster - Week B

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School Diaries for Purchase

In 2015 it will be a mandatory requirement for students from Years 5 to 12 to purchase a specified diary for use in all classes. Students have until Friday 13th February to purchase their diary. The school has ordered the diaries and these are now available for purchase from the office at a cost of $5.00 each.

Students will be recording all homework tasks and assessments in their diaries. Excursions, assessment, daily requirements, student movements, lesson changes and PDHE activities can be recorded so students can be prepared every day. Students will be required to get a parent or guardian to sign the diaries weekly and a teacher will check and sign at the end of each week during START.

From this Friday, 30th January and every recess next week the diaries will be available at a stall set up in front of the staffroom. Students will need to bring $5 cash and have their name marked off our lists. Receipts will be available upon request at the time of payment.

Diaries help children to be organised from lesson to lesson and from week to week.

Penny Cooper - Head Teacher Science
**Uniform Store**

Eftpos Available
The School Uniform Store operates each
Friday 8:30am to 9:30am

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**P&C News**

Our next meetings will be held on Monday 16th February. Our morning meeting takes place at 9:00am in the Administration Building and the second meeting is held in the Library at 4:30pm. This will be our first meeting for 2015. Come along, we love to see new faces and hear fresh ideas.

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