acceptable reasons for being absent from school. To assist parents/carers we have provided copies of a note that can be used when a student is absent from school.

RUGBY LEAGUE

This week Mr Simpson and Mr Gallagher and a number of our senior boys will be involved in Rugby League trials on Friday 7th March. It is important that those students selected to attend return their permission notes as soon as possible so we have a clear indication of who will be attending on the day.

PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

This term we will be conducting parent/teacher interviews on Tuesday 25th March. A note will be coming home shortly where parents/carers will have the opportunity to nominate prospective interview times. This will be a great opportunity for parents/carers to discuss with class teachers how their child has settled into school this year and how they are performing both socially and academically. For parents/carers of our Aboriginal students this will also be an opportunity to discuss your child’s Personalised Learning Plan for this Semester.

ASSEMBLY

Thank you to those parents/carers and friends that were able to attend our assembly last Friday.
and support those students who had won ribbons and trophies at our recent swimming carnival. Congratulations to Marshall Lockyer who has been selected to swim at the North Coast Swimming Carnival.

At assembly we were also lucky enough to be entertained by Bec, from the Clarence Valley Conservatorium who performed a number of drum solo’s. If any students are interested in learning any musical instrument they are encouraged to please contact the front office to obtain enrolment forms.

YOU CAN DO IT

Thank you to 4/5s who gave some very helpful hints at last week’s assembly to all the students about the importance of “Getting Along” with each other. The use of the youtube video clips was very entertaining whilst still providing a strong key message about the importance of working together as a team, using good manners, talking nicely, listening, accepting ideas from others and complimenting each other in a positive manner. I’m sure most parents/carers would agree that these are important skills that all students should be using both at home, school and in the local community. Our next assembly will be on Friday 28th March, as always all parents/carers, friends and community members are invited to come along and support our students.

In the following weeks we will be looking at the “Blockers” to our success. These are the things that get in the way of us being happy or doing the best as we can. We will be working on identifying them, seeing what effect they have on us and how we can prevent them from stopping us from reaching our potential.

Five Blockers to Success and Happiness
Sometimes things happen in life that causes us to stop and reflect on what we have done and where our journey has taken us. I found this quote from Sam Ewing that makes a very interesting point.

“When you finally go back to your old home, you find it wasn’t the old home you missed but your childhood and all the important people in it”.

FINGER BUN DAY

The next finger bun day will be on Monday 31st March. $1.50 for a full bun or $0.80 for a half bun.

WIN 10 IPADS FOR OUR SCHOOL

Coupons will appear in the Daily Examiner from 22 February to 31 March 2014. Collect as many coupons as you can and bring them to school for our chance to win 10 Ipads for our school.

LIVE LIFE WELL

Some hints sent from Live Life Well at School: Choosing the right lunch box is important: make sure children can open all containers and lunch boxes easily; check that containers can fit inside the insulated lunch bag; ensure children can easily take off any food wrappings; check that all bottles of water can be opened; small easy to open containers are excellent for cut up or canned fruit, cut up vegie sticks or salad, homemade muffins, etc.

BOOKPACK CONTRIBUTION

Thank you to those families who have paid their voluntary contributions for the 2014 school year. The fee is currently $40 per student with a maximum of $120 per family. This amount can be paid off in instalments throughout the year. All funds received help offset the costs of providing exercise books, some text books, pencils, ruler and other general stationary equipment for students as well as subscriptions to web based learning tools such as Mathletics and Reading Eggs. If there is a problem with paying the fees please feel free to discuss it with the office staff.

COMMUNITY NEWS

MILO CRICKET: When: Wednesday 12/3/14 Where: JJ Lawrence Fields
Time: 430pm-630pm Ages 7-12 welcome (Primary School)
Sausage sizzle will be running for a gold coin donation! Guaranteed great afternoon of fun!!! Fully supervised event!!Further details please contact
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