Co-operation will be invited to participate in a Reward Picnic Day at Drexell Park this Friday. Friday will be a MUFTI day for students. Please no thongs or singlet tops. Parents have already provided local area excursion permission. If you do not want your child to attend, please provide this information to class teachers.

Mathletics
All students have access to the program Mathletics. It is a great way to consolidate maths. Please ask your class teacher for user names and passwords if your child does not know these.

School Planning
During Term 4, we will be talking to parents in order to develop our strategic directions for the next three years. If you would like to be on a steering committee for our school plan, please let me know.

Great Writing
Congratulations Malachi Drury for your fantastic effort with your writing.

School Holidays
As this is the final week of term I would like to take the opportunity to publicly thank every staff member for the effort they have put into improving outcomes for our students this term.

On behalf of all staff I wish you safe and happy holidays. We look forward to seeing you all again when school starts for students on Tuesday 7th October.

Mrs Julie Ashby
Principal
ICAS ENGLISH ASSESSMENT

Congratulations to Matthew Hyam who participated in the recent international English competition, receiving a Credit for his efforts and finishing in the top 34% of Australian year 4 students. Well done to Tayia Hollingsworth, Abbie Haughton and Ellyse Cox who received Participation Awards.

Mrs Clifton

K – 2 AFL SKILLS DAY

Unfortunately, the AFL Skills Day which was postponed earlier this year and re-organised for Friday, 12th September at a changed venue of West Street Oval, Nowra has BEEN POSTPONED AGAIN.

This program will now be offered at school at a date to be advised.

Mrs Thomson

P & C NEWS

Canteen Operations

The canteen will open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays only until further notice. If you would like to volunteer to help in the canteen please contact the P&C Committee directly or phone the school and leave a message.

P&C Meeting

Tuesday, 16th September, 2014 at 7.00 pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

THE AUSTRALIAN BALLET AT BUNDANON

Forty Stage 3 students attended both art and movement workshops run by members of the Australian Ballet and Bundanon art staff. The day focused on space and shape and the students came back to school with some innovative 3D card sculptures. In the movement workshops they learnt some dancing techniques and put together movements to create their own dance. The day finished with a presentation from the Australian Ballet dancers who spoke about their own backgrounds, demonstrated some steps and techniques and displayed some costumes from past Australian Ballet performances. They all agreed that the day was “totally awesome”.

Visit the library to see their art work and photographs of the day.

Thanks to the Bundanon Trust for funding this great opportunity for our students.

Mrs Clifton

MOBILE MATHS GAMES

Channel your child’s interest in playing mobile apps into a chance to improve their maths skills and recall. The free School A to Z app has a Maths Monkey game to help test times tables and the follow-up app, Maths Monkey’s Quest ($1.99), challenges kids from Yr 2 to Yr 8 with addition, subtraction, ratios and percentages. Both apps are created by the NSW Department of Education and are available for Apple iPhones and iPads, and Android phones and tablets. You’ll find links to both here: http://bit.ly/oSREyV

MAKE IT EASY

Children (and adults) are more likely to eat healthy snacks if it is made easy for them. Try cutting up some fruit and putting it in the fridge for when the kids come home. If it is easy to grab they are more likely to eat it.