Dear Parents and Carers,

It is so pleasing and heartening when we see our students blossom, and there were several instances where this was the case again this week. On Tuesday we held our Sorry Day assembly, marked to recognise the apology given by Prime Minister Kevin Rudd to the Stolen Generations in 2008. The level of respect displayed by our students showed a great deal of warmth and sincerity, and the students who hosted the ceremony displayed pride and leadership.

On Wednesday we were very lucky to witness our dance group’s dress rehearsal for the North Coast Dance Festival in which they are participating next week. To see this group of talented students having such a great time and performing so confidently is extremely pleasing. So too was the wonderful support and appreciation shown by the audience.

Finally, congratulations to all our students who participated in the school’s public speaking competition, of which the finals were held yesterday. Speaking in front of an audience is extremely daunting for anyone, so it is wonderful to see our students being able to overcome their fears and present so well and so confidently. Special congratulations to our winners.

School Stream
You may recall the school trialled a smartphone app called Skoolbag. Whilst this was reasonably successful we are looking to improve school-home communications through a new app called School Stream. School notices, newsletters and even emergency information will be able to send to your mobile phones like a text message. Please look out for information regarding this soon.

Thank you to the continued support of our P&C Association. At Monday night’s meeting it donated $1000 towards new school and house banners as well as $500 towards library resources. Gratefully appreciated!

Thanks to Lilly, Taya, Misty, Locklan, Sukhneet, Emma, Tyler, Jack and Susie from 1/2M for their lovely portraits that are now decorating my office.

Regards
Peter Flannery
PRINCIPAL
## Congratulations to our Royal Bees

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**Be safe**  
**Be fair**  
**Be a learner**
Band and Choir News

Band
I would like to start by congratulating all of the band students at Ballina Public School. I am having so much fun with all of the fresh new learners as well as the committed long-term band members. Our Tuesday afternoon extra practice sessions are going brilliantly with everyone setting and working towards his or her own goal before getting together to practice playing with an ensemble. These Tuesday afternoon rehearsals are optional, however they have been invaluable for those attending – I can really hear a marked improvement for these students. All band students, junior or senior, who are keen to work hard and see the rewards are encouraged to attend. A reminder to all band students that there will be no band in week 7 as I will be at a training course on Tuesday and attending the North Coast Dance Festival on Wednesday. There will also be no Thursday morning band in week 7.

Choir
Congratulations to our choir who have been working hard every Monday afternoon on a varied repertoire. We have had a few clashes with sport and students feeling torn between choir and sport. We are working on sorting this out with a small timetable change so I look forward to having all of the members attend with their usual enthusiasm next week. Congratulations on your beautiful performance at our Sorry Day assembly, as usual you touched the audience with your lovely voices and sensitivity.

I am still working on the final edits for your rehearsal CDs and folders – I appreciate your patience and hope to have these out to students by week 8.

Performance by Elijah Hickling
I would like to say a huge thank you to Elijah (a senior student from Southern Cross School). He performed at our Sorry Day Assembly and his original composition, singing and guitar playing has inspired many of our students. Thanks for giving up your time to perform for us.

Amanda Drinkwater, Band/Choir Co-ordinator

P and C News

COFFEE CLUB
All Parents and Carers are welcome to join us for free afternoon tea, every second Thursday from 2.30~3pm. The next Coffee Club will be Thursday, June 11th. It’s a great opportunity to catch up, and meet other families from our school, and to have an informal chat with our Principal, Peter Flannery. Hope to see you there.
The P & C Committee

Ballina Public school sends out big Happy Birthday wishes to:
Falon, 1-2M
Tyreeq, 1-2M
Savannah, 3-4H
Claire, 3-4N
Jacob, 5-6J
Vivani, 5-6T
These students celebrated their birthdays both last week and this week. We hope your day was great!

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Did you Know: Sea Otters sleep holding hands, so they don’t drift apart from each other. Awww Cute!

Colleen 0457 641431

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