Melbourne Cup Sweep
We will be running our usual Melbourne Cup Sweep next Tuesday. Cost is $1 per horse and you can enter as many times as you like. All entries will receive and horse in the race. The horses will be drawn on Monday 2nd November. If you would like to enter please send in the money and names to school by next Monday.

Web Address
The students at school saw a number of videos that were produced by Michael Marchment during his talk last week. These can be found at

http://vimeo.com.kfbproduction

If the students want to view them again at home.

K/1/2 Excursion
A reminder that children need to be at the school mailbox at 8.20am and at Moama Shire Offices at 8.50am. Children must be in full school uniform and have enough food and drink for the entire day.

Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to come on Friday. Annie Peat and Natalie Durrant will be attending after their names were drawn out of a hat.

P. & C. Change of Date
The P. & C. AGM and final meeting for 2015 has been changed to Monday the 16th of November at 7.30pm.

Awards
Students to receive awards last week were:
Lily L - Improving in all areas of Mathematics
Lachlan D - Finishing all Year 3 Project Maths early
Jim - Always being helpful in class
Miranda - Great number skills
Eliza P - Working independently in all class tasks
Kate - Developing very good “Joining” writing
Book Award - Lachlan B., Alec & Megan
Student of the Week - Fred Peat

Thank you
We would like to thank the parents who placed orders from the Parent Direct & Chalk catalogues. We were able to select resources from Modern Teaching Aids to the value of $122 with the commission we received from the sales.

Earn & Learn
The school collected a total of 21,240 points for the Woolworths Earn & Learn promotion. From this we were able to select a large number of resources for the school. Once again a big thank you to everyone who helped us collect the stickers.
Schools

There has been a recent increase of whooping cough (pertussis) amongst primary-school-aged children and a modest increase in high schools.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough caught at school can spread to any younger brothers and sisters at home. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and is worse at night. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children.

- Children with symptoms should see a GP.
- If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
- Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades. If your school-aged child has younger siblings, it’s a good idea to check that they are up to date with their vaccines.

Public health units can provide advice to schools managing whooping cough outbreaks.

Whooping cough (sometimes called pertussis) is a serious respiratory infection that causes a long coughing illness. In babies, the infection can sometimes lead to pneumonia and occasionally brain damage and can be even life threatening. Older children and adults can get whooping cough and can spread it to others, including babies.

IDENTIFY symptoms

- Whooping cough starts like a cold with a blocked or runny nose, sneezing, a mild fever and an occasional cough.
- The cough gets worse and severe bouts of uncontrollable coughing develop. Coughing bouts can be followed by vomiting, choking or taking a big gasping breath which causes a “whooping” sound. The cough can last for many weeks and can be worse at night.
- Some newborns may not cough at all but stop breathing completely and turn blue. Other babies have difficulties feeding or they can choke and gag.

Older children and adults may just have a mild cough that doesn’t go away. In adults the cough commonly lasts 5-7 weeks, sometimes longer. In China, whooping cough is known as the 100-day cough!
BUNNALOO PUBLIC SCHOOL
ABSENTEE NOTE

Child’s Name: .................................................................
Class: ......................
Dates Absent: .................................................................
Reason: .................................................................
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Signature (Parent / Guardian) ......................... Date: ..............

If your child is going to be absent from school please call staff in the school office to let them know as soon as possible.
Please send this completed note to school on the first day back after your child’s absence.