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**Infants Assembly: Merits**
- Miley Cox – Kindergarten
- Zack Richardson – Kindergarten (Absent)
- Mitchell Wofenden - Kindergarten
- Sunny Aldridge – Year 1
- Jordan Bendiech – Year 1
- Sonny Cougle – Year 1
- Cody Hooper – Year 1 (Absent)
- Charlie Keyte – Year 1
- Jack Orchard – Year 1
- Lakeisha Smith – Year 1 (Absent)
- Zac Nicholson – Year 1
- Angela Wigley – Year 2
- Cohen Watt – Year 2
- Brooke Wilson – Year 2
- Kye Wilson – Year 2

**Infants Assembly Awards:**
- 2/3M
  - Izaac Boag – consistent high quality work
  - Brooke Wilson – consistent high quality work
- 1/2M
  - Emily Davis – improved literacy skills
  - Sunny Aldridge – always being on task
  - Riley Coleman – taking pride in his bookwork
  - Jett Johnson – excellent work in mathematics
- 1H
  - Elka Petersen – consistent effort in all subject areas
  - Lucy Pearce – consistent effort in all subject areas
  - Charlotte Nunn – consistent effort in all subject areas
  - Malik El Mohamad – completing his work and producing quality work
- K/1J
  - Zedric Gottstein – outstanding effort in mathematics
  - Ashlyn Johnson – taking the lead in our Assembly item
  - Neve Forsaith – improvement in reading
  - Te Ara Pounamu Walker – engaging more independently in literacy groups
- KB
  - Milla Giffin – excellent efforts in reading and writing
  - Isaac Hourn – improved concentration and working hard to complete set tasks
  - Charlie Maxwell – excellent efforts in reading and writing
  - Meika Schmitzer – improved sound knowledge and application to set tasks

**Primary Assembly: Merits**
- Kaiden Franks – Year 3 (Absent)
- Hamish Wilson – Year 3
- Nelson Crisp – Year 4 (3 Merits)
- Georgia Daley – Year 4
- Dylan Hooper – Year 4
- Zachary Millikin – Year 4
- Haylee Brabant – Year 4
- Hunter Burns – Year 5 (2 Merits)
- Rodin Griffiths-Da Costa – Year 5
- Teagan Nicholson – Year 5
- Jasmine Axisa – Year 5
- Blayne Smith – Year 6
- Callum Boag – Year 6 (Absent)
- Jesse Welsh – Year 6 (Absent)
- Christina Davis – Year 6
- Halle Ford – Year 6

**Primary Assembly Awards:**
- 2/3M
  - Selina Apolony – quality work in Dinosaur writing activity
  - Xavier Hanna – quality work in Dinosaur writing activity
- 3/4I
  - Riley Giffin – mastering subtraction with trading
  - Timanah Young – extra effort with homework
  - Amy Miller – improvement in procedural writing
  - Lachlan Small – producing quality procedural writing
- 4/5V
  - Olivia Dew – completing tasks on time today that included thoughtful questions and responses
  - Sarah Williams – effort, application and improvement in her 10x,11x tables
  - Lachlan Turville – effort, application and improvement in his 10x, 11x tables
  - Lilli-Mae Geer – effort, engagement and making valuable contributions towards review writing tasks.
- 5C
  - Indian Choma – trying her best and having a go in all areas
  - Teagan Nicholson – always being on task and completing her work
  - Jasmine Axisa – always helping out in the classroom
  - Otto Pickering – working well in our “Amazing Race” activity
- 5/6J
  - Joshua Williams – for always trying hard in maths lessons
  - Tiarn Williams – for trying hard in all areas of school
  - Blayne Smith – for always working well in rainforest lessons
  - Sam Gray – an excellent Mulga Bill presentation
AWARDS CONTINUED ...

Friendly School & Friendly Families
2/3M – Tayla Wait – a kind and caring classmate
1/2M – Reuben Mobbs – being a polite and cooperative student
1H – Zac Nicholson – being a polite and cooperative student
K/1J – Coco Crowley – being a kind, considerate and helpful class member
KB – Jett Nossiter – being a responsible and thoughtful class member
2/3M – Jack Edwards – a kind and caring classmate
3/4I – Bailey McMahon – supportive student – always willing to help
4/5V – Dylan Hooper – his willingness to help, provide and source equipment for outdoor activities for 4/5V
5C – Olivia Knights – helping out her team during dance
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REGIONAL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2014

Congratulations to James Davison who competed in the long jump, the high jump, shot put and 10 year olds 100 metres. Congratulations to Tarli Black who competed in the 8 years old 100 metres at Regional Athletics. Both James and Tarli have qualified to compete in the State Finals. James will compete in the long jump and Tarli will compete in the 100 metres. A fantastic accomplishment and good luck from all at Hallidays Point Public.

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to anyone who you know that has been associated with the Public Schools in Wingham. You can also gain information from the website: winghameducation150@gmail.com
Wingham Public 6553 4186
Wingham Brush 6553 4443
Wingham High 6553 5488

Taree Amateur Swimming Club will be holding a ready.set.race program at our Come and Try afternoon on Sunday 14th September, 2:00pm at Manning Aquatic Leisure Centre. Swimmers of all ages and abilities are welcome.

Taree Amateur Swimming Club meets on Wednesday evenings from 5:45pm during the Summer Season. The club caters for all ages and abilities, including mature age swimmers, from 15 metre swimmers to distance swimmers in all strokes. The Summer Season begins Wednesday 8th October 2014 5:45pm and run through until March 2015.

Registrations for the 2014/2015 season will open on Monday 22nd November. Go to http://taree.swimminng.org.au/ and click on JOIN NOW.

For enquires: email tareasc@gmail.com
call 0410 276 346
or Like us on Facebook

COMBOYNE VILLAGE FAIR
Celebrating Spring
Sunday 14 September from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm.
Entry is $5-00 and under 18’s are free. “Life in Bloom” Floral Display; Car Club Capers of Comboyne; Pop-up Garden Competition; Helicopter Rides; Lawn Mower Racing; 4B3 art exhibition; street markets, live music, Chai Tent, Kids’ entertainment; Great food & Coffee. www.comboynevillagefair.com (See poster on school notice board)

CANTEEN NEWS

DATE OF RED DAY: Wednesday 10th September
Orders/money to be returned by Friday 5th September
Choice between:
Popcorn chicken with fried rice OR
Ham & Cheese curly pasta
WITH Jelly Cup OR Chocolate Custard Cup
AND a Popper (Apple blackcurrent, Orange Mango or Paradise punch)
Please supply paper lunch bag or 10c for bag?

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Name: ____________________________
Contact Number: ______________________
Email: ____________________________

Days available to volunteer (please circle)

WEDNESDAYS and/or FRIDAYS

UPDATED CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3
Please contact Jackie 0447621340 if you wish to volunteer.

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